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## "WHAT'S THE LEAD, AP?"

Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe offers a toast to guests at a dinner held in Abe's honor, Monday, Dec. 26, 2011, in Honolulu. Abe laid wreaths at various cemeteries and memorials Monday ahead of a visit to the site of the Dec. 7 bombings at Pearl Harbor that thrust the United States into World War II. (AP Photo/Marco Garcia)

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### [Obama, Japan's Abe to seek reconciliation at Pearl Harbor](#)

HONOLULU (AP) — Putting 75 years of resentment behind them, the leaders of the United States and Japan are together at Pearl Harbor for a historic pilgrimage to the site where the bloodshed of the surprise attacks that thrus

World War II.

#### Officials: US, Russian military talks quietly proving useful

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S.-Russian talks on their separate fights against the Islamic State group are improving more frequent, American officials said, with each side trading information in real time and even outlining some of objectives in the months ahead. The progress dispels the notion that ties between the former Cold War foes are "

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Republicans are united on repealing President Barack Obama's health care law, but ideologically speaking, they're in different camps over replacing it. Getting the factions together won't be easy.

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In this Dec. 21, 2016 file photo, President-elect Donald Trump speaks to members of the media at Mar-a-Lago, in Fla. Trump is questioning the effectiveness of the United Nations, saying it's just a club for people to "have a good time." His latest comment on Twitter on Monday, Dec. 26, is his latest comment since the U.N. Security Council voted Friday to condemn Israel in the West Bank and east Jerusalem. (AP Photo/Andrew Harnik, File)

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