



NEWS IN BRIEF

CELLPHONE-BILL LEGISLATION COMING 'SOON': LIBERALS

The governing Liberals say they want Ontario to be the fifth province in Canada with rules to protect consumers from cellphone bill shock.

Consumer Services Minister Tracy MacCharles says she'll bring forward legislation "soon" that would make it easier to understand the costs and terms of cellphone services.

If passed, the bill would require that contracts be written in plain language and that they outline which services come with the basic fee and which services would cost more.

She says it would also require consent from consumers before their fixed term contract is changed and ensure they don't pay more than \$15 to cancel a contract.

CANADIAN COMMITS SUICIDE WITH DOCTOR'S AID IN ZURICH

WINNIPEG — A Winnipeg woman who went to Switzerland to end her life has died with the aid of a physician.

A family friend says Susan Griffiths, 72, died peacefully this morning at the Dignitas clinic in Zurich.

She suffered from multiple system atrophy, a degenerative disorder. The Winnipeg woman said in one of her final messages that she wasn't afraid, but wished she could have died in Canada. Griffiths chose to travel to a European clinic for a doctor-assisted suicide before the disorder could overwhelm her body completely. *The Canadian Press*

ISRAEL SAYS IT SHOT DOWN HEZBOLLAH DRONE

JERUSALEM — The Israeli military says it has shot down an unmanned aircraft sent by Hezbollah into Israeli skies.

Military officials said the aircraft was downed today off the Israeli coast in Israeli airspace near the northern city of Haifa.

It is the second known instance in which the Lebanese militant group, a bitter Israeli enemy, has sent a drone into Israeli airspace. Last October, the Israeli air force shot down an unmanned aircraft in a similar incident. *The Associated Press*

DRUGS FOUND ON BIEBER TOUR BUS: SWEDISH POLICE

STOCKHOLM, Sweden — Swedish police say they have found drugs on board a tour bus used by pop singer Justin Bieber.

Police spokesman Lars Bystrom says a small amount of drugs and a stun gun were found when officers raided the empty bus parked under the Globen concert venue in Stockholm, where Bieber was performing Wednesday.

Bystrom said Thursday they have no suspects and no one has been arrested. He declined to identify the drug, saying it had been sent to a laboratory for an analysis. He says police acted after smelling marijuana coming from inside the bus when it was parked outside the hotel where Bieber was staying. *The Canadian Press*



James Carville, former advisor to U.S. President Bill Clinton, spoke last night at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. at the Michael Jurist Memorial Lecture, held in memory of Torontoian Michael Jurist, who attended the school, but was tragically killed by lightning during a thunderstorm in 2007.

**STANDING ON GUARD**

A marine waits for the arrival of guests before the dedication of the George W. Bush Presidential Center today in Dallas. The ceremony will be attended by U.S. President Barack Obama and four former presidents.

David J. Phillip / Associated Press

**EVACUATION ORDER IGNORED
BEFORE FACTORY COLLAPSE**

SAVAR, Bangladesh — The death toll at a Bangladeshi garment factory that makes clothes for a number of North American retailers has risen dramatically, making the building collapse the most deadly accident on record for the country's clothing manufacturers.

Officials said today that more than 200 people are dead. Initial reports on Wednesday were less than half that number.

Officials said police had ordered an evacuation of the building a day before the collapse, after deep cracks became visible in the walls, but the orders were ignored and more than 2,000 people kept

working until the collapse.

Bangladesh's junior minister for home affairs, Sham-sul Haque, said that by late this morning 2,000 people had been rescued from the wreckage. Brig. Gen. Mohammed Siddiqui Alam Shikder, who is overseeing army rescue teams, said the death toll had climbed to 218 later in the day.

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Dozens of bodies, their faces covered, were laid out-

side a local school building so relatives could identify them. Thousands of workers' relatives gathered outside the building, waiting for news, and thousands of garment workers from nearby factories took to the streets across the industrial zone in protest.

Shikder said rescue operations were progressing slowly and carefully to save as many people as possible.

He said rescue teams were standing by with heavy equipment and would "start bulldozing the debris once we get closer to the end of the operation. But now we are careful."

The Associated Press

**POLICE GUNS AND GANGS UNIT
CONDUCT EARLY-MORNING RAIDS**

Toronto police conducted a series of early-morning raids in the city's east end today.

The raids — involving officers with the guns and gangs and organized crime units — came as police executed 12 search warrants in Toronto,

Peel Region and Hamilton.

Several people have been arrested, but there's no immediate word on charges.

One of the raids took place in a townhouse complex near Morningside and Old Finch Avenue, where a man and a woman were tak-

en into custody. Some nearby residents say they were sleeping at 5:30 a.m. when they heard a loud bang and the sounds of people yelling.

The townhouse was one of at least five addresses raided in the Toronto area.

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