World In Brief

Iran says Stuxnet virus infected 16,000 computers

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — A senior Iranian intelligence official says an estimated 16,000 computers were infected by the Stuxnet virus.

The powerful virus targeted Iran's nuclear facilities and other industrial sites in 2010, and Tehran has acknowledged the malicious software affected a limited number of centrifuges — a key component in nuclear fuel production. But Iran has said its scientists discovered and neutralized the malware before it could cause serious damage. The semiofficial Fars news agency on Saturday quoted a deputy intelligence chief identified only as Afangaran as saying 16,000 computers were infected by Stuxnet, but he did not specify whether worldwide or just in Iran. He said Iran is facing difficulties obtaining anti-malware software because of international sanctions, forcing Iran to use its own experts to design the software.

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Groups report another Tibetan self-immolation

BEIJING (AP) — Another Tibetan Buddhist monk set himself on fire in western China amid a wave of such protests against China's handling of its ethnic Tibetan areas it rules, exile groups said Saturday.

Tamchoe Sangye set himself alight Friday during a prayer ceremony at Kirti monastery in a Tibetan region of Qinghai province, the advocacy group Free Tibet said.

Syrian forces fire on funeral in Damascus, kill 1

BEIRUT (AP) — Syrian security forces fired live rounds and tear gas at thousands of people marching Saturday in a funeral procession that turned into a protest in Damascus, killing at least one person, activists said. It was one of the largest demonstrations in the capital since the 11-month-old uprising against President Bashar Assad began.

At A Glance: Fresh violence erupts during visit by Chinese envoy

Several people were reported wounded and the British-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said security forces dispersed the protesters and were conducting a campaign of raids and arrests in the Mazzeh district.

The fresh violence erupted during a visit by an envoy from China, which along with Russia recently supported Syria by vetoing a U.N. Security Council resolution that would have condemned Assad's regime. Chinese Vice Foreign Minister Zhai Jun called on all parties to stop violence that has killed more than 5,400 people since March of last year, according to the U.N.

China has sought to deflect some of the stinging international criticism over its Feb. 4 veto of the Security Council resolution with stepped-up diplomacy, following the example set by Russia.

The funeral procession in Damascus was held for three people killed by security forces on Friday following protests in the area. An activist in the area and the Observatory said at least one person was killed as security forces fired to disperse the crowds. The activist network Local Coordination Committees said two people died, but the report could not be immediately verified.

It said few people were wounded and several people also suffered difficulties breathing from tear gas.

The activist who witnessed the violence said the procession numbered around 15,000, making it among the largest anti-government gatherings in regime-controlled central Damascus since the start of the revolt inspired by other Arab Spring uprisings around the Middle East and North Africa.

"It was a huge funeral that turned into a protest," said the activist, who spoke on condition of anonymity for fear of reprisals. "There was no fear among the participants."

Amateur videos filmed by activists and posted online showed a crowd of people shouting "Allahu Akbar," or God is great, and "One, one, one, the Syrian people are one!"

The Observatory said two other people were killed in Syria on Saturday, one in Homs, who died from sniper fire and another in the north, who was shot by security forces conducting raids.

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Anti-Syrian regime activist Khaled Abu-Salah stands in front of flames and black smoke from a bombed oil pipeline, in Baba Amr neighborhood in Homs province, central Syria. Syrian troops intensively shelled rebel-held neighborhoods in the restive central city of Homs, on Friday and killed at least five people.

The fresh violence erupted shortly after the Chinese envoy met with Assad at the presidential palace. Speaking to reporters following the meeting, he said he was hopeful Syrian authorities would restore stability to the country soon.

Zhai backed a referendum that is at the center of the regime's plan to defuse the unrest, and said China was "extremely concerned" about the escalation of the crisis. The referendum would decide on the country's new draft constitution that would create a multiparty system in Syria, ruled by the Assad family for 40 years.

The U.N. General Assembly voted overwhelmingly Thursday in favor of a nonbinding resolution backing an Arab League plan calling for Assad to step down and strongly condemning human rights violations by his regime. Russia and China vetoed a similar resolution in the Security Council and voted against the measure in the General Assembly.

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Physical Therapy Gym

Occupational Therapy Kitchen

Fine Dining Area

Bethesda Health Care Center celebrated the grand opening of its new 2000 sq ft therapy gym, which boasts an array of state-of-the-art equipment, on Wednesday, January 25th, 2012, making it the newest in Putnam County. The therapy gym is located right off Bethesda's recently renovated *Transitional Care Unit*, specifically designed to be a "get well and go home" environment.

The doors opened to the public from 2pm to 7pm to enjoy refreshments, health screenings for blood pressure, balance, and posture, and Health Fair vendors, including local Assisted Living Facilities, Home Health Agencies, Senior Home Care Agencies, and Medical Supply Companies.

Physical, Occupational, and Speech therapies are offered at Bethesda to assist in regaining strength and function to allow the patient to transition back to the community safely. Skilled nursing services are available, such as wound care and IV therapy. The TCU has its own fine dining area, complete with steam-table to provide warm, fresh meals at the tableside.

Bethesda's location is immediately off Highway 111, next to the Board of Education.

The staff and patients at Bethesda would like to thank everyone who attended the ribbon-cutting ceremony and the Open House, and would like to invite the community to set up a tour of the facility at anytime.

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