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Nothing to report.

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COLOR OF THE DAY

Yellow

AIR QUALITY INDEX As of 7am (AQI)

Value of Index = 55

OZONE = 16

Daily AQI Color = Yellow

Reference: AirNow.gov

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE

Partly cloudy with a high of 91.

SIGNIFICANT NEWS EVENTS

Epstein 'Client List' Doesn't Exist, Justice Department Says, Walking Back Theory AG Bondi Had Promoted

The [Associated Press](#) (07/07, Tucker, Richer) reported that the DOJ has stated that Jeffrey Epstein did not maintain a "client list" of individuals to whom underage girls were trafficked. Attorney General Pam Bondi had previously suggested that such a document existed and was being reviewed, but the department has now walked back this claim. After the first release of Epstein documents in February, AG Bondi stated that officials were poring over a "truckload" of previously withheld evidence she said had been handed over by the FBI. In a March TV interview, she claimed the Biden administration "sat on these documents, no one did anything with them," adding: "Sadly these people don't believe in transparency, but I think more unfortunately, I think a lot of them don't believe in honesty." The article noted that the DOJ will not release any further files related to Epstein's sex trafficking investigation, citing the need to protect victims and prevent the spread of unfounded theories. The article highlighted that Director Patel and Deputy Director Bongino recently insisted in television and podcast interviews that the evidence was clear that Epstein had killed himself. The [Washington Post](#) (07/07, Stein) noted that the White House on Monday defended AG Bondi's handling of the Epstein investigation. The White House and the Justice Department said AG Bondi was not referring to a client list in the Fox News interview but rather to the entire investigatory file, which could include private jet flight logs and people associated with Epstein. "Yes, she was saying the entirety of all of the paperwork, all of the paper in relation to Jeffrey Epstein's crimes. That's what the attorney general was referring to. And I'll let her speak for that," White House press secretary Karoline Leavitt said Monday. The Justice Department "committed to an exhaustive investigation," she added. "That's what they did, and they provided the results of that. That's transparency." [Fox News](#) (07/07, Oliver) detailed that when asked for comment, a DOJ spokesperson pointed to Leavitt's remarks and said the Trump administration has been more transparent than its predecessor. "We've delivered more transparency in 6 months than the Biden administration did in 4 years," the spokesperson told Fox News Digital. The [Wall Street Journal](#) (07/07, Gurman) added that DOJ spokesman Chad Gilmartin said Monday that AG Bondi was referring to the Epstein files more broadly during the Fox interview, namely the flight manifests and address book that were included in the first release. The FBI referred other questions to the Justice Department, which referred them to the White House. The [New York Post](#) (07/07, King) pointed out that tech billionaire Elon Musk launched into a meme-based social media tirade early Monday over the Justice Department's reported conclusion that notorious sex predator Jeffrey Epstein's much-hyped client list doesn't actually exist. Through a flurry of memes and terse replies to various users, Musk, 54, insinuated that the federal government was protecting the late pedophile's associates and threw shade at AG Bondi. "This is the final straw," the world's richest man ominously replied to a post from user "Autism Capital" who alluded to AG Bondi's claims in February that she had the client list "sitting on my desk right now to review." Additional reporting on the story was provided by [ABC News](#) (07/07, Faulders, Hill, Mallin), [BBC](#) (07/07, Debusmann), [CBS News](#) (07/07, Quinn, Rosen), [France24](#) (07/07, Staff Writer), [Hindustan Times](#) (07/07, Sen), [HuffPost](#) (07/07, Moye), [NPR](#) (07/07, Lucas), [Newsweek](#) (07/07, Royston), [New York Times](#) (07/07, Barrett, Goldstein), [Palm Beach Post](#) (07/07, Baltz), [People](#) (07/07, Henni), [Scripps News](#) (07/07, Landers), [Telegraph](#) (07/07, Kelly), [The Guardian](#) (07/07, Helmore), [The Hill](#) (07/07, Waldvogel) (2) (Beitsch), [The Times](#) (07/07, Ensor), [USA Today](#) (07/07, Garrison), [Washington Post](#) (07/07, Stein).

Man With An Assault Rifle Killed After Shooting At A Border Patrol Facility In Texas

The [Associated Press](#) (07/07, Gonzalez, Cline) reported that a man with an assault rifle fired dozens of rounds at federal agents and a U.S. Border Patrol facility in Texas on Monday, injuring a police officer, before authorities shot and killed him. Authorities identified the shooter as Ryan Louis Mosqueda, believed to be 27, who they said shot at agents exiting the building, which is near the U.S.-Mexico border. McAllen Police Chief Victor Rodriguez said Mosqueda had a "utility vest" in addition to the rifle when federal agents returned fire. Hours before the attack in McAllen, Mosqueda's father was stopped by Weslaco police around 2:30 a.m. for a traffic violation, according to police spokesperson Heriberto Caraveo. The father told police that he was looking for his son, who he said had psychological issues and was carrying weapons in his car, Caraveo told the outlet. Police say the white two-door sedan that Mosqueda drove to the facility had letters painted — possibly in Latin — on the driver's side door. "What it means, or whether or not it is an underlying reason for him being here, I do not know," Rodriguez said when asked about the graffiti. After Mosqueda was killed, law enforcement found other weaponry, ammunition and backpacks inside the vehicle. Rodriguez said his department received a call about the shooting around 5:50 a.m. One officer who responded to the shooting, a 10-year veteran, was injured after being struck in the knee. Rodriguez said it was unclear if the injury was from shrapnel or a bullet. Police say Mosqueda was linked to a Michigan address, but was reported missing from a Weslaco, Texas, address around 4 a.m. Monday. The exact details of the missing person report were not immediately shared with the media. Rodriguez said there is no ongoing threat to the public, but it is unknown if any other people were involved in the attack. He said the motive and events leading up to the attack are part of the ongoing investigation, which the FBI is taking the lead on. [NBC News](#) (07/07, Alsharif, Strickler, et al.) clarified that according to the DHS, the suspect opened fire at the entrance of the federal government building, and Border Patrol agents and local police "helped neutralize the shooter." A Border Patrol employee and two officers were injured, DHS spokesperson Tricia McLaughlin said, adding that one of them was shot in the knee. All were taken to a hospital. [Fox News](#) (07/07, Pinedo) revealed that in a statement emailed to the outlet, a spokesperson for FBI San Antonio said that McAllen police received calls of shots being heard by a local Border Patrol facility near the McAllen International Airport at approximately 5:53 a.m. The spokesperson said the armed suspect, who they did not identify as Mosqueda but rather an "adult male," "engaged the law enforcement officers responding to the scene and officers returned fire." The FBI representative said there is "currently no threat to public safety that we are aware of" and that the investigation is ongoing. Additional reporting on the story was provided by [ABC News](#) (07/07, Villarreal, Barr), [Axios](#) (07/07, Habeshian), [Daily Mail](#) (07/07, Torres), [Forbes](#) (07/07, Roeloffs, Ogburn), [Hindustan Times](#) (07/07, Kukreti), [KRGV \(ABC-5\)](#) (07/07, Lucero), [Los Angeles Times](#) (07/07, Gonzalez), [Michigan Advance](#) (07/07, Garcia), [Newsmax](#) (07/07, Mack), [New York Post](#) (07/07, Taer), [New York Times](#) (07/07, Hauser, Walker), [People](#) (07/07, Quinn), [Reuters](#) (07/07, Staff Writer), [Texas Tribune](#) (07/07, Garcia), [The Hill](#) (07/07, Fortinsky), [Washington Post](#) (07/07, Kaur, LeVine), [Washington Times](#) (07/07, McLaughlin).

FBI Agent Accused Of Raping Clients In His Tattoo Parlor Goes On Trial

The [Washington Post](#) (07/07, Morse) reported that on a witness stand three years ago, FBI agent Eduardo Valdivia's testimony hit home with jurors. Yes, he shot an unarmed panhandler while commuting to work aboard a moving Metro train. But it was an act of self-defense and not attempted murder, Valdivia said, because the man had backed him into a corner and was a threat to take his gun. The agent was acquitted on all counts and resumed active duty. On Monday, Valdivia returns to the same courthouse in Montgomery County, Maryland, for an entirely new case. Prosecutors say the 41-year-old raped three women — one who had just turned 18 — inside an off-hours tattoo operation he quietly ran under the alias "Lalo Brown." Valdivia lured them in with offers of free tattoos and possible modeling work, according to prosecutors, and video-recorded at least some of the assaults. His defense for this trial: Yes, he engaged in sexual activity with the three women, but everything was consensual. Jury selection is scheduled to start Monday and last two days, owing in part to concerns about finding impartial jurors given extensive media coverage, according to recent court filings. The trial itself is scheduled to last eight days. Valdivia, who has been jailed since his arrest last year and is currently suspended by the FBI, had recently worked on domestic terrorism cases from the FBI's Washington headquarters, Bonsib said. If convicted of all charges, including eight counts of second-degree rape, he could be sentenced to decades in prison. [WTOP-FM](#) (07/07, Augenstein) also reported on the story.

'My Laptop Is a Bomb': Passenger Tells Others, Forces Emergency Landing

[USA TODAY](#) (07/07, Wong) reported that an Allegiant Air flight made an emergency landing after passenger Taj Malik Taylor, 27, claimed his laptop was a bomb to other passengers. According to the article, the flight was rerouted back to its origin, St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport, where Taylor was taken into custody by law enforcement, and no bomb was found. The article highlighted that Taylor is under investigation by the FBI. Additional reporting on the story was provided by [WSET \(ABC-13\)](#) (07/07, Slaughter), [WTSP \(CBS-10\)](#) (07/07, Bruton), [The Independent](#) (07/07, Rohrlach), [Tampa Bay](#) (07/07, Sickler), [Roanoke.com](#) (07/07, Staff Writer), [Hoodline](#) (07/07, Collins).

Italian Police Arrest Chinese National Wanted by FBI for Alleged Industrial Espionage

[Reuters](#) (07/07, Staff Writer) reported that Italian police arrested Xu Zewei, a 33-year-old Chinese national, at Milan's Malpensa airport on a U.S. arrest warrant as part of an FBI investigation. Xu is wanted by U.S. authorities for alleged industrial espionage, including attempts to access a COVID vaccine project at the University of Texas. He faces charges of wire fraud, aggravated identity theft, conspiracy to commit wire fraud, and unauthorized access to protected computers, with an extradition hearing in Milan scheduled. Additional reporting on the story was provided by [Bleeping Computer](#) (07/07, Abrams) and [European Conservative](#) (07/07, Györi).

Cleveland FBI Seeks Tips on International Fugitive Accused of Smuggling Guns in Used Cars

[WOIO \(CBS-19\)](#) (07/07, Staff Writer) reported that federal investigators are renewing their push for tips from the public to help track down a former North Olmsted man who is accused of smuggling guns overseas by hiding them in used vehicles. According to FBI Cleveland, George Nakhle Ajaltouni is a native of Lebanon and became a United States Citizen in 2009. Nearly a decade later, records show he was charged with naturalization fraud and a federal warrant was issued for his arrest after investigators found he lied on his citizenship and passport applications. Ajaltouni, who is now 50 years old, is also facing more serious charges in a separate federal case. The article noted that between 2011 to 2014, records show he used cash to buy large quantities of pistols and rifles at gun shows and from private sellers. According to the FBI, Ajaltouni would then buy used cars and hide the weapons in the doors and body panels. The vehicles were later shipped to Lebanon with the smuggled guns concealed inside, records show. The FBI believes he is now living in Lebanon and may travel to Cyprus and France. Investigators say Ajaltouni is an associate of Nakhle Nader, who is also wanted by the FBI.

Repeat Sex Trafficker Is Sentenced To 27 Years In Prison

[WCNC \(NBC-36\)](#) (07/07, Zhang) reported that a man was sentenced to 27 years in federal prison after pleading guilty to sex trafficking a minor by force, fraud or coercion, according to the DOJ. Yusef Reynolds, 34, used Facebook to exploit a 16-year-old, lured her to Delaware from North Carolina, then trafficked her through websites advertising commercial sex. Reynolds forced the minor to commit sexual acts and collected the money earned in the encounters from December 2021 to January 2022. The article mentioned that in 2012, Reynolds committed a similar crime. He contacted a 15-year-old on Facebook, lured her to him, then trafficked her and a 20-year-old to "prostitution customers," according to FBI records. The investigation was performed by the FBI Child Exploitation and Human Trafficking Task Force with assistance from Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department and Gaston County Sheriff's Office. A DOJ [press release](#) quoted James C. Barnacle, Jr., Special Agent in Charge of the FBI in North Carolina, who said, "After serving federal prison time for sex trafficking an underage girl, Yusef Reynolds went right back to his predatory ways. Once again, he lured a victim through social media and exploited her for his own profit. The FBI will continue to work with our partners and prioritize punishing those who abuse children." [WYFF \(NBC-4\)](#) (07/07, Rainey) and [Queen City News](#) (07/07, Woodhouse) also reported on the story.

Using AI to Go After Health Care Fraud

[Politico](#) (07/07, Nguyen) reported that the federal government is using artificial intelligence to crack down on health care fraud schemes. The AI-powered crackdown provides the federal government with a tool to stay ahead of fraudsters and hasten the investigation process. According to the article, the effort, orchestrated by the Justice Department, the FBI and HHS's Office of the Inspector General, has led to criminal charges against 324 defendants, including 96 doctors, nurse practitioners, pharmacists and other medical professionals for alleged participation in health care fraud schemes. The article mentioned that Health care scams can be a significant drain on the healthcare system, and the Trump administration has emphasized that it aims to go after this.

TRAFFIC ALERT

Nothing to report.

26 Federal Plaza 23rd Floor Gym Closure Schedule:

Facilities will close the 23rd floor Gym every Tuesday evening from 3:30 pm-12:00 am for cleaning. Men's and Women's locker room will be cleaned out the first Tuesday of the month and all items left in the locker room will be disposed of. Please direct any questions to Facilities at extension x3900.

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