**Marocco's Nabil Ayouch promotes social drama 'Razzia'**

Nabil Ayouch continues to probe the world of social and political commentary with his latest film, ‘Razzia’. The film, which was screened in Cannes in August, provides an insight into the world of prostitution in Morocco.

Ayouch's previous film, ‘Horses’, was banned in Morocco due to its depiction of prostitution. The controversy around ‘Horses’ intensified Ayouch's desire to make a contemporary film about the world of prostitution. The film, titled ‘Razzia’, centers around the life of a young Moroccan woman who becomes a prostitute in order to support her family.

The film has been met with mixed reactions in Morocco, with some praising its boldness and others criticizing its depiction of prostitution. However, Ayouch remains committed to his social and political commentary, and ‘Razzia’ is just the latest in a series of films that he has made on a range of social issues.

**Iran film directors protest colleague's jail term**

Iranian film directors on Wednesday launched a protest against the 18-month jail term of a colleague who had been convicted of “insulting the revered leader” and “spreading lies”, prison sources said.

The protest was organized by the prominent director Naser Jananpour, who used social media to call for a demonstration in support of the film director, who was sentenced last week.

Jananpour, who directed the film “The Hope of the Poor”, had previously been arrested and convicted of “insulting the sanctity of the Islamic system” in 2013.

The demonstration was one of several protests in recent years organized by Iranian filmmakers against what they see as restrictions on artistic freedom in the country.

**'Star Wars' director faces hopes, history in 'Force Awakens'**

J.J. Abrams faced the prospect of recording an entertaining and iconic film with a weighty legacy in his debut as the mastermind behind the latest installment of the 'Star Wars' franchise.

The film, subtitled 'The Force Awakens', is set 30 years after the original 'Star Wars' trilogy, which ended with the destruction of the Death Star in 1983. It is the first of a new series of films that will explore the story of the Star Wars universe.

Abrams, who is also the show-runner of the television series 'Lost', faces the challenge of following the success of his previous film, 'Super 8', which was released in 2011.

The film stars Harrison Ford, Han Solo, and Carrie Fisher, Princess Leia, along with new characters including John Boyega as Finn and Daisy Ridley as Rey.

The film opens in December and is expected to be a major box office hit.

**'Much Loved' takes on the ban**

Moroccan film director Nabil Ayouch's latest film, 'Much Loved', has been banned in Morocco after it was deemed to be offensive to the country's Moorish heritage.

The film, which is set in Marrakech and follows the lives of four women who work as prostitutes, was deemed to be offensive to the country's Moorish heritage and was subsequently banned.

Ayouch, who is known for his films on social and political issues, had previously been arrested and convicted of insulting the sanctity of the Islamic system.

The film, which was released in 2014, was screened at the Cannes Film Festival and won several awards at international film festivals.

Ayouch has been critical of the Moroccan government's restrictions on artistic freedom and has praised the film industry in other countries for its lack of censorship.

**U2's Bono warns Paris attacks song ahead of French gigs**

U2's Bono has warned about the potential of more attacks ahead of the band's French gigs, saying that the band will be supporting the French people in the face of terrorism.

Bono, who is known for his activist work, said that the band's songs will be a way of showing solidarity with the French people and that they will be performing songs that are relevant to the current situation.

The band's gig in Paris is scheduled for Tuesday and will be the first since the terror attacks in November.

**Shane MacGowan to be honored**

Shane MacGowan, the lead singer of the Irish punk rock band The Pogues, will be honored at the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame induction ceremony in Cleveland on Saturday.

MacGowan, who is known for his distinctive voice and songwriting, has been a key figure in the Irish music scene and has been a inspiration for many younger musicians.

The Pogues' music has been described as a mix of traditional Irish music and punk rock, and the band has been praised for their unique sound.

The band's hit song 'Fairytale of New York' has been a favorite of many fans and has been covered by many other artists.