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Global powers realign their economic and military strategies as the European Union expands its influence, China enhances its regional connectivity, and the United States navigates diplomatic tensions in the Middle East, while technological advancements and infrastructure developments reshape international relations.

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ECONOMY AND POLITICS

Ursula von der Leyen claims EU is stronger while increasing military spending by 80%

RT NEWS

European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen delivered her annual state of the union address, claiming the EU is stronger and more independent while increasing military spending by 80% in five years. Critics argue these claims contradict the economic stagnation and crisis-prone reality most EU citizens experience.

RT News →

US permits Iranian officials to travel to New York for UN meetings amid ongoing conflict

BLOOMBERG POLITICS

The Trump administration will allow core members of an Iranian delegation to travel to the United Nations in New York for the General Assembly next week, despite the ongoing war between the US and Iran in the Middle East.

Bloomberg Politics →

Canada becomes first 'associated member' of the European Union

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Canada has been named the first 'associated member' of the European Union, marking a new level of partnership between the two entities. This status grants Canada special privileges while maintaining its sovereignty.

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China opens Pinglu Canal, connecting southwestern China to Southeast Asia

ROLLO CHINO

China has opened the Pinglu Canal, a 134.2-kilometer waterway that directly connects a river to the sea. The infrastructure allows vessels up to 5,000 tons and provides an additional trade route between China and ASEAN countries.

Rollo Chino →

Cuba plans to incorporate students into solar panel electrical installation

GRANMA

Cuba plans to involve students in the electrical installation of solar panels to provide qualified personnel for a task currently performed by untrained individuals. This educational program aims to address workforce gaps in renewable energy infrastructure.

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Truck engulfed in flames and dense smoke on Istanbul highway

RT EN ESPAÑOL

A truck caught fire on an Istanbul highway for unknown causes, engulfing the vehicle in flames and dense black smoke. Traffic was closed and firefighters were dispatched to the scene. Images of the incident were shared on social media.

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TECHNOLOGY

Developer reduces Claude Max subscription from 20x to 5x after implementing local AI model

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A developer implemented a routing matrix system using a local Qwen3.8 27B model alongside cloud services, reducing their Claude Max subscription while maintaining productivity. The system delegates derivable tasks to local processing and decidable tasks to cloud services.

The biggest surprise was not the delegation cost. It was the cost of the parent session: 300-420k tokens re-sent every turn without compaction

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DAILY READINGS

USD/BRL	2026-09-17	5.1307
USD/CNY	2026-09-17	6.7075
USD/EUR	2026-09-17	0.871
USD/JPY	2026-09-17	155.69

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