

A photograph shows cruise ships moored in the old port of Doha



Travellers consult the departure screens at the terminal at King Khalid International Airport in Riyadh



Taha Karimi, 58, a member of the Democratic Party of Iranian Kurdistan (PDKI), stands near his home after it and his truck were damaged in a drone attack carried out by Iran-backed proxies, in the Kurdish town of Soran, about 100 kilometres northeast of Erbil the capital of Iraq's autonomous Kurdish region



Oil prices briefly surged above \$119 a barrel on Monday before plunging to around \$84



Smoke rises from the site of an Israeli airstrike that targeted an area in Beirut's southern suburbs



Members of the US Air Force (USAF) prepare munitions at RAF Fairford in south-west England



Debris litters a street as smoke billows from the site of an Israeli airstrike that targeted the Haret Hreik neighbourhood in Beirut's southern suburbs

Iran: we will decide when

Iran's security chief Ali Larijani issued a thinly veiled threat to Trump himself, warning him to be careful "not to be eliminated". "Iran is not afraid of your empty threats. Even those greater than you could not eliminate the Iranian nation."

AFP | Tehran, Iran

Iran vowed yesterday that not one litre of oil would be exported from the Gulf while the United States and Israel continue their bombardment, as the United Arab Emirates closed its biggest oil refinery after a drone attack.

The region's biggest single-site oil refinery, at Ruwais in the UAE, was closed yesterday as a precaution after a drone attack on the industrial complex which houses it caused a fire, a source familiar with the situation told AFP.

"The Strait of Hormuz will either be a strait of peace and prosperity for all or will be a strait of defeat and suffering for warmongers," Iran's security chief Ali Larijani declared.

The price increase also followed strikes on oil depots in Iran and after attacks on oil infrastructure in Saudi Arabia, Bahrain and around the Gulf, which continued on Tuesday, with explosions heard in Doha.

Qatar, where a suspension of LNG exports has sent European energy prices sky-high, said Iranian attacks on its civilian infrastructure were continuing.

The Israeli military announced meanwhile a new wave of attacks on Tehran, while the US also stepped up its air and missile assault.

"Today will be yet again our most intense day of strikes inside Iran," Defense Secretary Pete Hegseth told a news con-

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IRAN'S SECURITY CHIEF ALI LARIJANI

"There would be catastrophic consequences for the world's oil markets the longer the disruption goes on, and the more drastic the consequences for the global economy. It's absolutely critical that shipping resumes in the Strait of Hormuz."
SAUDI OIL GIANT ARAMCO'S PRESIDENT AND CEO AMIN H. NASSER

The Iranian armed forces... will not allow the export of a single litre of oil from the region to the hostile side and its partners until further notice." "It is we who will determine the end of the war," the IRGC, seen as close to Iran's new supreme leader Ayatollah Mojtaba Khamenei, said in a statement carried by Iranian media.

Iran arrests 30 people, including foreigner, accused of spying: ministry

AFP | Tehran, Iran

Iran's intelligence ministry announced on Tuesday the arrests of 30 people accused of spying, including one foreigner,

on the 11th day of the Middle East war. The foreigner, whose nationality was not revealed, "was spying on behalf of two Persian Gulf countries in the

name of the American-Zionist enemy" and was arrested in northeastern Iran, the ministry said in a statement published by the judiciary's Mizan news.

Drone attack causes fire, no casualties in UAE industrial area: statement

AFP | Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

A drone attack caused a fire in an industrial zone in the emirate of Abu Dhabi on Tuesday, UAE authorities said, in an

area that houses oil and energy infrastructure.

"Authorities in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi are responding to a fire at a facility within the Ruwais Industrial City, caused by a drone attack. No

injuries have been reported so far," the Abu Dhabi media office said in a statement on X.

Authorities did not say whether any energy infrastructure had been hit.

Southern Iran airport damaged in US, Israeli strikes

Tehran, Iran

US and Israeli strikes have hit an airport in southern Iran, damaging part of the site as well as aircraft, local media reported yesterday.

"Following an American-Zionist attack on Kerman Airport, part of it was damaged and two old, out-of-service aircraft were hit," Iran's Tasnim news agency said, quoting a statement from the governor's office in the southern province of Kerman.

ference at the Pentagon.

UN rights chief slams dangerous 'tit-for-tat dynamic' in Mideast war

The United Nations rights chief voiced alarm at the deepening impact of the Middle East conflict on civilians, warning of the dangers of the seeming "tit-for-tat dynamic" between the warring sides. "This apparent tit-for-tat dynamic, involving essential infrastructure with extremely significant civilian impacts, will only increase risks for civilian populations more broadly, with potentially dire consequences across the entire region," Volker Turk said.



TOP 4 TWEETS

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Gender equality is a catalyst for peace, development, human rights & a more just multilateral system. Through the @UN Gender Equality Acceleration Plan, we will continue to champion the rights, dignity & leadership of all women & girls.

@antoniouterres

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Warm greetings to all personnel of the Central Industrial Security Force on their Raising Day. Known for their determination, discipline and dedication, CISF plays a vital role in safeguarding critical infrastructure across the nation. Their unwavering commitment to duty contributes greatly to India's security and progress.

@narendramodi

03



I met Prime Minister @RobertFicosVK in Paris today. We discussed the need for affordable energy prices for Europeans while maintaining secure supplies for Slovakia and the EU. Our energy independence is at stake.

@vonderleyen

04



We are ready to share our expertise to prevent the expansion of war and protect lives, but at the same time, Ukraine needs to strengthen its own air defense, and we are counting on appropriate support from our partners.

@ZelenskyyUa

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