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Attack stopped attack



Washington.— A U.S. air strike in Baghdad that killed a top Iranian commander aimed to disrupt an "imminent attack" that would have endangered Americans in the Middle East, U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo said in television interviews yesterday.

Pompeo, in interviews on Fox News and CNN, declined to discuss many details of the alleged threat but said it was "an intelligence-based assessment" that drove the U.S. decision to target Qassem Soleimani, the commander of Iran's elite Quds Force.

13.6 million tourists visited the Balearics spending 14,734 million euros

• Between January and November last year, foreign tourism in the Balearics fell by 0.8% to just under 13.6 million tourists. The latest figures from the National Statistics Institute's Frontur and Egatur surveys of foreign tourist movement and spending show that although there was a slight fall in tourist numbers, spending rose. See Full Report Inside.





Spotlight on north of the island: Inside

Royal Pages arrive in Palma

The official royal pages arrived in Palma yesterday ahead of the arrival of the Three King's tomorrow evening. Scores of people gathered in the Plaza Cort in Palma to witness their arrival.

