

NCR WATCH DESK

SUNRISE BRIEF, FEBRUARY 9, 2020

I. WEATHER

Today: Sunny. High 49°. Low 39°.



II. DEVELOPMENTS OF NOTE

National Capital Region

Fairfax County: Firefighters responded to a four-alarm fire at a five-story building in Alexandria. Three buildings undergoing construction were destroyed in the fire. Dominion Energy shut off the electricity to nearly 800 customers. US-1 was closed to all traffic between Beacon Hill Road and Huntington Avenue for multiple hours. Fire departments across multiple counties assisted in containing the eight-hour blaze. One firefighter and one civilian were transported for minor injuries. Link



A fire in Fairfax County, Virginia, destroyed three buildings under construction (Source: CNN)

 District of Columbia: Firefighters responded to an apartment fire in Southeast. A blocked hydrant delayed the firefighters' response time. Twenty-one people were displaced, and two dogs were killed <u>Link</u>.

United States

Georgia: The National Transportation Safety
Board is investigating the crash of a Cessna
501, which holds up to five passengers in
Gordon County after the plane disappeared 50
miles north of Atlanta. Snow was reported
around the time, but it isn't clear if it was a
factor in the crash. It is unknown how many
people were on board and if there are fatalities.
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World

- Afghanistan: Two US service members were killed, and six others injured when an individual in an Afghan uniform opened fire with a machine gun in Nangarhar province. The incident came as the US government seek to find an end to the war in Afghanistan. The cause or motive behind the attack is currently unknown. Link
- Thailand: A Thai soldier killed more than 26 people and injured 57 others in a shooting at a shopping mall in Nakhon Ratchasima province, known as Korat. The suspect was shot dead by police. A twelve-hour standoff began after the shooter fired at a military site and then at the Terminal 21 shopping mall. The gunman's motive for the shooting is unclear. Link

III. NOVEL CORONAVIRUS

 Overview: Johns Hopkins University's Center for Systems Science and Engineering (JHU CSSE) reports 37,549 confirmed cases of Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV) and 813 deaths as of 2/9/2020 at 12:33AM. Link