



North Korea Fires Long Range Missile. Its Ultimate Goal Is to Send Nuclear Bomb to US

North Korea launched its first long range ICBM (intercontinental ballistic missile), a major step toward its announced goal of being capable of reaching the US with a nuclear weapon. The missile landed in the Sea of Japan.



Austria Deploys Its Military to the Italian Border as Migrant Crisis Explodes

Austria has mobilized 750 troops and four armored vehicles, to maintain security along its border with Italy as the wave of

migrants crossing over from Africa reaches stunning proportions. More than 100,000 migrants have entered Europe in the first six months of 2017 via the Mediterranean, with nearly 85% of them arriving in Italy from Libya alone. Seven out of ten are not refugees at all but economic migrants from Africa seeking the material benefits of Western civilization. –GEG

Austria has mobilized its military to maintain security along its border with Italy as the explosion of migrants crossing over from Africa reaches catastrophic proportions.

The Austrian government has moved 750 troops and four Pandur armored vehicles into the Tyrol region, where they can quickly deploy to the Brenner Pass, the primary connector between Austria and Italy through the Alps, if necessary.

“We need to prepare for the migration development in Italy, and I expect very promptly that border controls will be activated and assistance requested,” said Austrian Defense Minister Hans Peter Doskozil in [comments to local press](#).

His spokesman said the flood of migrants into Italy is unsustainable, and that riot tanks would have to be deployed.

“These are not battle tanks,” he said. “These are armoured vehicles without weapons which could block roads. These were already used during the refugee crisis of 2015/16 at the Spielfeld border crossing (with Slovenia).”

Italy’s foreign ministry has summoned the Austrian ambassador to discuss Vienna’s statements and movements.

The UN International Organization for Migration has announced that [over 100,000 migrants](#) have entered Europe in the first six months of 2017 via the Mediterranean, with nearly 85% arriving in Italy from Libya alone.

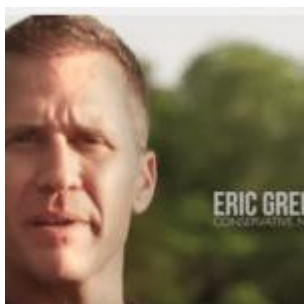
At the same time, the UN refugee agency just released a new report stating that at least seven out of 10 illegal immigrants from Africa [are not refugees at all](#), but instead

are economic migrants, as Infowars [has documented](#) at [length](#).

Austria's decision to militarily fortify its border comes on the heels of a [recent meeting between six central European nations](#) seeking to form a new anti-migrant defense coalition.

Defense ministers and officials from Austria, Hungary, Slovakia, Czech Republic, Slovenia, and Croatia met in Prague earlier this month to discuss the details of the Central European Defence Cooperation (CEDC) that will act as "the framework of civil-military cooperation" between the nations who seek to handle the on-going crisis in a markedly different manner than Brussels and other EU member states, such as Germany, Sweden and Italy.

[Read full article...](#)



Missouri Lowers St. Louis Minimum Wage from \$10 to \$7.70

Missouri: Republican Governor Eric Greitens enforced a new law that prohibits local governments from raise the minimum-wage higher than the state's minimum wage. A lawsuit was filed by business owners in St. Louis after a local ordinance set the minimum wage at \$10, but the preemptive state law now will

reduce it back down to \$7.70. –GEG

If you thought the minimum wage only moved in one direction, then Missouri Republicans have a surprise for you.

After St. Louis leaders raised the wage floor for workers within city limits, the state GOP recently passed what's known as a statewide ["preemption" law](#), forbidding localities from taking such matters into their own hands. On Friday, Missouri Gov. Eric Greitens (R) said he would let the law go into effect, thereby barring cities and counties from setting a minimum wage higher than the state level.

For low-wage earners in St. Louis itself, the new law will have a startling consequence: It will actually push the minimum wage back down, from the city-approved \$10 per hour to the state-approved \$7.70. The downgrade is slated to take effect on Aug. 28.

For someone earning the bare minimum, that's a potential cut of 23 percent.

It's impossible to say how many St. Louis employers will take the GOP up on the offer to slash pay, given the effect such a move could have on competitiveness and morale. But if businesses agree with Republicans that the city wage hike is too aggressive, then at least some of them are likely to revert to the lower pay rates, particularly in low-wage industries like fast food.

Greitens wasn't eager to own the state-sponsored pay cut, opting not to sign the bill. But he doesn't have to sign it for it to become law. Under the Missouri Constitution, a bill passed by state legislators eventually goes into effect so long as the governor doesn't veto it.

The governor said the St. Louis minimum wage would ["kill jobs."](#) "And despite what you hear from liberals, it will take money out of people's pockets," he added, according to the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

The Fight for \$15 – the union-backed campaign behind the St. Louis initiative and other wage-boosting efforts around the country – called Greitens’ passive approval of the law “[disgusting](#).”

If St. Louis’ existing measure were to stay in effect, the city’s minimum wage would be \$10 this year and would then climb to \$11 in 2018. The statewide rate of \$7.70 typically goes up just a few cents a year, since it’s tied to an inflation index.

St. Louis originally passed a minimum wage hike two years ago, prompting business groups to sue to stop it in court. The Missouri Supreme Court recently ruled that the St. Louis measure [was lawful](#), but the new state preemption law renders it irrelevant.

[Read full article...](#)



**Lawsuit Alleges Duke
University Received \$100
Million to Produce Fraudulent**

Studies for the EPA

North Carolina: Duke University has admitted it used manipulated and fabricated data about respiratory illnesses to obtain grants from the Environmental Protection Agency. Investigators believe that a former lab technician falsified or fabricated data for medical research reports and that Duke tried to cover up the fraud. The bogus data was funded by grants worth \$112.8 million to Duke and \$120.9 million to other universities in North Carolina. This data was used to link exposure to airborne particulates to respiratory illnesses and it was used by the EPA to justify the Clean Air Act that imposes harsh restrictions on air quality. –GEG

Duke University admitted Sunday that it used manipulated and completely fabricated data about respiratory illnesses to obtain grants from the Environmental Protection Agency, among other agencies.

Internal investigators at the school believe that former lab technician Erin Potts-Kant falsified or fabricated data for medical research reports, [attorneys for Duke said](#) in response to a federal whistleblower lawsuit against the school. Potts-Kant told investigators that she faked data that wound up being “included in various publications and grant applications.”

Former analyst Joseph Thomas alleged in a recent lawsuit that the university ignored warning signs about Potts-Kant’s work and tried to cover up the fraud, but the university denies there were warning signs. The lawsuit contends that all the work Potts-Kant did in her eight years at Duke was fabricated, and that the bogus data was done through grants worth \$112.8 million to Duke and \$120.9 million to other universities in North Carolina.

Investigators reviewed 36 research reports and found that, in many cases, she simply made things up.

Potts-Kant admitted that she “generated experiment data that was altered” and “knew the altered experiment data was false,” according to information offered on her behalf by North Carolina lawyer Amos Tyndall.

She worked in the laboratory of academic Michael Foster, who [received a grant](#) from the EPA in 2007 to determine whether exposure to airborne particulates can impair lung development in newborn mice. Potts-Kant used a machine helping researchers gauge the lung function of mice to gain insight on human respiratory ailments like asthma.

The project was part of a \$7.7 million [environmental justice grant](#) from the EPA. The allegations could throw a wrench in data sets that the EPA uses to show the relationship between particulate and respiratory illnesses.

The EPA has not responded to The Daily Caller News Foundation’s request for comment about the fraudulent data and weather that might affect years of research. The agency has argued for decades that there is a causal relationship between air pollution levels and deaths and illnesses.

Federal regulators [estimate](#) that Clean Air Act regulations will deliver \$2 trillion in public health benefits by 2030, exceeding the cost of federal clean air regulations by a ratio of 30-to-1 at the high end. The benefits, according to the EPA, come from reducing fine particulate matter and ground-level ozone, which EPA says cause premature death.

Recent research, however, shows the causal relationship is a lot less direct than initially believed. Veteran statistician Stan Young published a study in June which [found](#) “little evidence for association between air quality and acute deaths” in California between 2000 and 2012.

[Read full article here...](#)



Investigator Says Special Counsel Mueller Asked Him to Go Easy on FBI Agents Who Killed Branch Davidians in Waco

Bob Barr was an investigator in the government's 1993 attack on the Branch Davidians in Waco. He says he was contacted by Robert Mueller, who was then the head of the FBI, and Mueller said to him, "Don't go too hard on these guys. We know most of them, and they're good people." Robert Mueller, now is Special Counsel for investigating the allegation that Trump colluded with Russia. This is ironic because, in the lead up to this investigation, Trump was criticized for telling former FBI Director, James Comey, that he hoped the FBI would "let go" of an investigation of Michael Flynn because he was "a good guy". -GEG

Special Counsel Robert Mueller is reportedly investigating President Donald Trump for obstruction of justice relating to General Michael Flynn, but a book by former Congressman Bob Barr shows Mueller himself used remarkably similar

language when speaking to Barr about a Congressional investigation of the Waco tragedy.

According to a [Washington Post report](#), which President Trump has [challenged](#), Special Counsel Robert Mueller is investigating Trump for obstruction of justice over comments made to then FBI Director James Comey. [Comey's testimony](#) before Congress included Trump saying, "I hope you can see your way clear to letting this go, to letting Flynn go. He is a good guy. I hope you can let this go."

However, during his tenure as FBI Director, Mueller made a very similar request to Congressman Bob Barr during congressional hearings on the Waco siege. According to Barr, Mueller said, "don't go too hard on these guys. We know most of them, and they're good people."

Barr documented the conversation in his 2004 book, *The Meaning of Is: The Squandered Impeachment and Wasted Legacy of William Jefferson Clinton*. Although his book is primarily about Clinton's impeachment, it does include a chapter about the Waco hearings. Barr describes the conversation in detail within that chapter:

The extent to which federal law enforcements stuck together to protect their own regardless of right and wrong was also quite disturbing. The most vivid example of this phenomenon occurred one morning before a day of hearings on Waco. We were scheduled to question some of the agents responsible for the events that occurred at Waco. I was convinced – and still am – that some of these federal officials had falsified important evidence.

When the phone rang in my Washington office that morning, the voice at the other end of the line belonged to Bob Mueller, now the Director of the FBI under President Bush. I knew Bob from his service in the Department of Justice while I served at the United States Attorney in Atlanta. His message was

clear.

“Bob,” he said, “Don’t go too hard on these guys. We know most of them and they’re good people.”

[Read full article here...](#)



Texas Threatens Federal Government with Lawsuit Unless It Terminates DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrival)

A ten-state coalition led by the Texas attorney general sent a letter to the Trump Administration asking for an end to the Immigration program called DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrival). The group says it will sue if the federal government does not end the program.



Illinois: Judge Orders State to Pay Medicaid, Despite \$15 Billion in Unpaid Bills

Illinois already owes \$15 billion in unpaid bills, but a US District Court judge ordered the state to pay \$586 million a month for its Medicaid program. This will lead to cuts in other programs such as pension funds, payroll, schools, and subsidies to local governments.

The legislature passed a \$5 billion tax hike that will increase income tax by 32%, instead of reforming the failed state, which will lead to jobs and taxpayers fleeing the failed state. -GEG

While lawmakers are getting closer to the ending of a historic budget standoff in Illinois, there are still a few hurdles ahead of them.

Despite the state owing \$15 billion in unpaid bills, a federal judge has ordered Illinois to pay \$586 million a month to its Medicaid bills. This could mean funding for other priority programs cut.

[Read full article here..](#)



Trump Team Parties with Soros, Koch and Schumer in the Hamptons

Lally Graham Weymouth, former owner of the *Washington Post*, now owned by Jeff Bezos, threw a party at her home in the Hamptons that drew a wide array of guests from all flavors of the political spectrum. They included Jared Kushner and Ivanka Trump, Kellyanne Conway, Trump national security adviser Dina Powell, David Koch, Senator Chuck Schumer (D-NY), and George Soros. [Makes you wonder, doesn't it, what is the bond or attraction that is common to all these people.] –GEG

Ivanka and Jared rub shoulders with billionaire Democrat George Soros, Steven Spielberg and Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer during party hosted at a Washington Post editor's Hamptons home

- Ivanka Trump and Jared Kushner attended Lally Weymouth's annual party in Southampton this weekend
- Several notable liberals were in attendance including billionaire George Soros and Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer
- Weymouth is a senior associate editor of the *Washington Post*, a newspaper her family used to publish

[Ivanka Trump](#) and husband Jared Kushner were spotted

fraternizing with the 'enemy' at party in the Hamptons this weekend.

The daughter of President Trump and her husband, who are advisers in the current administration, were two attendees at Lally Weymouth's annual party at her home in Southhampton.

Weymouth is a current senior associate editor at the Washington Post, one of the many outlets that the president has labeled 'fake news'. Weymouth's family used to own the Washington, DC-based newspaper before it was taken over by Amazon's Jeff Bezos.

According to [Politico](#), Jared and Ivanka were seen speaking to Joel Klein and Alan Patricof at the party.

Klein is the former chancellor of the New York City Department of Education and executive vice president of News Corps. He is now an executive at the New York-based health start-up Oscar, which is run by Kushner's younger brother Josh

Patricof is the founder and chairman of New York Magazine. He's also a Democrat who supported Hillary Clinton during the 2016 presidential race.

[Read full article here...](#)