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Boots to ban plastic bags from its stores

Health and beauty chain Boots will phase out all plastic bags from its stores by 2020,

(1)_____ them with brown paper bags.

Initially, the ban will be adopted at 53 of the health and beauty chain's stores. It will then be

(2)_____ out to all of Boots's 2,485 outlets early next year.

Boots will (3)_____ customers 5p, 7p and 10p, depending on size, for the new unbleached brown bags, but will donate all profits to BBC Children in Need.

"It is clear that our customers expect us to act", said Sebastian James, the company's Chief

(4)_____. "The decision to (5)_____ to paper bags instead of plastic signifies a huge step away from our reliance on plastic."

The average human being produces roughly their own body weight in plastics every year. But the

(6)_____ majority of it is not recycled. The volume of plastic that ends

(7)_____ in the natural environment is increasing. Plastic can take as long as 500 years to decompose.

San Francisco becomes first US city to ban sale of e-cigarettes

San Francisco has become the first major US city to impose a ban (8)_____ e-cigarettes. The ban will apply to both online and conventional retail stores, but it will still be legal to purchase traditional cigarettes in the city.

The ban comes (9)_____ heightened concern in the US over the rise of vaping among teens. More than 4.9 million American teens used e-cigarettes in 2018, an increase of 1.5 million teens in just one year.

San Francisco is home to Juul, the biggest producer of e-cigarettes in the country with more than a 50% share of the market. Juul strongly (10)_____ the new ban, arguing that its products help people give up smoking and that the ban will give rise to a black market. However, San Francisco City Attorney Dennis Herrera said that because of e-cigarettes, "another generation of San Francisco children is becoming (11)_____ to nicotine."

If the ban is successful, many other cities, including Chicago and New York, are likely to follow (12)_____.

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| 1. | A reprising | B replacing | C repealing | D reprieved |
| 2. | A stepped | B turned | C unfolded | D rolled |
| 3. | A cost | B price | C charge | D tax |
| 4. | A Administrator | B Director | C Boss | D Executive |
| 5. | A switch | B turn | C exchange | D swap |
| 6. | A vast | B huge | C major | D immense |
| 7. | A on | B off | C up | D down |
| 8. | A by | B on | C for | D to |
| 9. | A atone | B about | C amid | D around |
| 10. | A objects | B opposes | C disapproves | D contrasts |
| 11. | A hooked | B intoxicated | C dependent | D addicted |
| 12. | A suit | B step | C pace | D song |

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Rescue Ship Poses New Test for Italy's government

ROME 26.06.19 — A rescue ship carrying 42 migrants waited in Italian waters off the Mediterranean island of Lampedusa on Thursday, further inflaming tensions

(13)_____ humanitarian groups and Italy's populist government, which has adopted a hardline anti-immigration (14)_____.

The ship, the Sea Watch 3, is operated by Sea-Watch, a German nongovernmental organization, and flies a Dutch (15)_____. It entered Italian waters on Wednesday evening.

(16)_____ being warned by Italian authorities not to approach any Italian port, the Sea Watch 3's captain decided to head for Lampedusa, saying it was facing an emergency situation.

The Sea Watch 3 initially rescued 53 people off Libya on June 12, but three days later, Italy

(17)_____ 10 of them — including children and two pregnant women — to be taken to Sicily on an Italian coastguard vessel for medical (18)_____.

New legislation promoted by the Italian interior minister Matteo Salvini (19)_____

it illegal for rescue boats to enter ports without authorization. Any vessels that do so can be

(20)_____ up to 50,000 euros, or about \$57,000, and the ships can be seized.

However, so far the new laws seem to having (21)_____ effect. More than 300

migrants — travelling mostly on small boats — have landed in southern Italy in the two weeks

(22)_____ the Sea Watch 3 began its stand-off with the Italian government two weeks ago.

Rescue ship captain arrested for breaking Italian blockade

ROME 29.06.19 — The captain of a rescue ship carrying 40 people has been arrested for breaking an Italian naval blockade after she docked the vessel in Lampedusa.

Rackete had said she was (23)_____ to risk arrest by entering the port because the situation on board the ship was “now more desperate than ever”.

In a Facebook video, Italian interior minister Matteo Salvini said that his patience had

(24)_____ out: “We will use every lawful means to stop this outlaw ship.”

Sea-Watch rescued a group of people from an inflatable raft drifting off the coast of Libya on 12

June, but (25)_____ an offer from the Libyan coastguard to have them disembark in Tripoli, and instead went towards Lampedusa.

After two weeks, with conditions on board in a terrible state and (26)_____ options left, Rackete said she decided to enter the Italian port and face the consequences.

As the Sea-Watch entered the port of Lampedusa early on Saturday morning, a military patrol boat moved back and forth in an unsuccessful attempt to (27)_____ it from docking.

However, Rackete continued the manoeuvre, at one point colliding with the military boat.

In a long Facebook video, Mr. Salvini (28)_____ Captain Rackete of deliberately trying to sink the patrol boat and of endangering the lives of the officers on board,

(29)_____ the collision as an “act of war.”: “The behaviour from the captain of the pirate ship was criminal”, he said.

Rackete was arrested by the police on charges of resisting law enforcement and violence against a naval vessel. A crowdfunding campaign to pay her legal expenses has raised more than €350,000 so

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