National Guard troops appear in Washington DC as mayor rejects Trump's 'authoritarian push

- US National Guard troops have begun appearing on the streets of Washington DC, a day after President Donald Trump deployed the troops to the city and took control of its police force as he argued violent crime was out of control.
- Officials have said that 800 National Guard troops are expected to be deployed, as well as 500 federal law enforcement agents.
- Washington DC Mayor Muriel Bowser, a Democrat, who has denied crime is out of control in her city, described the troop deployment as an "authoritarian push"

Hiroshima: Ceremony marks 80th anniversary of atomic bombing

- BBC 6 August
- A minute of silence was held in Hiroshima on Wednesday during a ceremony to mark 80 years since the United States dropped an atomic bomb on the Japanese city.
- Japanese prime minister Shigeru Ishiba attended the ceremony and urged all countries to work towards nuclear disarmament.

President Trump's One Big Beautiful Bill Is Now the Law

- 4 July, From <u>www.thewhitehouse.gov</u> The One Big Beautiful Bill The White House
- The <u>largest tax cut in history</u> for middle- and working-class Americans
 - According to the <u>Joint Committee on Taxation</u>, the tax bill will most benefit workers and families making less than \$50,000 per year.
- Bigger paychecks of \$10,000+ more in annual take-home pay for families.
- NO tax on Tips.
- NO tax on Overtime.
- NO tax on Social Security.
- Etc.

Texas flooding timeline: How rapidly rising waters killed dozens

EU wildfires worst on record as burning season continues

• Data shows more than 1m hectares torched so far this year, with records also broken for CO2 and other air pollutants

No breakthrough after Trump and Putin meet for over two hours at Alaska summit

- US President Trump said there were wide areas of agreement with Russian leader Vladimir Putin but offered no specifics. He added that 'It's really up to President Zelensky to get it done.'
- Le Monde, with AP and AFP, 15 August