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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Afghan President Hamid Karzai said Monday that a NATO rocket attack in southern Afghanistan last week killed 52 civilians, including many women and children. Afghan intelligence services have confirmed that the attack took place last Friday in the village of Regi in the Sangin district of Helmand province. Witnesses said that dozens of civilians were trying to flee fighting between insurgents and coalition forces in a nearby village when helicopters appeared overhead. They said several houses where people had been seeking shelter were hit by a rocket. Karzai said he was "deeply saddened" by the loss of life and has ordered an investigation.

* Leaked United States military reports from Afghanistan appear to contain "evidence of war crimes," the man who published them said Monday. WikiLeaks.org -- a whistleblower website -- published what it says are about 76,000 United States military and diplomatic reports about Afghanistan filed between 2004 and January of this year. It has another 15,000 documents which it plans to publish after editing out names to protect people. Julian Assange, the founder of the website says the first-hand accounts are the military's own raw data on the war, including numbers of those killed, casualties, threat reports and the like. He claims the documents reveal the "squalor" of war, uncovering how many relatively small incidents have added up to huge numbers of dead civilians. National Security Adviser Gen. James Jones issued a statement Sunday calling the documents' release "irresponsible."

* Iran submitted a letter to the International Atomic Energy Agency on Monday, proposing to restart limited talks on an exchange of nuclear fuel. Under the proposal, Iran would send 1,200 kilograms (2,645 pounds) of

low-enriched uranium to Turkey in exchange for 120 kilograms (265 pounds) of 20 percent-enriched uranium provided by Western governments.

* A man who ran a notorious Cambodian torture prison where more than 14,000 people died during the Khmer Rouge regime was found guilty of war crimes Monday and sentenced to 35 years in prison. Despite the sentence, Kaing Guek Eav, alias Duch, will serve no more than 19 years. The judge took off five years for the time Duch was illegally detained before the United Nations-backed tribunal was established, and another 11 years for the time he has already served behind bars.

* Seven people, including six Israelis, are feared dead after an Israeli helicopter crashed in Romania on Monday during a joint military exercise. Israel Defense Forces said the aircraft was carrying four pilots, two mechanics and a member of the Romanian Air Force. Fog was preventing helicopters from flying to the site Monday night.

* The United Arab Emirates' telecommunications watchdog says BlackBerry smartphones are a potential threat to the country's national security and it is seeking changes in how the devices operate. The Regulatory Authority says that BlackBerry devices operate "beyond the jurisdiction" of national laws because the data they carry is managed by a foreign company.

BILLBOARD TOP 10

1. California Gurls. Katy Perry
2. Love The Way You Lie, Eminem
3. Airplanes, B.o.B
4. OMG, Usher
5. Billionaire, Travie McCoy
6. Dynamite, Taio Cruz
7. Cooler Than Me, Mike Posner
8. I Like It, Enrique Iglesias
9. Find Your Love, Drake Ridin'
10. Solo, Jason Derulo

NATIONAL NEWS

Police in southern Alberta have charged a Medicine Hat woman with manslaughter in connection with the death of a toddler under her care at her private-home daycare. An 19-month-old girl was flown last week to the Alberta Children's Hospital in Calgary, where she died from head injuries. Investigators believe she suffered the trauma at her day home. The unnamed accused is in police custody and is scheduled to appear at a bail hearing this morning.

* First Nations have given Ottawa until Aug. 27 to create an emergency plan to halt development in areas of northeastern Alberta that they say are critical to the woodland caribou population. If Environment Minister Jim Prentice fails to act, the group said, it will seek a court order forcing the government to protect the caribou.

* The Canadian Forces pilot who ejected from a fighter jet just moments before it crashed and exploded suffered back injuries but is expected to make a full recovery. Captain Brian Bews, 36, in his first public statement since Friday's crash in Lethbridge, Alta said "I feel extremely lucky considering the magnitude of the accident." The Department of National Defence said Monday that Bews suffered compression fractures in three vertebrae and will be wearing a back brace for a few months.

* Maddox Flynn will stay in New York City a little bit longer to recover from a complex operation earlier this month to remove a benign tumour that caused excessive swelling on the left side of his face. Maddox and his parents were expected to head home on July 27, but doctors want him to stay in New York until Friday so they can continue to monitor his recovery.

* A 16-year-old girl has died after falling from a grain elevator in Indian Head, Saskatchewan. RCMP said the girl

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died of her injuries after falling 23 metres from the elevator around 6:30 a.m. Sunday. The girl apparently climbed to the top of the grain elevator with a friend but fell as she was climbing back down.

* Beginning Thursday, the B.C. government plans to ban campfires, fireworks and any open fires across most of the province as the hot, dry conditions continue to stoke dozens of fires.

* A problem gambler is suing the B.C. Lottery Corporation for allegedly allowing him to keep gambling after he joined a self-exclusion program, but then refused to pay when he won a \$40,000 jackpot. Mike Lee signed a voluntary exclusion order three years ago, but continued to frequent some B.C. casinos run by the BCLC.

* The TSX gained 36 points Monday to 11,746. The loonie closed at USD\$0.969 while August oil was off 3-cents to US \$78.95 a barrel.

BEEF BREAK

2010 will go down in the annals of sports as the year of brutal officiating. The blown calls so far this year would fill an encyclopedia. Then the Edmonton Indy goes the opposite way and penalizes Helio Castroneves for something most fans will never believe is a foul. The officials are getting more spotlight than the players, but for all the wrong reasons.
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Today's Pop Quiz: What body of water is Prince Edward Island in?
Yesterday's Quiz: What is the world's largest fresh-water island?
 A. Lake Huron's Manitoulin Island

Weather

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 Tomorrow: sunny, H 29

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