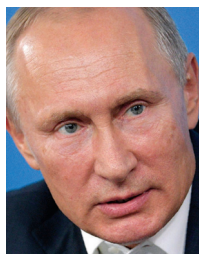


# WORLD AGENDA

NOVEMBER 2017



**3 Nov, U.S.:** The Senate Intelligence Committee has invited **Facebook**, **Twitter** and **Google** executives to testify at a public hearing about allegations of Russian interference in the 2016 election. The Kremlin denies any interference, and President Trump insists that his staff had no improper links to Russia



**4 Nov 7, Russia:** The centenary of the **Russian Revolution** presents a dilemma for President **Vladimir Putin**, who is famously nostalgic for the glory days of the Russian Empire and Soviet Union but would rather not remind his people of the power of dissent

**5 Nov, U.S.:** The U.S. Navy plans to equip its Virginia-class submarines with **Xbox 360** controllers to control the ship's periscopes, in place of a \$38,000 joystick that crews find clunky



**7 Nov 11, UAE:** The **Louvre Abu Dhabi** opens. It burnishes the emirate's cosmopolitan credentials but irks citizens who view the gallery, the first-ever foreign annexe of the world-famous museum in Paris, as a culturally-alien French import



**1 Nov 3-14, Asia:** U.S. President **Donald Trump** visits five nations to build support for tougher sanctions against North Korea and talk about economics and trade. The longest overseas sojourn of Trump's presidency, the visit takes in Japan, South Korea, China, Vietnam and the Philippines

**2 Nov 26-Dec 2, Bangladesh & Myanmar:** **Pope Francis** will use his visit to advocate for climate protection and for Rohingya Muslims. Both countries suffer cyclones and floods that are likely to worsen with climate change, while over half a million Rohingya have fled to camps in Bangladesh to escape an army crackdown in Myanmar



**6 Nov 19, Chile:** Former president **Sebastian Pinera** of the conservative Alianza bloc is the frontrunner in the presidential election in Latin America's most prosperous country, but loses some of his advantage if the contest goes into a second round



**8 Nov 20, UK:** **Queen Elizabeth II** – the first British monarch to mark 65 years on the throne – and **Prince Philip** – who announced his retirement from royal duties this year – celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary