voicebox

"That demonstrates that the efforts of the 'male-dominated society' have failed. What will they call it now? Instead of two, we're now three."

SHEIKH HASINA
Prime Minister of Bangladesh
Alleged that it was a male-dominated society that had tried to implement the much-talked-about 'minus-two' formula

"Once you are afraid you are afraid of any team, even you will fear Hong Kong or Nepal. We don't know what they [Hong Kong and Nepal] are capable of. One extraordinary performance can change a match's fate."

SHAKIB AL HASAN
Bangladeshi Cricketer
Said while talking to reporters at an open media session at a city hotel

"If the numbers quoted by local human rights bodies and in the media are true (about extra judicial killings), they are truly alarming and a cause for concern. I am reassured by the personal assurances given to me privately by members of the government that these will be investigated."

ROBERT W GIBSON
British High Commissioner in Dhaka
Urged the government to investigate the incidents of extra judicial killings quickly and transparently

"This is our land. We will not give an inch of it. Russia and its president should know that."

ARSENIY YATSENYUK
Ukrainian Prime Minister
Said after Russian forces and pro-Kremlin gunmen seized control of Ukraine's Crimea peninsula in the Black Sea

"This interim agreement is really important but not as important as a comprehensive agreement [which is]... difficult, challenging. There is no guarantee that we will succeed."

CATHERINE ASHTON
EU foreign policy chief
Commented that there was "no guarantee" her talks would lead to a comprehensive agreement

"Such a sudden disappearance would suggest either that something is happening so quickly that there is no opportunity to put out a mayday, in which case a deliberate act is one possibility to consider, or that the crew is busy coping with what whatever has taken place."

PAUL HAYES
Director of safety at Flightglobal Ascend Aviation Consultancy
Told Reuters that the flight would normally have been at a routine stage, having reached initial cruise altitude