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Pakistani leader announces change Head of military calls for troop reduction, return to civilian rule

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — The head of Pakistan's military regime announced yesterday a unilateral reduction of troops on the Indian border, the establishment of a ruling council and an eventual return to civilian rule.

In a speech to the nation, Gen. Pervez Musharraf announced the formation of a six-member National Security Council of army officers and experts in legal, foreign and national affairs to govern the country. The council would be assisted by "a think tank of experts."

The speech was Musharraf's first public appearance since he went on national television to announce the ouster of the civilian government last Tuesday.

"This is not martial law," Musharraf said, but rather "another path toward democracy."

The constitution was not scrapped — only temporarily suspended, he said.

He gave no indication when civilian rule would be restored but said "the armed forces have no intention to stay in charge longer than necessary."

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Head of Pakistan's military regime

Musharraf said he would welcome a resumption of "result-oriented" talks with nuclear rival India, which has fought three wars with Pakistan since both countries won their independence from Britain in 1947.

Pakistan is overwhelmingly

Muslim, while India is

mainly Hindu.

But Musharraf said Pakistan will continue to support Kashmiri militants who are fighting for political and diplomatic independence from India's

majority state.

The announcement of the

return of troops on the border was unexpected. It was intended as a gesture to build confidence with

Musharraf was the commander who ordered troops and Kashmiri forces to seize mountain heights in the Kargil region of India's

last summer, leading to fighting in three decades.

His seizure of power was with great suspicion in Delhi, which ordered its high alert immediately after the

coups.

German awarded Peace Prize

FRANKFURT, Germany (AP) — Fritz Stern, a Columbia University historian who fled with his family from the Nazis and has written about the history of Germany's Jews, was awarded the prestigious Peace Prize at the Frankfurt International Book Fair yesterday.

In his acceptance speech at St. Paul's Church, Stern called on Germans not to forget their past, but said the world should not blame children for their parents' mistakes.

"Germans are rightly admonished not to forget, but such voices do not place guilt at the door of today's generation," he said. "They demand responsibility, reinforced by a knowledge of the mistakes and crimes of the past."

Last year's winner of the Peace Prize, Martin Walser, ignited a wide debate in Germany by saying in his acceptance speech references to the Auschwitz death camp were

being used to pummel Germans with guilt about the past.

His comments were strongly criticized by Ignatz Bubis, head of Germany's Jewish community, who died in August.

Yesterday, Stern did not directly mention Walser's name. But he did say that "it is inevitable that Auschwitz will forever remain a place of German inhumanity and unimaginable evil."

Born in Breslau, present-day Wroclaw, Poland, the 73-year-old Stern fled to the United States at age 12 and became a U.S. citizen in 1947.

His books include *Gold and Iron*, which examines the relationship between Bismarck and his Jewish banker Gerson Bittichroeder, and *The Politics of Cultural Despair*, first published in 1961.

Stern also served as senior adviser in 1993-94 to the then-U.S. ambassador to Germany, Richard Holbrooke, who is now the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations.

Jet plunges 2,000 feet because of turbulence

HONG KONG (AP) — A China Southern Airlines jet ran into strong turbulence and plunged 2,000 feet shortly before it landed in Hong Kong yesterday.

Forty-seven passengers were injured, some seriously.

Eight people remained hospitalized yesterday.

The seven seriously hurt included an American and one Japanese. Dr. Xiang, president and director of China's Princess Margaret Hospital, said

The plane fell from 21,000 feet to 19,000 feet in about five to 10 seconds, Wang Xiang, president and director of China's National Civil Aviation Corporation, said.

Some of the passengers were not wearing seat belts, and airport officials there had been no prior announcement put them on before the jolt.

Steve Au-yeung, a Hong Kong guide, said there was no warning from the crew before the plane suddenly plunged.

He said then there was an announcement by a crew member asking if there were any doctors aboard.

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