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## Saudi Arabia and Oman first land crossing

Riyadh

Saudi Arabia and Oman announced yesterday the opening of the first land crossing between the two Gulf neighbours.

"The 725-kilometre Saudi-Omani road will contribute to the smooth movement of citizens of the two countries and the integration of supply chains," a joint statement released following an official visit by Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman said.

Oman's Sultan Haitham bin Tariq and Prince Mohammed held talks in Muscat, where they reviewed prospects for joint cooperation and ways of developing them in various fields.

## Flagrant attack on sovereignty

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Bahrain condemned Houthi terrorist militia's launch of a ballistic missile towards Khamis Mushait in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

It is regarded as a flagrant attack on the Kingdom's sovereignty, security and stability.

### BAHRAIN COVID-19

#### TOTAL TESTED

7527923

#### ACTIVE CASES

335

#### DEATHS

1394

#### DISCHARGED

276165

#### NEW CASES

38

#### CRITICAL

1

210 fils (includes VAT)



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# Security is priority

HRH Prince Salman: Peace and stability will further improve global confidence in Bahrain



HRH Prince Salman arrives for a meeting with the Interior Minister and high-ranking officers

● Kingdom set to launch major development projects to develop many sectors

● Interior Ministry personnel hailed for maintaining safe environment and stability

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Bahrain will be launching major development projects that will further develop many sectors, His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and Prime Minister, said.

HRH Prince Salman stressed

the importance of maintaining a safe environment that supports growth and development in the Kingdom.

He was speaking yesterday during his visit to the Interior Ministry and meeting Minister General Shaikh Rashid bin Abdulla Al Khalifa and several high-ranking officers.

Peace and stability will help

improve the confidence in the Kingdom's capabilities to host major regional and international projects and events, His Royal Highness emphasised.

#### Pride in security personnel's efforts

During the visit, HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Min-

ister expressed his pride in the efforts of the ministry security personnel in maintaining the country's security and stability, and in supporting its wide-ranging achievements in line with its comprehensive development goals, led by the Supreme Commander, His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa.

His Royal Highness noted the ministry's commitment to maintaining the services provided by its various agencies for the citizens.

The Deputy Supreme Commander affirmed the appreciation of HM the King for the role played by the security forces in preserving the security and stability of the Kingdom.

HRH Prince Salman noted that every citizen and resident of the Kingdom greatly appreciates the role played by the security forces in maintaining security and peace.

**"Peace and stability will help improve the confidence in the Kingdom's capabilities to host major regional and international projects and events."**

- HRH PRINCE SALMAN BIN HAMAD AL KHALIFA, THE CROWN PRINCE, DEPUTY SUPREME COMMANDER AND PRIME MINISTER

He noted that the ministry's efforts will inspire future generations to contribute to the prosperity and security of the Kingdom.

General Shaikh Rashid expressed his gratitude for His Royal Highness' visit and for the high praise given to the security forces, which will motivate them to do more.

#### Rights abuses and repression

## US sanctions Iran, Syria and Uganda entities and individuals

Washington

The US yesterday imposed sanctions on more than a dozen people and entities in Iran, Syria and Uganda, accusing them of being connected to serious human rights abuses and repressive acts.

In an action marking the week of the US Summit for Democracy, the Treasury Department said in a statement it was targeting repression and the undermining of democracy, designating individuals and entities tied to the violent suppression of peaceful protesters in Iran and deadly chemical weapons attacks against civilians in Syria, among others.



"Treasury will continue to defend against authoritarianism, promoting accountability and



Yesterday's action freezes any US assets of those blacklisted and generally bars Americans from dealing with them.

seeking to exercise their human rights and fundamental freedoms," Andrea Gacki, director

of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control, said in the statement.

Washington blacklisted two senior Syrian Air Force officers it accused of being responsible for chemical weapon attacks on civilians and three senior officers in Syria's security and intelligence apparatus, according to the statement.

In Iran, the US designated the Special Units of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces and Counter-Terror Special Forces, as well as several of their officials, and Gholamreza Soleimani, who commands Iran's hardline Basij militia. Two prisons and a prison director were also blacklisted.