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Blinken says US working to 'bridge remaining gaps' on Hamas-Israel deal



Antony Blinken

AFP | Vienna, Austria

US Secretary of State Antony Blinken said yesterday that Washington was working "intensively" with its partners "to bridge the remaining gaps" for a deal to free hostages held by Hamas and secure a ceasefire in Gaza.

"Yes, there has been a counter-proposal put forward by Hamas. I obviously can't get into the details of what that involves, but what I can tell you is we're working intensively with Israel, with Qatar, with Egypt, to bridge the remaining gaps and to try to reach an agreement," Blinken said during a visit to Vienna.

Hamas has proposed a new six-week truce in Gaza and an exchange of several dozen Israeli hostages for Palestinian prisoners, an official from the militant group told AFP on Friday.

Annual crab fishing ban starts

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The Supreme Council for Environment (SCE) has announced the commencement of the annual two-month ban on catching, trading, and selling crab, effective yesterday and continuing until May 15. This prohibition aligns with Edict (52) of 2016, which prohibits fishing, trading, and selling crab during this period.

Emphasising the Kingdom's commitment to safeguarding marine wealth and biodiversity, the SCE underscored the importance of halting fishing operations during the crab breeding season.

Marine wealth teams, in collaboration with relevant authorities, will monitor compliance with the ban to prevent any infringements.



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Palestinians perform the first Friday noon prayer of the holy fasting month of Ramadan in front of the ruins of Al-Farouq Mosque, destroyed in Israeli bombardment in Rafah in the southern Gaza Strip, amid ongoing battles between Israel and Hamas.

EU set to impose sanctions on 'violent' Israeli settlers, Hamas

AFP | Brussels, Belgium

EU countries have reached a preliminary agreement to impose sanctions on "violent" Israeli settlers in the West Bank, and on Hamas for sexual violence during the October 7 attack, officials said yesterday.

A high-ranking EU official said that he expected foreign ministers from the bloc's 27 member states to give political backing to the moves at a meeting in Brussels on Monday.

Under the agreement, the official said that the EU would first impose sanctions on Hamas over sexual violence inflicted during its October 7 attack on Israel.

The 27-nation EU has struggled for a unified position in the face of the Hamas attack and Israel's subsequent devastating military operation in Gaza.

The EU's foreign policy chief Josep Borrell on Monday will sound out ministers on whether to suspend a co-operation agreement with Israel over its assault.

Privacy matters



House of Representatives set to vote on stronger privacy protections laws

● **Stricter penalties for privacy violations, including unauthorised surveillance and publication of private information**

● **Adapts to technological advancements that enable new forms of intrusion**

● **MPs say aim to strike a balance between upholding civil liberties and societal ethics**

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Peeping toms will have to flee for their lives, if got caught in Bahrain.

As a new set of regulation facing vote in the Kingdom's parliament ensures just that and more.

MPs, who have tabled such a proposal, assert that their aim is to safeguard privacy as a sacred right.

They emphasise that eavesdropping or snooping through someone's private records will be met with swift and decisive action.

The proposed regulations, slated for a vote in the upcoming session, call for significant penalties and longer prison terms for individuals engaged in voyeuristic behaviour.

If approved, Parliament will revise key articles in the Penal Code dealing with violations of private and family life, including the publication of secrets or the encouragement of immorality.

For now, as per Article 354, violators face a maximum jail term of three months or a 20-dinar fine. This will be increased to a minimum of three months and a maximum of six months in prison, with fines ranging from 100 to 1000 dinars.

But that's not all.

Higher penalties are also be-

ing proposed for the unauthorized publication of information that breaches an individual's privacy, even if true.

Perpetrators under Article 370 currently face a maximum sentence of six months and a 50-dinar fine. MPs argue that this is insufficient, pushing for fines ranging from BD500 to BD1,000 for those found guilty of unauthorized audio/visual surveillance or recording private conversations or photos without permission.

Additionally, higher penalties of 1000-3000 dinar fines would apply if such materials are publicly published.

A review is also suggested for Article 372, which deals with the unlawful disclosure of messages/calls. Penalties for such acts would rise from

20 dinars to fines of 500-1000 dinars or imprisonment for basic offenses. Disclosing details that harm third parties could result in fines of 2000-5000 dinars, along with prison time.

Parliamentarians argue that these amendments are essential to provide stronger deterrence against privacy violations, especially in light of technological advances enabling new forms of intrusion. Observers suggest that the increased protections strike a balance between upholding civil liberties and societal ethics.

MPs will deliberate on the proposed updates to safeguard individuals from unwanted disclosures or behaviours that may affect their well-being or reputation."



Google collects the location and browsing data from Americans and Europeans more than 70 billion times a day across both regions.

Foreign Minister commends Human Rights leadership on Arab Human Rights Day

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Dr. Abdullatif bin Rashid Al Zayani, Foreign Affairs Minister and Chairman of the National Human Rights Committee, hailed Bahrain's leading role in upholding human rights across various spheres.

In commemorating Arab Human Rights Day and the 20th anniversary of the Arab Charter on Human Rights, Dr. Al Zayani underscored the robust exercise of political rights, evidenced by high participation rates exceeding 73% in the sixth parliamentary session of 2022.

Furthermore, Dr. Al Zayani underscored Bahrain's strides in criminal justice reform, citing the positive impact of the Alternative Sentencing Law, which has benefited 6,370 inmates since its inception in May 2018.

Dr. Al Zayani reaffirms Bahrain's unwavering commitment to further advancing its achievements in human rights and sustainable development, including the ongoing implementation of the National Human Rights Plan (2022-2026), which has already seen 40% completion of its projects and programmes.

Bahrain's family businesses shine in Forbes ME Ranking

Y. K. Almoayyed & Sons Group leads Bahrain's representation on top 100 Arab Family Businesses 2024 ranking

● Bahraini entities like Yusuf Bin Ahmed Kanoo Group, Alzayani Investments, and Fakhro Group underscore the kingdom's diverse business landscape

● Saudi headquartered Abdul Latif Jameel reigns in the first place, with the UAE's Al-Futtaim Group and Egypt's Mansour Group rounding up the top three

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Forbes Middle East's Top 100 Arab Family Businesses for 2024 has placed Y. K. Almoayyed & Sons Group at the forefront among Bahraini companies. The conglomerate



To construct this list, Forbes Middle East said it only considered businesses owned or run by Arab families. The conglomerate, founded by Yousuf Khalil Almoayyed in 1930, clinches the 51st spot on the esteemed list.



To construct this list, Forbes Middle East said it only considered businesses owned or run by Arab families. Criteria such as size, value, performance, business activity, age, legacy, and geographical and sector diversification were pivotal in determining the rankings.

The publication highlights the dominance of GCC families in the family business arena, with Saudi Arabia leading the pack with 34 entries, followed by 28 from the UAE, and seven each from Kuwait and Qatar. Collectively, these four Gulf nations account for a staggering 76% of the list.

divisions: Kanoo Global Investments, Kanoo Ventures, Kanoo Travel, Kanoo Shipping, Kanoo Logistics, Kanoo Real Estate, and Kanoo Industrial and Energy.

Alzayani Investments

Alzayani Investments secures the 82nd spot on the list. Established in 1977, the group has diversified interests across real estate, industrials, automobile, food and beverages, and venture capital, with notable ventures like Gulf Closures making significant strides in manufacturing.

Fakhro Group

At the 95th position, Fakhro Group, established in 1888, holds a prominent presence across six countries, with ventures spanning automotive, trading, insurance, logistics, ICT, real estate, and food and beverages. Noteworthy endeavors include owning and operating McDonald's restaurants in Bahrain and franchises for Vapiano and Zayt Zaytoon across the GCC region.

Yousuf Khalil Almoayyed

Y. K. Almoayyed & Sons Group founded by Yousuf Khalil Almoayyed in 1930 ranks 51st on the list. The group stands as a distributing partner for over 300 international brands and boasts four subsidiaries: Almoayyed Properties, Ashrafs, Almoayyed Contracting Group, and the National Concrete Company, collectively employing over 8,000 individuals.

Yusuf Bin Ahmed Kanoo

Following closely behind is Yusuf Bin Ahmed Kanoo Group (YBA Kanoo) at the 55th position. YBA Kanoo was founded in 1890 when the late Yusuf Bin Ahmed Kanoo took over a small shop selling consumer goods from his father at the age of 22. Today, the group has seven key

franchises: Mansour to launch a football club in San Diego, California, by 2025. Group Chairman Mohamed Mansour, alongside brothers Youssef and Yasseen, had a combined net worth of \$5.8 billion as of February 2024, making them the richest Arab family featured on this year's list.

Legacy, success

Spanning from conventional real estate ventures to forays into the hospitality sector, the family enterprises featured on this list epitomize resilience and longevity. Impressively, six of these businesses trace their roots back to the 1800s, while an additional 26 were established prior to 1950, underscoring their enduring legacy and enduring success.

Surprisingly, only six businesses on the list emerged in the 2000s, all of which were born out of either division or sale of pre-existing enterprises, or the consolidation of existing assets into a unified holding entity. This trend reflects the evolution and adaptation of family businesses in response to changing market dynamics and strategic imperatives.



GCC families are the most successful in the family business space, with 34 of the 100 firms originating from Saudi Arabia, 28 from the UAE, and seven businesses each from Kuwait and Qatar. Combined, these four Gulf countries constitute 76% of the list.

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His Highness Shaikh Rashid bin Saud bin Rashid Al Mu'alla, Crown Prince of Umm Al-Quwain, held talks yesterday with Shaikh Khalid bin Abdulla Al Khalifa, Bahrain's Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates. The Bahraini Ambassador highlighted the strength of the bilateral relations, which enjoy unlimited support from His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, and His Highness Shaikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, President of the United Arab Emirates. He noted that these deep-rooted relations are a model of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) unity and distinguished strategic partnership based on mutual respect, religious bonds, shared history, and common destiny.

MPs for raising retirement beneficiary age; Nay say SIO

● **Parliamentarians say essential to adapt to changing societal and economic realities**

● **SIO opposes the proposed change, citing concerns that it may foster dependency**

● **Debate intensifies as both sides present contrasting viewpoints**

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The proposal, scheduled for voting this Tuesday, will amend Article 27 of Law No. 13 of 1975 regulating retirement benefits for civil servants.

A proposal to raise the retirement age for beneficiaries has sparked debate regarding its potential social impact.

Recording its objection, the Social Insurance Organisation (SIO) has cautioned that such

a measure might inadvertently foster dependence on retirement benefits rather than encouraging continued employment as a means to secure pensions.

SIO also called for conducting

a closer examination of the implications for retirement planning and financial independence before making a move.

The proposal, scheduled for voting this Tuesday, will amend

Article 27 of Law No. 13 of 1975 regulating retirement benefits for civil servants.

It has been introduced by MPs Khalid Buanq, Ahmed Al Saloom, Basma Mubarak, Hanan Fardan, and Hassan Ibrahim.

They argue that such a measure is necessary to ensure a decent standard of living for beneficiaries, aligning with the evolving social and economic landscape.

Currently, retirement benefits cease for a son at the age of 22 and for enrolled students pursuing university/higher education until the age of 26 or upon completion of studies. The proposed amendment seeks to extend these limits to 24 and 28 years, respectively.

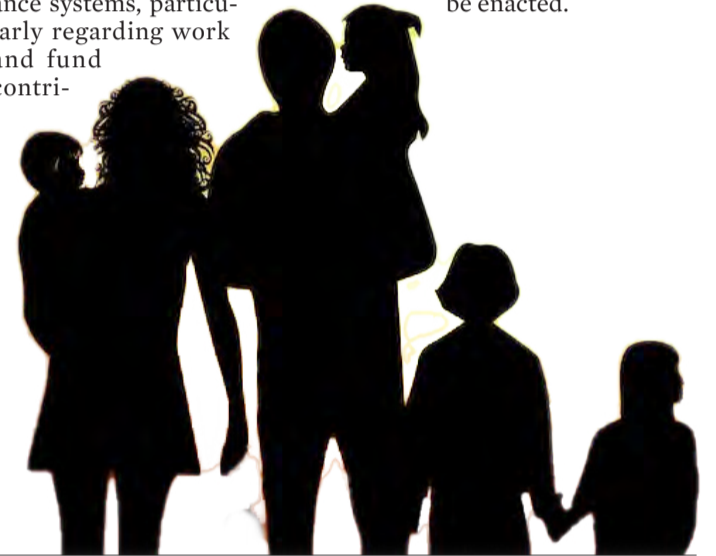
The Financial and Economic Affairs Committee of the Parliament, responsible for reviewing the amendment, believes that this change will enable adaptation to labour market dynamics while promoting continued ed-

ucation. Furthermore, it anticipates that the amendment could facilitate the creation of suitable job opportunities for citizens.

However, the Social Insurance Organization (SIO) has expressed opposition, citing concerns that the proposal may contradict fundamental principles of retirement and insurance systems, particularly regarding work and fund contri-

utions. It emphasizes the risk of creating societal groups overly reliant on retirement benefits rather than pursuing employment for retirement pensions.

The SIO has underscored the necessity for a specialized study to assess additional financial costs and identify funding sources should the amendment be enacted.



Prize money scam

55-year-old teacher duped, loses over 1300 dinars

● **Court awards Asian national three years in jail, deportation, BD2,000 fine**

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Representative picture

An Asian national has landed in jail for three years behind bars for duping a 55-year-old teacher with false promises of a financial windfall.

The High Criminal Court also slapped with a hefty BD2,000 fine, as judges also ordered to deport him after his jail term.

According to authorities, the cunning suspect lured the unsuspecting teacher by convincing her that she had won a substantial cash prize.

Exploiting her vulnerability, he then proceeded to siphon funds from her bank accounts leaving her blindsided.

Despite condemning him with a lengthy prison term, the High Criminal Court also sealed his fate with permanent deportation.

Incidents leading to the case started with the victim receiving a call from the accused masquerading as a bank employee.

He also informed her of a staggering 20,000 dinars awaiting her in prize money from the bank.

Leveraging her trust, he cunningly coerced her into divulging sensitive bank details and personal identification, further ensnaring her in his web of lies.

The victim told the court that she trusted him as he disclosed

her bank account details and personal identification number, as he also claimed that she had an outstanding loan with the bank.

Trusting the man, the woman said she handed over control by obediently providing One-Time Password (OTP) codes sent to her phone.

The woman told police that she was left reeling from the discovery of unauthorised withdrawals totalling 1,150 dinars from one account and an additional 233 dinars from another.

Following an investigation, authorities unraveled the web of deceit, exposing the fraudster as a member of a larger criminal network.

During interrogation, he revealed that he was entrusted with conducting the illicit transfer of funds abroad.

The accused also confessed to the Public Prosecution of opening multiple bank ac-

counts and facilitating the illicit flow of funds for his fellow conspirators.



A Lottery Scam initiates with an unsuspected email, phone call, or letter announcing your supposed jackpot win, urging you to reach out to a specified phone number or email address. However, this contact information ultimately leads to the scammer, not a legitimate agent.

Authorities deny citizenship alleging Buddhist conversion

Court rules in favour of kids aged 6 & 3

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A Bahraini court ordered to grant citizenship to the children of a woman who had been denied official documentation due to a disputed marriage claim.

The stage was set as the General Directorate of Nationality and Passports refused to provide official paperwork for the woman's two young children, aged 6 and 3. Their denial hinged on the assertion that their mother's conversion to Buddhism invalidated her marriage to a Bahraini man.

Complications arose, when the husband, unaware of the marriage conditions, contested the paternity of their children, plunging the family into legal turmoil.

However, the woman stood firm and took the matter before the court seeking justice.

The wife's legal representative, Jassim Ibrahim Al Isa, said this forced them to took the case to the Sharia court.

During trial, contradicting the claim, the wife affirmed her original Christian faith and revealed her conversion to Islam 36 years after practicing Christianity. She maintained that her conversion was intended to validate her marriage, which had endured for the past five years.

After weighing witness testimonies affirming the marital



Representative picture

The husband's claims regarding the wife's supposed Buddhist affiliation were swiftly dismissed by the court, which emphasised her steadfast identification as Christian, not Buddhist.

bond between the wife and husband, the court ruled in favour of the plaintiff.

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The court clarified that the crux of the matter pertained to the wife's plea to establish the children's parentage, legitimising her as their mother and the husband as their legal father.

Considering the presented

evidence, which included a valid customary marriage contract and the children's birth within wedlock, the court granted the wife's request to confirm the children's parentage to both herself and her husband.

The court invoked relevant provisions of the Family Code to support its verdict.

As a consequence of the court's ruling, it is anticipated that the requisite official documentation will be issued for the children, safeguarding their citizenship rights.



US Ambassador

Minister of Transportation and Telecommunications, Mohammed bin Thamer Al Kaabi received Steven C. Bondy, the United States Ambassador to the Kingdom of Bahrain. The meeting commended bilateral cooperation across various sectors, particularly in transportation and telecommunications. They emphasised the constructive cooperation achieved and underscored the importance of further strengthening these ties for the mutual benefit of both nations and their people.

Al Namliti mosque in North Riffa opened

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Dr. Shaikh Rashid bin Mohammed bin Futtai Al Hajeri, Chairman of the Sunni Endowments Council, yesterday inaugurated the Al-Namliti Mosque in North Riffa, in line with the directives of His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister. This initiative aims to open, restore, and enhance 32 mosques under the Sunni and Ja'fari Endowments across various governorates. Dr. Shaikh Mohammed underscored the kingdom's



remarkable achievements in constructing and maintaining places of worship during the prosperous reign of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa. Additionally, he expressed gratitude to the Al Namliti Family for their generous contributions towards the construction of the mosque.



Yemeni Ambassador

Dr. Jaleela bint Sayed Jawad Hassan, Health Minister, yesterday held talks with Dr. Ali Hassan Al Ahmadi, the Yemeni Ambassador to Bahrain. The minister affirmed the depth of the fraternal Bahrain-Yemen relations across various fields. Dr. Ali Hassan Al Ahmadi praised the level reached by the Bahraini-Yemeni relations, lauding the steady progress of the health sector in the kingdom.



Pakistan Navy Commander

General His Highness Shaikh Mohammed bin Isa Al Khalifa, National Guard Commander, met with Admiral Naveed Ashraf, Commander of the Pakistani Navy, at the Command Headquarters in the Pakistani capital, Islamabad. The meeting took place on the sidelines of His Highness's official visit to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan to participate in the celebrations of Pakistan Day, which falls on March 23. The Pakistani Navy Commander welcomed the visit of His Highness the President of the National Guard to Pakistan, aimed at enhancing military relations between the Kingdom of Bahrain and the Islamic Republic of Pakistan. Separately, Shaikh Mohammed also held talks with Air Marshal Zaheer Ahmed Babar Sidhu, the Chief of Air Staff of the Pakistan Air Force, at the Command Headquarters in the Pakistani capital, Islamabad. The meetings discussed topics of common interest aimed at enhancing cooperation on all fronts, particularly in the military aspect.



Pakistan Chief of Air Staff



PAACT honours grades 10 & 12 students

Palakkad Arts and Cultural Theater (PAACT) hosted its prestigious Student Honouring Ceremony 2024 on March 14th, 2024, at the Indian Delight restaurant, featuring speeches by guests. Dr Ravi Warriar graced the occasion as the Chief Guest, alongside Padmakumar Nair, honoured as the Guest of Honour, and Sajitha Sathesh, leading an engaging interactive session. The ceremony felicitated 42 students from various schools in Bahrain, spanning the 10th and 12th grades. Unlike other associations that solely recognise school toppers, PAACT stands out by acknowledging all students affiliated with its members, both within and beyond Bahrain. Reflecting on the event's longevity and success, Chief Coordinator Jyoti Menon noted this marked the 17th consecutive year of its execution. Additionally, Jyoti Menon introduced new Executive Committee Members: Jagadheesh Kumar, Sudheer, and Sheeba Sasi. President Ashok Kumar and General Secretary Satish emphasised PAACT's tradition of also honouring the parents of visiting members to Bahrain. Assistant Secretary Deepak Vijayan extended gratitude to the students, dignitaries, and members for their contributions to the event.



Bahrain Chapter of ICAI organises session on 'Rise of The Indian Elite'



In pictures, participants at the session

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The Bahrain Chapter of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (BCICAI) organized a technical session under the theme "RISE OF THE INDIAN ELITE", couple of days back, where we had the privilege of hosting one of the most prominent and distinguished speaker

Saurabh Mukherjea, founder of Marcellus Investment and author of multiple bestselling books.

The session was inaugurated by Sthanumurthy Viswanathan Meera, Chairperson of BCICAI, who welcomed the guests and extended his warm wishes to all the members for the holy month of RAMADAN. He then went on to highlight the activ-

ities & session of the chapter which are lined up for the near future. The Chairperson then went on to introduce the topic for the evening and explained its relevance in the current market trends.

Saurabh then explained about the parameters which led to the growth of HNI's in India, the evolving dynamics of the Indian elite circle, mirroring the



growth stories of HNI's for accelerating personal wealth, factors augmenting the growth of new age founders, technological advancement that are taking place in Industries, how to create a balanced and growing portfolio, etc.

The key note speech was followed by an interactive Q&A session, where in the participants raised various queries for which

the speaker gave this thoughts and insights.

The evening also saw the celebration of Bahrain Chapter of ICAI winning the 1st Prize for Best Chapter Overseas Award for the year 2023 in Category II (101 to 500 members). The celebration followed a small ceremony where the Chairperson Sthanumurthy Viswanathan Meera and the immedi-

ate past chairperson Sharmila Seth joined to cut the cake with the presence of all the previous chairpersons, mentors and executive committees of both terms.

The session concluded with a vote of thanks by Arunkumar Rajagopalan, Excom member of BCICAI. The session attracted one of the largest participations of close to 125 members.

Apple announces US\$490 million settlement over China comments

AFP | New York, United States

Apple has reached an out-of-court settlement to pay \$490 million to shareholders who accused the iPhone titan of making misleading statements about its business in China in 2018.

Shareholders criticized Apple executives, in particular CEO Tim Cook, for stating in November 2018 that the company's business remained buoyant in China, even though it was slowing down.

The settlement, which was filed on Friday nearly five years after the case began, needs to be approved by a federal judge in Oakland. At the time, Apple



Apple CEO Tim Cook arrives for the release of the Vision Pro headset at the Apple Store in New York City

was suffering from the deceleration of the Chinese economy, but also from tensions between China and the United States.

Questioned on the subject during an earnings conference call, Cook said that Turkey, India, Brazil and Russia were the only emerging economies where pressure on sales was being felt. "I wouldn't put China in that category," he said.

However, the next quarter Apple posted earnings that missed targets for the first time since Cook took over in 2011.

In addition to Apple, shareholders -- led by Norfolk County Council in the east of Britain -- had also brought their class action against Cook and CFO Luca Maestri.

The hearing to validate the agreement has been set for April 30.

US Senate declines to fast-track TikTok bill



A woman walks past the headquarters of ByteDance, the parent company of video sharing app TikTok, in Beijing

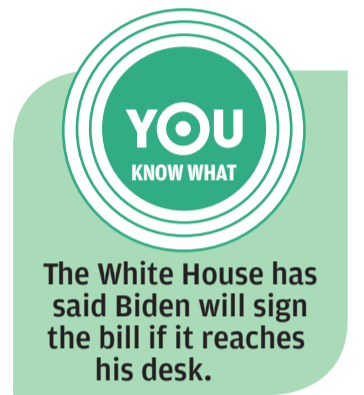
AFP | Washington, United States

A bill that would force the sale of TikTok from its Chinese owners or see it banned in the United States will move cautiously in the US Senate, key lawmakers said, after it sailed through the House.

The bill's whirlwind House passage on Wednesday, and its backing from US President Joe Biden, had raised alarm bells that the app, used by 170 million in the United States, could be shut down within months.

But hopes from TikTok's foes that the Senate could also move quickly were dashed, with key senators saying they would put the proposed law through the usual legislative process, which can take months.

"These fields are evolving and changing so rapidly that you can do a lot of damage by removing too quickly or without the facts," Senator Ron Wyden,



a Democrat who chairs the Senate Finance Committee, told the Washington Post on Friday. Passing major legislation is especially difficult in an election year, and backers of the bill have bitterly predicted that the House's proposed law would die in the Senate.

"What we're likely to see happen in the Senate is people will nickel-and-dime it, a death by a thousand cuts," Republican Senator Josh Hawley told Axios.

Wall Street stocks slide as rate cut hopes diminish

AFP | London, United Kingdom

Wall Street's main stock indices pulled back yesterday after a slew of data this week dampened hopes for several rate cuts from the Federal Reserve this year, while European equities held near recent highs on expectations of coming interest rate cuts on their side of the Atlantic.

Oil and cryptocurrency bitcoin fell on profit taking after making strong gains earlier in the week.

Paris and Frankfurt ended little changed Friday and up sharply for the week, holding just below the record intra-day highs they touched Thursday.

The shares gained on expectations that Europe's stuttering growth might enable the ECB to start cutting interest rates this summer, even if the Fed doesn't.

"We're seeing continued rotation out of US markets," said Chris Beauchamp, an analyst at IG.com. "Recent inflation prints and economic data have added to the cautious outlook, but the ECB's shift to earlier rate cuts seems to have lit a fresh fire under European stocks, which remain cheap by comparison to the US."

Jack Allen-Reynolds, deputy chief eurozone economist at Capital Economics, said "the ECB doesn't need to wait for the Fed," and added that the Norwegian and Swiss central banks

Key figures around 1630 GMT

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| New York - Dow: | ▼ 0.5% at 38,696.73 points |
| New York - S&P 500: | ▼ 0.7% at 5,113.24 |
| Nasdaq Composite: | ▼ 1.0% at 15,963.24 |
| London - FTSE 100: | ▼ 0.2% at 7,727.42 (close) |
| Paris - CAC 40: | ▲ less than 0.1% at 8,164.35 (close) |
| Frankfurt - DAX: | ▼ less than 0.1% at 17,936.65 (close) |
| EURO STOXX 50: | ▼ 0.1% at 4,986.02 (close) |
| Tokyo - Nikkei 225: | ▼ 0.3% at 38,707.64 (close) |
| Hang Seng Index: | ▼ 1.4% at 16,720.89 (close) |
| Shanghai - Composite: | ▲ 0.5% at 3,054.64 (close) |
| Dollar/yen: | ▲ at 149.05 yen from 148.28 yen on Thursday |
| Euro/dollar: | ■ at \$1.0889 |
| Pound/dollar: | ▼ N at \$1.2736 from \$1.2752 |
| Euro/pound: | ▲ at 85.50 pence from 85.36 pence |
| West Texas Intermediate: | ▼ 0.2% at \$81.13 per barrel |
| Brent North Sea Crude: | ▼ 0.1% at \$85.33 per barrel |

could cut rates in the coming weeks.

Even if neither country uses the euro, their moves would underscore that European monetary policy doesn't necessarily have to take its cue from the Fed.

Meanwhile in the US, a sharper-than-expected jump in US wholesale prices sent US shares lower Thursday and those inflation concerns carried over into Friday.

All three main Wall Street indexes were lower at midday Friday, with the tech-heavy Nasdaq down more than one%. For the week, shares were little changed.

"This week's inflation data reinforced ideas that the Federal Reserve could take longer to cut rates, and also raised concerns about the impact of both inflation and extended high borrowing costs on the economy," said Charles Schwab analyst Joe Mazzola.

Eyes next week turn to the Fed's latest Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) meeting.

Thursday's surprisingly large bump in February's US producer price index followed faster-than-expected consumer prices earlier in the week and overshadowed separate figures pointing to a slowdown in retail

sales.

Fed outlook

While Fed officials are not expected to move on rates next week, their post-meeting statement will be pored over for an idea of their thinking, with many -- including boss Jerome Powell -- having warned they will only cut when confident inflation is under control.

"Fed policy makers are expected to keep rates unchanged but will issue fresh economic and rate projections for the first time since December," said Charles Schwab's Mazzola.

London fell slightly Friday, but Vodafone shares rose almost 6% after the UK-based telecoms company sold its Italian unit to Swisscom for 8 billion euros (\$8.7 billion).

In cryptocurrency trading Friday, bitcoin was at \$67,699, after spiking on Thursday to an all-time high of \$73,797.

"After bitcoin was hitting all-time highs almost on an hourly basis in recent days, investors have been profit-taking," said Nigel Green, head of financial advisory firm deVere Group.

The unit has rocketed about 50% higher since the middle of February as rate-cut hopes weighed on the dollar. Bitcoin has also benefitted from surging interest caused by US authorities' decision to allow greater trading accessibility.

UK plan to capture carbon ignited by £4bn contracts

AFP | London, United Kingdom

Major UK plans for gas-fired power stations that capture carbon took a key step forward yesterday with the award of building contracts worth £4 billion (\$5 billion).

The joint-venture scheme, led by British energy giant BP plus French and Norwegian peers TotalEnergies and Equinor, forms part of UK government plans for a net zero carbon economy by 2050.

The facilities, to be built in northern England by a date yet to be specified, come under the Net Zero Teesside Power and Northern Endurance Partnership banners.

The pair on Friday said they had "selected contractors for engineering, procurement, and construction contracts with a combined value of around



£4 billion". "The selection of nine leading specialist contractors across eight contract packages is a major milestone for the Teesside-based projects, which would contribute to the UK's journey towards net zero emissions by 2050," the statement added.

Up to two million tonnes of CO2 would be captured annually before being transported and securely stored in subsea sites beneath the North Sea.

Companies awarded contracts included energy group Shell, infrastructure specialists Balfour Beatty and oil-services firm TechnipFMC.

US sanctions network smuggling American tech to Iran's central bank

AFP | Washington, United States

The US Treasury Department unveiled sanctions against a network of companies and individuals yesterday for facilitating illegal technology transfers from dozens of US firms to Iranian entities, including the country's central bank.

The sanctions relate to Informatics Services Corporation (ISC), the technology arm of the Central Bank of Iran (CBI), the



Treasury Department said in a statement.

It also sanctioned a number of alleged ISC subsidiaries and front companies based in Turkey and the United Arab Emirates, and three individuals allegedly linked to them including Pouria Mirdamadi, a French-Iranian dual national.

Brian Nelson, the US Treasury under secretary for terrorism and financial intelligence, said the CBI "has played a critical

The sanctions relate to Informatics Services Corporation (ISC), the technology arm of the Central Bank of Iran (CBI)

role" in providing financial support to Lebanon's Hezbollah and the foreign arm of Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps, known as the Quds

Force.

"The United States will continue to use all available means to disrupt the Iranian regime's illicit attempts to procure sensitive US technology and critical inputs," he said in a statement.

The Treasury's move freezes any US assets associated with the sanctioned individuals and entities, and generally prohibits Americans from doing business with them.



News in brief

UN demands unimpeded aid access to Sudan as famine looms

The United Nations called yesterday for Sudan's warring factions to provide unimpeded access to deliver desperately-needed aid as the spectre of famine looms after nearly a year of conflict. The war between army chief Abdel Fattah Al-Burhan and his former deputy, Mohamed Hamdan Dagalo, has since April last year killed tens of thousands, destroyed infrastructure and crippled the economy. It has also led to a dire humanitarian crisis and acute food shortages, with the country teetering on the brink of famine.

Senegal awaits next moves of opposition leaders freed before key vote

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First aid boat unloads in Gaza as Hamas proposes new truce



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AFP | Gaza
A first aid ship plying a new maritime corridor from Cyprus began unloading its cargo of desperately needed food in Gaza yesterday as Hamas proposed a new six-week truce in the war.

AFP footage showed the Open Arms, which set sail from Cyprus on Tuesday, towing a barge that the Spanish charity operating it says is loaded with 200 tonnes of food for Gazans threatened with famine after more than five months of war.

"World Central Kitchen is unloading the barge connected now to the jetty," said Linda Roth, a spokesperson for the US charity that is working with Open Arms.

The Hamas-ruled territory's health ministry said Israeli fire had earlier killed 20 people waiting to receive aid. Israel

Russian ballot boxes vandalised as presidential election starts

Acts of Vandalism and Protests Disrupt Polling Stations Amidst Presidential Voting

Woman throws Molotov at St Petersburg polling station

AFP | Moscow

The first day of voting in Russia's presidential election was marred by acts of vandalism at polling stations yesterday, with at least nine arrests for pouring dye into ballot boxes and arson attacks.

Vladimir Putin is set to secure another six years in the Kremlin after a three-day vote he has cast as a show of Russians' loyalty and support for his military assault on Ukraine, now in its third year.

In Moscow, video showed a woman setting a voting booth alight, filling a polling station with smoke, while another showed a woman pouring green dye into a ballot box.



People vote in Russia's presidential election in Yekaterinburg in the Urals

Four others in the Russian regions of Voronezh, Karachay-Cherkessia and Rostov were detained for similar offences, while in Saint Petersburg and the Siberian region of Khanty-Mansi, women were detained for throwing Molotov cocktails at polling stations.

A man was detained for lighting fireworks inside a polling station in the Urals city of Chelyabinsk, while in Russian-occupied southern Ukraine, an explosive device

More senior UK lawmakers announce plans to resign as MPs

AFP | London

Two senior UK lawmakers yesterday became the latest from the ruling Conservatives to announce that they will stand down at the next election, as Rishi Sunak's party appears headed for defeat.

Armed Forces minister James Heappey said he had taken the "painful decision" not to fight his seat at the nationwide vote, which is expected to occur in the second half of this year.

His announcement came after Brandon Lewis, a former chairman of the Tories who was also Northern Ireland and justice

YOU KNOW WHAT
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UK Armed Forces Minister James Heappey

secretary, said late Thursday he would not be a candidate.

At least 66 Conservatives and former Conservatives have now announced they are leaving parliament at the election -- the most since Labour's landslide

win under Tony Blair in 1997. The most high-profile of them is former prime minister Theresa May, who revealed last week that she would step down after 27 years as an MP.

The retirements add to a growing feeling in Westminster that the election will see the Tories kicked out of government after 14 years in power.

The Conservatives have consistently trailed the main Labour opposition, led by Keir Starmer, in national surveys since October 2022.

Numerous resets by Sunak have so far failed to claw back support, although the polls are

Three killed in Al-Shabaab siege at Mogadishu hotel: police



An armoured personnel carrier (APC) is seen in a street near a hotel in Mogadishu

AFP | Mogadishu

Three people were killed in an hours-long siege by Al-Shabaab jihadists at a popular hotel near the presidential palace in the Somali capital Mogadishu, police said yesterday.

Armed fighters had stormed the SYL hotel in a hail of bullets late on Thursday before security forces announced yesterday they had brought the situation under control after more than 13 hours.

"Three people died in the attack and 27 others including 18 civilians and nine soldiers were wounded," Somali police spokesman Colonel Qasim Ahmed Roble told a press conference, adding that the injury toll included three lawmakers.

Security forces also killed five assailants in a gunbattle, he added. "The situation at the hotel

is back to normal now," Roble said.

The attack on the SYL hotel -- which has been targeted several times in the past -- occurred at the start of the holy Muslim month of Ramadan.

It broke a relative lull in violence by the Al-Qaeda-linked jihadist group, demonstrating its continued ability to strike despite a major military offensive against the militants.

"Several gunmen forced their way into the building after destroying the perimeter wall with a heavy explosion," security officer Ahmed Dahir told AFP.

Witnesses described hearing the assailants shoot indiscriminately.

"I don't know about the casualties but there were many people inside when the attack started," said Hassan Nur, who escaped by scaling a wall.

US team leaves Niger after talks with junta officials

A senior US delegation has left Niger after a three-day visit to renew contact with a junta that ousted the West African country's elected president and moved closer to Russia.

The American delegation left Niamey on Thursday after meeting several Nigerien officials, including Prime Minister Ali Mahaman Lamine Zeine, a diplomatic source said.

The delegation, led by Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs Molly Phee, was initially due to have stayed in Niamey for two days but then extended the visit by a day, a Nigerien government source said.

CURIOSER & CURIOSER

London 'everywoman' sculpture to grace Trafalgar Square



A woman looks at US artist Tschabalala Self's artwork entitled "Lady in Blue" AFP | London

The sculpture is the latest in a rolling programme overseen by the mayor of London that began in 1998 to showcase contemporary art on the Fourth Plinth of London's Trafalgar Square from 2026, organisers said yesterday.

"Lady in Blue", a bronze patinated with Lapis Lazuli blue by the New York artist Tschabalala Self, depicts "a young metropolitan woman of colour" in a long dress and high heels striding forward.

Self, who credits the city with supporting her artistic development over the years, said her figure would be one that Londoners could relate to.

"She is not an idol to venerate or a historic figurehead to commemorate," she said in a statement.

"She is a woman striding forward into our collective future with ambition and purpose. She is a Londoner, who represents the city's spirit."

Self is best known for her depictions of female figures that use paint, fabric and discarded pieces of previous her works.

Sprawling storms, tornadoes kill 3 in US Midwest

AFP | Washington

Devastating storms pounded three central US states Thursday night, spawning massive tornadoes including one that hit a trailer park in Indiana and killed three people, US media reported.

More than 13 million people in the central United States were under tornado watches, the National Weather Service (NWS) said.

A "very dangerous half-mile-wide tornado" touched down in Ohio state, NWS said.

One struck the rural town of Indian Lakes in western Ohio.

"It's pure devastation. I have never seen anything like this in my entire life," Amber Fagan,



Damage from tornadoes that ripped through Indian Lakes

president of the Indian Lakes Chamber of Commerce, told a Columbus ABC television station.

"Downtown, it's bad. It's very bad."

Three people died in a mobile home park in Winchester, Indi-

Russia arrests alleged pro-Ukrainian plotters



Ruined residents clear rubble of ruined houses near Makiivka AFP | Moscow

Russia's FSB security agency announced yesterday a flurry of arrests of Russians it said were collaborating with Ukraine to plot attacks against Moscow.

The detentions came on the first day of voting in Russia's presidential elections and after a week in which pro-Ukrainian militias mounted a series of armed raids across the Russian border.

In a string of statements cited by Russian state media, the FSB said it had detained a man trying to disrupt Moscow's air defence systems, a woman preparing an attack on railway tracks and a man who was planning a series of explosions to disrupt the election.

In Moscow, the FSB said a man had been "assembling and launching drones to create decoys in close proximity to Russian defence ministry sites" with the aim of "countering Russian air defence systems."

22 migrants including seven children dead in Aegean Sea

AFP | Istanbul

Twenty-two migrants including seven children have drowned after a boat capsized off the Turkish coast, local officials said yesterday.

Two people were rescued by the Turkish coastguard and another two managed to make it out of the water on their own, officials said. The victims' nationalities were not yet known.

The boat capsized off Turkey's largest island, called Gokceada or Imbros, which is located in the Aegean Sea off the coast of the northwestern province of Canakkale, near Greece's Lemnos island.

"The Turkish coastguard



Coast guard officers operate a drone for victim search

found the bodies of 22 people including seven children," the local governor's office said. The search and rescue op-

Japan suspends Fukushima water release after quake as precaution

AFP | Tokyo

The release of wastewater from Japan's stricken Fukushima nuclear plant was suspended yesterday following an earthquake, its operator said while stressing that the move was precautionary.

A 5.8-magnitude jolt struck off the coast of the northeastern Fukushima region, home to the plant wrecked by a tsunami in 2011, at 00:14 am yesterday (15:14 GMT Thursday), the Japan Meteorological Agency said.

"We have confirmed remotely that there were no abnormalities on ALPS treated water dilution/discharge facility, etc.," Tokyo Electric Power Company (TEPCO) said on X, formerly Twitter, referring to the water release process.

But "to be on the safe side, we



A general view shows storage tanks for contaminated water at the Tokyo Electric Power Company's (TEPCO) Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant

have suspended the operations of the facilities in accordance with the pre-defined operational procedures", it said.

Japan's nuclear regulatory authority also said shortly after the quake that no abnormali-

ties were detected at either the wrecked Fukushima Daiichi plant, or its sister plant Fukushima Daimi.

TEPCO began releasing into the Pacific last August around 540 Olympic swimming pools' worth of wastewater that have collected at Fukushima Daiichi since the 2011 accident, one of the world's worst nuclear disasters.

The operation has been endorsed by the UN atomic agency, and TEPCO says all radioactive elements have been filtered out except for tritium, levels of which are within safe limits.

But China and Russia have criticised the release into the Pacific Ocean and banned Japanese seafood imports, saying that Japan is polluting the environment.

Japan experiences hundreds of earthquakes every year and the vast majority cause no damage.

There were no immediate reports of injuries from the latest jolt and there was no tsunami warning.

Netherlands to select future attack submarines



AFP | Washington

The Netherlands was set to announce yesterday who it has chosen for a multi-billion-euro contract to build four submarines for its navy, with a consortium headed by France's Naval Group favoured over German and Swedish rivals.

French state-owned Naval Group has allied with Dutch company Royal IHC and is up against Germany's ThyssenKrupp Marine Systems (TKMS) and Sweden's Saab AB, which has allied with Dutch naval shipyard Damen.

The vessels will replace the Netherlands' four Walrus class subs which entered service in the early 1990s, of which one was decommissioned last autumn so that its spare parts could be used to keep the other three in operation.

The Dutch defence ministry said state secretary for defence Christophe van der Maat will make the announcement yesterday.

Dutch media reports say the French-led consortium has been chosen, but the companies wouldn't comment. "The decision-making process is not finished, it is expected Friday," defence ministry spokesman Tom Kummel told AFP.

TOP 4 TWEETS
01

#Sudan is barreling toward a full year of war. Despite a Security Council resolution calling for a cessation of hostilities during Ramadan, the fighting continues. This is a moment of truth. The parties must silence the guns, protect civilians and ensure humanitarian access. @UNReliefChief

02

Great call with President @alexstubb of valued Ally #Finland. We welcomed Sweden's historic accession to #NATO & discussed preparations for the NATO Summit in July. When Allies meet in Washington, we will reinforce our defences, step up for Ukraine, and deepen our partnerships. @jensstoltenberg

03

With two new agreements, we're taking EU-Greenland cooperation to the next level. We commit €94 million under #GlobalGateway. To invest in education and new skills for the future. And in the clean energy transition and the raw materials needed for it. @vonderleyen

04

Met with @rafaelm-grossi in Vienna to discuss @IAEAORg's essential role in advancing global nuclear safety, security, and safeguards, as well as promoting the peaceful uses of nuclear technology. @SecBlinken

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Ramadan

HH Southern Governor hosts Ramadan Majlis



His Highness Shaikh Khalifa bin Ali Al Khalifa, the Southern Governor, received officials and residents of the Southern Governorate at the Ramadan Majlis. His Highness extended sincere congratulations to His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, and His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, on the holy month of Ramadan. He also congratulated the citizens and residents on the same occasion. HH Shaikh Khalifa bin Ali highlighted the efforts of the Southern Governorate to promote interaction with the public to be informed about their needs and suggestions through various platforms

Ramadan Majlis at Capital Governorate




Shaikh Rashid bin Abdulrahman Al Khalifa, Governor of the Capital Governorate, in the presence of Hassan Abdullah Al Madani, Deputy Governor, received in the Governorate Council in Gudaibiya, a number of senior officials, members of the House of Representatives and the Shura Council, ambassadors and businessmen, in addition to a group of notable residents. The members of the Capital Governorate Council extended their warmest Ramadan congratulations and blessings to the shrine of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, the great King of the country, and to His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, and to all citizens. The Governor exchanged congratulations and friendly conversations with the pioneers and guests of the Ramadan Governorate Council, where the attendees emphasized the important role played by the Ramadan councils in preserving the customs of Bahraini councils, due to the positive social heritage in strengthening the fabric of society and its contributions to enhancing communication and cohesion

Northern Governorate distributes Ramadan baskets



Ali bin Shaikh Abdul Hussein Al-Asfour, Governor of the Northern Governorate held a meeting with charitable societies and civil society institutions to distribute Ramadan baskets. The Governor indicated that the governorate seeks to expand the scope of cooperation with charitable societies to distribute Ramadan baskets to include civil society social institutions working in the charitable and volunteer field, bringing their number to more than 34 associations, in addition to the Tree of Life Charitable Social Association, the Association Bahraini Motivators for People with Disabilities, Bahrain Society for Sickler Care, and Dar Al Karama for Social Welfare. The Governor praised their role and cooperation with the governorate in contributing to charitable work, reviewing at the same time the governorate's experience in cooperating with the "There Is Good in Us" campaign adopted by the Royal Humanitarian Foundation, and the successes it achieved. In strengthening the solidarity society during the pandemic, he pointed out that this year's experience under the slogan "Ramadan is Partnership and Solidarity" comes as an extension of the previous experience

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A boost for Bahraini horseracing

Twenty-two jockeys graduate, five of whom obtain internationally accredited apprentice jockey licences

● **Bahrain Jockey Academy graduates 22 jockeys, apprentices, and amateurs following five-month training course**

● **Theoretical and practical lectures held under supervision of specialists at Rashid Equestrian and Horseracing Club**

TDT | Manama

Rashid Equestrian and Horseracing Club (REHC) held a graduation for jockeys who completed a five-month training course at REHC's Bahrain Jockey Academy.

The course included theoretical and practical lectures under the supervision of a number of specialists.

Since the establishment of



A group of the graduates at REHC

the academy at REHC in 2021, organising such training programmes comes in line with the development and courses placed by REHC, which will result in positive outcomes, and will contribute to supporting goals aimed at creating promising and new job opportunities for Bahraini youth to enter the labour market.

Such efforts of REHC include organising projects and pro-

grammes at the academy to develop jockeys as well as to contribute to the encouragement and motivation of many Bahraini youth and engage them in the fields of equestrianism and horseracing.

These are among new fields of work that youth can be engaged in by being qualified and developed. The academy aims to increase the number of qualified jockeys along with other

necessary staff for horse riding in Bahraini stables.

This is done by the academy's organisation of training courses and programmes that are held according to the latest methods, resulting in jockeys acquiring the needed skills and developing their levels in order to be qualified for advanced stages in the horseracing sector.

Such training courses also aim to qualify and refine new Bah-

raini jockeys and apprentices with the basic rules and skills of horseracing from the best lecturers who are specialised in this field; therefore, supporting and developing Bahraini jockeys in the sport.

The graduates received their graduation certificates during the final meet of the 2023/2024 season. They included 22 jockeys, apprentices, and amateurs, including five participants who



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were able to obtain internationally accredited apprentice jockey licenses.

Swiatek into Indian Wells semis as Wozniacki retires, Gauff advances

AFP | Indian Wells

World number one Iga Swiatek had just got rolling when she found herself in the Indian Wells semi-finals on Thursday as Caroline Wozniacki retired from their quarter-final with a foot injury.

The intriguing match-up between the current and former number ones saw 33-year-old Wozniacki race to a 4-1 lead.

But 22-year-old Swiatek found her range and reeled off six straight games, pocketing the first set 6-4 and taking a 1-0 lead in the second before Wozniacki called a halt, having received treatment for an apparent blister on her right foot at the end of the first set.

Swiatek, the 2022 Indian Wells champion, booked a semi-final meeting with Ukraine's Marta Kostyuk, who beat Russian Anastasia Potapova 6-0, 7-5.

US Open champion Coco



Iga Swiatek hits a backhand

Gauff reached the Indian Wells semis for the first time, beating China's Yuan Yue 6-4, 6-3.

Swiatek said it was a "sad" way to gain her win over Wozniacki in the second match between the two.

The first was back in 2019 -- seven months after Swiatek made her WTA main draw debut and five months before Wozni-

acki retired.

Wozniacki, now a mother of two who returned to the circuit last season, started strong in her bid for a first win over a reigning number one since she beat Simona Halep to win the 2018 Australian Open.

But Swiatek, who won the title in Doha last month before a semi-final exit in Dubai, grad-

ually hit her stride -- closing out the opening set with an ace.

"I just wanted to hit the ball more clean, honestly, because it wasn't easy," Swiatek said of her early struggles. "I had many chances, but with her defense she's putting pressure on the opponents. You're playing forehand, backhand and everywhere



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Osaka to play Billie Jean King Cup for first time since 2020



Naomi Osaka

AFP | New York

Naomi Osaka will play the Billie Jean King Cup for the first time in four years when Japan face Kazakhstan in a qualifier in Tokyo next month, the team said yesterday.

The four-time Grand Slam winner and former world number one is making her return to tennis this season after giving birth, and last played at the tournament in 2020.

The 26-year-old has played at five tournaments since making her comeback, and lost to Belgium's Elise Mertens in the last 32 at the Indian Wells Masters earlier this week.

She is currently ranked 287

in the world after taking a 15-month break from the tour for maternity leave.

It will be Osaka's first appearance in Tokyo since she withdrew from the Pan Pacific Open in September 2022 before her second-round match.

Japan will face Kazakhstan on April 12 and 13 at Tokyo's Ariake Coliseum, where Osaka reached the third round of the Tokyo Olympics in 2021.

The winners will advance to November's finals in Spain.

"She said that she wants to play, so I'm really happy," local media quoted Japan captain Ai Sugiyama as saying.

Osaka has previously said that she wants to play at this summer's Paris Olympics.

Alcaraz makes beeline to Indian Wells semis, to face Sinner

AFP | Indian Wells

Defending champion Carlos Alcaraz fought off swarming bees and Alexander Zverev on Thursday to set up a semi-final clash with Jannik Sinner at Indian Wells.

World number two Alcaraz was stung on the forehead and temporarily forced from the court as a "bee invasion" halted his quarter-final against Germany's Zverev with just two games completed.

He looked none the worse for wear when play resumed after a delay of almost two hours, polishing off a 6-3, 6-1 victory and avenging a quarter-final loss to Zverev at the Australian Open.

Sinner powered into the semi-finals with a 6-3, 6-3 victory over Czech Jiri Lehecka pushing his match win streak to 19.

Sinner's run stretches back through last year's Davis Cup finals and includes a perfect 16-0



Carlos Alcaraz reacts to a swarm of bees that halted his match

record in 2024.

In Saturday's semi-finals he'll be out to turn the tables on Alcaraz, who beat him at the same stage last year on the way to the title in the California desert.

Alcaraz said he never imagined his title defense would find him ducking for cover amid a swarm of bees.

He and Zverev were just two

games into their match when the bees overwhelmed proceedings, Alcaraz swatting and swiping at the insects after being stung on the forehead.

The bees swarmed the remote-controlled "spider cam" and Alcaraz and Zverev had already run for cover when chair umpire Mohamed Lahyani announced "Ladies and gentle-

men, play is suspended due to bee invasion."

"For sure the most unusual match I have ever played in my career," he said, recalling that he noticed the bees after winning a point on serve in the third game.



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Bahrain's Olympic dreams take a hit

Kingdom's senior men's national handball team go down fighting in single-goal loss to Brazil in Olympic Qualifying Tournament

● **Bahrainis lead for much of contest but Brazilians fight back late in second half**

● **Mohammed Habib Ahmed scores six to pace nationals, Ahmed Jalal adds five**

● **Bahrain complete qualifiers with must-win tomorrow at 5.15pm against Slovenia**

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Bahrain's hopes of securing a Paris Olympics berth suffered a major blow last night following a heart-breaking 24-25 loss to South American giants Brazil in the second game of their Olympic Qualifying Tournament (OQT), currently being held in the Spanish city of Granollers.

Sparked by the return of four of their star players, including skipper Hussain Al Sayyad, goalkeeper Mohammed Abdulhussain, Mohammed Habib Ahmed, and Mohammed Mirza, the nationals started the match strong and were in control for much of

the way, leading by as many as three goals.

But the Brazilians fought back and gradually wrested away the advantage late in the second half, and it was too late for the Bahrainis to recover.

After Ali Eid tied it at 23-all with a penalty throw, Brazil's Gustavo Rodrigues gave them the lead for good. Then, following a Bahrain turnover, Rudolph Hackbarth sealed the win on a fastbreak with just 30 seconds remaining. Eid pegged the final score from the seven-metre line with no time left.

The loss was the second successive defeat in as many days for the nationals, who have one match to play tomorrow against Slovenia, scheduled for a 5.15pm start, Bahrain time.

Heading into yesterday's clash, Brazil were gunning for their first win after losing to the Slovenians in their opening fixture.

Bahrain must now hope that other results fall in their favour and must also win their last assignment to have any chance of booking their place at the French capital later this summer.

The OQT in Granollers is one of three competitions being held in separate countries, with the top two from each completing the 12-nation field for the men's handball tournament at the up-



Hussain Al Sayyad looks to take a shot against Brazil during their game last night

coming Olympiad.

The quartet Al Sayyad, Abdulhussain, Ahmed and Mirza—along with Ali Mirza—were all given months-long bans from international play for incidents that took place at this year's Asian Men's Handball Championship in January. However, the

Court of Arbitration of Sports (CAS) ruled to "temporary suspend" the bans, making the players eligible to compete in this OQT, the International Handball Federation had announced.

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tions for the national team last night, but they weren't enough to get them across the line with the win.

Bahrain powered ahead at the start and an Al Sayyad conversion gave them a 9-6 advantage. Abdulhussain later made a crucial stop with under 10 seconds to go in the first half and then Eid delivered a long, full-court pass that was caught in the air by Ahmed Jalal, who, in one fluid motion, fired into the net just before the buzzer to give Bahrain a 14-11 edge at the break.

Brazil were the aggressors after the restart but Bahrain still maintained a two-goal cushion. That was, until the final 10 minutes when a Hackbarth goal tied it at 21-apiece, and then Hugo Bryan Monte Da Silva gave them their first lead.

The two sides traded goals until the crucial, game-deciding strikes of Rodrigues and Hackbarth.

Ahmed finished as Bahrain's leading scorer last night with six goals, while Jalal had five and Al Sayyad and Mohammed Habib Naser finished with four apiece. Eid contributed three goals and Hasan Madan scored two.

Hackbarth paced Brazil with six goals.

Bahrain's first loss in their OQT was a 27-39 defeat to hosts Spain on Thursday.

Six teams have already booked their tickets to the French capital, including hosts France, reigning world champions Denmark, Asian Men's Qualification Tournament winners Japan, Pan American Games winners Argentina, European champions Sweden, and African champions Egypt.

The Bahrainis narrowly missed out on direct qualification after losing to the Japanese 29-32 in the final of their continental qualifiers held last October in Doha.

Man City's treble bid hit by De Bruyne injury blow

AFP | London

Pep Guardiola has revealed Kevin De Bruyne will miss Manchester City's FA Cup quarter-final against Newcastle as the Belgium midfielder battles to return from injury for the final weeks of his side's treble chase.

De Bruyne has been left out of Belgium's squad for their forthcoming friendlies against the Republic of Ireland and England because of a groin strain.

Belgium coach Domenico Tedesco claimed De Bruyne has been struggling with the prob-



Manchester City midfielder Kevin De Bruyne in action (file photo)

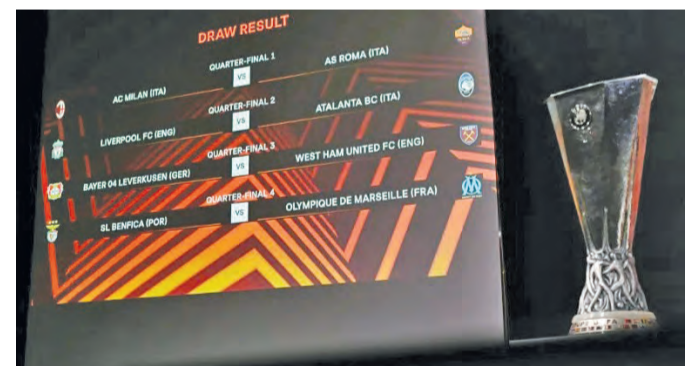
lem for the "last few matches".

City boss Guardiola said the 32-year-old felt the injury before he was substituted in the second half of last weekend's 1-1 draw at Liverpool in the Premier League.

De Bruyne had already missed a large chunk of the season after aggravating a hamstring injury in City's league opener at Burnley in August.

He will be sidelined for Newcastle's visit to the Etihad Stadium and Guardiola could not confirm if he would be available for the crucial showdown with Premier League leaders Arsenal on March 31.

Liverpool face Atalanta in Europa League quarters



The draw for the Europa League quarter-finals is seen on a screen

AFP | Nyon

Liverpool will play Italian outfit Atalanta in the quarter-finals of this season's Europa League after the teams were paired together in yesterday's draw, which left open the possibility of the Anfield side meeting Xabi Alonso's Bayer Leverkusen in the final.

Jürgen Klopp's Liverpool, who are still in contention to win a quadruple this season, will entertain Atalanta at Anfield on April 11 and go to Italy a week later for the return.

The Reds hammered Sparta Prague 11-2 on aggregate on the last 16 and will be favourites to win their last-16 tie 5-4 on aggregate.

The clubs met in the group stage of the Champions League in 2020/21, with Liverpool winning 5-0 away in Bergamo and Atalanta winning 2-0 at Anfield.

Leverkusen are enjoying a remarkable season under

former Liverpool midfielder Alonso, who is one of the leading contenders to replace Klopp as manager at Anfield when the German steps down at the end of the campaign.

Winners of the UEFA Cup, the Europa League's predecessor, in 1988, Leverkusen have not lost a game all season and are currently 10 points clear at the top of the Bundesliga with nine matches left.

Their unbeaten record very nearly ended on Thursday, when they trailed 2-1 in injury time at home to Qarabag before a stunning comeback to win 3-2 against the side from Azerbaijan. That allowed them to win their last-16 tie 5-4 on aggregate.

Leverkusen will face West Ham United -- last season's Europa Conference League winners -- in the quarter-finals, with the English side having beaten another German club in Freiburg in the last round.

Holder Man City to face Real Madrid in Champions League quarters

AFP | Nyon

Holder Manchester City will come up against record 14-time winners Real Madrid in the Champions League quarter-finals after being paired together in yesterday's draw, meaning the sides will meet in a third consecutive season in the competition.

Arsenal will face Harry Kane's Bayern Munich, while Paris Saint-Germain meet Barcelona and Atletico Madrid will take on Borussia Dortmund in the other ties.

Pep Guardiola's City will travel to the Spanish capital for the first leg on April 6 or 7, with the return in Manchester a week later.

City beat Madrid in the



The outcome of the draw for the quarter-finals of the Champions League

semi-finals last season on the way to winning the Champions League for the first time, following a 1-1 draw at the Santiago Bernabeu with a stunning 4-0

victory at home in the second leg.

Real came out on top when the teams met in the last four a year earlier, before going

on to defeat Liverpool in the final.

The Spanish giants also won a semi-final clash between the teams in 2016, while City emerged victorious in the last 16 in 2020.

The draw threw up a set of mouthwatering ties with Arsenal being rewarded with a tie against German champions Bayern after beating Porto on penalties to qualify for the quarter-finals for the first time since 2010.

The Gunners will host the first leg at the Emirates Stadium, which will see former Tottenham Hotspur talisman Kane -- who has so far scored 36 goals in his first season at Bayern -- return to London.