



Syrian Foreign Minister Asaad al-Shaibani (C) attends a UN Security Council meeting on the Middle East at the UN Headquarters in New York



Students hug as they arrive to take part in a gathering in Notre-Dame de Toutes-Aides high school to pay tribute following a knife attack in Nantes, western France



Russian Prez Vladimir Putin and US Prez Donald Trump's special envoy Steve Witkoff prior to their talks at the Kremlin in Moscow, Russia



Employees of Pro Aurum gold house presents 1 Kg gold bars of 999.9 purity in the safe deposit boxes room in Munich, Germany

Top Russian general killed in car bombing near Moscow

PTI, MOSCOW: A top Russian general was killed in a car bomb blast near Moscow on Friday, with the Foreign Ministry describing it as a terrorist act, according to a media report. Deputy director of the Main Operations Directorate of the General Staff of the Ministry of Defence, Lt. General Yaroslav Moskalik, was killed when an improvised explosive device went off, Vesti FM radio cited the Investigative Committee as saying.

"Fragments of the device were found at the site and have been sent for examination," Investigative Committee Spokeswoman Svetlana Peterenko said. Moskalik, 59, represented



A police officer passes by remains of the cars damaged in the Russian missile attack that hit residential houses, killing 12 civilians and injuring 87 in Kyiv, Ukraine

ed the defence ministry in various negotiations.

It was not immediately confirmed whether his assassination was linked to US Envoy Steve Witkoff's talks with the Kremlin later

on Friday over Ukraine negotiations.

Russian Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Maria Zakharova described the general's killing as a "terrorist act".

Huge crowds throng Vatican ahead of Pope Francis's funeral

AFP, VATICAN CITY: Tens of thousands of people flocked to the Vatican Friday for a last glimpse of Pope Francis's open coffin, as world leaders and other guests began arriving for his funeral.

Around 150,000 people had paid their last respects to the Argentine pontiff by midday Friday, seven hours before the end of three days of lying in state at St Peter's Basilica, the Vatican said.

The wooden coffin, in which the pope lies wearing a red chasuble, white mitre and black shoes,



People stand in line as they wait to enter St. Peter's Basilica to pay their respects to Pope Francis lying in state, at the Vatican

massetti, 60, who visited the Basilica in the very early hours of Friday morning.

"It was very emotional. In prayer, I asked the pope for some things and I know he will give them to me," she told AFP.

The Catholic Church's first Latin American pope died on Monday aged 88, less than a month after spending weeks in hospital fighting severe pneumonia.

"It was like saying goodbye to a father" who "loved me and will continue to love me as and more than before," said Filipa Castonovo, 76, an Italian nun, after seeing the coffin on Friday.

Visitors to St Peter's reported waiting hours to enter. "Whatever happens, we have to get inside," said Ian Delmonte, 35, also from the Philippines.

The Argentine pontiff, who had long suffered failing health, defied doctors' orders by making a public appearance on Easter Sunday, the most important moment in the Catholic calendar.

It was his last public appearance.

Condolences have flooded in from around the world for the Jesuit, an energetic reformer who championed those on the fringes of society in his 12 years as head of the world's 1.4 billion Catholics.

He used his last speech to rail against those who stir up "contempt... towards the vulnerable, the marginalised, and migrants".

AT SHOPS AROUND VATICAN, POPE FRANCIS WAS REGULAR CUSTOMER AND FRIEND

AP, VATICAN CITY: In the streets around the Vatican, where Pope Francis used to make impromptu outings, some of the shopkeepers are mourning the man they knew, not as the leader of a church or head of state, but as an ordinary person. They prayed for him while he was hospitalised, and now they miss him dearly. "He had been our regular customer for more than seven years," said Sebastian Padron, an Argentine ice cream maker whose store is located around the corner from Francis' austere hotel room in Vatican City. He recalled how close he and his family felt to Francis, who often gave gifts to his children. his dulce de leche ice cream, a typical Argentine caramel dessert, became the pope's favourite.

thorities have placed the area around St Peter's under tight security with drones blocked, snipers on roofs and fighter jets on standby.

Further checkpoints will be activated on Friday night, police said. For a second night in a

row, the Vatican kept St Peter's open past the scheduled hours to accommodate the queues, only closing the doors between 2:30 am and 5:40 am Friday.

"Night is the most intimate moment, the Lord always manifests himself at night," said Nicoletta To-

Thai police plane crashes in sea, killing all six on board



The wreckage of a plane crash that killed six Thai police officers in the sea off the coast of Prachuap Khiri Khan province, in Thailand

AP, BANGKOK: A small police plane crashed into the sea near a popular beach town in Thailand, killing all six people on board, officials said on Friday. The plane was conducting a test flight to prepare for parachute training in Hua Hin district before it crashed around 8 a.m., Royal Thai Police spokesperson Archayon Kraithong said.

Officials did not immediately share the model of the propeller plane, but photos from the scene appear to show a Viking DHC-6 Twin Otter. The plane crashed

near Hua Hin Airport, said the public relations department of Prachuab Kiri Khan province. The photos show the plane in the sea about 100 metres offshore. The body of the plane appeared to be broken in two.

All six on board were police officers, Archayon said. Five of them died at the scene and one, the pilot, died later at the hospital, he said.

The cause of the crash was not immediately known. Archayon said officials are gathering evidence including data from the plane's black box.

South Korea proposes package deal to avoid US tariffs

AFP, SEOUL: South Korea has proposed a "package deal" to Washington to avoid Donald Trump's steep tariffs, its finance minister said Friday, which US Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent said could bring a trade "understanding" by next week.

The country is a major exporter to the United States, and giants such as Samsung Electronics and automaker Hyundai stand to take a hefty hit if the White House goes ahead with its threatened 25 percent "reciprocal" tariffs.

Finance Minister Choi Sang-mok and trade minister Ahn Duk-geun - who are in Washington - held talks with US Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent and Trade Representative Jamieens Greer, and "exchanged views on US tariff policies", the trade ministry said Friday.

South Korea proposed a "July Package" aimed at removing tariffs, which

would be established before Trump's 90-day suspension on "reciprocal" tariffs is set to expire on July 8, the ministry said.

"(We) explained that the imposition of reciprocal and product-specific tariffs by the United States could negatively impact bilateral economic cooperation," Choi said at a press conference in Washington.

The South Korean government "conveyed its position that exemptions and waivers should be granted for tariffs imposed on Korean exports", added Choi.

He added that South Korea plans to hold additional talks with Greer, who will visit Seoul to attend the APEC Trade Ministers' Meeting scheduled for May 15 and 16.

The two countries "reached a principled agreement on establishing a framework for future consultations", trade minister Anh said.

Three Chinese astronauts enter space station for crew rotation



A Long March-2F carrier rocket, carrying the Shenzhou-20 spacecraft and a crew of three astronauts, lifts off from the Jiuquan Satellite Launch Centre in the Gobi desert, in northwest China

PTI, BEIJING: Three Chinese astronauts aboard a spaceship entered China's space station in the early hours of Friday and met with another astronaut trio, starting a new round of in-orbit crew handover.

The crew manning the station called Tiangong for the past six months opened the hatch at 1:17 am (Beijing Time) and greeted the new arrivals, according to the China Manned Space Agency (CMSA).

The six crew members took group pictures for the sixth space get-together in China's aerospace history. They will live and work

together for about five days to complete planned tasks

and handover work, the CMSA said.

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