

Yemen Fighting Displaces

More than 100,000 people have been displaced inside Yemen following a week of intensified fighting between government forces and Iran-backed Houthis, the UN said. | P6-7

Bahrain urges stronger Gulf coordination to tackle climate challenges

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Final 26-man Gulf Cup roster to be named tomorrow

Batelco Celebrates iPhone 18 Launch with 'The 18K Challenge'

Sports Authority Gains ISO Certification



The General Sports Authority obtained ISO 9001 quality management system certification, marking an administrative milestone. Dr. Abdulrahman Askar, CEO of the GSA, presented a copy of the certification to HH Shaikh Khalid bin Hamad Al Khalifa.

HH Shaikh Khalid said the certification reflects the authority's efforts to strengthen institutional systems, quality standards and governance. He added that administrative development remains an important pillar in advancing Bahrain's sports sector.

Finance Minister Meets Envoy



Minister of Finance and National Economy Shaikh Salman bin Khalifa Al Khalifa received Serbian Ambassador Tatjana Garčević in Bahrain.

The meeting reviewed the development of Bahrain-Serbia relations and opportunities to strengthen cooperation, particularly in financial and economic sectors. They also discussed matters of mutual interest and regional and international developments.

Defence Force Readiness Inspected



Bahrain Defence Force Commander-in-Chief Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa visited a BDF unit on September 15 as part of ongoing inspections of various branches and units.

The visit focused on combat readiness and military and administrative preparedness. The Commander-in-Chief praised BDF personnel for their professionalism and stressed the importance of maintaining high levels of vigilance and readiness.

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HM King Highlights Enduring Bahrain-US Partnership

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa sent congratulations to US President Donald Trump on the 250th anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration of Independence.

His Majesty praised the United States' achievements over 250 years in science, innova-



tion, the economy and culture, as well as its commitment to freedom and justice. He highlighted the longstanding Bahrain-US strategic partnership,

built on mutual respect, trust and cooperation.

The King noted cooperation between the two countries in defence, security, energy, educa-

tion, health and investment, as well as their shared commitment to regional and global security and stability.

His Majesty affirmed Bahrain's commitment to further strengthening the partnership and building on its achievements for the benefit of both countries and peoples, while wishing President Trump and the American people continued progress and prosperity.

HRH Crown Prince Issues Edict



HRH Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, issued an edict reconstituting Bahrain's Strategic and Spectrum Coordination Committee, following a proposal by the Minister of Transportation and Telecommunications and Cabinet approval.

The committee will be chaired by the Telecommunications Regulatory Authority Board Chairman, with representatives from the Ministry of Transportation and Telecommunications, Bahrain Defence Force, Ministry of Interior, National Guard, National Intelligence Agency, Ministry of Information and Bahrain Space Agency. The edict takes effect from the date of issuance and will be published in the Official Gazette.

Shura Chief Condemns Attacks

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tacks targeting

Saudi cities, in-

cluding Khamis

Mushait, Abha

and Taif, using

ballistic missiles

and drones. The

attacks injured

civilians and caused

damage to

homes and vehicles.

Al Saleh affirmed

Bahrain's

solidarity with

Saudi Arabia

and support for

measures taken

to protect its

sovereignty, secu-

rity and stability,

describing the

attacks as viola-

tions of interna-

tional law and

the UN Charter.

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US Ambassador to Bahrain Stephanie Hallett reaffirmed Washington's long-term commitment to the Kingdom, saying the United States "was here, is here, and is not going anywhere" as the two countries mark 250 years of American independence.

Speaking to the media during exclusive interviews on the occasion of the 250th anniversary of the independence of the United States, Hallett described the Bahrain-US relationship as being built on a strong foundation, with significant opportunities for further cooperation.

"Our partnership with Bahrain, not just as it relates to bilaterally, but the work we do together in security, deterrence and prosperity in the region, is second to none," she said.

Hallett said the relationship is expanding into new areas, including critical minerals, space exploration, artificial intelli-

gence and civil nuclear cooperation. She also highlighted the importance of people-to-people ties, particularly through education, cultural exchanges and the exchange of ideas.

The ambassador said economic and trade cooperation also offers significant room for growth as the two countries enter the next 20 years of their free trade agreement. Bilateral trade reached nearly USD4 billion in 2025, she said.

She also pointed to growing educational exchanges, including Bahraini participation in US programmes such as Fulbright and Humphrey fellowships, alongside

Americans coming to Bahrain. The remarks came during a reception held under the patronage of HH Shaikh Abdullah bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Personal Representative of His Majesty the King, to commemorate the 250th anniversary of US independence.

In her address, Hallett highlighted the long history of cooperation between the United States and Bahrain, tracing ties from the arrival of American missionaries and the discovery of oil by American geologists to modern cooperation involving students, academics, scientists and businesses.

She also highlighted the countries' cooperation in security

and regional affairs, including through the Comprehensive Security Integration and Prosperity Agreement (C-SIPA), the Abraham Accords and their work together at the United Nations Security Council.

"It's true. It's based on common values," Hallett said, adding that the two countries have opportunities to do more together to support security and prosperity in the region.

The ambassador concluded by stressing the importance of the people-to-people relationship between Americans and Bahrainis, describing shared history, values and connections as central to the enduring ties between the two countries.



HH Shaikh Abdullah bin Hamad Al Khalifa attends the reception



"We have a lot of untapped collaboration ahead."

- STEPHANIE HALLETT, US AMBASSADOR TO BAHRAIN



Guests took part in a cake-cutting ceremony marking the 250th anniversary of US independence. (Captured by Anchalo Bensiger)

Bahrain's Tourism Story Takes the Spotlight

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His Highness Shaikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, visited Bahrain's pavilion at the Arabian Travel Market (ATM) in Dubai.

Her Excellency Fatima bint Jaafar Al Sairafi, Minister of Tourism, welcomed Shaikh Mohammed and said the visit reflects the strong and longstanding ties be-



tween Bahrain and the UAE.

During the visit, Shaikh Mohammed was briefed on Bahrain's main tourism destinations, attractions and experiences being presented at the event.

He also learned about tourism projects and initiatives aimed at strengthening Bahrain's position as a regional and international tourism destination.

Minister Al Sairafi said ATM provides an important opportunity for Bahrain to promote its tourism sector and build stronger ties with travel and tourism companies and professionals.

She also stressed the importance of strengthening cooperation between GCC countries in tourism.

Bahrain's participation in ATM is part of the Kingdom's efforts to promote its tourism destinations and experiences and connect with international companies and experts in the travel, tourism and hospitality sectors.

The Kingdom of Bahrain has been elected Vice-President of the Trade and Development Board of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) for a one-year term. Bahrain is represented by Commercial Attaché in Geneva Maryam Abdulaziz Al Doseri.

As Vice-President, Bahrain will serve on the Board's Bureau and contribute to discussions on trade, investment, finance and development, reflecting its participation in the multilateral system.

