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本周政治要闻

Tributes were paid to Antonin Scalia, one of the justices on America's Supreme Court, who unexpectedly died while holidaying in Texas.

前美国最高法院大法官安东宁·斯卡利亚(Antonin Scalia)在德克萨斯度假时意外身亡。

The political bickering over replacing him was less dignified.

葬礼上，他受到很多人的追悼，但关于其继任者的政治争吵却没有那么体面。

Barack Obama said he would nominate a successor to the conservative Mr Scalia.

巴拉克·奥巴马表示将选出保守派斯卡利亚的继任者，该人选需要获得参议院的认可。

That person would need to be confirmed by the Senate.

共和党人却主张把此任命推迟至新总统上任即十一个月后再进行。

Republicans argued for a delay until the next president takes office in 11 months' time, undoubtedly in the hope that he will be one of their own.

毫无疑问，共和党此举意在希望能有一名共和党人出任该职位。

A federal judge in California ordered Apple to help unlock the iPhone used by one of the Islamists who attacked an office party in San Bernardino last December, killing 14 people.

加利福尼亚的一名联邦法官要求苹果公司小站教育一名伊斯兰教徒的手机。该教徒于去年十二月袭击了圣贝纳迪诺(San Bernardino)的一个办公室聚会，致使 14 人丧生。

The FBI wants Apple to disable the password feature.

联邦调查局希望苹果能够破坏密码系统，但该公司并未服从。

But the company is not complying, arguing that building the software to unlock the phone “would undeniably create a backdoor” to its encryption protocols and give the government “power to reach into anyone's device to capture their data”.

苹果认为编译解锁手机的软件“将无疑给加密协议开了后门”，同时还将给政府“进入个人设备获取数据的权力”。

Trucks carrying aid entered several besieged towns in Syria, including the rebel-held town of

Muadhamiya, near the Syrian capital, Damascus.

载有救援物资的车辆驶入数个被围困的叙利亚小镇，其中包括叙利亚首都大马士革(Damascus)附近被反对派控制的穆阿达米亚(Muadhamiya)镇。

This came ahead of a planned “cessation of hostilities” in Syria's war, thrashed out by America and Russia in Munich.

此次救援发生在叙利亚内战的“休战”之前，这场有计划的休战由美国和俄罗斯在慕尼黑举行的会议上经研究后共同提出。

No one expects the ceasefire to take hold.

无人料到此次停火的出现。

Members of opposition parties in the Democratic Republic of Congo went on strike to protest against efforts by Joseph Kabila, the president, to run for a third term in office.

刚果民主共和国(Democratic Republic of Congo)的反对党通过罢工来抗议总统约瑟夫·卡比拉(Joseph Kabila)竞选第三任期。

Britain was on the brink of agreeing on new terms for its membership of the EU at a summit on February 18th and 19th, clearing the way for a referendum in June.

在二月十八日和十九日举行的峰会上，英国即将同意有关其在欧盟的成员地位的新条款，这为将在六月份举行的全民公投扫清了道路。

David Cameron, the prime minister, was confident of securing a deal in Brussels, but Eurosceptics back home were poised to criticise whatever emerged from the talks.

英国首相戴维·卡梅伦对于在布鲁塞尔达成协议十分自信，但国内的疑欧派却随时准备对会谈中发生的任何事情都进行批评。

The European summit would also tackle the refugee crisis.

欧盟峰会还将对难民危机进行处理。

Austria set a daily cap of 3,200 migrants whom it will allow to cross its borders.

奥地利把过境的难民人数上限设定在每天 3200 人，

It also tightened border controls with countries in the Balkans that migrants cross to reach Austria.

同时还加紧了与巴尔干国家接壤的边境的控制。

Many then travel on to Germany and Sweden.

难民通过巴尔干国家进入奥地利后，很多人继续去往德国和瑞典。

Turkey's prime minister, Ahmet Davutoglu, cancelled a visit to Brussels after a bomb in Ankara, the Turkish capital, killed at least 28 people.

土耳其首都安卡拉(Ankara)发生爆炸，造成至少 28 人死亡，总理艾哈迈德·达武特奥卢(Ahmet Davutoglu)取消对布鲁塞尔的访问。

The device was detonated close to the defence ministry as an army bus was passing by.

一辆军车驶过时，爆炸装置在国防部附近被引爆。

Turkey blamed Kurdish rebels.

土耳其对库尔德武装分子提出谴责。

Russia filed a lawsuit in a court in London to try to get Ukraine to repay a \$3 billion bond.

俄罗斯在伦敦的一个法院对乌克兰提起诉讼，要求偿还价值 30 亿美元的债券。

Ukraine says that Russia has refused to take part in negotiations over restructuring the debt.

乌克兰表示俄罗斯此前拒绝了参与重组债务的和谈。

Meanwhile Ukraine's prime minister, Arseniy Yatsenyuk, survived a vote of no confidence in parliament after the country's president, Petro Poroshenko, called on him to step down, ostensibly over the slow pace of reforms.

与此同时，乌克兰总理阿尔塞·雅琴尼克(Arseniy Yatsenyuk)在一场议会不信任投票中险险保住职位，此前该国总统佩特罗·波罗申科(Petro Poroshenko)表面上以改革进程缓慢为由要求他辞职。

The economy minister recently resigned and blamed Mr Poroshenko for hindering reform.

最近，经济部长辞职并谴责波罗申科阻碍了改革的进行。