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## Today's issue of TD

*Travel Daily* today features eight pages, plus a front cover from **Emirates**, a photo page from **HelloWorld**, a product profile from **Inspiring Vacations**, our **Business Events News page**, & a full page from:

- Treasures of the South Pacific

## Explora with Hilton

MSC Group's Explora Journeys has launched a new partnership with Hilton's loyalty program, Hilton Honors Adventures. From summer 2026, the tie-up will allow members of the hotel program to book, earn and redeem their points for voyages with the luxury cruise line across the Mediterranean, Northern Europe and the Caribbean, and to Alaska and Asia starting in 2027.

## Win a VIP experience

EMIRATES is offering local agents the chance to win a VIP sporting experience overseas. Find out more details on the cover page.

## Treasures' message

HEAD to page nine for a Christmas message from Treasures of the South Pacific.

## Solo journeys ahead

INSPIRING Vacations has unveiled its new solo journeys, designed for comfort, connection and confidence - more on p10.

## US wants your social data

A NEW proposal by the US Government to interrogate the digital history of visitors from next year has rocked a market already struggling with its tourism appeal (*TD* breaking news).

The terms of the proposition tabled by US Customs and Border Protection and the Department of Homeland Security show that inbound travellers - including Australians - may soon have to turn over five years of social media history in order to enter.

Such an imposition on inbound travellers has never been applied to visa-exempt tourists using the ESTA system, and previously only impacted travellers from non visa-waiver nations.

Critics of the proposal - and previous iterations - believe the changes are an attempt by US President Donald Trump to clamp down on freedom of speech, however the government has consistently denied this.

The Trump administration



has stated in the past that such moves are designed to enhance security at the US border.

Travel intention to the US has endured a challenging period in 2025, compounded by the slashing of Brand USA's annual budget and the doubling of the ESTA fee to US\$40 (*TD* 07 Jul).

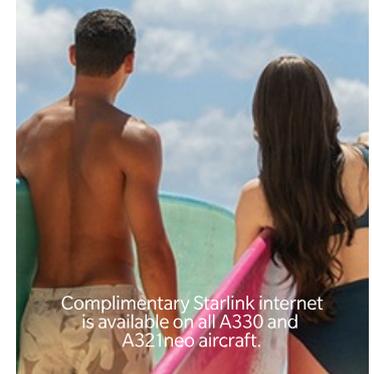
In a bid to stem some of the bleeding, the *Visit USA Act* was recently introduced in Congress with the aim of restoring full funding for Brand USA.

The Bill is yet to pass the lower or upper houses. *AB*

## Asia travel warning

SMARTTRAVELLER is advising not to travel to areas within 50km of the Thailand-Cambodia land border in the provinces of Sa Kaeo, Buriram, Si Saket, Surin, Ubol Ratchathani, Chanthaburi and mainland Trat, due to ongoing armed conflict between Thai and Cambodian forces.

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## FCTG doubles down on cruise via buy

**FOLLOWING** reports circulating in Nov that Flight Centre Travel Group (FCTG) was in talks to buy UK cruise agency Iglu (*TD* 19 Nov), confirmation of a \$255 million deal was announced last night (*TD* breaking news y'day).

The purchase agreement will see FCTG pay £127 million (A\$254.5 million), comprised of an upfront payment of £100 million and £27 million in performance-based earnouts.

Part of the rationale for buying the UK business included accelerating FCTG's growth prospects in the high-margin cruise sector, as well as expanding its footprint and technological access to the UK - the world's third-largest cruise market.

Within the intermediary market, the London-based Iglu is a heavy hitter in the cruise space, accounting for 15% of the UK's total cruise bookings and more than 75% of its online bookings.



While the UK brand also offers ski trips as part of its model, cruise bookings represent more than 90% of its sales.

The plan is to integrate Iglu's platform across FCTG's leisure brands to create a unified, omni-channel experience for customers, with FCTG predicting the new asset will propel its cruise-related TTV to over \$2 billion annually during FY26.

A \$3 billion FY28 stretch target is now in place, supported by what FCTG called a "rounded cruise network spanning online, offline and wholesale channels".

"This acquisition delivers immediate shareholder value through EPS accretion and is a

game-changer in terms of the future opportunities it unlocks in the global cruise market," FCTG Managing Director Graham Turner said.

"Iglu brings a strong brand and a scalable technology platform that aligns with FCTG's strategic objectives," he added.

Further benefits of the acquisition listed by FCTG include being able to increase its buying power and broaden its global product range, drive procurement efficiencies, and reduce costs via shared technology infrastructure.

The purchase of Iglu is just the latest development in FCTG's strong acquisitive approach to the UK, which already includes purchasing premium tour operator Scott Dunn (*TD* 31 Jan 2023), and the Manchester-based Cruise Club UK (*TD* 30 Oct 2024).

Post acquisition, Iglu CEO David Gooch will remain in his role of the business founded in 1998. *AB*

## Travel at 60 appoints

**TRAVEL** at 60 has recruited Cola Maurirere as its new Head of Operations, where she will oversee operations and sales across both the Travel at 60 and Travel Central brands.

She joins CEO Julien Coste and Head of Partnerships & Product Lisa Teiotu, both of whom were recently appointed as part of a new phase of diversification and growth for the business.

## Air NZ ups Brissy

**BETWEEN** Mar and Oct 2026, Air New Zealand will ramp up capacity from Brisbane.

The Brisbane to Auckland route will increase by 12%, Brisbane to Christchurch by 7%, and Brisbane to Wellington by 7% - adding a collective 63,000 seats across the Tasman.

BNE has been bullish about increasing capacity, and is expecting a record 25 million passengers by 31 Dec 2025.



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## Viet brand taps the trade

**VIETNAMESE** travel business BestPrice Travel is keen to deepen its relationships with Aussie agents off the back of entering the market as part of its global expansion strategy.

“Australia has long been one of BestPrice Travel’s most important inbound markets, with consistently high demand for Vietnam’s culture, cuisine, cruising, and beach destinations,” Chief Marketing Officer Bui Thanh Tu told *Travel Daily* (pictured).

According to the Australian Bureau of Statistics, travel from Australia to Vietnam rose 54% in the first quarter of 2025 compared to the same period in 2019, making it the fastest-growing Southeast Asian destination for Aussies.

As Tu explained, “entering the Australian market formally allows us to support travellers closer to home, offer a smoother booking and customer-care process, and strengthen partnerships with local agents”.

In the past few months, Tu said the business has been actively building a strong trade network through dedicated B2B booking support with speedy quotations, net rates and personalised itineraries.

BestPrice Travel has offered agents training sessions and product updates to build their knowledge of Vietnam and improve their selling skills around trends such as wellness and boutique cruising.



Meanwhile, Tu said that BestPrice offers competitive commission structures and opportunities for co-marketing, as well as famil trips to give agents first-hand experiences of their cruises and signature tours.

“Our goal is to support the trade with products that are profitable, easy to sell, and consistently high-quality,” Tu said.

Since BestPrice Travel launched in Australia five months ago, Tu has observed cruising in Vietnam as a major drawcard for Aussie travellers, particularly luxury Ha Long Bay sailings, with multi-day itineraries and wellness add-ons or cultural immersion “performing exceptionally well”.

He has also noticed that Australians “prioritise value and quality over volume”.

“Travellers are willing to invest in upgraded cruise cabins, boutique hotels, and curated experiences if they feel the product is trustworthy,” Tu said.

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### SCTI names CEO

**CAROLE** Tokody has been appointed the new CEO of Australia for Southern Cross Travel Insurance (SCTI).

She will assume the role in Feb 2026, and joins the insurer from the Royal Flying Doctor Service Queensland, where she was CCO.

The appointment follows the departure of CEO Jo McCauley earlier this year to lead the NZ Medical Assurance Society, which saw Anita Hawthorne installed as interim chief since Aug.

### Lepow promoted

**UNFORGETTABLE** Travel Company has appointed Jesse Lepow as Global Partnerships Director, where she will help spearhead a new travel advisor portal set to launch next year.

She will also be charged with managing trade campaigns, controlling the funnel of events and famils, as well as growing strategic partnerships.

Lepow will report to Head of Global Sales David Stone, and will work closely with Heather Witten.

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## NZ cruise value drop

**THE** economic value of cruise tourism in New Zealand has dropped by 9.8%, with the sector injecting around NZ\$1.23 billion (A\$1.07 billion) into the country during 2024-25.

The statistics were revealed in a new report commissioned by Cruise Lines International Association and the New Zealand Cruise Association, which also showed that total direct passenger expenditure was down 10.4%.

Additionally, a total of 25 New Zealand ports and destinations were visited, welcoming 882 ship visit days (down 13.9%) and 1.3 million passenger visit days (down 19%).

Cruise lines paid A\$114.7m to ports and govt as fees and charges over the year, representing 50.5% of cruise line spending.

## Mint adds BNPL option

**AUSTRALIAN** travel payments company Mint Payments has linked with Zip Co to offer customers more flexible options across its merchant network.

The tie-up gives travel agencies, tour operators, and travel businesses the ability to offer Zip's suite of payment options, including a buy now, pay later (BNPL) service with zero to low-interest options.

Zip will manage customer repayments directly, thereby removing credit risk and administrative burden from travel operators on the platform.

Merchants can activate the new Zip delayed payment option through their existing Mint Payments dashboard, with the payment tab appearing automatically at checkout.

"We're constantly striving to provide better alternative, flexible payment options for travel agents, operators and their customers," Mint Payments CEO Alex Teoh said.

"We know that travellers want more control over how they pay, and travel businesses need to convert more bookings.

"This partnership enables merchants to get paid upfront,



streamline their payment workflows, and unlock new audiences, while customers get the flexibility to book now and pay over time.

"This way merchants can keep their cash flow steady while giving travellers more choice." AB

## PIA up for sale again

**PAKISTAN** is holding a fresh bidding process to sell its state-owned airline, Pakistan International Airlines (PIA), after a failed attempt last year.

The government had previously tried to sell the loss-making airline for more than a year after failing to attract much interest.

## Insight adds to women-only tours

**INSIGHT** Vacations has introduced an expanded women-only collection for 2026-27, designed to cater to a growing segment of solo female travellers.

Led by female travel directors and local female experts, the small group tour collection features 11 premium itineraries across Europe, North Africa, the Americas, and India.

Each journey is limited to 24 guests and attracts a balanced mix of 42% solo guests and 58% paired travellers.

Itineraries include the 16-day 'Country Roads of Italy', the 10-day 'Splendours of Egypt', the 10-day 'Peru with Machu Picchu' and the 10-day 'Northern Capitals', among others.

The expansion will cater to rising demand for the category, with Insight Vacations posting a 25% YoY increase for some of its women-only itineraries.

## Window Seat

**HEATHROW** Airport is inviting the public to name its fleet of 20 cleaning robots, also known as 'cobots'.

Suggestions can be submitted until 15 Dec, after which the shortlisted names will be put to a final vote.

Each cobot - which bear resemblance to pop culture icons like R2-D2 from the *Star Wars* franchise - will receive its own unique name badge.

"Whether it's a clever pun, a sci-fi tribute or something totally unexpected, we are looking forward to seeing what people come up with," the airport said.

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## Canada shops as DJs

**DESTINATION** Canada has teamed up with David Jones to launch a new rewards initiative.

The multi-year partnership aligns with the new David Jones Rewards program, which now integrates Qantas Frequent Flyer benefits (**TD 17 Oct**).

Phase two of the partnership will commence in Jan 2026 with an immersive in-store brand activation across select David Jones stores nationwide, bringing Canada's landscapes, seasons, and cultural stories to life.

Additionally, Destination Canada is offering the chance to win a winter escape to Canada for customers who sign up to the program before 29 Dec.

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## VV unveils status match

**VIRGIN** Voyages has launched what it has described as “the world’s broadest” status match program, extending instant recognition to travellers who hold high-tier status with more than 35 airline, hotel and cruise loyalty programs from around the world.

Eligible loyalty members from Virgin Atlantic’s Flying Club and Virgin Australia’s Frequent Flyer programs will now be offered Blue Extras from their first sailing, including complimentary laundry service, exclusive cocktail events with the crew and personalised Sailor Services support, in addition to access to special deals and entry into the business’ global rewards program benefits.

Members can apply for Status Match and receive Blue Extras from now until 16 Jan when they book a voyage by 31 Mar 2026.



Status Match is eligible across programs including American Airlines’ AAdvantage, United MileagePlus Program, Delta SkyMiles, Marriott Bonvoy, Hilton Honors, World of Hyatt, IHG One Rewards, Royal Caribbean’s Crown and Anchor Society, Norwegian Cruise Line’s Latitudes Rewards and Carnival’s VIFP Club.

According to Virgin Voyages CEO Nirmal Saverimuttu, other loyalty programs “have got it backward”.

“They ask for more, give less and call it a reward,” he said.

“We’re flipping that - from the moment sailors step aboard, we want them to feel recognised, relaxed and reminded of why they fell in love with travel in the first place.” *JHM*

## Cost is number one

**HALF** of all Australians have ranked cost as their number one priority when choosing a summer holiday destination, new research from iSelect has revealed.

Additionally, 40% are looking to opt for more affordable getaways by staying local or taking day trips, as opposed to longer breaks.

The survey also showed a growing trend towards shorter booking windows and last-minute decision-making, with 43% planning their holidays within three months of travel.

According to iSelect, the shift indicates that Australian households are holding off on booking because they do not know until the last minute if they can actually afford to go, or are waiting for the right deal.

## Qantas safety issues

**A QANTAS** aircraft is undergoing urgent repairs after a hole was discovered in its left wing following a flight from Sydney to Los Angeles on Sun.

The damage was noticed by passengers shortly after the plane landed without incident, with the A380 subsequently grounded so the wing slat could be replaced.

The flight was the second undertaken by the A380 after spending more than five years in storage while Qantas upgraded its cabin.

## Agents get to know the US



**BRAND USA’s** Inaugural Agent Ambassador Panel Program has enjoyed its first destination immersion trip in partnership with Air New Zealand.

Twelve agents from across Australia and New Zealand were taken on an adventure across the United States, starting in the Air New Zealand gateways of New York City, NY and Houston, TX.

The advisors split into separate groups to embark on two tailored itineraries, both of which ended in Anaheim, California for a celebratory finale.

The Northeast itinerary highlighted the iconic sights, history and culture of New York and Massachusetts, kicking off with dinner on the Upper East Side at Felice on Columbus and a stay at Hotel Beacon.

Highlights included a journey through Mercer Labs at the Museum of Art and Technology, VIP views from Top of the Rock observation deck at Rockefeller Centre, a ‘Man with a Sandwich’ tour led by Aussie expatriate Ben Gollan, and a Broadway performance of *Chicago*.

Meanwhile, the Southwest itinerary was a road-trip discovery of famous attractions and hidden gems in Texas and Oklahoma.

The group were treated to a welcome feast at Ninfa’s on Navigation, followed by a Gulf-side lunch featuring a mix of local seafood and southern-inspired dishes and a visit to Houston Space Centre.

Ambassadors were also taken on a tour of Houston’s arts scene, learned to line dance, met the mayor in Forth Worth, and witnessed the daily cattle drive of Texas Longhorns.

“Our inaugural Agent Ambassador Panel Destination Immersion trip was a productive way to showcase the many facets of the USA,” said Malcolm Smith, SVP Global Markets & Chief Trade and Product Development Officer at Brand USA.

“From bucket list attractions to off the beaten track experiences, the trip provided our ambassadors with valuable insights that will help them craft unforgettable holiday experiences for their clients.” *JM*

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# HLO celebrates preferred partners

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**TONI** Ambler, TTC Tour Brands and Cinzia Burnes, HLO.



**LIZ** Glover, Adventure World and Julie King, Julie King & Associates.



**JACLYN** Snell, Qantas; Nicky Moorcraft, Cover-More; and Atina Vertzonis, Qantas.



**BRETT** Mitchell, Intrepid Travel; Cinzia Burnes, HLO; and Andrew Burnes HLO.



**BELINDA** Condon, United Airlines; Jason Aghan, ETG; and Tim Wallis, United Airlines.



**SIMON** Clancy, HLO; Ben Ittensohn, Explore Worldwide; and Jonathan Hume, International Rail.



**VLADO** Ristevski, ETG, Eliana Martinez, Lufthansa Group, Rohan Moss, HLO.



**ALICE** Ager, TTC Tour Brands; Kylie Chapman, AmaWaterways; and Angela Smith, AmaWaterways.



**GAVIN** Smith, Royal Caribbean and Paul Taylor, Wyndham Hotels & Resorts.



**AMANDA** Wildie, Thai Airways; Amber Kelly, nib Travel Insurance; and Quynh Giang, ETG.



## SA \$10m boost

**BUSINESS** Events Adelaide (BEA) has welcomed an additional \$10 million boost for the SA Business Events Bid Fund, announced by the State Government last week.

The initiative targets national associations, corporate groups and business event organisers, aiming to attract short-lead bookings in Jul-Dec 2026.

Additionally, the SA Government has agreed to temporarily relax bid funding criteria for events held within the target period.

“This investment allows us to move quickly to fill a key booking window in 2026,” BEA CEO Damien Kitto said.

Demand for 2026 is anticipated to be strongest among small to medium domestic business events and corporate incentive programs.

## ABEA MAKES IMPACT AT MCEC

**THE** Australian Business Events Association (ABEA) welcomed industry leaders, innovators and emerging talent to its first-ever conference last week, which took place at the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre (MCEC) (**TD** 18 Sep).

The three-day event focused on partnerships, knowledge-sharing and sector-wide collaboration under the theme ‘Partner with Impact’, and concluded with an awards gala that celebrated the past year’s most outstanding events, products, services, teams and individuals.

Highlights included a plenary on artificial intelligence; insights from sustainability leaders on how to design environmentally responsible events; and a discussion on how the industry can better attract and retain emerging talent.

Delegates also heard from



accessibility experts, keynote speaker and Chief Executive of Emergent Global, Holly Ransom, and had the opportunity to connect and exchange ideas with one another at the ABEA Village - a hub of collaboration.

“Partnerships sit at the heart of a strong, resilient and innovative business events industry - no single organisation can do this

work alone,” said ABEA Chief Executive Officer Melissa Brown.

“This conference is an opportunity to see the industry through each other’s eyes, to look at things from a different perspective, and address our challenges together.”

“It’s our chance to engage, learn, grow and make new connections,” Brown added. *JM*

## Stadium approved

**TASMANIA’S** capacity to host major national and international business events is set to expand, with the Macquarie Point Stadium project now officially approved (**TD** 02 Dec).

Construction on the 23,000-seat stadium will begin in 2027, with completion expected in 2029.

Plans include a new purpose-built event facility with capacity for 1,700 delegates in theatre style and 1,500 guests for gala dinners, with the space divisible into three separate rooms.

## TAG cuts ribbon on new Wellington hub

**GLOBAL** travel and event management company TAG (The Appointment Group Pty Ltd) has expanded its presence in New Zealand with the opening of a new office in Wellington.

Following TAG’s acquisitions of Red Hot Travel and Events and Sound Travels, the new hub will house a growing team of experts in incentive travel, bespoke corporate events, and high-end leisure experiences.

The opening follows a

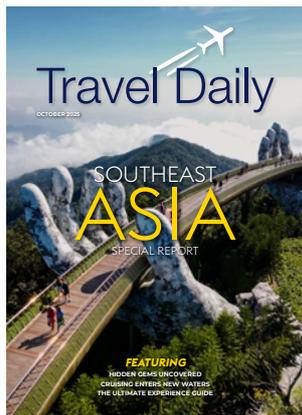


period of rapid expansion for TAG across the APAC region, including the company’s entry into New Zealand (**TD** 16 Jan 2024) and a move to a larger Melbourne office earlier this year (**TD** 30 Jun).

## BCEC marks 30

**THE** Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre (BCEC) has marked 30 years of operations by donating \$30,000 to neighbouring South Bank charities supporting people experiencing homelessness and vulnerability.

BCEC GM Kym Guesdon said, “These contributions honour the community that has supported us for three decades and reflect the values that...guide the centre”.



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The **Travel Industry Mentor Experience (TIME)** has named **Belinda Montgomery** as its new Program Manager. She brings more than two decades of travel industry experience to the role, spanning GSAs, wholesalers, technology platforms, tourism boards, luxury hospitality, and more. Montgomery has been a TIME mentor for the past five years, who was herself a mentee nearly a decade ago.

**TruTravels** has appointed a new Head of Commercial, **James Lavin**. The former United Kingdom head office team member will relocate to Australia for the role, which will see him tasked with strengthening trade partnerships, expanding the company's regional presence, and supporting local travel advisors.

**Terra Nova Expeditions** has announced **Amanada Hunter** has joined the cruise line as its Operations Manager. She brings to the role more than a decade of experience in the field with a variety of operators, including Albatros Expeditions, Seabourn Cruise Line, and National Geographic-Lindblad Expeditions.

**Alison Thomas** has started a new role as State Manager for **Princess Cruises**. She will represent the line in Victoria, South Australia, and Tasmania, partnering closely with travel advisors in the three states.

**Hyatt Hotels** is advancing its brand focus with new leadership, appointing **Tamara Lohan** to lead its luxury brands. The news was announced at ILTM Cannes, ahead of what the company said will be a remarkable pipeline of luxury openings set for next year.

**Arash Azarbarzin** has been appointed Chief Executive Officer at **Viceroy Hotels & Resorts**. A seasoned leader with more than 40 years of experience in luxury and lifestyle hospitality, Azarbarzin will bring a new approach to the company's growth, sustainability, and innovation goals across its portfolio.

**Evan Koppel** has been appointed to the board of the **Global Business Travel Association (GBTA)**. He will fill the spot of Katharine Farrell, who resigned from her position following a job change. Koppel is the Regional Director of Sales for United Airlines, and will serve out the remainder of Farrell's two-year term until GBTA Board elections take place mid-2026.

**California Hotel & Lodging Association (CHLA)** has named a new Chair, **Kristi Allen**. She is the Executive Vice President Hotels at Ensemble Real Estate Investments, a role she has served in for the past three years. Allen succeeds Cormac O'Modhrain, Group Vice President of Asset Management at Sunstone Hotel Investors.

**Alejandro Lopez** has been appointed Commercial Director at **Nobu Hotel Ibiza Bay** in the Balearic Islands. The hotel, which is currently closed, will reopen next spring.

## Reflecting on four more



**REFLECTIONS** Holidays' Tumut River Park in NSW's Riverina region will soon be home to four new tiny home accommodations.

The company said the tiny homes concept provides added benefits to both park operators and guests, compared to the traditional cabins or caravans.

Not only are they more cost-effective and sustainable to both construct and maintain, but they also provide a mix of comfort and simplicity for guests.

Tiny homes are fitted out with amenities such as a kitchen, laundry, and air conditioning and one bedroom and bathroom.

They also have access to EV charging stations, as well as existing amenities such as the camp kitchen and barbecue area in the wider park.

Work has recently been completed to improve the wi-fi and security in the park's vicinity.

As Crown land manager, Reflection Holidays has invested over \$900k at the park this year.

This investment is set to bring in \$1.2 million in tourism revenue to the Riverina region annually and is also part of the NSW Government's broader

'Destination NSW' initiative.

NSW Tourism Minister Steve Kamper said that the Riverina-Murray region was in a great place to boost visitation due to its nature activities and heritage.

"The Riverina Murray visitor economy delivered 5.4% of the region's jobs in 2023-24, supporting 3,296 businesses and directly delivering 3% (\$681 million) of the region's Gross Value Add, which has grown at an average 7.8% each year since 2016," Kamper said. *JB*

## Big MH370 payout

A **CHINESE** court has ordered Malaysia Airlines to pay ¥2.9 million (around A\$615,000) in compensation over MH370.

The rulings are for eight cases involving eight passengers, with another 47 cases having already been settled and withdrawn, according to Chinese national television broadcaster **CCTV**.

A remaining 23 cases are still under trial.

MH370 disappeared from radars in Mar 2014 while flying from Kuala Lumpur to Beijing, and has never been found.

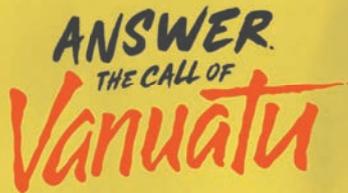


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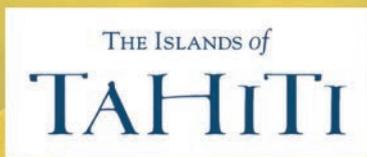
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