

## Florida building collapse: Fifth body found in survivor hunt

Miami-Dade Mayor Daniella Levine Cava said the number of accounts for has now dropped to 156, with three more of the recovered bodies identified. "Our top priority continues to be search and rescue and saving any lives that we can," she told reporters. Part of the building collapsed early in the morning on Thursday while many residents slept. As yet the cause of the collapse remains unclear. But an engineer's report from Sunday, which highlighted "a major error" in the original design of the seafront Chumley Towers, it said the fault prevented water draining away from the base of the building. President Joe Biden tweeted

families with hotel rooms and food as they wait for news about their loved ones. "My heart is with the community of Surfside as they grieve their lost loved ones and wait anxiously to search and rescue efforts continue," he posted. "Teams have been using machines, divers and specially trained dogs in their efforts to find survivors. These efforts were briefly hampered on Saturday afternoon as a fire broke out underneath the building."

The missing include people from Israel and Latin America, according to reports. Foreign's foreign ministry said six of its nationals had been registered as missing, including relatives of the country's first lady.

Local officials have provided

## Australia's Sydney and Darwin begin COVID-19 lockdowns

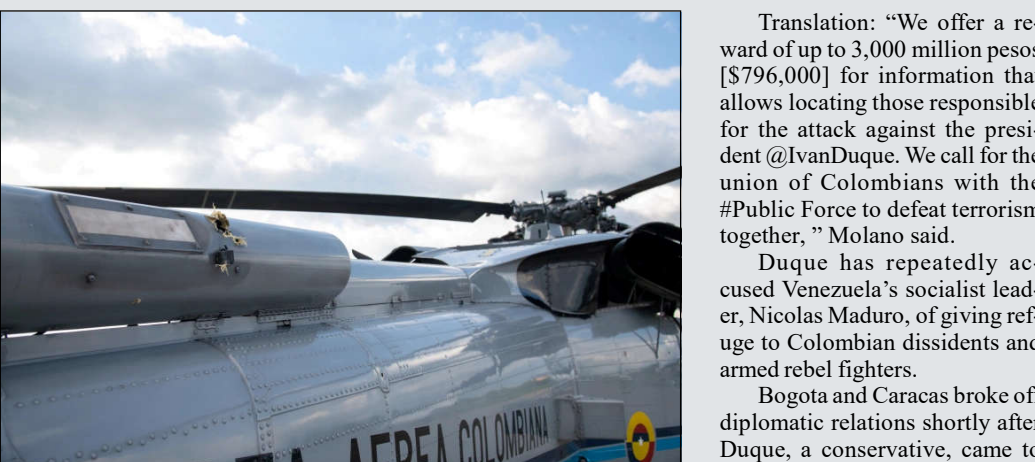


### Lebanese protesters throw stun grenades at soldiers, injuring 10: Army

The soldiers were injured when demonstrators threw stun grenades at army forces during demonstrations in the northern city of Tripoli in Lebanon, the Lebanese Armed Forces said in a statement on Sunday. Lebanese protesters took to the streets of Tripoli over the weekend to express anger over the economic situation and difficult living conditions as the national currency plunged to a new record low. A group of young men on motorcycles threw stun grenades at the soldiers, according to the army. Another group of soldiers that was stationed in the al-Nour Square to maintain security during protests were pelted with stones from demonstrators, the army said. On Saturday, demonstrators tried to storm central bank offices in two major cities, state media reported, and demonstrated on the black market.

Some protesters managed to break through the gates of a branch of the central bank and enter the courtyard, the National News Agency said on Saturday, but the army prevented them from reaching the building. Lebanon has been struggling to deal with its economic crisis since late 2019, which has exacerbated due to the effects of the coronavirus outbreak and the Russian-Ukraine war, leading to a sharp drop in the country's foreign currency. The country is currently facing a shortage of fuel, medicines, and other vital products. Most Lebanese have seen their purchasing power drop and more than half the population now lives below the poverty line.

## Colombia offers \$800,000 reward for info on helicopter attack



The Colombian government is offering a reward of nearly \$800,000 for information that allows locating those responsible for the attack against the president (Ivan Duque). We call for the return of Colombia with the (Public) Force to defeat terrorism together," Maduro said. Duque has repeatedly accused Venezuela's socialist leader, Nicolas Maduro, of giving refuge to Colombian dissidents and armed rebel fighters. Duque and Caracas broke off diplomatic relations shortly after Duque's inauguration, citing its power as a threat. "Our voice is strong" Earlier on Friday, Duque had offered for information leading to those responsible for the assassination of a victim posted in social media. "General Jorge Vargas, the national police chief, and a search team sent to a nearby Caqueta neighborhood found an AK-47 and a 12-caliber rifle," he said, marking the of the Venezuelan armed forces.



## Saudi Arabia seizes over 14 mln Captagonamphetamine pills coming from Lebanon

Saudi Arabia's General Directorate for Narcotics Control has thwarted an attempt to smuggle 14 million Captagon amphetamine tablets hidden inside a shipment of live plants coming from Lebanon, according to Saudi Press Agency (SPA). The shipment was seized in coordination with the Zairi and the Ministry of the Interior. Al-Nagari said that a citizen was arrested in Riyadh region for his participation in the attempt to smuggle the shipment. Saudi Arabia has previously banned the import of Lebanese fruits and vegetables in April after a reported increase in drug smuggling from there. The move came after Saudi Customs failed an attempt to smuggle over 5 million pills of Captagon hidden inside fruit imported from Lebanon. Captagon is used by fighters

it was because of the effects it can have on fighters. It is an amphetamine that has widely been made and exported illegally from Lebanon. Lebanese officials quickly pledged to denounce combat drug smuggling out of the country after Saudi Arabia indicated that all product imports from Beirut. "It sounded like this drug was coming out of Lebanon and we were out on the balcony, it looked like a bomb had exploded," he told the BBC. "When we opened the door, there was no building there, it was just a pile of rubble," he said. Full investigation into the collapse is set to begin after the rescue mission.

In the building has stood since 1981. It was due to its standard 40-year review. It was undergoing its "recertification" process and required repairs, officials said. A study from researchers at Farid International University published last year found that the building had been sinking at rates of two millimeters per year in the 1990s, which may have affected the building's structural integrity. But the author has countered that the study was just a snapshot in time. The building was constructed on reclaimed wetland, which experts say is always of concern as they had underpinnings to compact over time, leading to shifts. As the sinking, the author of the study, Prof. Samir Al-Harbi, said the Miami Herald newspaper. "We've seen much higher than that, but it stood out because most of the area was stable and showed no subsidence," BBC.

