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Warnings on Pakistan's antiterror legislation

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Activists say new powers could result in human rights violations by state

BY SALMAN MASOOD AND SABA IMTIAZ

Pakistan's Parliament has approved sweeping new powers for the country's security forces, with an antiterrorism measure that the government says is needed to combat the Taliban but that rights activists warned could result in state-sponsored human rights violations.

The Protection of Pakistan Bill 2014, approved Wednesday, allows the security forces to shoot suspects on sight, arrest suspects without a warrant and withhold information about where detainees are being held or what they are being charged with.

It comes at a time of great public trepidation in Pakistan. The military is engaged in a large-scale offensive against the Pakistan Taliban and allied jihadist groups in the North Waziristan tribal district. Many Pakistanis fear violent militant reprisals in the country's main cities.

In presenting the measure, one cabinet minister, Zahid Hamid, said it would "send a message that the government stands with the military in the operation against terrorists."

The bill offers "statutory cover to armed forces which are fighting against the enemies of the country for the revival of peace and stability," Mr. Hamid added.

But rights groups and civil rights activists said the legislation risked curbing civil liberties in a country with an already abysmal record of human rights violations.

"It is an attack on the rights of the people," said I.A. Rehman, a veteran activist with the independent Human Rights Commission of Pakistan. "It is very difficult to swallow."

Military and some civilian leaders have long complained that flaws in the country's criminal justice system have hampered their ability to fight militant groups.

Militants are rarely convicted in court, often because witnesses refuse to testify or judges are afraid to hear such cases, and there is no witness protection system to speak of. Trials move at a sluggish pace, often taking several years.

But the new legislation, critics say, provides legal cover for practices that have more frequently been denounced as human rights abuses and have often embarrassed the military in the news media. Thousands of people have been illegally detained at the hands of the country's powerful intelligence agency, often on suspicion of involvement in militancy, or in the insurgency in the western province of Baluchistan.

The major opposition parties originally opposed the draft bill, which was presented before Parliament early this year, as a draconian measure.

But the amended bill that passed Wednesday contained provisions for

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A visit to Seoul President Xi Jinping of China and President Park Geun-hye of South Korea, in Seoul on Thursday. In the past, Chinese leaders have visited their ally North Korea before visiting South Korea, but Mr. Xi seems to be showing the North Korean leader, Kim Jong-un, the cold shoulder: He has not been to Pyongyang. PAGE 3

Cheney is back, blitzing his rivals

Former vice president takes fight to Obama, the G.O.P. and history

BY PETER BAKER

As his heart failed a couple of summers after leaving office, former Vice President Dick Cheney slipped into a coma and, by his later account, spent weeks dreaming that he was in a countryside villa north of Rome, padding down a stone path every morning to pick up a newspaper or coffee.

Yet Mr. Cheney was never one to slip into quiet retirement in Italy or, for that matter, at his Wyoming ranch. Two years after a heart transplant reinvigorated him physically, he seems reinvigorated politically, too, as he takes on President Obama, Hillary Rodham Clinton, Bill Clinton, radical Islam, Senator Rand Paul, his own party — and history.

Aggravated by what he considers the president's weakness as extremist groups seize wide portions of Iraq, Mr. Cheney, 73, has blitzed the airwaves in recent weeks and formed a new organization to promote American national security in a perilous time. He has drawn nothing but scorn from Democrats and even some Republicans who view his remonstrations as the height of hubris from someone they blame for many of the country's difficulties. To them, he is a punch line.

But Mr. Cheney's ability to command attention speaks to his distinctive place in the public arena. He is blunt, he is un-

apologetic and he is seemingly immune to the barbs aimed his way. He remains driven by the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, and determined to guard the nation against the dangers he sees. If the rest of the world has moved on, he has not. "I'm not running for anything," he told Charlie Rose in one of his multiple interviews of late. "I get to say exactly what I think."

Some have no interest in listening. On MSNBC and on liberal op-ed pages and websites, his re-emergence has provided endless fodder for who-is-he-to-talk commentary. Some activists even argued he should be barred from

television because they view him as discredited.

For a White House beleaguered on multiple fronts, the former vice president's return is in fact a welcome opportunity to focus attention on decisions made by Mr. Cheney and President George W. Bush rather than defending Mr. Obama's own handling of foreign policy, which most Americans disapprove of in polls.

"He's like the A-Rod of politics," said David Plouffe, the longtime Obama strategist, referring to Alex Rodriguez, the scandal-tarnished baseball star. CHENEY, PAGE 4



Former Vice President Dick Cheney has said that he is frustrated by what he considers President Obama's weakness as extremist groups seize wide portions of Iraq.

Opening eyes to tech firms' vast powers

BY FARHAD MANJOO

Facebook's disclosure last week that it had tinkered with about 700,000 users' news feeds as part of a psychology experiment conducted in 2012 inadvertently laid bare what too few tech firms acknowledge: that they possess vast

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powers to closely monitor, test and even shape our behavior, often while we're in the dark about their capabilities.

The publication of the study, which found that showing people slightly happier messages in their feeds caused them to post happier updates, and sadder messages prompted sadder updates, ignited a torrent of outrage from people who found it creepy that Facebook would play with unsuspecting users' emotions. Because the study was conducted in partnership with academic researchers, it also appeared to violate long-held rules protecting people from becoming test subjects without providing informed consent. Several European privacy agencies have begun examining whether the study violated local privacy laws. FACEBOOK, PAGE 15

HOW TO CUT YOUR TIES WITH SOCIAL MEDIA If you are planning to quit Facebook or Twitter, there are plenty of ways to do it, Molly Wood writes. PAGE 15

Tension rises after Arab boy's death in Jerusalem

JERUSALEM

Suspected revenge killing sets off riots and stuns Palestinians and Israelis

BY ISABEL KERSHNER

The abduction and killing of a Palestinian teenager whose burned body was found in a Jerusalem forest has further poisoned relations between Israelis and Palestinians and prompted international outrage as the police investigated the death as a possible Israeli revenge killing.

The death on Wednesday of the teenager, Muhammad Abu Khdeir, 16, came a day after the burial of three Israeli teenagers who were kidnapped and killed in the occupied West Bank last month. The killing of the Palestinian set off fierce riots in the ordinarily quiet and relatively well-to-do East Jerusalem neighborhood where he lived.

The abductions and killings of the Israeli and Palestinian teenagers raised the specter of individual vendettas within the broader conflict, making it all the more personal. Both sides, while angry and grieving, seemed stunned by the turn of events, in which each side sees itself as both victim and perpetrator.

While Israeli officials said they were still investigating the death of the Palestinian, including possible criminal motives, the killing followed passionate calls for retribution on a Facebook page named "The People of Israel Demand Revenge" that quickly gathered 35,000 "likes" and included pictures of soldiers posing with their weapons. The page was taken down after two days.

The Israeli military massed troops around the Gaza Strip on Thursday after Palestinian militants there fired some 30 rockets at southern Israel over 24 hours, two of which hit homes in the border town of Sderot, causing property damage but no injuries.

Lt. Col. Peter Lerner, a military spokesman, said that despite the mobilization, which included the call-up of some reservists, Israel was not interested in further escalating the violent exchanges with Gaza that have been building for more than two weeks. ISRAEL, PAGE 6



Masked Palestinians hurled rocks at the police as Israelis met to condemn violence.

ENVOY'S POST-MORTEM ON PEACE TALKS The American diplomat Martin S. Indyk looks back at the latest failed Middle East peace effort and sees distrust on both sides, Mark Landler writes. PAGE 2

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REMNANTS OF A BATTLE A memorial honors members of the Sich Sharpshooters, a Ukrainian unit of the Austrian Army that battled Russian troops in April 1915. The World War I conflict still casts a long shadow over Ukraine's efforts to create a united state. nytimes.com/europe

Sarkozy calls charges 'grotesque' Nicolas Sarkozy, the former French president, criticized investigators looking into his dealings and campaign finances. nytimes.com/europe

Predators put plants on alert Plants can respond defensively to sound, say researchers who exposed plants to the vibrations of chomping caterpillars. nytimes.com/science

The Fed chief on fighting bubbles Janet Yellen, the chairwoman of the Federal Reserve, said the focus of the central bank under her leadership is less on preventing Wall Street volatility than on making sure that it doesn't bring economic disaster. nytimes.com/business

Getting ready for next World Cup Coach Jurgen Klinsmann already has plans on how he will use the next few years to prepare his U.S. soccer team for the next World Cup. nytimes.com/worldcup

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Religious riots grip Myanmar city The authorities declared a nighttime curfew in Mandalay, the country's second-largest city, after a resurgence of religious violence left two people dead. WORLD NEWS, 3

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▼ Euro	€1=	\$1.3620	\$1.3660
▼ Pound	£1=	\$1.7150	\$1.7160
▼ Yen	¥1=	¥102.120	¥101.770
▼ S. Franc	₣1=	SFO.8930	SFO.8890

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▲ The Dow 11:00am	17,036.78	+0.36%
▲ FTSE 100 4pm	6,856.98	+0.60%
▼ Nikkei 225 close	15,348.29	-0.14%

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▼ Light sweet crude	\$103.84	-\$0.85
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