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International News

Poland and NATO Shoot Down Russian Drones:

In an unprecedented event since the start of the war in Ukraine, Polish and NATO pilots have shot down Russian drones that violated Polish airspace. The incident occurred during a wider Russian attack on Ukraine, and Polish President Donald Tusk has called the drones, which he says came from Belarus, an "act of aggression." Russia has denied the claims.

Mass Protests in France: Newly appointed French Prime Minister Sébastien Lecornu is facing widespread protests and arrests on his first day in office. Demonstrators, organized under the banner "Let's Block Everything," are protesting government debt and planned budget cuts.

Iran Agrees to Cooperation Framework with UN: After suspending ties following a war with Israel in June, Iran has agreed to a new cooperation framework with the U.N. nuclear watchdog.

Middle East

Tensions Rise After Israeli Attack in Qatar: Qatar has said it reserves the right to retaliate for an Israeli strike on its capital, Doha, which was reportedly aimed at killing Hamas leaders. Six people were killed in the attack, though none were members of the Hamas negotiating team. The attack has been condemned globally, and the UN Security Council is scheduled to meet to discuss the situation.

Gaza Conflict Escalates: The Israeli military has urged a full evacuation of Gaza City as it plans to expand its military operations. There have been

reports of an Israeli airstrike hitting a high-rise apartment building and multiple strikes on a school, refugee tents, and houses in Gaza City killing over 65 people.

Houthi Drone Attacks in Israel: Houthi-launched drones have caused the closure of Ramon Airport near Eilat in Southern Israel, injuring two people.

Other International Developments

Trump and Tariffs: U.S. President Donald Trump has called for the EU to join the U.S. in imposing 100% tariffs on countries that purchase Russian oil and gas, specifically mentioning China and India.

Tesla's China Market Share Declines: For the sixth consecutive month, Tesla has lost market share in China's electric vehicle market due to growing competition from domestic companies like BYD and Xiaomi.

Prisoner Release: U.S. President Donald Trump and Iraqi Prime Minister Mohammed Shia al-Sudani announced the release of Israeli-Russian academic Elizabeth Tsurkov, who was kidnapped in Baghdad in 2023.

Jamaica's General Election: Jamaica's Labour Party, led by Prime Minister Andrew Holness, has secured a third term after winning the general election with 34 seats.

Significant Observances

Patriot Day: The United States observes Patriot Day on September 11th to honor the victims and first responders of the 2001 terrorist attacks.

World First Aid Day: Observed on the second Saturday of September, which falls on the 11th



this year, the day raises awareness about the importance of first aid.

Digvijay Diwas: This day marks the historic speech of Swami Vivekananda at the Parliament of the World's Religions in Chicago in 1893.

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1: According to the provided news, what action did Poland and NATO take in response to a violation of Polish airspace?

- A) They issued a strong diplomatic protest to Russia.
- B) They shot down Russian drones.
- C) They closed their borders with Russia and Belarus.
- D) They initiated a new round of economic sanctions.

Answer: B) They shot down Russian drones. The news states, "Polish and NATO pilots have shot down Russian drones that violated Polish airspace." This was in response to a wider Russian attack on Ukraine and was called an "act of aggression" by Poland's president.

2: Why has Qatar stated it reserves the right to retaliate against Israel?

- A) For a drone attack on a military base.
- B) For an economic blockade imposed by Israel.
- C) For an airstrike in Doha that killed six people.
- D) For a cyberattack on its national infrastructure.

Answer: C) For an airstrike in Doha that killed six people. The report notes, "Qatar has said it reserves the right to retaliate for an Israeli strike on its capital, Doha, which was reportedly aimed at killing Hamas leaders." The attack resulted in six deaths, though no Hamas negotiators were killed.

3: What is the reported trend for Tesla's market share in China's electric vehicle market?

- A) It has increased significantly due to high demand.



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B) It has remained stable despite new competitors.

C) It has declined for the sixth consecutive month.

D) It has fluctuated, but shows no clear trend.

Answer: C) It has declined for the sixth consecutive month.

The news explicitly states, "For the sixth consecutive month, Tesla has lost market share in China's electric vehicle market due to growing competition from domestic companies like BYD and Xiaomi."



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