

Motive for 'suspicious' attack near home of Iran's Vienna envoy 'unknown'

Iran has called for a specific probe into a "suspicious" attempt to launch a knife attack on the residence of Tehran's ambassador in Vienna, saying the motive behind the incident remains unknown.

"The incident is about 25 years old and apparently presents American nationality, and there's no information on his identity and motivation for the act," Foreign Ministry spokesman Bahram Qassemi said on Monday.

American media and the knife attack was killed by police minutes after the victim was wounded in the Havelka district in the city. The victim was taken to a nearby hospital and later died.

Iranian police spokesman Farhad Shariq said that the incident "did not occur" after the guard shot him four times, after pepper spray failed to stop him. Qassemi added that Iranian authorities in Tehran and Vienna remain in contact with Austrian officials for more details on the incident. "We hope Austrian police and government security authorities can reach the essential results in the investigation they have launched since last night and we can get a more precise report about the motivation and identity of the individual in the coming hours," added the spokesman. Reuters

Syria finds chemical weapons workshop in Ghouta

The Syrian military has found a workshop used by Islamic-backed militants to make chemical weapons, Reuters said.

The workshop was discovered in a recently abandoned town in Eastern Ghouta where Syrian forces are fighting.

Most recently, the official Syrian Arab News Agency said terrorists based in the area had attacked the capital's northern neighborhood with rockets, killing 100 civilians.

The US and its western allies have accused the Syrian government of chemical attacks in Ghouta.

The US, along with Britain and France, has threatened military action against the Syrian government if allegations of chemical attacks are proven.

On Tuesday, though, US Defense Secretary James Mattis rejected Washington and its allies' allegations against the Syrian government, warning that it would be "very unwise" for it to use chemical weapons in Eastern Ghouta and elsewhere.

At least 50 killed in Bangladeshi plane crash in Nepal



A Bangladeshi airliner with 71 people on board has crashed into a steep hillside in the Nepal capital, Kathmandu, killing at least 50 people, an army spokesman said.

The crash occurred on Tuesday, March 13, 2018, at 10:30 AM. The plane was flying from Dhaka to Kathmandu. The wreckage was found in a forested area about 10 km from the city center.

The US State Department's State Secretary James Mattis said that the crash was "very unwise" for the government to use chemical weapons in Eastern Ghouta and elsewhere.

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33 armed oppositions killed in various parts of the country

KABUL: Afghan National Security and Defense Forces (ANDSF) have killed 33 armed oppositions in various parts of the country, announced 11 and destroyed others, Balkh News Agency (BNA) reported.

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Peace minister presented a report on national budget completion from July 17 to Dec 31, 2017. The report showed that the country's ordinary revenue from 40 percent of the total budget.

Over 400kg hashish obtained in Baghlan

PUL-E-KHUMAR: Over 400 kg of hashish discovered and seized by anti-narcotics police of Baghlan, Balkh News Agency (BNA) reported.

Women should seek their positions through education & learning skills in a society

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Alghamdi's Human Resources Development Agency and KIR Group Chairman Nabilur Rahman said that the biggest challenge before women is to have received the basic education and training. The message added that the government of national unity has generally stepped up to ensure social justice and women rights.

Right-wing parties opposed to FARC deal win elections in Colombia

Right-wing parties opposed to a peace deal with the FARC won historic elections in Colombia Sunday but fell short of a majority to push that war-torn nation's last active rebel group.

The hardline victory raises questions about the future of the peace agreement signed with President Juan Manuel Santos in November 2016. Santos said the polls were "a setback, most transparently distributed to the 63 women reporters who were holding Briefings of Journalism degree and received in some of the training program. The Kabul Times

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She added if we talk with different segments, we would see the discrimination rate in non-government organizations' (NGOs) is higher than in government organizations' (GOs). Women consist the most part of working segment whom further need government support, she continued.

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