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briefEx-Irish premier  
Reynolds dies aged 81

AFP, Dublin

Former Irish prime minister Albert Reynolds, a central figure in the Northern Ireland peace process who helped broker the 1994 IRA ceasefire, has died aged 81, current premier Enda Kenny said yesterday. Reynolds served twice as prime minister, once in 1992 and then again in 1993-94. He had recently been suffering from the late stages of Alzheimer's disease, his son Philip revealed earlier this week. In 1993, Reynolds and then British prime minister John Major signed the Downing Street Declaration, which affirms the right to self-determination for the people of Northern Ireland.

## Davutoglu tipped to become Turkey PM

AFP, Ankara

Turkey's ruling party is due to meet yesterday to agree on a new leader and prime minister to replace incoming president Recep Tayyip Erdogan, with Foreign Minister Ahmet Davutoglu the frontrunner for the job. Erdogan, who has dominated Turkey's political scene for 11 years as prime minister, cut short his holiday to attend the executive committee meeting of his Justice and Development Party (AKP) to decide on his successor. Erdogan's presidency rule begins on August 28.

## Attack on Nato tankers kills 1 in Pakistan

AFP, Peshawar

Gunmen in northwest Pakistan yesterday opened fire on tankers carrying fuel for Nato troops in Afghanistan, killing a driver and wounding two others, officials said. The attack occurred in Sor Kamar village of Khyber tribal district, some 25 kilometres west of Peshawar, the region's main town. Three oil tankers burnt in the incident, the official added.



Indonesian anti-riot police move in to arrest supporters of presidential candidate Prabowo yesterday as they try to pass a blockade near the constitutional court in Jakarta. Inset, Street vendors hide in the water of a fountain during the clashes with police.

PHOTO: AFP

## Army chief named as Thai PM

AFP, Bangkok

Thailand's coup leader was elected prime minister yesterday by the kingdom's junta-appointed legislature without a single opposing vote, raising fears of a new era of "strongman" leadership.

Army chief General Prayut Chan-O-Cha, 60, who ousted an elected government in a bloodless takeover on May 22, was the only contender for the premiership.

The move by the top general to take the post, while also remaining junta boss, is seen as cementing the military's control of the politically turbulent nation.

"He has taken all the power so I cannot help but worry that we will enter the period of a strongman," said Gothom Arya, a lecturer at Thailand's Mahidol University.

The junta, formally known as the National Council for Peace and Order (NCPO), has ruled out holding new elections before around October 2015, despite international appeals for a return to democracy.

Prayut, who is due to retire as army chief in September, is seen as a staunch opponent of fugitive former premier Thaksin Shinawatra, whose overthrow in an earlier coup



Prayut Chan-O-Cha

in 2006 triggered Thailand's long-running political crisis.

Thaksin -- whose sister Yingluck was dismissed as premier in a controversial court ruling just before this year's coup -- fled Thailand in 2008 to avoid prison for a corruption conviction.

The army rulers say they want to reform Thailand to end years of political turbulence and street violence, but critics see the takeover as an attempt to wipe out Thaksin's influence.

Prayut is often described as the architect of an army crackdown on a pro-Thaksin "Red Shirt" rally in Bangkok in 2010 that left dozens dead.

Since seizing power the junta has abrogated the constitution, curtailed civil liberties under martial law and summoned hundreds of opponents, activists and academics for questioning.

"This is not a climate for an election to be held freely and fairly," said Sunai at Human Rights Watch.

"Even after the next election, scheduled for the end of 2015, the NCPO will stay on with overarching power. This is a military rule that gives no hope for democracy to be restored in Thailand," it added.

## Cops fire at mob in Assam, kill 2

TNN, Guwahati

Two people were killed and at least seven were injured in Golaghat town in Assam yesterday after police fired to stop an armed mob of thousands from attacking a police station.

The administration clamped an indefinite curfew in Golaghat district and called out the Army to help restore peace and normalcy.

The mob beat up an assistant sub-inspector and a constable before attempting to storm the Sadar police station in retaliation to Tuesday's police lathicharge on people to clear the economic blockade imposed by different groups on NH-39 in the district against Nagaland. The mob also torched at least eight police vehicles on the highway, besides a few goods-carrying trucks stranded since August 14 due to the economic blockade.

On August 12 and 13, Naga miscreants, aided by NSCN (IM) cadres, raided several border villages in Assam, killing 14 villagers and setting hundreds of houses on fire.

The border dispute between the two states is awaiting a solution from the Supreme Court after Assam filed a petition in 1988, seeking a settlement. While the Assam government wants no change in the current border demarcation, which is a constitutional boundary, Nagaland refuses to accept this and instead wants to follow the historical boundary that was demarcated before the colonial rule.

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## INDONESIAN POLLS CRISIS Court upholds Widodo's victory

AFP, Jakarta

An Indonesian court yesterday upheld the victory of Joko Widodo at last month's presidential election, rejecting claims of widespread cheating from his opponent and ending weeks of political uncertainty in the world's third-biggest democracy.

After two weeks of hearings, the Constitutional Court said it was rejecting ex-general Prabowo Subianto's challenge to the results of the July 9 elections.

Chief Justice Hamdan Zoelva said the court was "rejecting the entire petition", after the judges spent seven hours reading out the lengthy verdict. The verdict cannot be appealed.

It clears the way for Jakarta governor Widodo, known by his nickname Jokowi and the country's first leader from outside the political and military elites, to focus on preparing for government ahead of his October 20 inauguration.

The final day of the long election season was not without drama, however -- as the judges started reading their verdict, police fired volleys of tear gas and water cannon at thousands of angry Prabowo supporters near the court.

The protesters had tried to force their way past lines of riot police and barbed wire blocking the road to the court. Three people were injured and four arrested.

Both Prabowo, a top military figure in the era of dictator Suharto with a chequered human rights record, and Widodo, the reform-minded governor of Jakarta, declared victory on the day of the election.

But official results released after a two-week count across the vast archipelago showed Widodo won a decisive, six-point victory after the hardest-fought, most polarising election since authoritarian rule ended in 1998.

But Prabowo -- who has been seeking the presidency for a decade -- refused to accept the results and his team filed a lengthy complaint against the election commission with the Constitutional Court, which has the final say on poll disputes.

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