

Current Events: United Arab Emirates

Posted: January 31, 2019

Author: Irina Slav

Title: UAE Sets Record For Largest 'Virtual' Battery

People Involved: International Renewable Energy Agency and Akshat Rathi

Summary:

The United Arab Emirates created the largest virtual battery, which sets a world record. The battery is made up of 10 storage facilities. The battery can hold 108 MW/848 MWh. This battery can power Abu Dhabi (the capital of United Arab Emirates) for 6 hours. The battery uses sodium-sulfur technology made by Japanese NGK.

Link:

<https://oilprice.com/Energy/Energy-General/UAE-Sets-Record-For-Largest-Virtual-Battery.html>

Website: Oilprice.com

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Current Events: Japan

Posted: February 5, 2019

Author: Todd Kortemeier

Title: Tokyo Tuesday: You'll Be Surprised To Learn What Japan's Vending Machines Offer

People Involved: None

Summary:

Japan has 5.5 million vending machines. That's supposed to be 37 per square mile! Japan vending machines don't just sell soda or normal junk food; they sell detergent, flowers, and neckties.

Link:

<https://www.teamusa.org/News/2019/February/05/Tokyo-Tuesday-Youll-Be-Surprised-To-Learn-What-Japans-Vending-Machines-Offer>

Website: Team USA

Current Events: Hong Kong

Posted: February 4, 2019

Author: Alice Fung

Title: In year of the pig, Hong Kong has had enough of wild ones

People Involved: Roni Wong

Summary:

Wild boars are wandering around Hong Kong, as they probably have lost their fears of humans. Some have even been digging around in garbage cans. The boar's habitats have been destroyed due to urbanization. There also have been more complaints about animals in Hong Kong. Hong Kong doesn't want to kill the boars, however, they want to sterilize and feeding them, so that they won't wander into the city.

Link: <https://www.apnews.com/e924da0710284a428343df74f89bfa7f>

Website: AP NEWS

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Current Events: Turkey

Posted: February 6, 2019

Author: Caleb Parke

Title: 1,200-year-old Bible reportedly recovered from smugglers in Turkey

People Involved: None

Summary:

A 1,200-year-old Bible has been found when smugglers tried selling it in a shoe store. The Bible is only 34 pages long and has symbols all over it. The bible is in a frail condition too and is made of leather. It contains the star of David.

Link: <https://www.foxnews.com/science/ancient-bible-reportedly-recovered-from-smugglers-in-turkey>

Website: Fox News