

PM lauds patriotic spirit



HRH Prime Minister Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa and HRH Crown Prince during the Cabinet meeting

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His Royal Highness Prime Minister Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa has reiterated Bahrain's complete solidarity with Saudi Arabia with measures it deems necessary to safeguard its security and stability. While discussing the Kingdom's celebrations of the anniversary of the National Action Charter at the Cabinet meeting, the Prime Minister hailed the citizens for their sincere patriotic spirit, extending thanks to them for the feelings

of loyalty to the nation.

Cabinet decisions

HRH Premier has directed to make an inventory of the streets and neighbourhoods to address the frequent flooding. He has instructed the Ministerial Committee for Urbanisation and Infrastructure to identify the reasons that led to the damage inflicted by some infrastructure projects as a result of the heavy rain. HRH Prime Minister has commended the efforts made by the Ministry of Works,

Municipalities Affairs and Urban Planning to deal with the rainwater from the streets, roads and neighbourhoods as quickly as possible.

Reviewing the Labour and Social Development Ministry's plans for 2017 and achievements in 2016, HRH Premier praised the ministry's efforts to organise special career expos to enable business owners to hire nationals. HRH Prime Minister also urged to intensify initiatives that would increase employment chances for job-seekers. The Cabinet has approved the creation of a

Directorate of Public Revenues Policies at the Finance Ministry. The directorate will replace the current Directorate of Economic Studies and Research, and will report to the Assistant Undersecretary, Public Revenues Development.

Recommended by the Civil Service Bureau, and included in the memorandum submitted by the Deputy Premier and Deputy Chairman of the Civil Service Council, the decision aims to consolidate plans to diversify sources of income.

Escaped convict dies while resisting arrest

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An escapee from the prison died yesterday in the Capital Governorate while attempting to thwart arrest.

Abdulla Al Ajouz, 22, succumbed to the wounds he suffered when he fell-down in Nuwaidrat.

The man had escaped the Dry Dock Detention Centre last year along with 16 other convicts.

Interior Ministry confirmed the incident yesterday, clarifying that "he fell while attempting to escape arrest and died in the hospital".

"He is sentenced to life for terror related cases that include murder, attempted murder and manufacturing of explosives," Criminal Investigation and Forensic Science General Director Colonel Abdulaziz Mayoof Al Rumaihi stated.

Colonel Al Rumaihi

explained that the incident occurred during two arrest operations in Nuwaidrat that resulted in the arrest of two wanted criminals.

"Ahmed Habib, 20, and Ahmed Mohammed, 27, who are involved in an assault case that injured three policemen and sheltering the escaped convict Al Ajouz, were arrested in the operation," he added.



Abdulla Al Ajouz

First Russia-Bahrain inter-govt commission meeting today



The preparatory meeting held with members of the Russian economic delegation yesterday

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The Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Tourism held a preparatory meeting with members of the Russian economic delegation yesterday, in preparation for the first session of the Russian-Bahrain intergovernmental commission in trade, economic, scientific and technological cooperation, which will be held today at Ritz-Carlton. The meeting was attended by officials of both the countries. Officials

reviewed the deliberations on the first session of the commission and cooperation in trade, investment, banking, energy, agriculture and animal stock-raising, space and transportation.

The Russia-Bahrain Working Group on cooperation in the field of aluminum industry also held its third meeting yesterday. The Bahraini delegation was headed by Osama Alarrayedh, Undersecretary, Industrial Affairs while the Russian delegation was headed by

Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation Sergey Tsyb. The meeting was formed by the Minister of Industry, Commerce and Tourism Zayed R. Al Zayani and Russian Minister of Industry and Trade Denis Manturov. During the meeting officials explored cooperation in the field of marketing and prospects of setting up joint ventures in bauxite and alumina and investment opportunities in private sector.

'Don't send money to blackmailers'

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"One day a man called me, informed me that he possess inappropriate footage of me and threatened to post them online. Using the same account of the girl I was talking to, the man sent me proof of the footage he has and a list of all of my friends and family members on Facebook. He asked me to send BD100 to an address in Morocco so he would delete the videos," the victim added.

Helplessly, the victim wired

the money to the blackmailer and closed his account on Facebook.

Block account and report

The directorate urged victims who fall prey to blackmailers to immediately follow certain steps.

"If you have been victimised by a similar situation, you should immediately block the account so you would prevent him/her from reaching to your friends' list. If the link to the video was shared with

you, report it immediately. Don't worry it will be removed. Don't send any amounts to the blackmailers under any circumstances, because they will continue blackmailing you. Finally, report the case to the directorate's hotline on 992," the directorate instructed.

Such cases could be reported by personal attendance at the directorate's headquarters in Adliyah on 17718888 or 992, or sending a message along with proof through What'sApp on +97332000367.

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