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Marion Loughlin (left) and Jay Z

GOATS AND SODA

Citing Abortions In China, Trump Cuts Funds For U.N. Family Planning Agency

The administration claims the U.N. population agency supports China's "coercive" abortion policies. UNFPA calls the claim "erroneous."

PARALLELS - WORLD NEWS

With Murders On The Rise, 2017 On Track To Be One Of Mexico's Deadliest Years

In January alone, 1,938 people were killed. Poor security, the proliferation of drug gangs, corruption and lack of opportunities are among the factors causing the violence.

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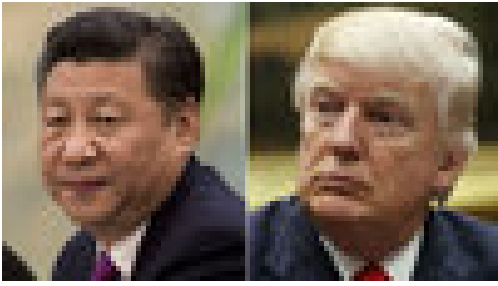


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THE TWO-WAY - NEWS BLOG

Trump Administration Quietly Starts Review Of China's Trade Status

The move is surprising to U.S.-China watchers and comes just days before President Trump is set to meet with Chinese President Xi Jinping in person for the first time.



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MUSIC INTERVIEWS

'I Think It's Hard To Be A Person': Aimee Mann On Compassionate Songwriting

The singer-songwriter's music has long been characterized as melancholy. For her album *Deadly Beauty*, she leaned into that stereotype, writing songs that empathize with other people's struggles.

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SCIENCE

Sound Matters: Sex And Death In The Rain Forest

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