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Today's Headlines:

Trump seals Republican nomination

IOC to take legal advice on Russia

Hottest ever June is recorded

Transcript:

Donald Trump has told the Republican National Convention he's proud to be their nominee for president. In a video message, after being formally confirmed as **candidate**, Mr Trump said he would win the vote in November and bring real change to Washington.

The International Olympic Committee has said it will explore all legal options before it decides whether to implement a collective ban on all Russian athletes from competing at the Rio games: they start in just three weeks. The IOC has received a **damning** report into widespread state-sponsored doping in Russian sport, particularly at the Winter Games in Sochi.

Scientists say that last month was the warmest June on record. It's part of a **trend** that's seen temperatures for the first six months of 2016 rise by an average of 1.5 degrees Celsius compared to pre-industrial levels. An international climate pact signed last year was intended to stop the world warming up by such a margin.

Words and phrases and definitions:

candidate

person who applies for a job or a post

damning

very critical

trend

general development in a situation

Watch the video online: <http://update on upload>

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.

candidate / damning / trend

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