

BBC news with Kyle **Andrews**.

The **Italian** Senate has passed a tough **austerity** budget, **including** cuts **of** forty billion euros **over** the period **of** three years. The lower house must **also adopt** the measures **in a vote on** Friday. **Italy** has **one of** the largest debts **in** the Eurozone, **and** the latest **efforts aim** to **avoid any** need for a bail **out**. Both the government **and** the **opposition are** well **aware of** the fact that **Italy is under** close scrutiny due to **its** large debts. **At the end of** last week, the **IMEF** **urged Italy** to **ensure** decisive **implementation of** spending cuts.

Kenya has **agreed** to **open a** new refugee camp near **its** border with Somalia, **as** thousands **of** people **are** fleeing the region's worst drought **in** sixty years. The Prime Minister **of** Kenya **announced** that a camp which can fit **up to** **eighty** thousand people would **open** within ten days. Some ministers had feared **opening** the camp would **encourage** more Somalis to cross the border, but the Prime Minister said that turning **away** the refugees was not **an option**. **In** his **opinion**, that would **amount** to **ethnic** cleansing.

Buranda **Airways is expected** to hold **an emergency** meeting **of its** board **of** directors. The **airlines** have been **experiencing** problems **over** fulfilling **admission** criteria **of** the Star **Alliance**, a global **airline** network. The directors were **angered** by the latest **offer and accused** the **Alliance of** pursuing their **own interests in** the negotiations. The board, **acting on the instructions of** the shareholders, were **ordered** to **arrive at a** decision by Friday.

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A colourful, spindly legged toad that was believed to be **extinct** has been rediscovered **in** the forests **of** Borneo. Scientists from the university **in** Sarawak found three **of** the missing **animals up a** tree during a night-time search. The team had spent **eight** months searching for the toad. **According** to Doctor Robin Moore **of** Conservation **International**, **it is** good to know that nature can surprise **us** when we **are** close to giving **up** hope, **especially amidst our** planet's **escalating extinction** crisis.

A rare Jane **Austen** manuscript has sold for **almost a** million pounds **in** London, three times more than **its estimated** price. **Auction** house Sotheby's had **originally** valued the **unfinished** novel, **entitled** The Watsons, **at about a** quarter **of a** million pounds. The manuscript,

**originally owned** privately, was purchased by **an independent institution**. **It is assumed** that **Austen** wrote the tale **about a** young woman who returns to her father's household **after** being brought **up** by her **aunt**, **in eighteen** ~~oh~~ four. **Austen** published six complete novels **and** died **in eighteen** seventeen **at the age of** forty one.

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