



A large black cloud shrouds buildings and emergency vehicles after a fire in a chemical distribution building in Alcala de Guadaira, south-east of Seville, Spain, on May 14, 2025. The fire prompted authorities to ask nearly 80,000 residents to stay indoors at home. Cristina Quicler/AFP via Getty Images

## *Day in Photos: Chemicals Burn in Spain, Strawberry Picking in India, and Golden Monkeys*

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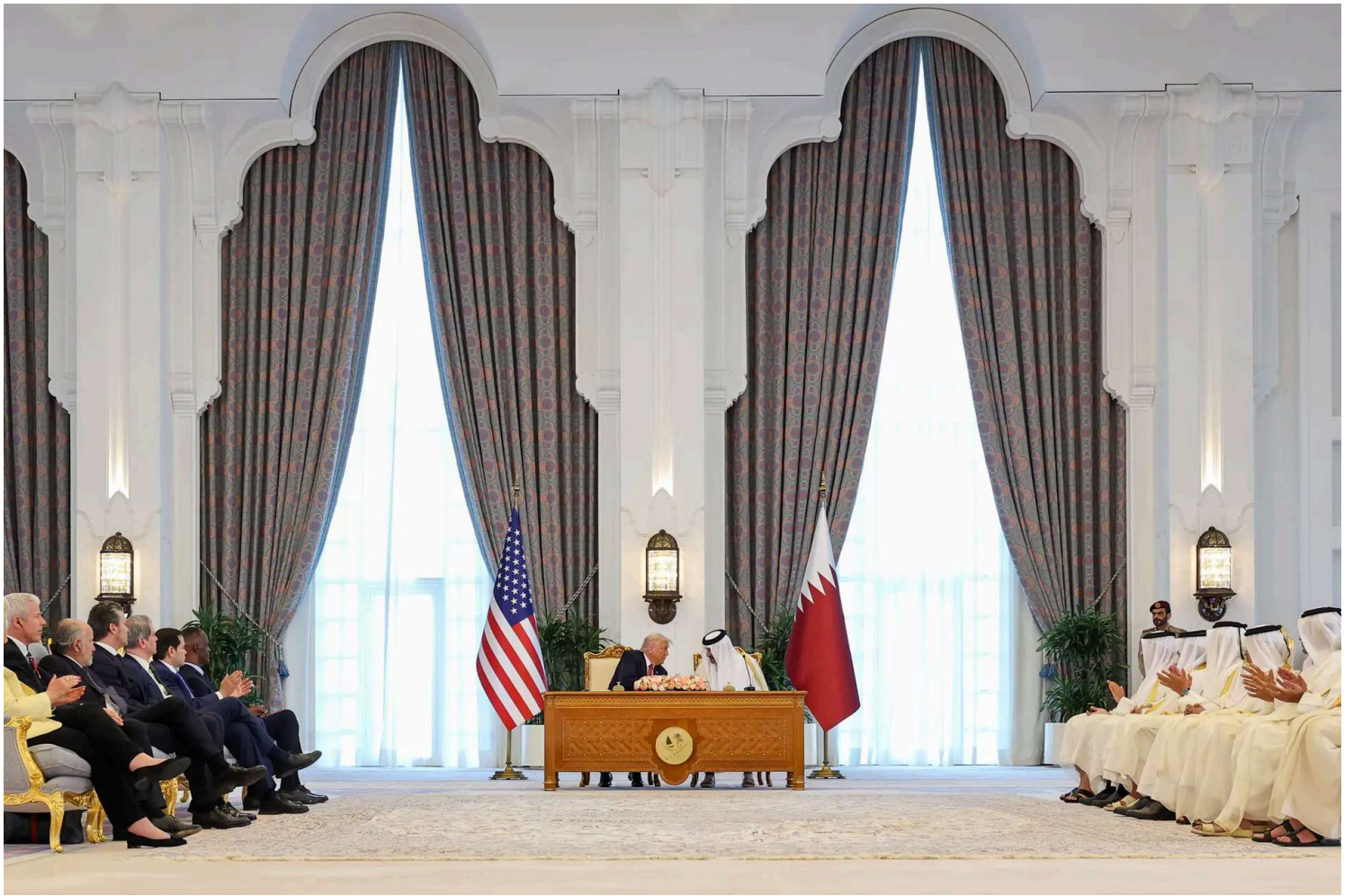
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President Donald Trump and Emir of Qatar Tamim bin Hamad al Thani attend a signing ceremony at the Amiri Diwan, the official workplace of the emir in Doha, Qatar, on May 14, 2025. The visit underscores the strategic partnership between the United States and Qatar, focusing on regional security and economic collaboration. Win McNamee/Getty Images



A worker performs a final check on new Volkswagen ID.3 electric cars at the Volkswagen plant in Dresden, Germany, on May 14, 2025. Volkswagen led electric car sales in Germany that rose 54 percent overall in April compared to April of last year. Sean Gallup/Getty Images





This aerial drone image shows the Motte archaeological site in Ieper, Belgium, on May 14, 2025. Archaeologists stumbled upon the remains of a medieval burial domain, dating back to the 12th century, during excavations. The unique find sheds new light on Ypres' earliest history and its role as one of Flanders' most important cities in the Middle Ages. Kurt Desplenter/Belga Mag/AFP via Getty Images





Cell doors are shown inside the prison center of Vendin-le-Vieil, France, currently being refurbished to become one of the country's two high-security prison centers adapted for prisoners linked to organized crime, on May 14, 2025. One year after an attack on a van carrying French convict and drug trafficker Mohamed Amra in an attempt to free him, French President Emmanuel Macron is making several visits on the theme of the fight against organized crime and commemorating the event that cost the lives of two prison officers. Michel Euler/POOL/AFP via Getty Images



Police officers move toward a climate activist with a can of fake oil—black water-based paint—in front of the entrance to AXA's regional headquarters, blocked by a banner reading





Firefighters search the area where a Japan Air Self-Defense Force training plane crashed, at Lake Iruka in Inuyama City, Japan, on May 14, 2025. The plane crashed near a lake shortly after takeoff with two people on board, authorities said on May 14. STR/JIJI Press/AFP via Getty Images



Netherlands' Defense Minister Gijs Tuinman speaks during a contract signing for new German-made Leopard battle tanks in Amersfoort, Netherlands, on May 14, 2025. Vincent Jannink/ANP/AFP via Getty Images





Tom Cruise poses for photographers during the photo call for the film 'Mission: Impossible – The Final Reckoning' at the 78th international film festival, Cannes, France, on May 14, 2025. Scott A Garfitt/Invision/AP



This picture shows a view of the Abu Dhabi skyline, United Arab Emirates, on May 14, 2025. Fadel Senna/AFP via Getty Images





A woman holds freshly picked strawberries at a farm in Gassu on the outskirts of Srinagar, India, on May 14, 2025. Basit Zargar/Middle east images/AFP via Getty Images





Sweden's King Carl XVI Gustaf (2nd L-front) and Japan's Princess Akiko of Mikasa (3rd L-front) watch a parade pass by during ceremonies to mark Sweden's National Day during his visit to the Osaka Expo in Osaka, on May 14, 2025. Richard A. Brooks/AFP via Getty Images





A CH-47 Chinook helicopter takes part in a large-scale military drill at the Oudemolen military complex as part of Exercise Falcon, in Drenthe, Netherlands, on May 14, 2025. Siese Veenstra/ANP/AFP via Getty Images



A child plays in the rain in Dhaka, Bangladesh, on May 14, 2025. Munir Uz Zaman/AFP via Getty Images





Hundreds of trucks are stranded by highway blockades protesting against the government of Jose Raul Mulino in Veraguas, located 150 km west of Panama City, on May 14, 2025. Mauricio Valenzuela/AFP via Getty Images





A woman playfully gestures at a person in a cat costume in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, on May 14, 2025. Mohd Rasfan/AFP via Getty Images





Organist Bill Hutcheson marks more than 55 years of performing at Kelvingrove Museum's daily organ recitals in Glasgow, Scotland, on May 14, 2025. Hutcheson has been performing on the organ at the museum since 1960—including during celebrations for Glasgow's 800th anniversary in 1975. Exactly fifty years later, today he performs to mark Glasgow's 850th anniversary. Jeff J Mitchell/Getty Images



Uruguay's President Yamandu Orsi (2nd L) and Presidency Secretary Alejandro Sanchez (L) pay respects to the funeral cortege of Uruguay's former President Jose 'Pepe' Mujica at the Palacio Legislativo in Montevideo, on May 14, 2025, a day after his death. Mujica, an ex-guerrilla fighter and hero of the Latin American left, died on May 13, 2025, at the age of 89. Dante Fernandez/AFP via Getty Images





U.S. Naval Academy freshman ("plebes") are sprayed with water during the annual Herndon Monument climb at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md., on May 14, 2025. In the annual tradition, the plebes attempt to scale the 21-foot greased monument to knock off a "dixie cup" hat and replace it with an upperclassman's hat. The 2028 midshipmen's class took 2 hours, 27 minutes and 31 seconds to scale the monument and replace the hat. Kayla Bartkowski/Getty Images





An Afghan man fills containers with water from a roadside stream, loading them onto a donkey's pack on the outskirts of the Fayzabad district, Badakhshan Province, on May 14, 2025. Omer Abrar/AFP via Getty Images





People hold Pakistan's national flags during a rally to express solidarity with Pakistan's armed forces, in Hyderabad, Sindh province, on May 14, 2025. AFP via Getty Images





A Eurasian coot walks on an almost dry pond near Oud-Heverlee, Belgium, on May 14, 2025. According to weather experts, it has been at least 130 years since Belgium last experienced such a dry spring. Nicolas Tucatz/AFP via Getty Images





Camels stand in their pen at an 800-year-old pottery workshop in Guellala on the southern Mediterranean resort island of Djerba, Tunisia, on May 14, 2025. Fethi Belaid/AFP via Getty Images





The Qatari air force escorts a plane carrying President Donald Trump as it prepares to land at Hamad International Airport in Doha on May 14, 2025. Relations between the two governments are in the spotlight over Qatar's offer of a \$400 million luxury aircraft to serve as a temporary Air Force One and then pass into his personal use. Brendan Smialowski/AFP via Getty Images

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The first Qinling golden monkeys to arrive at Pairi Daiza animal park are welcome, in Brugelette, Belgium, on May 14, 2025. Pairi Daiza will become the first animal park in the world to welcome three representatives of this extremely rare subspecies of snub-nosed monkey. James Arthur Gekiere/Belga Mag/AFP via Getty Images

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