



The News in Pictures

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People ran in panic after a coalition airstrike hit Islamic State fighters positions in Tahrir neighbourhood of Mosul, Iraq. Iraqi security forces, Kurdish Peshmerga fighters, Sunni Muslim Arab tribesmen and Shia Muslim militiamen, assisted by US-led coalition warplanes and military advisers, are involved in the operation to reclaim the city.

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The moon passed closer to Earth than at any other time since 1948 and is seen here behind a street lamp in Marseille, France.

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A two-minute silence was held to mark Remembrance Sunday with services taking place across the country to honour all those who have died in conflict. The Queen led the commemorations at the Cenotaph in London.

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The painting *Woman with a Lute* by Dutch artist Johannes Vermeer went on show at the Capodimonte Museum in Naples, Italy. It is on loan from the Metropolitan Museum in New York.

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A pile of more than 5,000 illegal weapons were burned by Kenyan police in Ngong, near Nairobi. The weapons consisted of both confiscated and surrendered firearms that had been stockpiled over almost a decade.



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A volunteer patrols the US-Mexico border in Arizona. He is part of a group that claims up to 200 members who see themselves as supplementing US Border Patrol efforts to control illegal border activity.

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A Brazilian policeman sprayed tear gas at a demonstrator outside the state legislature in Rio de Janeiro where austerity plans to tackle the city's financial crisis were being debated.

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Shortly after Sweden's chief prosecutor entered the Ecuadorian embassy in London to question Wikileaks founder Julian Assange about a rape allegation, a cat - said to belong to Mr Assange - appeared at one of the windows and began watching the journalists and Assange supporters gathered outside.



#9



A Crystal Soap Factory in Butembo, DR Congo, is forced to use steam produced by water heated through a wooded furnace because of a lack of electricity in the region. The soap uses palm oil as one of its main components.

#10



The first direct presidential election in Moldova for 20 years saw pro-Russian candidate Igor Dodon claim victory. Since 1996 presidents of Moldova have been chosen by parliament. The election was seen as a battle between those supporting closer ties with Russia and those wanting integration with the European Union.