**GROWING ECONOMIC Fears DRIVE MARKETS INTO BEAR TERRITORY**

**By MOHAMMED HASSAN and REBECCA COOK**

These weeks ago, Wall Street was bracing for inflation to drive the US economy into a bear market. The S&P 500 dropped 20 percent from a record high in January, a level not seen since the 2008 financial crisis. The market was a bear market. On Monday, the S&P 500 fell 3 percent, marking the second bear market in a month, a rare and grim stage of investors' growing concerns for the economy. A crucial report on Friday泼k* shocks inflation and fear about the US economy to the core. The stock market was accelerating and creeping into every corner of the economy. Earlier this week, the US dollar spiked to a new high, and the Federal Reserve is expected to raise interest rates this week. To avoid a bear market, the S&P 500 needs to fall 20 percent from a record high. If the S&P 500 falls 20 percent, it will bring the US economy into a bear market. **Down 22% Since Jan. 3**

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Large stock declines like this are rare, and historically, the US economy has seen large declines in the past 50 years. The last bear market was in 2008, driven by the global financial crisis. The bear market lasted for about a year and a half, and the S&P 500 fell about 50 percent. The next few weeks offered a grim outlook for the US economy. The next few weeks offered a grim outlook for the US economy.

Europe Weighs Harder Fight or a Push for Peace

**BRUSSELS —** Losing ground to Russia, European leaders are weighing a harder fight or a push for peace in Ukraine. Russia is bringing more forces to Ukraine’s border, and the European Union is considering more sanctions against Russia. Russia has already invaded Ukraine, and the European Union is considering more sanctions against Russia. Russia has already invaded Ukraine, and the European Union is considering more sanctions against Russia.

**Ukraine War Cues Taiwan To Get Ready**

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**Missouri Senate Votes to Ban Taxpayer Funding for Abortion**

**ROLLA, Mo. —** For more than 20 years, the clinic has been open in the rural Missouri town of Eminence. The clinic has never performed abortions, but it has been struggling to stay open. The clinic is located in the heart of one of the most rural parts of the state. The clinic has never performed abortions, but it has been struggling to stay open. The clinic is located in the heart of one of the most rural parts of the state.

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**TRUMP REBUFFED AIDES OVER LOSS, DENYING REALITY**

**By MICHAEL S. SHEAR and MAGGIE HABIBAN** WASHINGTON — Republicans were rebuffed by aides and at times by Mr. Trump himself over suggestions that he needed to accept the 2020 election loss and that he had no constitutional right to keep contesting the election. The president was making a show of force, but his campaign was floundering. The president was making a show of force, but his campaign was floundering.

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