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The **Makana 360 Daily Monitor Report** aims to provide timely and insightful updates on the most significant global news and top events, offering a concise overview of key developments that impact businesses, politics, and society. By curating and analyzing major trends, the report enhances awareness, facilitates informed decision-making, and supports strategic planning for our audience.



US reinterprets arms control pact to ease military drone exports

The U.S. has reinterpreted its export control policy to treat military drones like fighter jets instead of missile systems, enabling it to circumvent the 1987 Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR). This change clears the way for sales of over 100 MQ-9 drones to Saudi Arabia and simplifies foreign military sales of drones from manufacturers like General Atomics, Kratos, and Anduril. While this strengthens U.S. defense exports and helps compete globally, it raises concerns about proliferation risks, ethical use, and regional security implications given the potential for advanced drone technology to shift balances of power.



Australia pushes for “minimally invasive” age checks under teen social media ban

Australia has issued guidance for social media platforms to use “minimally invasive” methods to verify users’ age under a new law banning use by those under 16 starting December. Platforms are encouraged to infer age from existing data rather than requiring full age-verification for all users. The move aims to safeguard adolescents’ mental health while preserving user privacy. The approach strikes a delicate balance, though ensuring accurate age detection via inference could be challenging and it may be vulnerable to misuse or evasion by determined users.



Trump’s Trade War with China in 2025

In 2025, U.S. President Donald Trump reignited a trade war with China, imposing progressively higher tariffs to address trade deficits, crack down on fentanyl trafficking, and revive U.S. manufacturing. Tariffs began at 10% and surged to 125% by April; China retaliated with similar levies and trade restrictions. In August, both countries extended a 90-day tariff truce to avoid further escalation. The strategy displays strong U.S. economic pressure, but carries significant risks—consumer price hikes, supply chain disruptions, and the potential for escalation if talks falter.



Top Global Events

Event

Mentions
& Engagement

Most Reached Media
Coverage

Arsenal

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Arsenal gets late goals to win
Champions League opener vs.
Athletic

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