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Friendly
Albanese-Trump
meeting masks
Australia's
creeping doubts
about US

At their first official meeting, US President Donald Trump praised the "longstanding alliance" with Australia, saying the two nations had "fought wars together and never had any doubts." But tensions are growing as Australia questions Washington's reliability amid Trump's isolationist policies. Prime Minister Anthony Albanese described the meeting as a chance to "strengthen" ties, yet analysts say trust is fraying. Trump's tariffs—10% on imports and 50% on aluminium and steel—angered Canberra, while his review of the Aukus defence pact, which provides Australia with nuclear submarine technology, raised fears the deal could collapse, leaving Australia exposed in the Asia-Pacific.

Lisbon funicular crash initial report reveals litany of failings

A preliminary report into last month's Lisbon funicular crash that killed 16 people found serious safety failures. Investigators said the underground cable linking the two carriages was defective, uncertified for passenger use, and never tested before installation. The 140-year-old Glória funicular, a popular tourist attraction, derailed and slammed into a building on 3 September. Among the dead were 11 foreigners, including three Britons, and 20 others were injured. Portugal's transport bureau said Carris, the operator, bought the unsuitable cable in 2022. The company has since dismissed its head of maintenance, as the investigation continues into negligence and regulatory oversight.

Appeals court
allows Trump to
deploy National
Guard to Portland

A US appeals court has ruled that President Donald Trump can deploy National Guard troops in Portland, Oregon, overturning a lower court's order that had temporarily blocked the move. The decision allows around 200 troops to be sent to protect federal buildings despite objections from state and city officials. The Justice Department argued the deployment was needed to control ongoing protests near an immigration facility that have turned violent. The three-judge panel called the 60-day deployment a "measured response." Oregon's attorney general warned the ruling gives the president "unilateral power" to deploy troops, calling it a "dangerous path for America."



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Top Global Events

Event Mentions Most Reached & Engagement Media Coverage

NBA
LeBron James will be the first NBA
player to reach 23 seasons. How is he
still one of the best?

Roblox

Roblox, Fortnite banned in Iraq over child safety concerns

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