EUROPE PAYS TRIBUTE TO KOHL, A GIANT OF POST-WAR HISTORY

Helmut Kohl - An Architect of Germany Unity

LUDWIGSHAFEN Former German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's coffin is draped in the city's flag of stripes of yellow, white, and black as it lies in state in a hall of the convention center for a three-day official mourning period. Kohl, who championed German unification and was central to the postwar economic recovery of Europe, died on June 16 at age 87. On his tribute in Strasbourg yesterday for former German Chancellor Helmut Kohl - an architect of Germany unity, said generous and great

HAMBURG: Officers of the police at the G20 summit in Hamburg, Germany yesterday. The police will directly confront activists protesting the summit with State of the art technology. —AFP

In March a prominent church reformer, the Rev. Andrea Orlandi, who is a member of the pope's commission on the protection of minors, was forced to resign after accusations that he had been in a relationship with a minor. The Vatican said on Thursday that the pope's commission on the protection of minors had suspended Orlandi's role after he admitted to having had a sexual relationship with a minor. The Holy See also suspended a Vatican cardinal, who had been accused of sexual misconduct, from his duties.

PONTIFICAL DISMISSAL CHIEF IN TURBULENT WEEK FOR VATICAN

VATICAN CITY: Pope Francis has dismissed the chief of the administrative department of the Holy See, the office that oversees the Vatican's vast real estate holdings, after the cardinal who had been appointed to the position was found to be involved in a financial scandal.

The dismissal of the 79-year-old cardinal, who had been appointed to the position by Pope Francis in March 2013, comes as the Vatican is facing a growing crisis over its finances and the management of its assets. The cardinals in the administrative department oversee the Vatican's real estate holdings, which include palaces, villas, and hotels in Rome and other cities around the world. The pope's commission on the protection of minors had suspended Orlandi's role after he admitted to having had a sexual relationship with a minor. The Holy See also suspended a Vatican cardinal, who had been accused of sexual misconduct, from his duties.

TRUMP AND PUTIN FACE HIGH-STAKES MEETING

WASHINGTON: Meeting face-to-face for the first time in over a year, President Donald Trump and Russian President Vladimir Putin will meet on Monday for a summit that will be a test of their ability to maintain a relationship that has been marked by acrimony and mutual mistrust. The two leaders will meet in Helsinki, Finland, for talks that could determine the course of relations between their countries for years to come. The meeting is expected to be tense, with both leaders seeking to achieve their own goals and test each other's resolve.

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