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Consider the following pairs: Country - Important reason for being in the news recently
1. Chad - Setting up of permanent military base by China.
2. Guinea - Suspension of Constitution and Government by military
3. Lebanon - Severe and prolonged economic depression
4. Tunisia - Suspension of Parliament by President
How many pairs given above are correctly matched? (a) Only one pair (b) Only two pairs (c) Only three pairs (d) All four pairs
Official key: C.

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Explanation

(a)

Only one pair. Three of the four news tags hold.

(b)

Only two pairs. Under-counts.

(c) Official key

Only three pairs. Guinea (junta), Lebanon (crash), Tunisia (President froze parliament). Chad's headline was not a Chinese permanent base.

(d)

All four. Pair 1 fails.

Summary

Official key is (c) only three pairs. Guinea's 2021 coup, Lebanon's economic collapse, and Kais Saied's 2021 shutdown of Tunisia's parliament match. Chad was in the news for a military takeover after Idriss Déby's death, not a Chinese permanent base.

Related possible facts

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Guinea, 2021

Col. Mamady Doumbouya; constitution suspended.

Tunisia, 25 July 2021

President Saied froze parliament.

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