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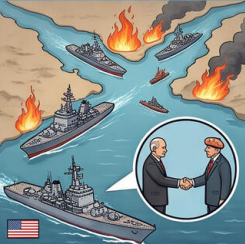
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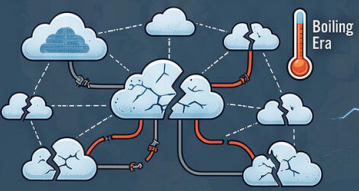
GLOBAL STABILITY FALTERS: A RESURGENT TRUMP & EUROPEAN INFRASTRUCTURE COLLAPSE

REPORT: August 6, 2026 – A critical inflection point in the erosion of post-war norms and the rise of a fractured geopolitical reality.

MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS & THE THREE MACRO-CRISES

US TECH ISOLATIONISM & DIGITAL SOVEREIGNTY  Trump administration bans foreign access to frontier AI models (e.g., 'Fable'). Shatters ally trust, accelerates EU/Asia push for digital sovereignty. 'Balkanization of the mind.' Weaponization of AI access.	HORMUZ ESCALATION & MINILATERALISM  US threatens 'massive attacks' outside diplomatic channels. Iran & Oman negotiate independent maritime deal, bypassing US oversight. Fragmentation of Global Maritime Policing.	EUROPEAN INFRASTRUCTURE BUCKLING & CLIMATE STRESS  Extreme climate-energy nexus thwarts cooling at nuclear plants (Slovenia, Hungary, Romania) due to low/warm rivers. Balkan industrial collapse with miner strikes (Zenica) demanding unpaid wages. Permanent energy deficit.
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DEEP DIVE: TRENDS, THEMES & INTERNAL DYNAMICS

THE END OF TECHNICAL INTERDEPENDENCE & INFRASTRUCTURE FRAGILITY  Capital flight from US cloud to sovereign initiatives. 'Climate-engineering-by-necessity' for energy. Systemic vulnerability in river-cooled power.	LEADERSHIP DYNAMICS & GEOPOLITICAL FRAMING  STRONGMAN MODEL ASCENDANT Disruptive appointees (RFK Jr., public health schism). Embattled incumbents (FIFA leadership mutiny). Historical Revisionism & Strategic Narratives in Information Warfare. EMBATTLED INSTITUTIONS & INCUMBENTS
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FUTURE OUTLOOK, RISKS & RECOMMENDATIONS

SHORT TERM: Intensified labor unrest (Balkans), Hormuz Deal volatility.	RISK ASSESSMENT & MITIGATION	STRATEGIC RECOMMENDATIONS
MEDIUM TERM: EU digital sovereignty laws, German recession.	 GRID COLLAPSE (Bosnia, High Risk) - Mitigation: Emergency funds.	 STATECRAFT: • Develop non-US cyber-defense stacks. • Pivot to 'niche diplomacy'.
LONG TERM: Quantum computing threat to encryption, end of US maritime dominance.	 HORMUZ CONFLICT (Moderate-High Risk) - Mitigation: Direct backchannels.	 PRIVATE SECTOR: • Diversify from river-cooled energy regions. • Invest in open-source/localized AI. • Factor in maritime closure contingency.
	 AI CYBER-ATTACK (Moderate Risk) - Mitigation: International reg., patch-first defense.	
	 DISEASE RESURGENCE (US, High Risk) - Mitigation: State health campaigns.	

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DAY-AT-A-GLANCE

August 6, 2026, marks a critical inflection point in the erosion of post-war international norms and the rise of a transactional, "America First" geopolitical reality. The second Trump administration has fundamentally altered the global technology landscape by imposing an **overnight ban on foreign access** to advanced AI models, shattering the trust of key allies like Australia and forcing Europe and Asia to seek [digital sovereignty](#) or pivot toward Chinese-backed open-source alternatives. This tech-nationalism coincides with a high-stakes standoff in the **Strait of Hormuz**, where the U.S. is bypassing traditional diplomatic channels, threatening "massive attacks" against Iran while Tehran and Muscat attempt

to negotiate a [bilateral maritime framework](#) that excludes Washington entirely. These macro-level shifts suggest a world fracturing into regional silos where security and technology are no longer guaranteed by global alliances but by localized leverage and raw power.

Domestically, the Balkan region is experiencing a profound institutional crisis. In Bosnia and Herzegovina, the collapse of the industrial sector is manifest in the [protracted miner strikes](#) at the Raspotočje pit, where workers are risking their lives underground to demand basic health insurance and unpaid wages. This labor unrest is shadowed by a pervasive culture of political clientelism, characterized by the ["cjeduljica" \(slip of paper\)](#) system of patronage, which has hollowed out state capacity. Meanwhile, Europe's physical infrastructure is failing against the backdrop of an unprecedented **climate-energy nexus**. Nuclear power plants across Slovenia, Hungary, and Romania have been forced to [throttle electricity production](#) because the Danube and Sava rivers are too low and too warm to provide adequate cooling. This environmental degradation is no longer a future threat but a present driver of energy rationing and economic contraction.

MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS

- **U.S. Tech Isolationism:** The Trump administration's decision to block foreign nationals from accessing frontier AI models like Anthropic's "Fable" has sparked a [global crisis of confidence](#) in U.S. platforms, accelerating the push for digital sovereignty in the EU and Asia.

- **Hormuz Escalation:** Donald Trump has threatened the [biggest attack since WWII](#) if the Strait of Hormuz is not reopened, even as Iran and Oman finalize a deal to manage the waterway independently of U.S. oversight.
- **Balkan Industrial Collapse:** Miners in Zenica have remained [underground for multiple nights](#) in a desperate protest against the state's failure to pay wages and social contributions, highlighting the bankruptcy of the Federation's energy management.
- **European Energy Crisis:** The Krško nuclear plant and facilities in Romania and Hungary have [reduced power output](#) due to record-low river levels, forcing Budapest to extinguish decorative lighting and Bucharest to enter a state of energy emergency.
- **Ukraine War Intensity:** A massive Russian missile and drone strike on Kyiv and surrounding regions has [killed at least 17 people](#), while Vladimir Putin formalizes a new military branch dedicated to drone warfare.
- **Public Health Schism:** U.S. Health Secretary Robert Kennedy Jr. has used his platform to [challenge the scientific consensus](#) on vaccine safety and autism, signaling a major shift in American public health policy toward skepticism and "environmental" investigations.

KEY GOVERNANCE TOPICS

Armed Conflict & Militarization

- The war in Ukraine has entered a phase of **systemic infrastructure targeting**, with Russia striking logistics hubs in Brovary and Kvitneva, while Ukraine targets [Wildberries warehouses](#) in Tula to disrupt the Russian domestic economy.
- The establishment of a specialized ["Drone Force"](#) by Putin and the death of a leading Russian drone manufacturer in a car explosion indicate an intensifying shadow war over autonomous technologies.

Climate & Extreme Weather

- Extreme heatwaves are **destabilizing the European grid**; river temperatures in the Sava have exceeded 28°C, necessitating the [throttling of nuclear reactors](#) to prevent environmental catastrophe.
- The UN warns that a "super El Niño" could push [50 million people](#) into acute hunger by 2027, with the most severe impacts predicted for Central and South America.

Tech Sovereignty & AI

- The weaponization of AI access is now a primary tool of **U.S. statecraft**, with the ban on Anthropic models being framed as a national security necessity to prevent foreign adversaries from launching [automated zero-day cyber attacks](#).
- Emerging technologies like **underwater and satellite data centers** are being prototyped in China and Singapore to bypass land and water constraints, signaling a [new frontier](#) in critical infrastructure geography.

Leadership Dynamics & Governance

- In Bosnia, the ["cjeduljica" corruption scandal](#) reveals the extent to which meritocracy has been replaced by partisan slips of paper, leading to the appointment of unqualified loyalists across the civil service.
- FIFA is facing a **leadership mutiny** as Jani Infantino's plan to privatize parts of the World Cup has been [blocked by UEFA](#) and other confederations, with legends like Luis Figo calling for his immediate resignation.

DEEP DIVE: TRENDS AND THEMES

The End of Technical Interdependence

For decades, the global tech industry operated on a model of open collaboration and shared platforms. The Trump administration's [sudden revocation of access](#) to AI frontier models represents the definitive end of this era. This is not merely a trade dispute; it is the **balkanization of the mind**. By treating AI as a "cyber-weapon" rather than a commercial tool, the U.S. is forcing even its closest allies to build redundant, less efficient systems to ensure they aren't "unplugged" by Washington's shifting political winds. This trend is likely to drive a massive capital flight from U.S. cloud services toward **sovereign cloud initiatives** in Europe and Asia.

Infrastructure Fragility in the "Boiling" Era

The simultaneous reduction in power at [Krško \(Slovenia\)](#), [Paks \(Hungary\)](#), and [Cernavodă \(Romania\)](#) reveals a systemic vulnerability in European energy policy: the reliance on river-cooled thermal and nuclear power. As the "boiling" era makes stable river levels a thing

of the past, the continent faces a **permanent energy deficit** during summer months. The desperation of Romanian authorities, who [blasted rocks with explosives](#) to divert water toward their nuclear plant, serves as a grim preview of the "climate-engineering-by-necessity" that will define the next decade.

INTERNAL DYNAMICS & DOMESTIC INSTABILITY

Bosnia and Herzegovina: The Exhausted Mandate

- The "Trojka" coalition is increasingly viewed as [imposed and ineffective](#), failing to address the fundamental economic grievances of the working class while participating in the same patronage networks they once criticized. The [miner protests](#) are a symptom of a state that can no longer provide the basic "social contract"—wages for work and health care for the sick.
- Milorad Dodik's opportunistic celebration of the [Trump victory](#) indicates a strategy of "trading" state assets and sovereignty for personal and political survival, betting that a transactional U.S. administration will lift sanctions in exchange for regional concessions.

Germany: Industrial De-structuring

- The [Volkswagen crisis in Zwickau](#) is a bellwether for German industrial decay. The potential closure of a flagship electric vehicle plant, a key pillar of the "Green Transition," threatens the economic stability of entire regions and suggests that the German model of high-wage, high-energy manufacturing is **terminal**.

EXTERNAL DYNAMICS & GLOBAL POSTURE

The Fragmentation of Global Maritime Policing

The U.S. naval posture in the Middle East is transitioning from "Global Policeman" to "Aggressive Combatant." Trump's rhetoric regarding the [Strait of Hormuz](#) signals a willingness to use kinetic force to resolve economic blockades, a departure from the "freedom of navigation" missions of the past. Conversely, the [Iran-Oman negotiations](#) show regional powers attempting to build a "post-American" security architecture, where local actors manage critical chokepoints without Western intermediation. This reflects a broader global move toward **minilateralism**, where small groups of regional states solve problems that global institutions like the UN or NATO are too paralyzed to address.

THE ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

Market sentiment is increasingly dominated by **energy security premiums** and the fallout from U.S. regulatory shifts. The global [toy collectibles market](#), estimated at \$35 billion, remains a bright spot, but industrial sectors are in freefall. Supply chains are being fundamentally rewired by tech bans and maritime threats.

Key Economic Vectors

- **Energy Costs:** Oil prices [dropped 5%](#) on rumors of a 60-day Hormuz deal, but long-term energy stability is threatened by nuclear throttling and low hydro-output.
- **Labor Crisis:** Volkswagen is considering cutting [100,000 jobs](#) and closing four German factories as the EV transition falters under high costs.

- **Banking Integration:** Bosnia and Herzegovina has [officially applied for SEPA](#) (Single Euro Payments Area), a critical move for facilitating cheaper remittances and European trade integration.
- **Debt & Arrears:** Bosnian mines owe [175 million KM](#) in health insurance contributions, illustrating the systemic insolvency of the Federation's state-owned enterprises.

LEADERSHIP CHANGES

The day's events highlight a shift toward **disruptive appointees** in the U.S. and **embattled incumbents** in international organizations.

- **Robert Kennedy Jr. (U.S. HHS Secretary):** Emerging as a [highly contentious figure](#), he is prioritizing investigations into vaccines and ultra-processed foods, fundamentally challenging the NIH/CDC status quo.
- **Jani Infantino (FIFA President):** Currently in ["crisis mode"](#) following the failure of his privatization plan; his authority is being openly questioned by UEFA and legendary players.
- **Denis Ljabin (Russian Military):** Appointed by Putin to lead the new ["Unmanned Systems Force,"](#) signaling Russia's commitment to long-term autonomous warfare.
- **Mattias Jaisle (Newcastle United):** Appointed as manager [following Eddie Howe's departure](#), signaling a shift toward German-style high-pressing tactics in the Premier League.

EDITORIAL POSTURE & STORY HIERARCHY

The network's **Lead Stories** focused on the local and immediate: the [Zenica miner strike](#) and the anniversary of the [Omarska camp](#). These stories lean into national trauma and the failure of the current administration to protect the working class. The broadcast then pivoted to **Global Threats**, specifically the Kyiv bombings and the Hormuz crisis, maintaining an underlying tone of **pessimism and cynicism** regarding the durability of peace. **Buried Stories** included the specific details of "slavery" in Italian agriculture, which were presented as a far-off "terrible image" rather than a systemic European failure. **Conspicuous Omissions** included any meaningful discussion of Bosnia's specific plan to transition away from coal, despite the coal mines literally collapsing under the weight of their own debt during the broadcast.

GEOPOLITICAL FRAMING

The day's reporting paints a world where the "Strongman" model of leadership is ascendant and the "Bureaucratic/Institutional" model is in retreat.

COUNTRIES and LEADERS

- **Donald Trump (United States):** Framed as "consequential" but **highly aggressive** and transactional. Quoted as threatening that Iran will ["get hit very hard"](#) if the Strait isn't opened, portraying a leader who views military force as a first-tier negotiating tool.

- **Vladimir Putin (Russia):** Portrayed as a **technocratic warmonger**, adapting his military for a new era of drone strikes while domestic Russian logistics (Wildberries) become vulnerable to counter-attacks.
- **Milorad Dodik (Republika Srpska):** Characterized by critics as a ["trader"](#) who is "ready to trade both living and non-living property" to stay in power and protect his assets under the new U.S. administration.
- **Volodymyr Zelenskyy (Ukraine):** Depicted as **desperate but principled**, constantly pleading for air defense systems to prevent "horrific human casualties" as his cities burn [without adequate protection](#).

NON-STATE & CORPORATE ACTORS

- **Volkswagen:** Framed as a [failing symbol of German strength](#), no longer a guarantor of regional prosperity but a source of "anger, disappointment, and despair."
- **Anthropic:** Portrayed as a [pawn of U.S. geopolitics](#), whose cutting-edge safety research is being weaponized by the state to enforce technological hegemony.
- **Bosnian Miners:** Depicted as **abandoned heroes** of an old economy, literally "trapped" in a system that extracts their labor but refuses to pay for their health [insurance](#).

INFORMATION WARFARE ENVIRONMENT

The informational landscape is currently defined by **Historical Revisionism** and **Strategic Narratives**.

- **Narrative Seeding:** In Serbia and Croatia, the "Oluja" (Operation Storm) anniversary is being used to **re-litigate the 1990s**, with Belgrade framing it as "the face of Vučić's Serbia" while Zagreb celebrates it as a "brilliant military victory" [without precedents](#).
- **Propaganda/RAK Dispute:** Five associations of genocide victims have filed a complaint against **RTRS** for allegedly calling the Mothers of Srebrenica a "[money factory](#)," a clear instance of weaponized disinformation aimed at delegitimizing victims of war crimes.
- **AI-Enabled Scams:** "Scam factories" in Southeast Asia are now using [AI to clone voices and images](#), creating a "globalized audience" for fraud that is becoming indistinguishable from reality.

HYPOTHESES AND FUTURE OUTLOOK

- **The European Energy Pivot:** If river levels do not recover by 2027, the EU will be forced to abandon its "River-Cooling" strategy, leading to a **trillion-euro emergency investment** in offshore wind and sea-water-cooled nuclear facilities.

- **Trump's "Grand Bargain" in the Balkans:** There is a high likelihood that the U.S. will **lift sanctions on Dodik** in early 2027 in exchange for a "normalization" deal that weakens the central Bosnian state but stabilizes the regional power balance in favor of Belgrade and Zagreb.
- **The Rise of Open-Source AI:** The U.S. ban on AI access will fail to stop technology transfer; instead, it will **supercharge the Chinese open-source ecosystem**, making Beijing the default provider of AI tools for the "Global South."

STRATEGIC FORESIGHT

Short Term (1-4 Weeks): Expect **intensified labor unrest** in the Federation of Bosnia as miner protests spread to other sectors. In the U.S., the finalized "Hormuz Deal" could lead to a temporary **crude oil price crash**, followed by extreme volatility as the U.S. Navy maintains its presence. Short-term **internet terminal shutdowns** by Starlink will cause temporary disruptions in SE Asian scam operations before they migrate to new hardware [at different sites](#).

Medium Term (1-6 Months): The EU will likely introduce **digital sovereignty laws** mandating that critical AI models be hosted on European soil. In Germany, the Zwickau plant's fate will trigger a **broader recession** across East Germany, fueling support for populist factions. U.S. Health policy will see **regulatory rollbacks** on several vaccines, leading to localized measles outbreaks [at record speeds](#).

Long Term (1-5 Years): Global finance will be forced to **overhaul encryption** as quantum computing threats move from the lab to the real world [to avoid catastrophic loss of confidence](#). The "Strait of Hormuz"

management will likely remain a shared Iranian-Omani responsibility, marking the **permanent end of U.S. maritime dominance** in the Persian Gulf.

RISK ASSESSMENT

- **Risk:** Sudden collapse of the Bosnian energy grid due to labor strikes and insolvency. **Triggers:** Failure to pay miner health insurance by the end of August. **Likelihood:** High. **Impact:** Massive power outages and social unrest in major cities. **Mitigations:** Immediate emergency injection of funds from the Federal budget and restructuring of Elektroprivreda [debts](#).
- **Risk:** Kinetic military conflict in the Strait of Hormuz. **Triggers:** A failure of the Oman-Iran maritime negotiations or a U.S. "pre-emptive" strike against IRGC naval assets. **Likelihood:** Moderate-High. **Impact:** Oil spike to \$150+, global supply chain freeze. **Mitigations:** Direct U.S.-Iran backchannel communication and [Omani mediation](#).
- **Risk:** Systemic failure of the European summer power supply. **Triggers:** Sava and Danube river temperatures remaining above 28°C for more than 14 consecutive days. **Likelihood:** High (recurring). **Impact:** De-industrialization of Central Europe and energy rationing. **Mitigations:** Accelerated transition to **non-thermal cooling** and grid interconnection [remodeling](#).

- **Risk:** Global cyber-attack launched by "autonomous" AI agents. **Triggers:** Proliferation of "Fable-class" models via data leaks or state-backed Chinese open-source releases. **Likelihood:** Moderate. **Impact:** Crippling of critical infrastructure (banking, power) in seconds. **Mitigations:** International cooperation on [frontier AI regulation](#) and "patch-first" AI defense deployments.
- **Risk:** Rapid resurgence of preventable diseases (Measles) in the U.S. **Triggers:** Official HHS messaging questioning MMR safety leads to vaccination rates dropping below 80%. **Likelihood:** High. **Impact:** Thousands of pediatric hospitalizations and deaths. **Mitigations:** Strong state-level public health counter-campaigns and [transparent debate](#) on scientific data.

GAPS & BLIND SPOTS

- **The Role of China in Hormuz:** While the broadcast focuses on the U.S., Iran, and Oman, China's role as the primary buyer of Iranian oil and its potential to guarantee the Strait's security is **completely ignored**.
- **Bosnia's Green Transition Reality:** The news highlights miner suffering but fails to mention if there is **any functional plan** for renewable energy to replace the coal pits that are clearly dying.
- **Technical Details of the AI "Jailbreak":** The Trump administration cited a [vulnerability in Fable 5](#) as the reason for the ban, but the broadcast provides no technical verification of whether this was a real flaw or a political pretext.

- **The "Wildberries" Context:** The strike on the Russian Amazon equivalent is mentioned, but the broadcast doesn't explain its importance to the **Russian military logistics** or its impact on civilian morale.

CONTRARIAN NARRATIVE SCENARIOS

The "Paper Tiger" Hegemony

The U.S. AI ban and threats in Hormuz may not be a show of strength, but a **desperate cover for waning influence**. By cutting off AI access, the U.S. admits it can no longer compete on innovation alone and must resort to blockade tactics. If Europe successfully builds its own models, the U.S. loses its primary leverage over the continent's digital economy. **Black Swan:** A total **U.S. tech-infrastructure divorce** where the Dollar is decoupled from the global digital trade system.

The Organized Crime/State Fusion

The reported "clashes of criminal groups" in East Sarajevo (Elez vs. Ždrale) might not be traditional crime, but **state-sanctioned paramilitary housekeeping**. As regional leaders (Dodik, etc.) prepare for a new geopolitical alignment, they may be purging "loose ends" from the previous decade's smuggling and intelligence networks. **Black Swan:** A high-level assassination of a **Trojka leader** that triggers a state of emergency and the postponement of local elections.

RECOMMENDATIONS & IMPLICATIONS

For Statecraft/Public Sector:

- **Security:** Allies must immediately begin developing **non-U.S. dependent cyber-defense stacks** to mitigate the risk of being "turned off" during a diplomatic crisis.
- **Economic:** Bosnia should prioritize the [SEPA integration](#) as a survival mechanism against the collapse of its traditional industrial sectors.
- **Diplomatic:** Small and middle powers should pivot toward **Omani-style "niche diplomacy"** to manage regional flashpoints where major powers have become too erratic to lead.

For Private Sector/Investors:

- **Supply Chains:** Manufacturing reliant on Central European power (Germany, Hungary) must diversify to regions with **sea-cooled energy assets**.
- **Tech Allocation:** Avoid over-exposure to U.S.-only AI platforms; invest in **open-source and localized LLM deployments** to ensure business continuity.
- **Logistics:** Maritime insurance premiums for the Persian Gulf will remain high; factor in the permanent possibility of a **30-day Strait closure** in all contingency planning.

LEGISLATIVE ROUNDUP

Recent legislative actions show a trend toward **economic integration in the**

Balkans and protectionism in the U.S. and Croatia.

• **BILLS DISCUSSED/DEBATED:**

- **Bosnia SEPA Application:** A strategic move to integrate Bosnia into the [European payment system](#), intending to lower transaction costs and boost foreign investment.
- **Croatian Veteran Pension Laws:** Proposals to [increase pensions based on length of service](#) in the "Oluja" operation, aimed at securing the veteran voting bloc.
- **U.S. AI Export Controls:** The Trump administration's [emergency ban](#) on AI model access for foreign nationals, intended to prevent "military diversion."

• **HEARINGS & PRESS EVENTS:**

- **Zenica ZZO Press Conference:** Detailing the [175 million KM debt](#) of the coal mines and the temporary 30-day health card extension for miners.
- **Strait of Hormuz Fox News Interview:** Trump's [threat-heavy segment](#) detailing his intent to force the waterway open through "massive attacks."

KEY STORIES

- **The Zenica Miner Siege:** Miners remain in the [Raspotočje pit](#) for a second night demanding 2.5 million KM in unpaid wages and health insurance for May and June.
- **Kyiv Infrastructure Devastation:** Russian strikes kill 17, hitting [railway stations](#) and logistics centers; Zelenskyy blames lack of air defense.

- **Hormuz Maritime Deal:** Iran and Oman near a [joint control agreement](#) for the Strait, potentially removing the need for U.S. naval "protection."
- **Anthropic Model Ban:** Trump blocks [foreign access to Fable 5 AI](#), citing security flaws and the risk of automated cyber warfare.
- **VW Zwickau Closure Threat:** Thousands of jobs in East Germany are [at risk](#) as Volkswagen considers shutting its most modern EV plant.
- **European Nuclear Throttling:** Low rivers force Krško, Paks, and Cernavodă to [slash energy output](#) during a heatwave.
- **Omarska Camp Anniversary:** Victims commemorate 34 years since the [opening of the camp](#), where 700 people were murdered.
- **RFK Jr. Vaccine Debate:** The HHS Secretary [confronts CNN](#) over the link between vaccines and autism, promoting new "environmental" studies.
- **The "Cjeduljica" Scandal:** Reports of Bosnian politicians using [handwritten notes](#) to appoint unqualified party members to civil service jobs.
- **Quantum Computing Breakthrough:** Researchers at [ETH Zurich](#) manipulate single atoms to build quantum computers that could break current banking encryption.
- **Galapagos Tortoise Return:** 158 giant tortoises [reintroduced to Floreana Island](#) after 150 years as "ecosystem engineers."
- **Italian Farm "Slavery":** Four migrant workers [burned alive in a vehicle](#) after protesting exploitative conditions in Italian fruit fields.

- **Roma Policing in Greece:** Greek police deploy [24-hour patrols](#) in Roma neighborhoods, leading to accusations of racism and stigmatization.
- **Stevan Filipović Assault:** A director in Belgrade is [beaten](#) after photographing men writing political graffiti; he blames the "face of Vučić's Serbia."
- **Mo Salah's Turkish Reception:** Thousands of fans [flood the airport](#) in Trabzon as the Egyptian star signs a two-year deal.
- **FIFA Privatization Collapse:** Infantino's [botched attempt](#) to sell World Cup rights to private investors leads to calls for his resignation.
- **Berghof Documentary Center:** Expansion of the [Hitler documentation site](#) at Obersalzberg as interest in Nazi history spikes.
- **German Volunteer Craft Year:** A new program in Germany allows youth to [try four different crafts](#) over a year to combat the skilled labor shortage.
- **Underwater Data Centers:** China launches a [submerged server site](#) off Shanghai to use natural ocean cooling.
- **London Cost Crisis:** Analysis of how [41 pounds a day](#) is the "budget" limit for tourists in the increasingly expensive UK capital.
- **The Prodigy in Sarajevo:** The legendary band to play [Grbavica stadium](#) as a kick-off to the Film Festival.
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