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**Tut-Tut ... replica of pharaoh's tomb hailed a landmark in conservation**

**Facsimile in Luxor will prolong life of original**

**Test of balance between archaeology and tourism**

**Patricia Kingsey Cairo**

An exact replica of the tomb of Tutankhamun is set to be installed near the 3,000-year-old original, in what one of the world's leading Egyptologists has called a revolutionary development in Egyptian archaeological conservation.

Officials hope the £420,000 project will prolong the life of the original while promoting a new model of sustainable tourism and research in a country where many pharaonic sites are under threat.

Tutankhamun's tomb is one of 63 burial sites in Luxor's Valley of the Kings. After years of visitors, some have had to close due to damage while others - such as Tutankhamun's - are under threat, with conservation efforts likely to make the problem worse.

"The challenge is to get people to visit the facsimile and say: my god, I can't in the original," said Weeks. "But we should be able to show that there is no conflict between conservators and tourism experts about whether replicas will help or hinder tourism," said Weeks. "But we should be able to show that there is no conflict between the economic needs of the country and conservation needs of the tombs. One can make a much more meaningful visit to the replica than one ever could to the original."

The tomb's replica will be installed near the Luxor home of the legendary Egyptologist Howard Carter. The installation is scheduled to start in December.

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**Woman shot dead after Washington car chase**

**Dan Roberts Washington**

A woman with a young child in her car attempted to breach a White House checkpoint, prompting a high-speed chase through the streets of Washington that ended near the US Capitol when police shot her dead.

Government buildings on Capitol Hill were placed on lockdown and members of Congress gathered in their offices as the incident unfolded.

Capitol police said the woman was chased between the two centres of government, across police cars with their lights flashing, before she was stopped. Officers shot the woman dead.

Witnesses reported hearing several "loud bangs" outside the Capitol complex. Video later emerged of a black car being chased at speed around the heavily guarded roads close to the US Senate buildings.

"We heard three, four, five pops," said Senator Bob Casey, a Democrat who was walking from the Capitol to an office building across the street. Police ordered Casey and nearby tourists to crouch behind a car for protection, then hustled everyone into the Capitol, according to the Associated Press.

Cathy Lanier, chief of the Metropolitan police department in Washington, said the incident was not an accident and that the suspect attempted to breach two security barriers. This was a lengthy pursuit," Lanier said.

Capitol police chief Tom Dine said the two scenes were quickly secured after a short security lockdown. The number of government staff were told to "shelter in place". Metropolitans on Capitol Hill "We have no information that this was related to terrorism or is anything other than an isolated incident."

He confirmed that a Capitol police officer was hurt. The injured officer was evacuated by a helicopter which landed on the lawn in front of Congress.

"If you see something, say something," Lanier said. "If you see something, call 911.

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**ALEX WAS DEFENDING THE ARCTIC FOR ALL OF US. NOW SHE NEEDS ALL OF US TO DEFEND HER.**

Alex knows that if we don’t save the Arctic, the consequences could be catastrophic. That’s why she put her liberty on the line in a peaceful protest against the Russian giant, Gazprom, drilling for the first time in the Arctic’s icy waters.

For making this heroic stance she is now in a prison cell – along with 29 others aboard the Greenpeace ship Arctic Sunrise – after armed Russian Coast Guards illegally seized the vessel in international waters.

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