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	Max	Min
	31°C	23°C

11th Hour

Uber 'flying car' launch by 2020

San Francisco

Uber said yesterday it wants to launch a system of flying cars to move people around cities, with a goal of putting demonstration projects in place by 2020. The ridesharing giant announced a series of partnerships to manufacture "vertical takeoff and landing" (VTOL) vehicles and put networks in place, a system dubbed Uber Elevate. - AFP



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Embassies training individuals to take part in elections: MPs

# COPS HUNT FOR GANG LEADER IN FLESH TRADE

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Manama

Police have launched a manhunt to nab the leader of a gang who reportedly operated a flesh trade racket in Muharraq.

The authorities began the search for the expatriate gang after receiving a tipoff about an Indonesian woman being held captive in Muharraq. The woman was reported to have been in a bad state and was locked up in an apartment.

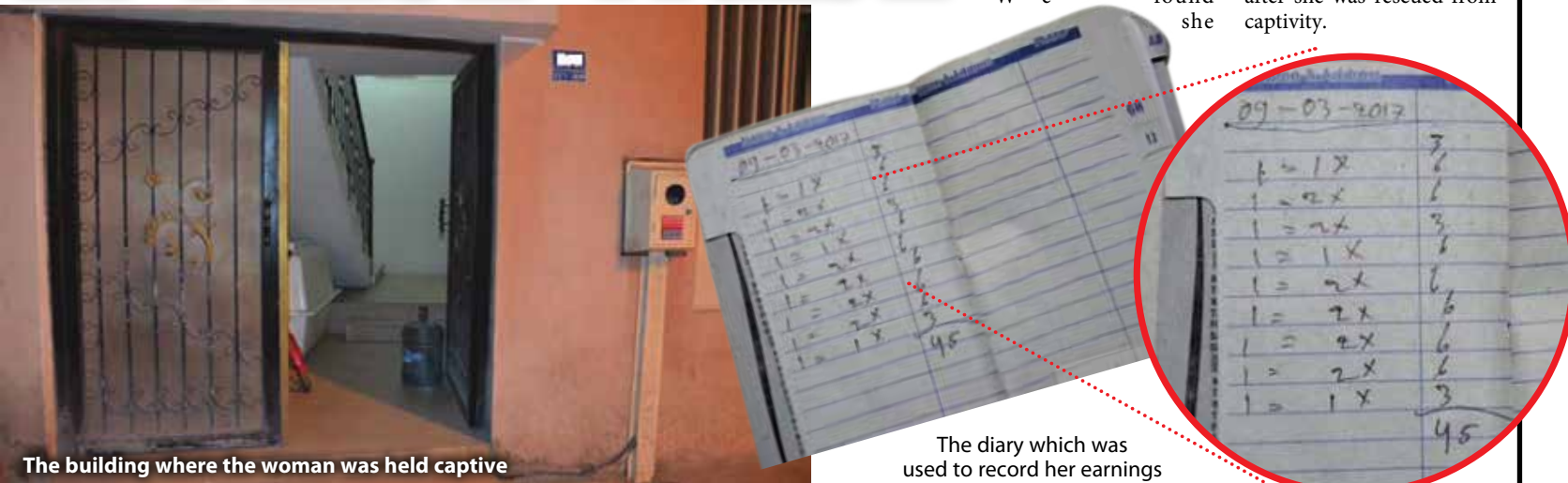
According to information released by the Ministry of Interior in its publication *Al Amn*, three men have already been nabbed while a police investigation is going on to catch the fourth person who is believed to be the gang leader. "Our source told us that the woman had been trying to escape for several months but had failed to do so. After getting information on her whereabouts, we obtained a search warrant from the Public Prosecution and raided an apartment where she had been held captive," said Muharraq Governorate Police Director General Brigadier Fawaz Al Hassan.

"We found she

had a mobile phone but it was damaged and there was no way she could have contacted anyone for help. The team also recovered clothes and contraceptives," he said.

The woman told police that she worked as a housemaid until a cold-store salesman offered her help in finding a better job. "She agreed and gave him her phone number. The number was passed on to the gang who then contacted her and asked her to run away after promising her a better-paid job," he added. The woman was brutally beaten up each time she tried to escape from the apartment. One of their clients had a change of heart and filed a case in the police station.

"He told us about the woman and said she had been locked up for several months. He said she was in a bad condition and sought help to get out of the place. The man said he felt sad after he saw the woman, who pleaded with him to report the matter to the police," General Brigadier Al Hassan said. The woman has been transferred to a shelter for abused women after she was rescued from captivity.



The building where the woman was held captive

The diary which was used to record her earnings

## Woman pushed into flesh trade, held captive in an apartment in Muharraq