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## **BREXIT VOTE SPARKS NEW REVOLT BY EU STATES**

*September 8, 2016* times.co.uk reported: "Former communist states are planning to exploit the fallout of Brexit with a "counter-revolution" designed to block migrant deals and assert the power of national governments over Brussels.

Hungary, Poland, the Czech Republic and Slovakia, an influential diplomatic European Union bloc known as the Visegrad Group, will lobby together at a summit next week to ensure that national governments are put back in the EU's driving seat. The summit will gather all EU leaders, excluding Theresa May, in Slovakia's capital to forge a new vision of Europe."...

## **Q+A ON SCARBOROUGH SHOAL, A FLASHPOINT IN ASIA**

*September 8, 2016* spacedaily.com reported: "The Philippines accused China Wednesday of secretly preparing to build an artificial island on Scarborough Shoal, a tiny and remote outpost in a contested area of the South China Sea. Doing so risks a military confrontation between China and the United States. Here are five key questions and answers about the shoal and why it is so important.

What is it? A small ring of reefs that lie about 230 kilometres (140 miles) from the main Philippine island of Luzon and 1,000 kilometres from the nearest major Chinese landmass, Hainan island. It is rich with marine life that fishermen from the Philippines, China and Vietnam have tapped for generations.

Although it is in the Philippines' Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ), China and Taiwan also claim it falls within their sovereign territory, part of a broader territorial row across the South China Sea.

If it's so small and remote, why is it important? China has moved aggressively in recent years to cement its claims to most of the South China Sea, assert military control over the waters and thus weaken US influence. China has built artificial islands in the Spratlys archipelago, a strategic location in the southern part of the sea. Those islands could become military outposts. Because of its position, another military outpost at Scarborough Shoal is seen as the last major physical step required to secure control of the sea."...



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## **LEPROSY HITS CALIFORNIA**

*September 8, 2016* thesun.co.uk reported: "Two cases of leprosy could have broken out at a Californian primary school, parents have been warned. Parents have now refused to send their children to Indian Hills Elementary in Jurupa Valley after notes were sent home warning parents that two students "might" be sick with leprosy.

Jurupa Valley Unified Superintendent Elliott Duchon said the school's classrooms had been decontaminated in response to the threat. He said the two students, who had been warned of the potential diagnosis by a doctor, had alerted the school's nursing staff. Mr Duchon said: "For parents, they need to make a decision for their children but we're not recommending any precautions.

"There is not a risk at this time."..."

## **ISLAMIC STATE GROUP: TURKEY AND U.S. 'READY TO INVADE CAPITAL'**

*September 8, 2016* BBC News reported: Turkey's President Recep Tayyip Erdogan has suggested he and the US are ready to drive so-called Islamic State (IS) from its Syrian stronghold of Raqqa. Mr Erdogan said US President Barack Obama floated the idea of joint action against the militants when they met at the G20 summit in China. He said Turkey would have 'no problem' with such action.

Last month Turkey launched an operation inside Syria, targeting both IS and Kurdish rebels.

The US State Department would not confirm the details of Mr Erdogan's statement, but an official said it was important that 'local forces' were involved in the fight to deliver 'a lasting defeat' to IS.

'The actions that Turkey is currently taking along its border with Syria, with US support, is having the important effect of isolating Raqqa,' the official said.

'That is a critical step in our ultimate objective to liberate Raqqa from Isil (IS) control.'..."

## **AUSTRALIA THREAT IS REAL, AFTER LONE WOLF ATTACKS URGED**

*September 8, 2016* SpaceWar.com reported: "The threat of a terror attack in Australia is 'real', Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull said after the so-called Islamic State group urged followers to target Sydney's beachside Bondi and the Melbourne Cricket Ground.

Responding to an English-language online magazine that singled out prominent Australian locations at which to kill people, Turnbull said it was a 'disturbing reminder' of the security situation.

'We have a threat level of 'probable', so it is a real threat,' he said late Tuesday when speaking to reporters in Vientiane, Laos.

'The capacity of Daesh, of course, is much less than they proclaim it to be but we do have to be very alert to the actions of these lone actors,' he said, using another name for the Islamic State..."

## **CANADIAN GOVERNMENT WILL NO LONGER CALL ISLAMIC STATE BY ITS NAME**

*September 7, 2016* Breitbart.comr reported: "The Canadian government has announced its decision to no longer refer to the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL/ISIS) by its name and will instead call the group by the Arabic acronym Daesh.

According to Public Safety Minister Ralph Goodale, the Islamic State 'is neither Islamic nor a state,' and so will be referred to as Daesh. The minister revealed the change in its 2016 Public Report on the Terrorist Threat to Canada, in which he introduced the new title for the terror group.

Global Affairs Canada and the Department of National Defence have also said they will adopt the title Daesh to refer to the group..."

