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International aid organizations and governments are stepping up emergency aid efforts in Nepal as the search continues for nearly 2,000 people missing following deadly flash floods. The European Union and countries including Canada and the United States have announced that they're sending aid or financial support.

A U.N. spokesperson Stéphane Dujarric said the need in the disaster zone was immense. "Our partners working on food security estimate that at least 20,000 households across the Nuwakot and Rasuwa districts may need food assistance. Over 50,000 people require emergency water, emergency sanitation and emergency hygiene support. Partners working on nutrition estimate that some 17,000 children, 1,500 pregnant and breastfeeding women and 9,000 adolescents need immediate nutrition support."

President Trump has announced that the United States has entered an agreement with Venezuela which secures majority U.S. control of more than 65 billion barrels of proven oil reserves in the country. Donald Trump posted on his Truth Social platform that the deal would lower U.S. petrol prices and boost prosperity in Venezuela, whose president Nicolás Maduro he ousted in January. Ian McWilliam reports.

Donald Trump described his new deal with Venezuela as the biggest oil deal in world history. He said it would more than double U.S. oil reserves and substantially lower prices for U.S. consumers. Rising domestic fuel costs have been a primary concern to the president as the November midterms approach and Iran continues to block shipments through the Strait of Hormuz.

Media reports say that in return for U.S. ownership stake, private companies, including American firms, would develop Venezuelan oil fields and return more oil revenue to Venezuela.

A court in Ecuador has found the former President Lenin Moreno guilty of accepting bribes from a Chinese company linked to the construction of the country's largest hydroelectric plant. At the time of the alleged corruption he was vice president under Rafael Correa between 2007 and 2013.

Mr. Moreno remains free pending his sentencing. He denies all charges.

China has removed two senior military officers from its supreme military command. Generals Zhang Youxia and Liu Zhenli, have been under investigation since January, accused of serious violations of discipline and law. Anbarasan Ethirajan has more details.

General Zhang Youxia was once widely seen as Mr. Xi's closest military ally and was one of the few leading officers with combat experience. He was also a member of the powerful Chinese Politburo, the executive body of the ruling Communist Party.

The military has been one of the main targets of a broader corruption crackdown launched by President Xi in 2012. Critics say it has been used as a tool to purge political rivals.

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The United Nations Security Council has heard that nearly 200,000 people have been forcibly returned to Haiti from the United States and other countries in the first eight months of the year. A U.N. official, Indrika Ratwatte, told the emergency meeting that many of those returned had no resources or documentation and included vulnerable women and children.

The meeting was called in response to a violent gang attack in the Haitian capital Port-au-Prince when armed assailants killed at least 47 people.

Donald Trump has lost his latest attempts to erase his criminal conviction for falsifying business records. Rory Gallimore reports.

Donald Trump is the first and only U.S. president to be convicted of a crime. Two years ago, a New York court found he concealed hush money payments to the porn actress Stormy Daniels in the run

up to the 2016 election. He insists he did nothing wrong and has repeatedly attempted to have the ruling thrown out.

Mr. Trump has now tried three times to move the case to a federal rather than a state court where he wants it dismissed on the grounds of presidential immunity. But the judge found his lawyer's latest arguments were "neither new nor legally sufficient."

The British right-wing commentator Milo Yiannopoulos has been detained by United States immigration authorities for allegedly overstaying his visa. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement said he was arrested at New Orleans airport and that he would be deported.

Mr. Yiannopoulos rose to prominence as an editor of the right-wing website Breitbart and attracted condemnation for inflammatory comments about Muslims, transgender people, feminists and the Black Lives Matter movement. He was a supporter of Donald Trump and backed his tougher immigration policies, although he recently said the president had lost his way.

Police in England say a man has died at a Christian festival after a large sign fell. At least six other people were hurt at the big church festival in West Sussex.

And that's the latest world news from the BBC.