



No Immunity Treason

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The Speaker of Bahrain's Parliament, Ahmed bin Salman Al Musallam, voiced full support for remarks made by HM King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, stressing that parliamentary membership does not grant immunity to defend or justify acts of treason.

Al Musallam said the legislature "does not take pride" in any member who supports or executes actions that harm the nation or its supreme interests, warning that those who deviate from national principles must bear the consequences of their positions.

He expressed regret over what he described as some lawmakers aligning with "traitors," adding that such positions contradict both patriotism and the oath of office.

The speaker underlined that all members of the legislative authority have national duties, with the country's interests taking precedence over all affiliations. He said lawmakers must act as a shield for the nation, uphold unity, and represent the people faithfully.

Referring to "Iranian aggression" against Bahrain, Al Musallam said the incident exposed those who had "sold their conscience," insisting that treason has no justification and no place in the kingdom.

He also praised the readiness and response of Bahrain's armed forces in confronting the incident, adding that citizens stand united behind the leadership.

King's vision

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Bahrain's labour system continues to advance under the leadership of HM King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, delivering stronger protections for workers and improving workplace standards in line with national law and the constitution, said Ali bin Saleh Al Saleh, the head of the Shura Council.

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Nation Above All

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HM King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa reaffirmed that Bahrain's security and unity remain a shared responsibility, "a trust in the hands of all its citizens."

Speaking to the media, the HM King said a recent incident, which Bahrain attributed to an Iranian attack, exposed attempts to undermine the country's security while also revealing "true loyalties" during a critical moment.

He noted that Bahrain's armed forces remained on high alert and fully prepared to defend the nation.

His Majesty called on Iran to cease interference in the internal affairs of Bahrain and other Gulf states, expressing strong concern over actions he said threatened national sovereignty.

He added that such concerns reflected broader public sentiment across the Kingdom.

The King also criticised individuals accused of cooperating with external actors, describ-



HM the King



HRH Prince Salman

ing such actions as a betrayal of national trust. He stressed that citizenship represents a binding responsibility and commitment, not merely a formal status.

Addressing the legislative authority, His Majesty expressed regret over the alignment of some parties accused of undermining national security, underscoring that public rep-

resentation requires loyalty to the nation.

He added that legal measures taken against those convicted in related cases aimed at safeguarding stability and preventing escalation, noting that citizens across the Gulf broadly support firm action against such violations.

The King concluded by emphasising that freedom must be exercised responsibly within the framework of national loyalty, reaffirming that Bahrain's unity and security remain paramount priorities.

King's Vision Guides

HRH Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Crown Prince and Prime Minister, said remarks by HM King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa serve as a guiding framework for national action and a firm approach to safeguarding the country's interests and achievements.

The Crown Prince said the directives reflect a wise leadership vision that prioritises the nation and its citizens, while reinforcing security, stability and prosperity across the kingdom.

He stressed the importance of confronting those who align themselves with hostile forces or act against national interests, underscoring that Bahrain's strength lies in the unity and solidarity of its people under the King's leadership.

Gulf strategic backbone

Bahrain, Saudi Arabia reaffirm 'historic' strategic ties in Manama talks

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His Royal Highness Crown Prince and Prime Minister Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa met Saudi Arabia's Ambassador Naif bin Bandar Al Sudairi in Manama. Both sides reaffirmed the strength of longstanding ties and strategic cooperation between the two Gulf allies.

Prince Salman highlighted the support of HM King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and HM King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud in strengthening bilateral relations, noting that ties are rooted in shared aspirations for prosperity and development.

He also praised the role of Saudi Crown Prince and Prime Minister Mohammed bin Salman, saying his initiatives and vision reflect the depth of relations between the two kingdoms and contribute to advancing cooperation across sectors.

The Crown Prince and Prime Minister said Bahrain remains



HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister with Saudi Ambassador Naif bin Bandar Al Sudairi

committed to expanding coordination and partnership with Saudi Arabia at all levels, stressing the importance of building on the strategic relationship to

create new opportunities for growth.

Discussions also covered regional and international developments, as well as outcomes

of the recent extraordinary GCC consultative summit in Jeddah, which both sides said had reinforced Gulf coordination and integration.

'Cross Safely'

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Bahrain will launch Gulf Traffic Week on May 3, under the theme "Cross Safely," as authorities intensify efforts to raise road safety awareness and reduce traffic accidents across the region.

The Director-General of Traffic, Major General Shaikh Abdulrahman bin Abdulwahab Al Khalifa, said the annual campaign is an important platform for strengthening community awareness on road safety and its role in protecting lives and property.

He said this year's observance comes amid "exceptional regional circumstances" in the GCC, stressing the importance of prioritising public and road safety for all road users.

The campaign coincides with World Traffic Day on May 4, he noted, praising motorists in Bahrain for increasing compliance with traffic laws and improved driving behaviour, which contribute to smoother traffic flow and safer roads.

Shaikh Abdulrahman said responsible road culture reflects Bahrain's "civilised image".

Attempted Robbery

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The Public Prosecution in the Capital Governorate has ordered the detention of an Asian man following an attempted robbery at a money exchange company.

Investigations show that the suspect allegedly entered the premises and threatened two staff members with a knife, demanding cash. The employees quickly triggered the alarm system, forcing him to flee the scene before any money was taken.

Following a police investigation, officers identified and arrested the suspect, recovering the knife and clothing used in the incident. He later confessed during questioning after being confronted with CCTV footage and other evidence.

PARTNERS IN PROGRESS

Workers' Rights Commended

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa received a congratulatory cable from the head of the executive council of the Free Trade Union Federation of Bahrain on the occasion of International Workers' Day.

In the message, council chief Yacoub Yusuf Mohammed ex-

tended greetings on behalf of the federation's members, describing May 1 as a day that reflects the values of work and contribution, and highlighting the role of workers in national development.

He praised the king's continued royal patronage and support for Bahraini workers, saying his directives had helped strengthen labour rights, improve work-

ing conditions, and ensure a safe and stable work environment.

The union official also commended the king's leadership in addressing regional challenges, including regional tensions, saying government measures had helped safeguard national security and maintain economic and labour stability.

He added that Bahrain's labour

market remained resilient despite challenges and reaffirmed the union's commitment to national unity and continued support for stability and development.

Meanwhile, His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, received a congratulatory cable from the Chairman of the Executive

Council of the Free Trade Union Federation on the occasion of International Workers' Day.

In the message, Yacoub Youssef Mohammed extended his best wishes to the Crown Prince, commending Bahrain's continued commitment to supporting workers and strengthening labour rights and stability in the Kingdom.