

UKRAINE CRISIS

Johnson cites 'dangerous moment'

AP ■ MOSCOW

British Prime Minister Boris Johnson said Thursday the Ukraine crisis has grown into "the most dangerous moment" for Europe in decades...



Defences. This is probably the most dangerous moment, I would say in the course of the next few days...

Minister Sergey Lavrov repeated an invitation to a series of talks on improving European security.

Lavrov set a stern tone for his talks in Moscow with UK Foreign Secretary Liz Truss, who again warned Russia that attacking its neighbour would have massive consequences...

She urged the Kremlin to abide by international agreements that commit it to respecting Ukraine's independence and sovereignty.

"Ideological approaches, ultimatums and moralising is a road to nowhere, he said, noting that his talks with Truss marked the first meeting of the countries' top diplomats in more than four years...

UK ties have been badly strained by the 2018 poisoning of former Russian spy Sergei Skripal in England and other tensions.

Russia says it has no plans to invade Ukraine but wants the West to keep Ukraine and other former Soviet countries out of NATO. It also wants NATO to refrain from deploying weapons there and null back alliance forces from Eastern Europe.

Truss reaffirmed a call for Moscow to pull back its troops, while Lavrov rejected the demand as inappropriate and pointed to British and NATO military buildups in Eastern Europe.

"The demands to remove the Russian troops from the Russian territory cause regret," he said. "We don't want to threaten anyone. It's us who are facing threats."

Diplomats meet in Moscow and Berlin as Russian drills held

Moscow/Berlin's top diplomat urged Russia to ease tensions over Ukraine and take the path of diplomacy...

Truss again warned Russia that attacking its neighbour will have massive consequences and carry severe costs, arguing Moscow to de-escalate the tensions and abide by its international agreements...

Russia has concentrated more than 100,000 troops near Ukraine's border and has launched a series of military maneuvers in the region, but says it has no plans to invade its neighbour.

It wants guarantees from the West that NATO won't allow Ukraine and other former Soviet nations to join as members, that the alliance halt weapon deployments there and that it roll back its forces from Eastern Europe.

Moscow's military buildup includes the deployment of troops on the territory of Russian ally Belarus for sweeping joint drills, which began Thursday.

The Ukrainian capital is located just about 75 miles (47 miles) south of the border with Belarus, and the West feared that Russia could use Belarusian territory to invade Ukraine. Russia and Ukraine have been locked in a bitter conflict since 2014, when Ukraine's Kremlin-friendly president was driven from office by protests. Moscow annexed Crimea and then backed a separatist insurgency in the east of the country. The fighting between Russia-backed rebels and Ukrainian forces has killed over 14,000 people.

A 2015 peace deal brokered by France and Germany helped end full-scale hostilities, but frequent skirmishes have continued along the tense line of contact and efforts to negotiate a political settlement have stalled.

Blinken says century will be shaped by Indo-Pacific region

AP ■ WASHINGTON

The United States remains focused long-term on the Indo-Pacific region despite concerns over Russian aggression toward the Ukraine, US Secretary of State Antony Blinken said on Thursday.

Secretary of State Antony Blinken is in the Australian city of Melbourne for a meeting on Friday with his counterparts from Australia, India and Japan.

The four nations form the so-called "Quad," a bloc of Indo-Pacific democracies that was created to counter China's regional influence.

Paris police ban threatened blockades by virus protesters

AP ■ PARIS

Paris police on Thursday banned road blockades threatened by groups organizing online against Covid-19 restrictions, in part inspired by protesters in Canada.

Citing "risks of trouble to public order," the Paris police department banned protests aimed at "blocking the capital"

from Friday through Monday. Police will put measures in place to protect roads and detain violators.

South Korea to roll out Novavax Covid-19 vaccine next week

AP ■ SEOUL

South Korea will begin offering Novavax Inc's Covid-19 vaccine at hospitals, nursing homes and public health centers next week, officials said, adding another tool to fight a fast-developing omicron surge.

The country reported a record 54,122 new coronavirus cases on Thursday, according to the Korea Disease Control and

Prevention Agency, a 12-fold increase from daily levels seen in mid-January, when omicron first became the country's dominant strain.

Public Notice from LT FOODS regarding a meeting on February 11, 2022, at 12:30 PM in the boardroom of LT Foods Limited.

New inhaled vaccine provides broad protection against Covid variants: Study

Toronto: An inhaled form of Covid-19 vaccine developed by scientists at McMaster University in Canada can provide broad, long-lasting protection against the SARS-CoV-2 variants of concern, a pre-clinical study has found.

The research, published recently in the journal Cell, shows the immune mechanisms and significant benefits of vaccines being delivered directly into the respiratory

tract, rather than by traditional injection. Because inhaled vaccines target the lungs and upper airways where respiratory viruses first enter the body, they are far more effective at inducing a protective immune response, the researchers said.

The study, which was conducted on animal models, has provided the critical proof of concept to enable a Phase I clinical trial that is currently

under way to evaluate inhaled aerosol vaccines in healthy adults who had already received two doses of a Covid-19 mRNA vaccine.

Table with 4 columns: S.No., Name, Address, and Contact Information. Lists various individuals and their details.

S Korea's outgoing President calls for US-North Korea talks

Seoul/South Korean President Moon Jae-in, in his final months in office, has expressed concern over North Korea's expanding weapons program and the possibility it could resume nuclear and long-range missile tests that would revive fears of war in the region.

Renewed tensions between Washington and Pyongyang have been a major setback for Moon, a dovish liberal and son of northern war refugees who staked his single presidential term on his ambitions for inter-Korean rapprochement.

Australian spy agency disrupts foreign election interference

Canberra: An Australian spy agency says it has disrupted a foreign government's attempt to illegally bankroll the election of candidates who are politically sympathetic or vulnerable to inducements.

Mike Burgess, director-general of the Australian Security Intelligence Organisation, did not identify the country when he delivered the threat assessment on Wednesday.

He also did not say whether the targeted election was federal or state. Australians will vote for their national government by May.

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Extract of unaudited Financial Results for the quarter and nine month ended on 31st December, 2021. Table with columns for Quarter Ended on (31-12-2021, 30-09-2021) and Nine Months period Ended on (31-12-2021, 31-12-2020, 31-03-2021). Rows include Total Income from operations, Net Profit, Total Comprehensive Income, and Earning Per Share.

HDB FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED. FINAL AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR GOLD ORNAMENTS. Notice regarding the auction of gold ornaments on February 11, 2022, at 12:30 PM.

SUN N SAND CHITS PRIVATE LIMITED. Closure Notice. Address - 318 Durga Chambers 133B Durga Road Karol Bagh New Delhi. Date of closure - 28.12.2021. MOB: 9811011200

SALE/AUCTION NOTICE. Car dealerships are conducting sale of 59 brand new Hyundai cars on 10th Feb.

Public Notice. A notice regarding the closure of Sun N Sand Chits Private Limited and the sale of its assets.

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