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## At summit, Xi calls for economic integration

China's president urges 20 other leaders to help build 'multipolar world'

BY CHRISTIAN SHEPHERD

TIANJIN, CHINA — Chinese leader Xi Jinping on Monday called on the leaders of countries including Russia, Iran and India to integrate their economies and build an “orderly multipolar world,” as he tried to unite them in their shared grievances with the U.S.-led global order and the policies of President Donald Trump.

Xi used the platform of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization summit here, 90 miles southeast of Beijing, to implicitly criticize Trump's policies — without naming him or mentioning the United States.

He urged the 20 foreign leaders in attendance to “seek integration, not decoupling” and “unequivocally oppose power politics.”

Member countries should “serve as a cornerstone for the promotion of a multipolar world” and join a China-led “global governance initiative,” he said in closing remarks after a day in which leaders put on shows of chumminess and met for private talks on the sidelines of the

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India's Modi



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**Russian President Vladimir Putin and Chinese leader Xi Jinping attend the Shanghai Cooperation Organization summit Monday in Tianjin, China. The two will hold a one-on-one meeting Tuesday.**

**Military mission:** Xi builds forces but must first vanquish an internal enemy: high-level corruption. **A15**

## In Trump's quest for more power, a test for high court

WHERE WILL JUSTICES DRAW THE LINES?

President's claims over tariffs, aid and Fed at issue

BY JUSTIN JOUVENAL

The Supreme Court has already expanded President Donald Trump's authority in a string of emergency rulings, but in his firing of Federal Reserve governor Lisa Cook and other issues probably headed to the court, he's signaling that he continues to seek broader powers for the executive branch.

The cases could serve as major tests of how much further the nation's high court is willing to go to bless the president's assertion of executive authority. They differ from previous showdowns because of the sheer magnitude of the authority Trump is seeking to wield and because he wants greater control over powers the Constitution ascribes to another branch of government.

In addition to Cook's case, which could make its way to the high court after she sued last week, a blockbuster case over Trump's tariffs is expected to arrive at the Supreme Court soon after an appeals court struck them down. The Trump administration's push to withhold tens of billions of dollars in foreign aid appropriated by Congress could also end up in the court.

Peter Shane, a law professor at New York University, called Trump's assertions “breathhtaking.”

“Other presidents have tried to use their authority aggressively, but usually it's been done through aggressive interpretations of statutory law and in a pretty targeted

way,” Shane said.

Each of the presidential powers being contested by Trump, he said, “is a challenge to what I think heretofore would have been regarded as a core power of Congress.”

The high court has already signaled openness to broad presidential authority to replace some heads of independent agencies.

The justices handed Trump a major victory in May when they allowed him to remove the leaders of the National Labor Relations Board and the Merit Systems Protection Board while legal challenges played out over their firings. Trump gave no reasons for the dismissals.

The court's conservative majority ruled that the Constitution vests all executive power in the president, so Trump could fire the agency heads “without cause” even though Congress set up the agencies to be insulated from political interference.

But the justices drew a red line around one agency: the Federal Reserve, which was created by Congress to operate independently of the president so it can set interest rates based on economic conditions — not political pressure.

The justices indicated that its governors probably could be removed only for cause.

Trump is testing that red line in his firing of Cook, making him the first president in the 111-year history of the agency to try to oust one of the seven governors who help set U.S. monetary policy.

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## Trump cuts to satellites may affect weather prediction

The administration plans to end missions tracking carbon dioxide, pollution

BY SCOTT DANCE

Two satellite instruments that track Earth's carbon dioxide levels will soon go offline, deemed “beyond their primary mission.” Two others meant to monitor water contamination and air pollution, including from greenhouse gases, will be removed from a future satellite mission based on orders to “deliver a weather-only instrument manifest.”

The Trump administration is scrapping satellite observations of Earth that officials say go beyond the essential task of predicting the weather, according to budget documents that outline plans to reshape government research. In doing so, meteorologists and climate scientists say, it is drawing a line between what is weather — and thus warrants government investment — and what is climate.

For example, language in a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration budget calls for preserving funding for the National Weather Service while slashing anything tied to climate change, limiting government investment to “research that is more directly related to the NOAA mission.” It echoed a call in the Republican policy playbook Project 2025 to

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## In a streaming world, some still shop iTunes store

BY ETHAN BECK

It was prom night 2004, and Matt Garville wasn't attending. He owned dozens of CDs that needed to be uploaded to his iTunes library.

A burgeoning music obsessive at an all-boys Catholic school in Oradell, New Jersey, Garville had been gifted an iPod for graduation. “It's the coolest thing imaginable when it first started,” he

told The Washington Post, “having, like, your entire CD collections digitized and being able to pick any song or album instantaneously and play it.” As his friends danced to Usher and Maroon 5 that night, he was ripping Nirvana, Blink-182 and Nine Inch Nails tracks into a meticulously organized MP3 library. Against all odds, he still uses iTunes to this day.

If Garville was at the front of a

digital music revolution in high school, now he is part of a vanishing rear guard of iTunes loyalists. Apple launched its iTunes store the year before his prom, and it quickly became the most popular way to legally download music. By the late 2000s, iTunes gift cards were available at seemingly every checkout stand, and Apple was earning billions selling tracks for about a dollar each. Then the

streaming era came along and made downloadable music all but obsolete.

The iTunes store has largely been supplanted by Apple Music and its streaming competitors, which offer millions of songs on demand for a flat subscription fee. According to the 2025 MRI-Simmons National Consumer Study, Spotify and Apple Music have a combined 116 million

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## An answer to food waste: Maggots. Billions of maggots.

Burgeoning industry turns to insects' natural recycling abilities to mitigate environmental damage

BY NICOLÁS RIVERO

NESLE, FRANCE — On the world's biggest bug farm, roughly 10 billion maggots squirm toward the day they'll be crushed, dried and sold as an alternative form of protein powder.

None of these insects will find their way into your smoothie. They're marketed as a more sustainable ingredient for fish feed, livestock feed and pet food. Along the way, they are tasked with eating food waste — helping to address a source responsible for a tenth of human-induced global greenhouse emissions.

In nature, black soldier fly larvae are gifted recyclers, gorging themselves on dead and decaying plants and animals, neutralizing germs, and turning rot into a source of protein that nourishes fish, birds and other creatures.

The French start-up Innovafeed wants the fly larvae to do the same for human society on an industrial scale, clearing out

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**Black soldier flies, seen at the Innovafeed bug farm in France, originated in South America but have since spread to tropical and temperate areas of every continent except Antarctica.**

## Recruits line up at Texas event for ICE hiring blitz

Former law enforcement, military members among those eager to sign up

BY ROBERT KLEMKO

ARLINGTON, TEXAS — Christian Osborne has been itching to serve his country since he was discharged from the Marines after refusing the coronavirus vaccine. He thinks Americans have a naive view of illegal immigration and wants to be part of President Donald Trump's mass deportation campaign.

“Every country for its entire existence has always had borders. We're the only country who says, ‘Come on in,’” said Osborne, 24. “There needs to be a control on who can come in, to make sure you're not some psycho.”

So last week he shuffled into a Texas arena typically reserved for Counter-Strike and “League of Legends” video game competitions to attend a U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement career expo and make the case for why he should become one of 10,000 new officers the agency intends to hire this year.

So far, the Department of Homeland Security said it has received more than 130,000 applications, and if the hiring fair in this community wedged between Dallas and Fort Worth offers any indication, plenty of

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