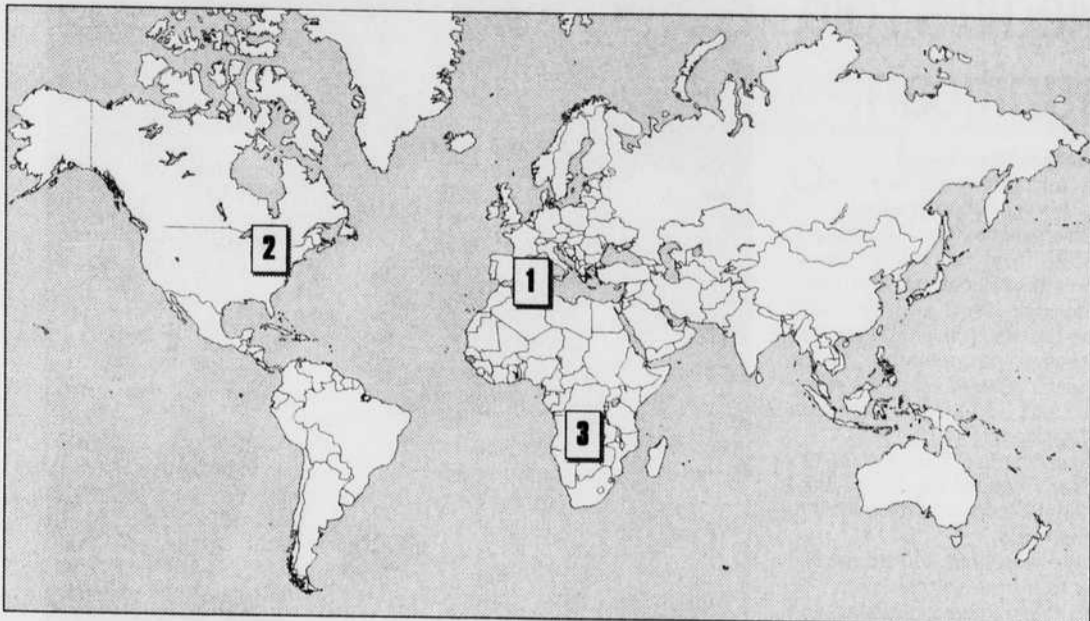


WORLD BRIEFS



Violence continues as U.N. seeks solution

1 ALGIERS, Algeria — An armed group attacked an isolated house and then struck a military outpost, killing at least 13 people, Algerian newspapers reported Wednesday.

In a separate incident, two members of an Islamic group were killed Tuesday by security forces in a suburb of the capital, Algerian media reported.

The violence came as a U.N. mission began the second week of its inquiry into violence in Algeria that has left some 75,000 people dead in the last six years.

The attacks occurred in an area where the Armed Islamic Group, which has been linked to the slaughter of hundreds of people in recent months, is known to be active.

The six-member U.N. panel is looking into violence that began in 1992 after the government canceled parliamentary elections an Islamic party was set to win.

The delegation arrived July 22 for a two-week visit.

Equal-pay ruling wins redress for workers

2 TORONTO — In a landmark decision, a human rights tribunal ruled Wednesday that public servants in female-dominated job categories deserve compensation for years of unequal pay.

The Canadian Human Rights Tribunal's decision was a turning point in a 14-year legal battle involving more than 200,000 present and former federal civil servants, most of them women.

The complainants initiated legal action in 1984 arguing that various female-dominated occupations in the civil service, ranging from hospital workers to secretaries, were paid less than comparable job categories dominated by men.

The tribunal upheld the complaint Wednesday, and said the affected public servants should be eligible for retroactive payment, plus interest, dating to March 1985.

Individual complainants are expecting to receive payments in the range of \$10,000 to \$20,000.

Countries disagree about recall of troops

3 KIGALI, Rwanda — Rwanda denied it was ordered to pull its troops out of Congo, saying on Wednesday that the recall was voluntary.

Maj. Emmanuel Ndahiro said Rwanda chose to recall more than 100 officers and soldiers so the people of Congo could begin to "sort out their own problems."

But Congolese President Laurent Kabila said the troops were told to leave to "create orderly relations" between the two countries. Kabila warned his own officers in an address Tuesday not to let the withdrawal cause problems.

The Rwandan soldiers helped Kabila overthrow longtime dictator Mobutu Sese Seko in May 1997 and stayed on to help maintain order. Kabila renamed the country, which Mobutu called Zaire.

Ndahiro said he hoped the Congolese and Rwandan armies would continue to cooperate in maintaining and upgrading security along their long and volatile common border.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

New policy on tribes affects tuition rate

The Oregon University System has approved a plan to grant resident tuition to enrolled members of Oregon tribes, regardless of whether they reside in-state.

In addition, members of tribes in California, Idaho, Nevada and Oklahoma whose traditional tribal boundaries once included areas in Oregon are eligible for in-state tuition.

Officials say the new policy is important symbolically because it recognizes the historic ties tribal members have to Oregon land and upholds the concept of tribal sovereignty.

The University already implemented its own version of the new OUS policy in 1997.

ASUO Student Senate to discuss DDS funds

The ASUO Student Senate will meet Saturday to discuss the recent Designated Driver Shuttle budget situation. The ASUO Executive froze part of the group's budget on July 12 because it felt DDS was not operating "in a reasonable and responsible manner." The senate retains the power to transfer the remainder of the frozen funds to DDS.

The senate also plans to hear special requests from several student groups during its Saturday meeting, which is open to the public. The meeting will begin at 5 p.m. in 44 Columbia.

The Cascadia Wildlands Project is sponsoring a hike of the proposed Helldun timber sale and the Warner Creek wilderness on Sunday. Guides for the free, interpretive event will discuss forest ecology, forest practices and the Northwest Forest Plan. Carpools will leave from the Grower's Market, 454 Willamette St., at 10 a.m. Sunday. Hikers are encouraged to bring a sack lunch. For more information, call 747-9116.

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