

Bahrain set to face Australia

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Govt step down call in Tehran
 Tehran

Iran faced a third day of protests on Monday as pressure mounted on the country's leaders to resign, after the government admitted it shot down a Ukrainian plane on Wednesday.

After days of denial, the Iranian military admitted on Saturday it accidentally shot down the Ukraine International Airlines plane near Tehran, killing all 176 people on board.

Queen's nod for Harry's Canada plan
 London

Queen Elizabeth II said on Monday that she has agreed to grant Prince Harry and Meghan their wish for a more independent life that will see them split their time between Canada and the UK.

The statement came after an urgent meeting at the Queen's Sandringham estate attended by high-ranking members of the British royal family.

The crisis talks were intended to resolve a rift in the royal family triggered by the shocking announcement that the Duke and Duchess of Sussex wanted to step back from royal duties.

'BDF personnel a great source of pride'

Manama

His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, the Supreme Commander, yesterday paid a visit to the General Command of the Bahrain Defence Force (BDF).

Upon arrival, HM the King was welcomed by the BDF Commander-in-Chief, Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, and Minister of Defence Affairs, Lieutenant-General Abdulla bin Hassan Al Nuaimi.

HM King Hamad was accompanied by National Security Advisor and Royal Guard Commander, Major-General HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa.

While receiving a briefing about the BDF's development plans, HM the King expressed



His Majesty being received at the BDF General Command.

pride in the BDF and its brave personnel, stressing that BDF affiliates enjoy his great appreciation, and are always a source of pride for Bahrain and its people.

HM King Hamad extended thanks to all BDF personnel for their patriotic efforts of safeguarding the gains and achievements of Bahrain and its people, as well as for their constant vigilance and readiness to carry out their duties, in light of the rapidly unfolding developments in the region.

HM the King affirmed that Bahrain always hopes that security and peace prevail in the region and the entire world.

HM the King, the Supreme Commander, wished all BDF servicemen continuous success in carrying out their noble duties.

Periodic check-ups for restaurant staff

Directive follows recommendation by Govt Executive Committee

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● The session welcomed the foundation stone laying for the new International Exhibition and Convention Centre in Sakhir.

Manama

The Cabinet chaired by Deputy Prime Minister, His Highness Shaikh Mohammed bin Mubarak Al Khalifa, yesterday, approved four draft resolutions stipulating that workers in the food and sectors

related to public health should undergo compulsory medical check-ups every two years, starting from August 2020.

The move follows a recommendation by the Government Executive Committee, chaired by HRH the Crown Prince.

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Among other things, the session endorsed, based on a recommendation submitted by the Ministerial Committee for Legal and Legislative Affairs, a draft resolution authorising the owners of industrial projects to establish residential buildings to accommodate the workers of their facilities in the lands designated for the projects, in accordance with the conditions and criteria set in the amended executive regulation of the Law on the Establishment and Organisation of Industrial Estates.

Two bills regulating refrigera-



HH Shaikh Mohammed

149,000 square metre main building of the new International Exhibition and Convention Centre will include ten exhibition areas.

tion, air conditioning units were endorsed by the session.

The session approved, based on a recommendation by the Ministerial Committee for Legal and Legislative Affairs, two draft resolutions.

The first one is related to the management of coolants, as well as refrigeration and air conditioning units. It regulates the scope of their use, in addition to the requirements and standards for importing, exporting or trading them.

The second determines the categories of fees for licenses related to the cooling media, refrigeration and air conditioning units.

The Cabinet lauded the recent visit of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa to His Royal Highness Prime Minister Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa at his residence in Germany, where he was reassured about his health.

The session welcomed the

foundation stone laying for the new International Exhibition and Convention Centre in Sakhir, under the patronage of His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and First Deputy Prime Minister.

It noted that the new exhibition centre will enhance Bahrain's ability to attract exhibitions, conventions and events, and contribute to boosting the exhibitions industry and the kingdom's status as a tourism and investment destination.

The Cabinet, marking the Bahrain Diplomatic Day, which is observed every January 14 as per an order by HM King Hamad, hailed the successful march of the Bahraini diplomacy for more than five decades, stressing that the landmark achievements of Bahraini diplomats have served the Kingdom and improved its status at the regional and global levels.



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