Today's Headlines:

UN legal concerns over new EU-Turkey plan

Indonesia's three minutes of darkness

'Fifth Beatle' Sir George Martin dies

Transcript:

The United Nations refugee agency is saying a provisional deal, agreed between Turkey and the European Union to stop uncontrolled migration to Europe, would violate international law. Under the deal, Turkey would take back illegal migrants arriving in the Greek islands in return for the EU resettling Syrians from Turkish camps.

Millions of people across parts of Asia and the Pacific have been experiencing a rare total solar eclipse. The moon passed directly in front of the sun, blocking direct sunlight, creating a night-time effect. For a time the darkness was total across a strip 150km wide.

The influential British record producer Sir George Martin, often called the 'fifth Beatle', has died at the age of 90. The news was made public in a message posted on social media by Beatles drummer Ringo Starr. Sir George produced most of The Beatles' hit singles and his accomplishments extended beyond the famous four-piece with which he was so closely associated.

Words and phrases and definitions:

violate
act against; break

solar eclipse
moment when the view of the sun is blocked by the moon

influential
affecting people's behaviour, opinions or decisions

accomplishments
achievements or successes as a result of hard work

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**Exercise:**

Use one of the words or phrases from Lingohack to complete each of these sentences. Note that you may have to change the form of a word or phrase to complete the sentence correctly.

**violate / solar eclipse / influential / accomplishments**

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