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1. ["AUSTRALIA JOINS GLOBAL FIGHT AGAINST BIRD FLU"](#)  
ABC News Online, 2005-09-16 Australia has joined a new international partnership set up by the United States to try to prevent an avian flu pandemic. It will support the work of the WHO.
  2. ["RAAF SET TO FIGHT PIRACY FROM THE AIR"](#)  
Michelle Wiese Bockmann, The Australian, 2005-09-19 Navy chief, Russ Shalders, has offered to provide RAAF aircraft for joint patrols of the Malacca Strait amid concerns that regional terror groups have infiltrated local piracy gangs.
  3. ["AIR FORCE PLANNING TO SEND GLOBAL HAWKS TO THE PACIFIC"](#)  
Nathan Hodge, Defense Daily, Potomac Vol.227 (53):1 2005-09-16 Gen. Paul Hester, commander, Pacific Air Forces says the US Air Force plans to send Northrop Grumman [NOC] RQ-4A Global Hawk unmanned aerial vehicles to the Pacific, and is inviting countries in the region to base them on their territory, or to buy their own.
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Defence Daily is available on subscription, apart from the current day's news.

4. ["PNG AT 30: OUR FAILING NEIGHBOUR"](#)

Allan Patience, The Age, 2005-09-16 PNG continues to grapple with corruption and crime. The United Nations' Human Development Index ranks PNG lowest among all the states in the South Pacific.

5. ["INDONESIA STARTS ACEH WITHDRAWAL"](#)

Rachel Harvey, BBC News, Jakarta, 2005-09-18 Indonesia has withdrawn around 800 soldiers from Aceh province, and the rebels have handed in a quarter of their declared arsenal.

6. ["NOT MORE STORMS, BUT DEADLIER"](#)

Leigh Dayton, The Australian, 2005-09-19 The number of hurricanes reported around the world each year has barely risen since the 1970s but the number of very severe hurricanes has almost doubled in the north and southwest Pacific; north and south Indian Oceans.

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