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Pope, in Ireland, vows to end repugnant sexual abuse 'at any cost'

DUBLIN (Reuters) - Pope Francis vowed on Saturday to end the "repugnant" sexual exploitation of children by Catholic clergy as he made a highly-charged visit to once devout Ireland where years of reported abuse have driven many Irish away from the Church.

On the first papal visit to Ireland in almost four decades, Francis said in a speech at a state event that was also attended by some abuse survivors that it was to the Church's shame it had not addressed these "crimes" and he said he was signalling a greater commitment to eliminating this "scourge".

More than three-quarters of Ireland's population flocked to see Pope John Paul II in 1979 when divorce and contraception were illegal. Francis was greeted by far smaller numbers.

But years of sexual abuse scandals have shattered the credibility of the Church as a moral leader. In the past three years, Irish voters have approved abortion and gay marriage in referendums, defying its wishes.

However, flag-waving supporters still gathered from five or six deep along many parts of Francis's route, although in other parts he greeted crowds from his popemobile by a more sparse turnout.

I cannot fail to acknowledge the grave scandal caused in Ireland by the abuse of young people by members of the Church charged with responsibility for their protection and education," Francis said at the state event.

"The failure of ecclesiastical authorities - bishops, religious superiors, priests and others - adequately to address these repugnant crimes has rightly given rise to outrage and remains a source of pain and shame for the Catholic community."

In unprepared remarks, Francis added a reference to a letter he addressed last Monday to all the world's Catholics on the abuse crisis, saying he wanted it to signal "a greater commitment to eliminating this scourge in the Church, at any cost". One of the abuse survivors present, Colm O'Gorman, called the pope's remarks a staggering effort at deflection that failed to acknowledge what O'Gorman said was the Vatican's role in covering up the crimes.

"It was quite shocking actually in some ways," O'Gorman, a leading abuse campaigner, told national broadcaster RTE.



Pope Francis visits the Capuchin Day Centre for Homeless People in Dublin

Large images of abuse victims and the hashtag #Stand4Truth - promoting a gathering of survivors and supporters elsewhere in Dublin when the pope says mass on Sunday - were projected onto some of the city's most recognized buildings on Friday night. They included Dublin's Pro Cathedral, where on Saturday Francis prayed before a candle

commemorating abuse victims that was first lit in 2011. But despite the lack of enthusiasm among some people, pictures of the pope were on the front pages of every newspaper on Saturday and there was excitement among those on the streets.

"I think it's absolutely marvelous. There are one or two objectors, but I think they should keep their objections to themselves and get into the spirit of the thing," said Christina O'Riordan, a 76-year-old retired teacher.

Trump cancels Pompeo's trip to North Korea over stalled nuclear diplomacy

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - U.S. President Donald Trump abruptly canceled his top diplomat's planned trip to North Korea on Friday, publicly acknowledging for the first time that his effort to get Pyongyang to denuclearize had stalled since his summit with the North's leader.

Trump partly blamed China for the lack of progress with North Korea and suggested that talks with Pyongyang, led so far by Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, could be on hold until after Washington resolved its bitter trade dispute with Beijing.

It was a dramatic shift of tone for Trump, who had previously hailed his June 12 summit with North Korean leader Kim Jong Un as a success and said the North Korean nuclear threat was over, despite no real sign Pyongyang was willing to give up its nuclear weapons.

But Trump still kept the door open to a second summit with Kim, with whom the president recently said he has "great chemistry." "I have asked Secretary of State Mike Pompeo not to go to North Korea, at this time, because I feel we are not making sufficient progress with respect to the denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula," Trump wrote on Twitter.

The North Korean mission to the United Nations declined to comment. Negotiations have been all but deadlocked since the June summit in Singapore. Pompeo has pressed for tangible steps toward North Korea's abandonment of its nuclear arsenal while Pyongyang is demanding that Washington first make concessions of its own. Trump's statement came just a day after Pompeo said he would again visit North Korea and would take

his new special envoy, former auto industry executive Stephen Biegun, with him. But Trump asked Pompeo not to go during a Friday meeting and they crafted the tweets together, White House officials said. National security adviser John Bolton, considered a leading North Korea hawk, weighed in by speakerphone during a visit to Ukraine, U.S. officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity. Many other key officials learned of Trump's decision by seeing the crawl across a television screen, some during a meeting on North Korea negotiations, officials said. Some U.S. intelligence and defense officials had considered Pompeo's latest trip to be premature and said the prospects for significant progress appeared dim in a statement. Two F-15 fighter jets took to the air from a base in Portland, Oregon, and were on the scene within minutes. The jets were armed but did not open fire, North American Aerospace Defense Command spokesman Cameron Hillier said by phone.

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Tesla CEO Musk drops pursuit of \$72 billion take-private deal

(Reuters) - Tesla Inc Chief Executive Elon Musk said late on Friday he would heed shareholder concerns and no longer pursue a \$72 billion deal to take the luxury electric car maker private, abandoning an idea that stunned investors and drew regulatory scrutiny.

The decision to leave Tesla as a publicly listed company raises new questions about its future. Tesla shares have been trading well below their Aug. 7 levels, when Musk announced on Twitter that he was considering taking Tesla private for \$420 per share, as investors wondered what this meant for Musk's ability to steer the company to profitability.

Musk and Tesla also face a series of investor lawsuits and a U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission investigation into the factual accuracy of Musk's tweet that funding for the deal was "secured."

Musk said on Friday that his belief that there is more than enough funding to take the company private was reinforced during the process, but said he abandoned the bid based on feedback from shareholders and because the effort was proving to be more time-consuming and distracting than anticipated.

"Although the majority of shareholders I spoke to said they would remain with Tesla if we went private, the sentiment, in a nutshell, was 'please don't do this,'" Musk wrote in a blog post.

Musk, who owns about a fifth of Tesla, said previously that he envisioned taking the company private without the standard method of a leveraged buyout, in which all the other shareholders would cash out and the deal would be funded primarily with new debt.

Musk estimated that two-thirds of Tesla shareholders would have chosen an option of "rolling" their stakes into a private company, rather than cashing out. That would significantly reduce the amount of money needed for the deal and avoid further burdening Tesla, which has a debt pile of \$11 billion and negative cash flow.

However, Musk said on Friday that a number of institutional shareholders explained that they have internal compliance issues that limit how much they can invest in a private company. He also said there was no proven path for most retail investors to own shares were Tesla to go private.

That assessment contrasts sharply with an Aug. 7 tweet, when Musk said: "investor support is confirmed," and that the "only reason why this is not certain is that it is contingent on a shareholder vote."

Musk also said previously that Saudi Arabia's PIF, which invested in Tesla earlier this year with a stake of just under 5 percent, could help him fund the cash portion of the deal, though sources close to the sovereign wealth fund had played down that prospect. PIF is in talks to invest more than \$1 billion in aspiring Tesla rival Lucid Motors Inc, Reuters reported last Sunday.

Musk said on Friday he worked with private equity firm Silver Lake, which previously helped bankroll computer maker Dell Technologies Inc's take-private transaction, as well as investment banks Goldman Sachs Group Inc and Morgan Stanley, on exploring how he could take Tesla private.

Six members of Tesla's board of directors said in a separate statement that they were informed on Thursday by Musk that he was abandoning his take-private bid. The board then disbanded a special committee of three directors it had set up to evaluate any offer that Musk submitted.

"We fully support Elon as he continues to lead the company moving forward," the board said.

However, some corporate governance experts said Musk's handling of the take-private bid could pressure the board to assert its independence and consider ways to rein him in by, for example, bringing in a chief operating officer.

"They have someone in charge who has raised serious doubts in the financial and public community about his ability to take the company forward. This will make it harder to invest" in Tesla, said Charles Elson, director of the corporate governance center at the University of Delaware.

In explaining his reasons to take Tesla private earlier this month, Musk cited pressure from short sellers - investor who look to profit on bets that a company's stock will decline. "Being public means that there are large numbers of people who have the incentive to attack the company," Musk said.



Some short sellers were emboldened by Musk's u-turn. Christopher Irons, founder of investigative research website quoththeravenresearch.com, said the announcement showed Musk was nowhere near as close to taking the company private as he had claimed.

"Personally, I'm going to look to see how the stock opens on Monday. If it does not drop precipitously based on this, I will personally view it as an opportunity to add to my short position," said Irons, whose out-of-the-money put options make money if Tesla's stock declines.

Tesla shares closed at \$322.82 on Friday.

One of Tesla's biggest challenges is ramping up production of its latest vehicle, the Model 3, which is critical to its profitability goals.

Tesla now aims to consistently build 5,000 Model 3s per week, a target it says it has managed "multiple times" since first achieving it one week in June.

Musk has said repeatedly since April that Tesla has no need to raise new capital, and has promised the company will be profitable and cash-flow positive in the third and fourth quarters. However, Citigroup Inc analysts wrote in a research note earlier this month that, if a go-private transaction is looking less likely, "it would be wise for Tesla to at least try to raise significant new equity capital sooner rather than later," so it can inspire investor confidence. either

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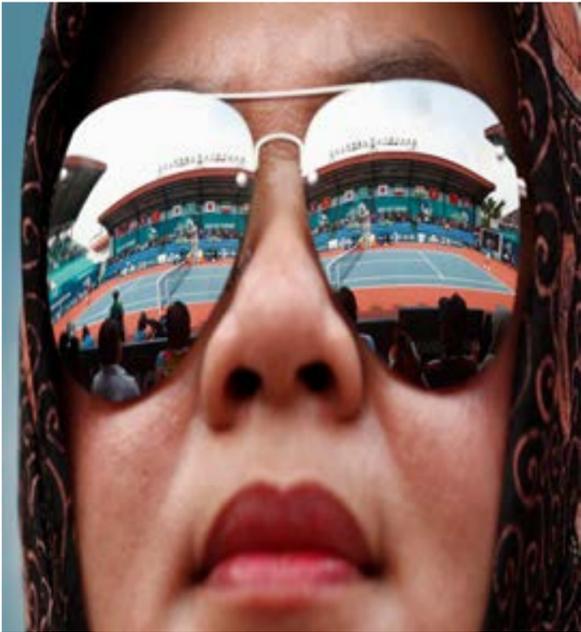
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Pope Francis laughs as he leaves St Mary's Pro Cathedral during his visit to Dublin



Aug 24, 2018; Chicago, IL, USA; Chicago Cubs third baseman David Bote (13) is drenched by teammates after hitting a walk off home run in the tenth inning against the Cincinnati Reds at Wrigley Field. Mandatory Credit: Matt Marton-USA TODAY Sports TPX IMAGES OF THE DAY



Man wades through a flooded street with two pigs following Typhoon Rumbia, at a village in Shouguang



Kelli Ward fires a gun as she campaigns at the Gunsite academy in her bid to become the Republican nominee for an open Senate seat in Paulden, Arizona, U.S. August 24, 2018. REUTERS/Conor Ralph TPX IMAGES OF THE DAY



U.S. President Donald Trump speaks with children while visiting Nationwide Children's Hospital in Columbus



A Venezuelan migrant is helped after crossing the border of Peru with Ecuador, in Aguas Verdes, Tumbes



Siblings in new dresses stand beside a swing at a playground in a low-income neighborhood on the last day of Eid al-Adha celebrations in Karachi

Called New Clark City, The Urban Project Is Envisioned To Be Smart, Sustainable And Resilient To Disasters

The Philippines Is Planning To Build A "City Of The Future"

Compiled And Edited By John T. Robbins, Southern Daily Editor

The Philippines, home to Manila's standstill traffic jams, is aiming to become known for the "city of the future."

Called New Clark City, the urban project is planned to be a high-tech green city promising science-fiction-worthy technology, from robots to drones to self-driving vehicles.

Of course, many countries are aiming to build their own version of the city of the future, and the Philippines still has a long way to go in its economic development.

According to its lead developers, the project is mainly funded through public-private partnerships — a move necessary for the cash-strapped country.



A depiction of the plans for New Clark City in the Philippines. (Photo/ Surbana Jurong)

The development could one day take some pressure off congested capital Manila, according to Singapore-based urban planning firm Surbana Jurong.

The smart city aims to tap on up-and-coming technologies that would tackle issues arising from the increasing population density in the Southeast Asian country.



A look at the Philippines' New Clark City broadcast on CNBC, Wed., 4 April 2018.

duced into there, and therefore requirements for car parking will be lessened," Surbana Jurong CEO Heang Fine Wong told CNBC's "Street Signs."

The new urban space would become a "twin city" to Manila, he said. "You'll gradually see Manila becoming a different type of city, maybe more financial to support the New Clark City, and in New Clark City you'll see new technology companies coming through," he explained.

Attracting customers who would be willing to relocate to New Clark City from the country's capital will likely be a challenge. The Philippine government recently announced it is committed to moving some offices to New Clark City.

New infrastructure projects, meanwhile, could bridge the distance between Manila and New Clark City, Wong said. A brand new railway line is being built by the Japan Overseas Infrastructure Investment Corporation for Transport & Urban

Development. The train would reduce the travel time between the two cities to one hour from the current two to three hours.



Construction in New Clark City in the Philippines. (Photo/ Surbana Jurong)

The first phase of the project is slated to finish by 2022, but Wong said that the goal is to keep developing as technologies advance.

But technical hurdles would still need to be resolved said Wong. "All these things need to be planned. You need that network of communication. And also a cyber security network needs to be put in place," he said.

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Sears And Kmart Stores Closing 46 Stores In November 2018

Compiled And Edited By John T. Robbins, Southern Daily Editor

Sears Holdings is closing another 46 stores this year.

The department store chain, battling declining sales and a heavy debt load, will shut 33 Sears stores and 13 Kmart stores in November. Liquidation sales are set to begin as early as next week.

The new list of unprofitable locations released by Sears this week comes in addition to the more than 100 Sears and Kmart locations that have already gone dark this year. The retailer is, meanwhile, in the midst of evaluating a deal to sell its Kenmore appliance brand for \$400 million. As of May 5, Sears still had a total of 894 stores.

"We continue to evaluate our network of stores, which is a critical component to our integrated retail transformation, and will make further adjustments as needed," the company said in a statement about the 46 closures.

Sears CEO Eddie Lampert's plan to keep the retailer afloat has been to shrink its asset base, which has also given Sears liquidity to fund its operations and pay on loans, as it has closed more stores and sold off other brands, like Craftsman. But as sales continue to tumble at a double-digit rate, retail analysts say it will be difficult for Sears to bounce back.



Map of the Sears Store Closings

bringing the company's market cap to roughly \$123 million. The stock hit an all-time intraday low of \$1.09 on Thursday morning.

The company said this week it is shuttering 46 more stores in November. The locations are spread across the U.S. (See a full list below.)

"We continue to evaluate our network of stores, which is a critical component to

our integrated retail transformation, and will make further adjustments as needed," the company said in a statement. Liquidation sales at the 33 Sears stores and 13 Kmarts are expected to begin next week, according to Sears. The company also said that eligible workers will receive severance and be able to apply for openings at other nearby stores. Sears said in January it was planning to shut more than 100 stores. It then announced another round of roughly 100 store closures in May. Sears was operating 894 stores as of May 5, which is the latest available total provided by the company.



With CEO Eddie Lampert at the helm, Sears has been trimming its real estate footprint as sales dwindle at its stores and shoppers increasingly opt to ring up purchases online or outside of shop-

ping malls. Sears is currently evaluating a bid from Lampert's hedge fund, ESL Investments, to buy the Kenmore appliance brand from Sears for \$400 million. The company had previously sold its Craftsman tool brand.

Sears is still testing new concepts, like stand-alone mattress stores and combined Sears and Kmart locations, but retail analysts say it will be hard for the company to bounce back from its dire situation.

Sears shares have fallen more than 85 percent over the past 12 months, bringing the company's market cap to roughly \$123 million, or less than Lampert is willing to pay for the Kenmore brand. The stock hit an all-time intraday low of \$1.09 on Thursday morning.

Here is a complete list of the 46 Sears and Kmart stores set to close in November:

- Kmart 935 Sweetwater Road Spring Valley CA
- Kmart 1075 Shaw Avenue Clovis CA
- Kmart 3625 East 18th Street Antioch CA
- Kmart 6310 W 3rd Street Los Angeles CA
- Kmart 589 Bridgeport Avenue Milford CT
- Kmart 301 College Square Newark DE
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- Kmart 11 South Kings HWY 61 Cape Girardeau MO
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- Kmart 101 Great Teays Blvd Scott Depot WV
- Kmart 2150 South Douglas HWY Gillette WY
- Sears Flagstaff Mall, 4800 N US HWY 89 Flagstaff AZ
- Sears Capitola Mall, 4015 Capitola Road Santa

- Cruz CA Sears 2424 Highway 6 And 50
- Grand Junction CO Sears 2266 University Square Mall Tampa - University FL
- Sears 1625 NW 107th Avenue Doral / Miami FL
- Sears Coastland Ctr, 2000 9th Street N Naples FL
- Sears Oglethorpe Mall, 7810 Abercorn St Savannah GA
- Sears 2860 Cumberland Mall Atlanta GA
- Sears 100 Mall Blvd Ste 300 Brunswick GA
- Sears 1631 E Empire Street Bloomington IL
- Sears 4201 Coldwater Road Fort Wayne IN
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- Sears 1400 Union Turnpike New Hyde Park NY
- Sears 2700 Miamisburg Centerville Road Dayton OH
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- Sears* Post Oak Mall College Station - Bryan TX
- Sears 7453 S Plaza Center Drive West Jordan UT
- Sears 12000 Fair Oaks Mall Fairfax VA
- Sears† 8800 NE Vancouver Mall Drive Vancouver WA
- Sears† 4720 Golf Road Eau Claire WI
- Sears Valley View Mall, 4200 US HWY 16 La Crosse WI.

Additionally, the Sears Auto Center at these locations will close in the following time frame:

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Shares of Sears have fallen more than 85 percent over the past 12 months,

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影迷在搜尋李安、侯孝賢、鞏俐、小野的臉龐同時，也會發現他們的輪廓是透過細微的光影粒子來呈現的。光與影，互為表裏，就像電影的主角與配角、幕前與幕後。

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吳慷仁推理揪大魔王 林思宇少女心噴發



公視推出4K新時代劇《憤怒的菩薩》，劇情進入2人被殺後，吳慷仁與巫建和推理找真凶，揪出幕後真正的大魔王！演員林思宇分享在拍戲現場，看到導演許肇任與演員吳慷仁、巫建和認真地大玩推理找bug（漏洞）與線索，大讚：「認真的男人最帥！立馬溶化少女心！」

林思宇說，在拍戲現場，許肇任導演很認真地當偵探，常拿著劇本、喃喃自語，然後就看到3個男人圍成一圈，你一言、我一句地。林思宇說：「看到這3個男人認真在想、在找線索，努力把劇本修改好，不要讓觀眾覺得很瞎，這畫面真的好讚！」

吳慷仁說：「導演請吳朋奉以青蛙的叫聲當暗號，真的是拍案叫絕！」當他和巫建和找吳朋奉對質找線索時，一聽到吳朋奉「裝仔仔」學青蛙叫，2人當場笑場。本來2人還想忍住，比比看誰先笑，後來，吳慷仁先投降，只好轉個頭把笑笑完，但是導演並沒有喊卡，他們3人只能繼續演，而且，那場戲是他與巫建和愈笑愈氣，因為覺得「被吳朋奉當猴子耍」，而且許多情緒很微妙的出來了，他說：「這就是即興演出最吸引人的地方！演員們互相丟球，創造出意想不到的結果！」

《憤怒的菩薩》本週劇情進入殺殺前菩薩莊長兒子林景維（劉冠廷飾）的子彈，突然出現。崔上校（張翰飾）一行人調查後確認槍殺林景維的手槍屬川崎少佐（松下雄一飾）所有，但是，劉所長（林志儒飾）的驗屍報告卻指出焦黑的屍體就是川崎，而且早在7天前就被毒殺身亡，事件儼然是一場羅生門，案情也愈加的撲朔迷離……

國片30天拼10部片 誰能笑到最後？

國片上半年大概也只上映了快20多部片，其中還包括許多只是小型映演的規模。上半年真正有發揮票房斬獲跟社群聲量的，不過就是《角頭2》與《花甲大人轉男孩》。而妙的是，經歷了快7個月累積上映20來部，怎麼最後要在暑假末段班、中秋前夕這一個月要卡10部片？這場30天的10部國片車輪戰，誰能笑到最後呢？

首先看8/17兩部國片：《鬥魚》、《范保德》。大家不在8月第一週拼，因為沒人想再在《不可能的任務：全面瓦解》次週卡位，勉強在《與神同行：最終審判》次週硬擠，畢竟暑假剩下兩週，再不擠就沒機會。《鬥魚》既然有著當年收視戶的基礎盤可以開發（或是某種信任關係），當然要力拼暑假檔期。

《范保德》得到台北電影節最佳導演、最佳電影配樂、最佳美術設計3項大獎，但得獎不等於排片上的優勢。全台排的戲院數跟場次數相對來說不會很多，以精品藝術片風格上片，全台21家戲院場次數無法開大，畢竟在《與神》仍高估大量場次數、《不可能的任務》、《巨齒鯊》滿座率也不俗。要在戲院能爭取到場次還真不容易。精品電影票房衝刺有限，這也應該是團隊能理解的市場面。

再看8/24國片：《粽邪》、《大師兄》。目前相對看起來有『機會』的，搞不好是靈異怪談類型的《粽邪》（8/24口碑場）。這個特定地區的亡魂儀式，對於喜歡看鬼怪片的觀眾，應該是最新鮮的話題。這類恐怖片有望全台低標2000萬，上限就看口碑造化



了。類型片會有既定客層嗜鮮想看看，台灣蠻值得開發鄉野怪談、都市傳說，這些接地氣題材不一定要管中國市場，台灣本土就很有機會創造回收機會。但，《粽邪》絕對要抓到類型市場的觀眾，不然這週口碑場會看華語片的人，也許會選擇甄子丹主演的《大師兄》。更別說市場重疊的《殺戮元年》。

8/30與8/31最卡的檔期！

如果把《粽邪》也算進來，8月底的週末一共會有四部國片角逐開學前的戰國檔期。《王牌教師：麻辣出擊》也是當年有著人氣電視劇觀眾當基本盤，如同《鬥魚》，但，《王》片找回當年原班人馬，理論上關注度比較高。《引爆點》走犯罪推理、社會議題，穩扎穩打的路線，這戲拍的質感很好。主演吳慷仁表現稱職，相對前面幾部片的娛樂效果，《引爆點》算是讓觀眾看完之後會大大感嘆此刻台灣社會遇到的政治、地方經濟等錯綜複雜的道德議題，能否殺出一條血路，希望這片能複製2017年《目擊者》的票房紅盤。

另一部走小發行的《生生》，就看小規模能

否穩住這類劇情片的口碑。這年頭大片有發行壓力，小片也有能見度跟排場次的壓力，不同片型都有各自山頭要努力，當然我比較同情小片卡位的壓力，畢竟選來選去只有那幾家能攻掠，同一批觀眾能否在這麼短的時間內掏錢買票，這絕非市場觀察者百分百能確定的。八月底讓筆者充滿期待的，除了類型上很有紅利的《粽邪》，另一部值得觀察的就是改編自台灣本土輕小說《有五個姊姊的我，就註定要單身了啊！》，這部走歡樂搞笑的戀愛喜劇，有著輕小說觀眾基礎，相信很多粉絲好奇如何改編。加上選角話題，謝金燕跨刀演大姐，這種氣勢誰比她還適合呢？

9月份兩部國片9/7的《山的那一邊》也是喜劇路線，9/14則有類型比較特別的改編自小說的《藍色項圈》（談校園霸凌），不知道能否實踐出宣傳文案『暗黑版』《模犯生》路線，以及另一部看起來就很狂的《搖滾樂殺人事件》（由台灣多組樂團領銜演出），這部片之前在台北電影節映演時頗有聲量，其實我個人覺得9月中之後，國片生存空間較大，好好完成宣傳發行之較，看看能否在這波10部電影中，脫穎而出？

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香港文匯報訊（記者梅馨文）韓國人氣男團GOT7 24日晚假亞博館舉行“GOT7 2018 WORLD TOUR 'EYES ON YOU' IN HONG KONG”，是其今次世巡最後一站，氣氛勁high，尾段更瘋狂潑水，眾人齊變“落湯雞”。香港成員王嘉爾（Jackson）佔有主場之利，歡呼聲最大，又大教其他成員講廣東話。至於成員Mark近日因與JYP的續約問題也成焦點，24日他開腔回應：“沒有7個人都不是GOT7！”



演唱會尾聲，7子輪流發感言，Mark趁機安撫粉絲。



眾人齊變“落湯雞”。

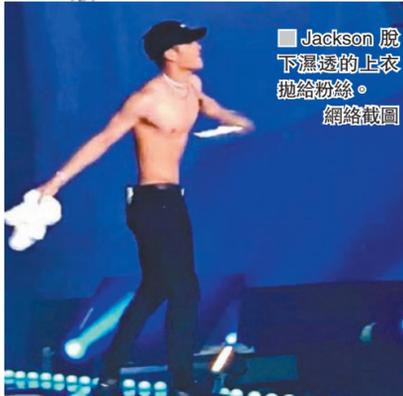


Jr.情深獻唱。

Mark Jackson 強調七位一體

GOT7

香港站變濕身派對



Jackson 脫下濕透的上衣拋給粉絲。網絡截圖

韓團GOT7 24日晚準時於8時開秀，全場爆滿，鄭裕玲亦有前來捧場。GOT7以勁歌熱舞《Hard Carry》、《Sky Way》、《Out》打頭陣。可是，開場已發生小插曲，隊長JB麥高峰失靈無聲，需一度離台更換。

隨後，7子逐一用廣東話打招呼，Jackson問港迷“是不是等了好久了？”24日晚為是次巡迴最後一站，泰國成員BamBam學Jackson用廣東話講“最後一站”。至於今次回家，Jackson舉高雙手叫：“I feel good!”而JB主動提及之前表演時麥出問題，叫港迷忘記，BamBam就代港迷用中文說：“沒關係”，十分搞笑。

7子又走到延伸舞台兩邊載歌載舞，親近歌迷。Jackson用廣東話介紹一首歌《Look》，之後望着負責作曲作詞的JB，表示：“下一首歌是由最帥的人所寫，哪個哪個？”

輪到Drama舞台環節，GOT7配合情境片段，唱出《If you Do》、《Face》等。成員有謙搞笑指：“今晚（24日晚）是最後一場，今晚沒有安哥，因我們要趕航班返韓。”BamBam聞言用中文說：“沒安哥，沒關係嗎？”之後全員鞠躬並送上《You Are》及《Never Ever》。

Jackson脫衣騷肌

當然有謙只是說笑，接着各位成員分組演出合作舞台。當中Jackson表演時，更脫下上衣拋向觀眾，引起哄動，裸露上身的Jackson繼續rap，大晒肌肉。

而港迷特別為GOT7製作應援片，成員們看畢後感動地向港迷致謝。然後也逐一談感言，異口同聲感謝粉絲的一路支持，稱以後會準備更好舞台，又叫歌迷期待他們即將推出的專輯，以及9月的comeback舞台。

韓國成員Jr.更用廣東話說了一段：

“大家今日開不开心，我們今日都好開心，最尾香港……最尾一站香港好榮幸，我保證好快再見，多謝。”雖然中途“食螺絲”，但字正腔圓，誠意十足。

Mark的父親日前在網上留言，談及Mark的合約剩下兩年了，表示是續約還是獨立，要開始準備了，此番言論一出隨即引起粉絲揣測，24日晚Mark亦就此事回應：“還未到時候，沒有7個人都不是GOT7！我們9月就會comeback，我們一定會再來香港的！我愛你！”，似乎是向粉絲派定心丸。

瘋狂潑水玩到癲

據知，JYP老闆當晚特地赴港捧場。尾聲時，7子high爆，與舞蹈員在台上互相瘋狂追逐潑水，更一度潑向台下觀眾，眾人齊齊濕身，掀起高潮。Jackson再脫下濕透的上衣拋向粉絲，大派福利，同時為兩個半小時的演唱會落下帷幕。



GOT7與舞蹈員在台上互相潑水。



鄭裕玲前來為Jackson打氣。網上圖片

五月天五踏鳥巢開唱 張惠妹任嘉賓超羨慕

香港文匯報訊 台灣樂團五月天打造終極版的《人生無限公司》24日起在北京鳥巢連開三場，召集30萬歌迷歡聚鳥巢“打卡上班”，五度回到鳥巢，5子都相當興奮。怪獸開心直說：“雖然第五次來，不管來了幾次，站在舞台上還是有夢一樣的感覺。”

24日的北京場迎來“金曲歌后”張惠妹（阿妹）助陣。阿妹與五月天一起盡情high唱《離開地球表面》、《三天三夜》，阿妹興奮大喊：“怎麼辦！我現在好high！第一次在鳥巢，我好感動，我很少身邊有這麼多帥哥。”

接着，五月天與阿妹再合唱《後來的我們》。原來，當初阿妹提議合唱《後來的我們》時，阿妹也表示很喜歡這首歌，就跟阿信說不如來個男女合唱版，讓全場歌迷一飽耳

福。最後，阿妹更依依不捨地說希望下次能在鳥巢開唱，接着阿信馬上搶當嘉賓，暗示笑問：“下次你來鳥巢開演唱會知道要找誰？”阿妹立即回答：“五月天！”阿信笑說：“我們剛拍妳脫口說，當然找杰倫（周杰倫）！”

阿信笑瑪莎似瓔珞

24日是第105場，阿信感性地說：“這個巡迴即將要畫下完美的短點，短短一年半得到很多，105場，4百萬員工，規模超級大，也失去很多，五月天本來是5個人，失去一個男孩，蔡爸爸（指瑪莎）就是你。”讓瑪莎摸不着頭緒笑問：“我今天剪了一個頭髮像女的嗎？”阿信開玩笑表示是像瓔珞，看來即使忙著巡迴演唱會，阿信也緊跟劇集《延禧攻略》風潮。



張惠妹與五月天合作演出。

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香港文匯報訊（記者李慶全）鄭少秋、陶大宇、張雷、麥子樂及陳安立等25日為ViuTV劇集《詭探前傳》進行拍攝，秋官飾演捉鬼天師，拍照時秋官教大家擺捉

鬼手印頗有功架，但由於適值七月十四“鬼節”，他指近期開工都有點戰戰兢兢，因此會戴定古玉求安心，像日前要在戲棚拍孟蘭勝會，又要將拍攝場地佈置藍紫色的燈來營造氣氛，所以都有點驚驚地。

大宇劇中造型殺氣

秋官表示拍攝一直尚算順利，只是日前大宇拍神功戲時下着“大雨”。問他演出時又有何禁忌？秋官說：“接戲時已經提醒自己要醒醒定定，去到片場不會亂講笑，會以尊敬的心，而我本身有戴觀音求安心，今次又特別拿回當年關聰的

師傅送我的古玉，他說我人比較溫純不夠猛，戴了可平衡一下不會被人蝦！”

大宇日前拍神功戲時下大雨，他笑言因要趕拆景，所以要分兩組拍打戲，大家都努力加快完成，大宇更充當武術指導教幾位“小鮮肉”演出，而他們都很勤力又快上手，最終也趕及完成。今次大宇在劇中演中醫，凌晨過後就變成生人勿近，造型相當有殺氣！其中演徒弟的陳安立指劇中因要驅鬼常有玩火場面，秋官就試過燙傷手仍堅持繼續演出，直到拍完才講。

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香港文匯報訊 Super Girls隊長趙慧珊（Aka）25日為慈善馬拉松擔任嘉賓，除帶領一班參賽選手做熱身運動外，亦為賽事主持“鳴槍”，比賽期間也落力為參賽者打氣。

Aka熱愛做運動，除經常在社交網站分享跑步及做Gym的相片外，原來她讀書時已是學校田徑隊代表，而且成績相當好，不過她笑言年紀大了，現在

比較愛慢跑：“現在都會去跑步，不過年紀大了，慢跑適合我多一點，而且一路跑還可以欣賞周圍景色。”

她又透露年底會參加跑步賽事和慈善跑。單身的她被問到會否找個同樣愛運動的男友？Aka直言：“男仔不一定好大隻，只要有做運動，有少肌肉，看得出對自己身形有一定要求，有這一份堅持，我都特別欣賞的。”



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