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From LOL shirt to bulletproof vest, hit suspects go to court

TOKYO — Because of a grainy security camera photo that went viral online, she is now known to many as the LOL assassin.

But as Doan Thi Huong arrived at a courthouse in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, to be formally charged with the murder of North Korean leader Kim Jong Un's estranged half brother two weeks ago, she had a very different look - tear-filled eyes and a bulletproof vest.

For most people, those first images Huong were as shocking as they were bizarre — apparently showing her lunging at Kim Jong Nam in a crowded airport terminal while wearing a T-shirt emblazoned in big black letters, LOL, an acronym for laughing out loud.

Huong, who is Vietnamese, and an Indonesian woman were formally charged with murder today.

Her light-brown dyed hair disheveled and frizzy, Huong was led into the courthouse handcuffed to a female Malaysian officer. She wore a yellow shirt under the protective vest and jeans. As she looked out at a bank of photographers and journalists waiting outside, her face was puffy and her eyes red and teary.

Officials: New Trump travel ban removes Iraq from list

WASHINGTON - President Donald Trump's new immigration order will remove Iraq from the list of countries whose citizens face a temporary U.S. travel ban, U.S. officials say, citing the latest draft in circulation. Trump is expected to sign the executive order in the coming days.

Four officials told The Associated Press that the decision followed pressure from the Pentagon and State Department, which had urged the White House to reconsider Iraq's inclusion on the list given its key role in fighting the Islamic State group.

Citizens of six other predominantly Muslim countries - Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria and Yemen — will remain on the travel ban list, said the officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity because they weren't authorized to discuss the order before it is signed. Those bans are effective for 90 days.

The new order includes other changes as well. The officials said the 12-page document no longer singles out Syrian refugees for an



AP Photo/Daniel Chan

Vietnamese suspect Doan Thi Huong, center, in the ongoing assassination investigation, is escorted by police officers out from Sepang court in Sepang, Malaysia today. Appearing calm and solemn, two young women accused of smearing VX nerve agent on Kim Jong Nam, the estranged half brother of North Korea's leader, were charged with murder today.

indefinite ban and instead includes them as part of a general, 120day suspension of new refugee admissions.

The officials also said the order won't include any explicit exemption for religious minorities in the countries targeted by the travel ban. Critics had accused the administration of adding such language to help Christians get into the United States while excluding Muslims.

The White House did not respond to a request for comment.

Efforts expand to stop uranium from entering Columbia River

RICHLAND, Wash. - Efforts to prevent uranium from leaching into the Columbia River along the Hanford Nuclear Reservation are being expanded after a test showed good results.

Wells are being drilled to inject a solution into the ground to bind the uranium to the soil and prevent it from migrating into the groundwater and then into the river.

The Tri-City Herald says much of the soil contaminated with

uranium at the Hanford 300 Area has been dug up down to 15 feet, removing the majority of the contamination.

The uranium is left over from decades of work making plutonium for nuclear weapons during World War II and the Cold War. As a byproduct of the process, 60 tons of dissolved uranium was dumped into the ground.

Union says University of Oregon planning 75 layoffs of faculty

EUGENE - A labor union representing University of Oregon employees says the school is considering a plan to lay off 75 nontenured faculty members.

The Register-Guard reports that United Academics says the reductions will affect employees of the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Education and other university units.

The plans come as UO faces an \$8.8 million gap in next year's budget caused largely by rising pay and retirement benefits.

UO documents say the university is proposing to cover most of the budget shortfall with tuition increases, which will be considered by the board of trustees on Thursday and Friday.

University spokesman Tobin Klinger says there is no detailed information to release about potential cutbacks at this point.

In emotional moment, Trump salutes slain SEAL's wife

WASHINGTON - The widow of a U.S. Navy SEAL killed in Yemen stood in the balcony of the House chamber, tears streaming down her face as she looked upward and appeared to whisper to her husband.

Democrats and Republicans alike stood for minutes to applaud Carryn Owens, giving her the loudest cheers of the night in a rare moment of unity during President Donald Trump's first speech to a joint session of Congress. Her husband, Senior Chief William "Ryan" Owens, was killed last month in a raid approved by Trump, a decision that has been sharply criticized by some — including the slain SEAL's father — and which Trump continued to defend Tuesday night.

Trump, near the end of his hour-long speech, paid tribute to Carryn Owens, a surprise guest whose presence in the first lady's box was not announced in advance by the White House.

Homestays: May compete directly with Astoria's bed-and-breakfasts

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Commissioner Daryl Moore, addressing the larger debate head-on, asked Brown why she chose a homestay operation rather than rent to year-round locals.

"My husband and I really enjoy entertaining people, but I don't know if we want someone in our house as, like, a roommate, if that makes sense," Brown replied.

'Two different animals'

Most commissioners questioned the idea that homestay lodging contributes to the housing shortage, town's which remains a countywide problem. Vice President Kent Easom, owner of Easom Property Management, called the topics "two different animals."

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that we're facing in Astoria because, as Ms. Brown stated .. she isn't a housing option. Their home isn't a housing option. And I think that's probably very common among the homestay lodging that occurs in our city.

"And that's an opinion, of course, of mine, not a fact," he added.

LJ Gunderson, a partner in Easom Property Management who once owned a vacation rental company, told the commission that it's "very different" to set up a one- or two-day rental rather than a rental lasting 30 days or longer.

"(Brown) wants to invite people into her home and have them for a couple days, and she likes it when they leave. And she wants to be there, because that's her stuff," Gun-Moore said, "I don't see derson, president of the His-that homestay negatively toric Landmarks Commission, a small apartment in their ria resident who launched an impacts the housing issues told the Planning Commission. houses. "So it could actually Airbnb with her husband last

"So you're talking a totally different market - a totally different person that's trying to do the homestay."

Jennifer Cameron-Lattek, the newest commissioner and owner of Street 14 Coffee in Astoria, is fully aware of the housing crisis, and has said her employees have trouble finding places they can afford.

She agreed with her fellow commissioners. Many homestays, as long as they are owner-occupied, she said, "are often not taking housing off the market for some of our other residents.'

She added that homestays like Brown's could help mitigate the scarcity by getting locals used to having more people around, in their homes and their neighborhoods, and perhaps by inspiring some

have a positive effect on our housing problems right now," Cameron-Lattek said.

Impact on B&Bs

Homestays, however, may compete directly with bed-and-breakfast Astoria's industry.

"I'm sure it impacts the bed-and-breakfast business," Commissioner Jan Mitchell said. "I'm sure."

Loretta Maxwell, assistant manager of Grandview B&B in Astoria, opposed Brown's homestay. She recently told the City Council that, as shortterm rentals have taken off, her business has declined.

"I think that we need to think about the impact to the businesses that are already in place, here in town," Maxwell told the Planning Commission.

summer, said Airbnbs and traditional B&Bs, like Maxwell's, offer different kinds of services and experiences, and that the homestay lodging market has room enough for both.

"Not that I want to take away from your income," she told Maxwell, "but I also feel like my business is viable, too. My business brings people to the area as well."

Gasser said she, like Brown, is not interested in renting out a space long-term.

Illegal vacation rentals Moore said that illegal vacation rentals in Astoria's residential areas "should be shut down." He wants the City Council to direct City Manager Brett Estes to take measures to enforce the city's rules barring vacation rentals which do not require on-site management — from residential zones.

"The vacation rentals in residential areas definitely have a direct impact on the housing problem," Moore said. "We don't know how big the problem is, because we don't have an inventory necessarily of how many are available. But if it's one house, it's one house that's unavailable for a permanent resident of Astoria."



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