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Lead poisons children in L.A., both rich and poor

Lead poisoning afflicts hundreds of areas across Los Angeles County, from affluent hubs to low income or gentrifying areas, some at rates higher than Flint, Michigan.

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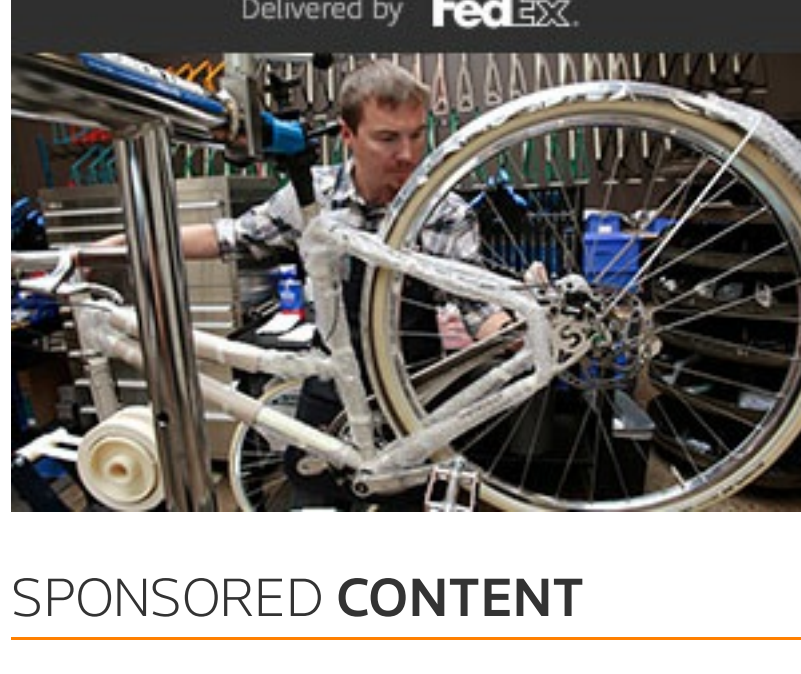
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S&P »	2,348.74	+0.28%	
Dow »	20,404.49	-0.58%	
FTSE 100 »	7,114.36	-0.46%	
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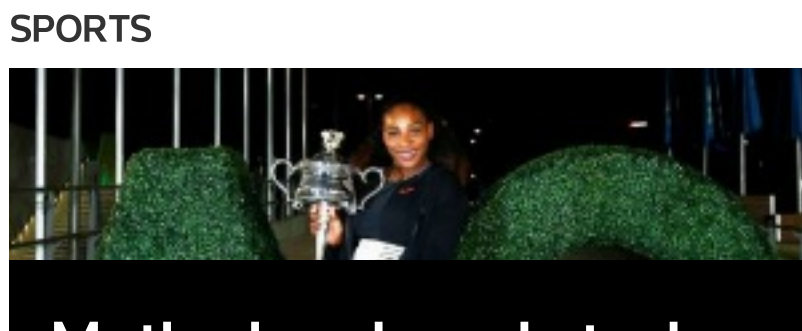
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U.S.-Russian crew reaches space station with one empty seat

A scaled-down, two-man U.S.-Russian crew arrived at the International Space Station on Thursday, six hours after blasting off from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan, a NASA TV broadcast showed.

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Wall Street climbs as earnings gather pace; AmEx boosts Dow

Wall Street was higher in late morning trading on Thursday, boosted largely by gains in financial and materials stocks.

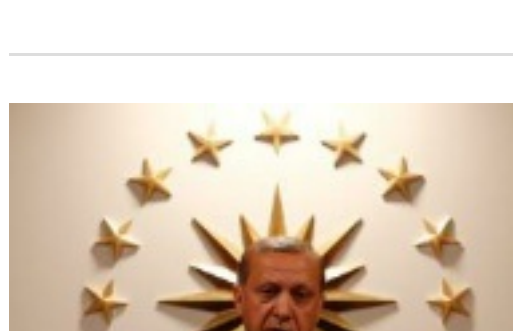
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Worries over Trump policies cloud start of IMF, World Bank meetings

World finance leaders are gathering on U.S. President Donald Trump's home turf on Thursday to try to nudge his still-evolving policies away from protectionism and show broad support for open trade and global integration.

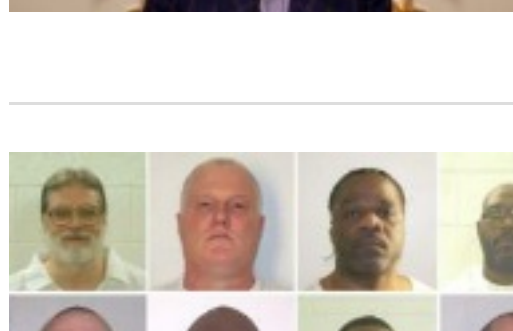
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Turkey's Erdogan to meet President Trump on May 16-17

Turkish President Tayyip Erdogan said on Thursday he will meet his U.S. counterpart Donald Trump in Washington on May 16-17, in their first meeting since Trump took office in January.

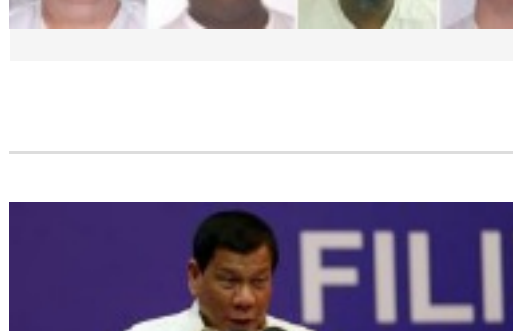
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Arkansas determined to fight legal challenges to executions

Arkansas has said it will appeal a court ruling that bars the U.S. state's use of a lethal injection drug and effectively puts a stop to its plans to execute eight prisoners in 11 days.

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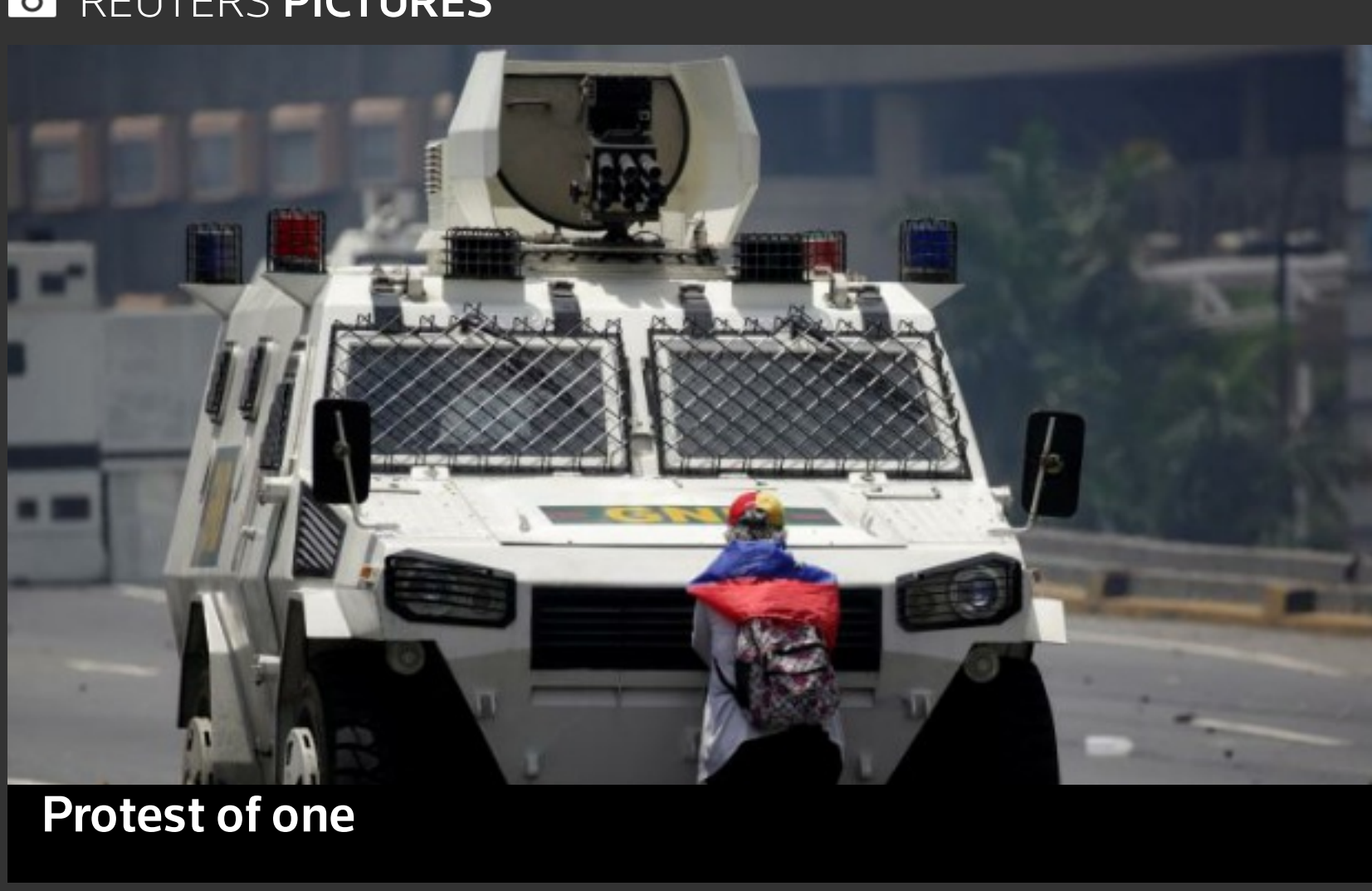


Duterte's office rejects drug-war allegations as 'movie scenes'

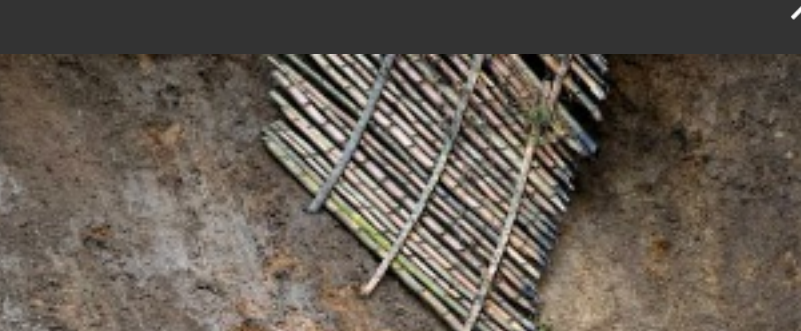
Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte's office rejected allegations on Thursday by two senior police officers in a Reuters report that police received cash rewards for executing drug suspects, while the most high-profile critic of the president backed the officers' claims.

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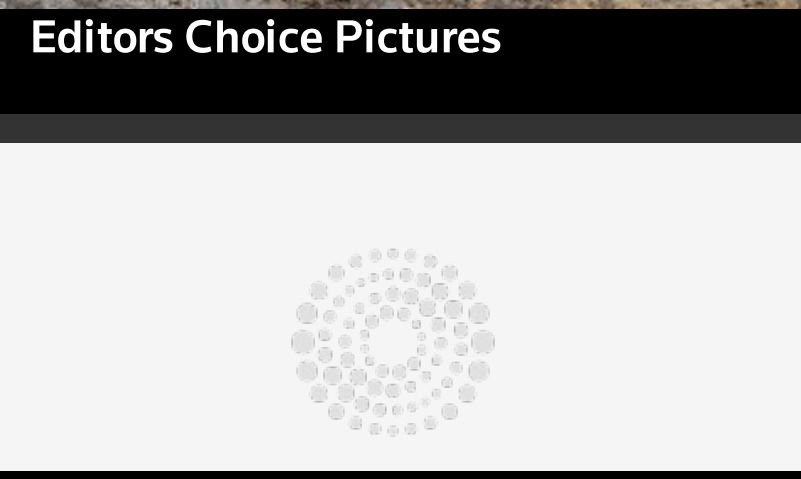
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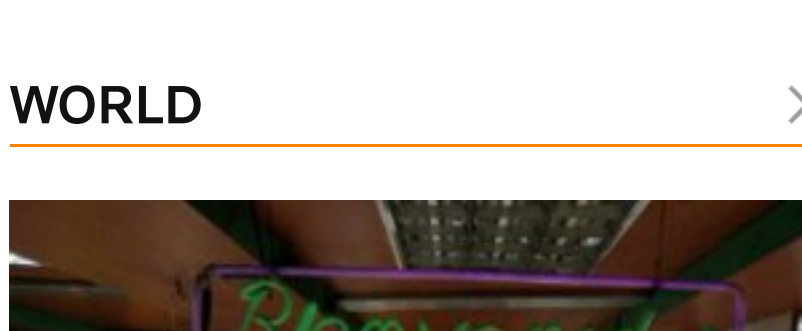
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Oil prices flatten as rise in U.S. production weighs

State public pension funding gap hits \$1.1 trillion in 2015: Pew



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German Muslims fear more radical AfD without Petry in election race

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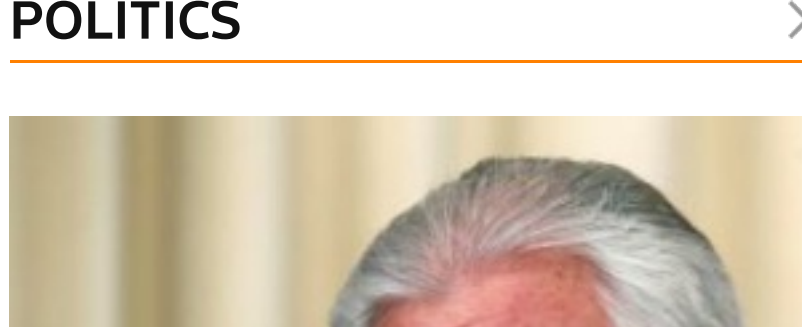


Western Digital would consider Japan partners for Toshiba chip unit bid

Spotify and Merlin agree multi-year license deal

Uber could face higher license fees in London under new proposals

POLITICS



Tillerson accuses Iran of 'alarming provocations' as U.S. reviews policy

Trump and Cuba should start dialogue: Mississippi governor says

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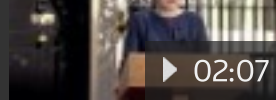


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North Korea issues a warning as U.S. starts drills with the South

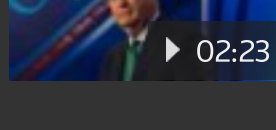
As the U.S. and South Korean air forces begin joint drills, North Korea issues a warning of a "super-massive preemptive strike" that could wipe out the United States.

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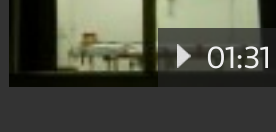
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