



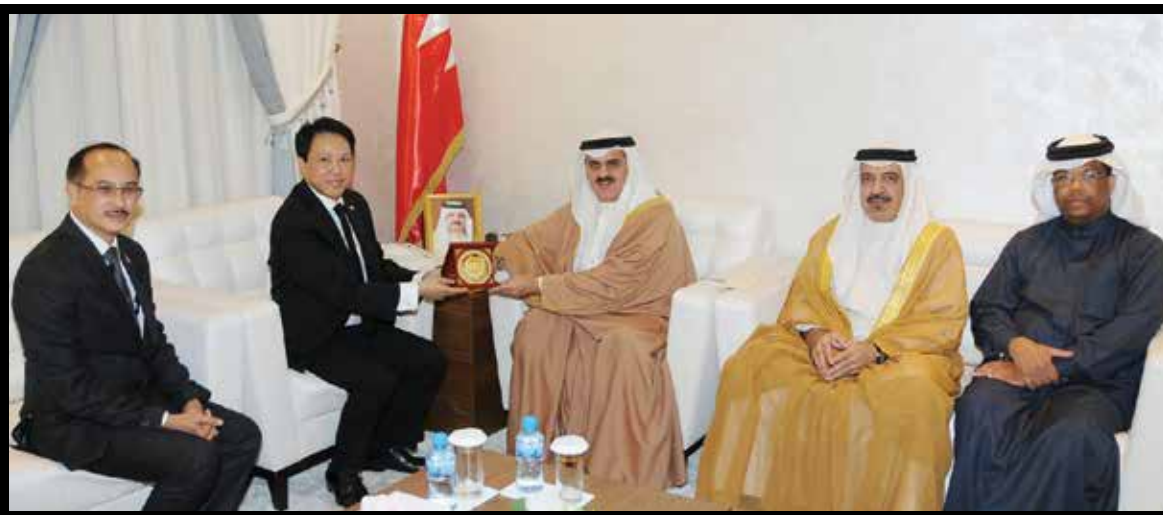
Salman Al Khalifa received Parliament Chairman Ahmed Al Mulla, Shura their Deputies and Head of the Council's Financial and Economic Affairs yesterday. The Premier lauded the Royal directives to ensure regulations of ra- is based on consensus between the executive and legislative branches



Deputy Prime Minister Shaikh Mohammed bin Mubarak Al Khalifa yesterday patronised a book launch titled (Researches and studies of Dr. Jalil Ibrahim Al-arrayed in Univer- sity Education and Science Teaching). The ceremony was held at Sheikh Mo- hammed bin Khalifa Al Khalifa Lecture Hall at Beit Al-Quran in the presence of Shura Council Chairman Ali Saleh Al Saleh, Deputy Prime Minister Jawad Sa- lem Al Arrayed and a num- ber of diplomats



BDF Commander-in-Chief, Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa received Commander of the National Guard Lieutenant-General Shaikh Mohammed bin Isa Al Khalifa. They reviewed coop- eration between the BDF and the National Guard and issues of shared interest. Separately, BDF Chief received Rear Admiral Didier Piaton Com- mander of the French Forces in the United Arab Emirates. The meeting reviewed coop- eration and ties of steady friendship between Bahrain and France (first from left)



Parliament Chair- man Ahmed Al Mulla yesterday re- ceived Thailand Am- bassador Chayapan Bamrunghong and discussed boosting parliamentary coop- eration. The Speaker praised the solid bilateral relations, and highlighted the significance of strengthening joint action and unifying visions in the inter- est of the national interests



Electricity and Water Affairs Minister, Dr. Abdulhussain Mirza received a high-level delegation of Chinese companies looking at investments in the electricity and water sectors. China Engines and Engineering assistant general manager Ge Jian and Chinese high voltage cables company official Mr. Huang Jianping, along with Chinese Embassy officials, were part of the delegation



Minister of Follow-up Affairs Mohammed Al Mutawa yesterday received Philippine President's Envoy to the GCC countries Dr. Amable Aguiluz on his arrival at Bahrain International Airport. Philippine Ambassador Sahid Glang, Education Ministry Undersecretary for Resources and Services Dr. Mohammed Mubarak Juma'a, HRH Premier's Court Assistant Undersecretary for Information and Follow-up Dr. Ibrahim Al-Dosary and other Education Ministry officials were also present



and Retail sector committee of the Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and CCI) has held a meeting in Bait Al Tijjar chaired by Board Member and Head Jawad Al Hawaj. Despite persisting economic challenges, the com- pressed its confidence in the sector to create jobs and contribute to invigo- national economy



In collaboration with the Royal Charity Or- ganisation (RCO), the U.S. Embassy Marines handed out gifts collected from the 2016 Toys for Tots cam- paign to children at an event hosted by the RCO. The head of the Programmes and Activities Section at RCO, Alaa Yousif Bulalama, attended the event. The mission of the Toys for Tots Pro- gramme is to collect new, unwrapped toys each year and distrib- ute those toys to less fortunate children in the local community