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Commander-in-Chief of the Bahrain Defence Force (BDF), Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, received here yesterday the Italian Ambassador to Bahrain, Domenico Bellato, who introduced to him the newly-appointed Riyadh-Resident Italian Military Attaché to Bahrain, Massimiliano Macioce. The commander-in-chief wished the new military attaché every success in carrying out his duties. He also lauded the friendship relations between Bahrain and Italy, and discussed with the delegation ways to strengthen bilateral military co-operation.



BDF Commander-in-Chief Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, received the newly appointed Military Attaché at the Saudi embassy to Bahrain, Colonel Fahad bin Ibrahim Al Thunayan. The commander-in-chief reviewed bilateral ties and military co-operation, wishing the attaché success in his military tasks.



Representatives Council Speaker Fawzia Zainal yesterday received President of the Exhibitions and Conventions Society Kazim Al Saeed. She stressed the importance of the tourism sector in Bahrain as one of the pillars of the national economy and a key player in preserving the kingdom's status as an advanced civilisational and cultural destination. She pointed out keenness of the Representatives Council to provide the legislative support to the tourism sector in Bahrain given its role in attracting investments. She also stressed co-operation with the government to develop strategies to boost tourism, especially with the tendency to diversify sources of revenues, reach the stage of financial balance and achieve the goals of Bahrain Economic Vision 2030. The Representatives Council Speaker praised the role of the society in the exhibitions and conventions industry and in grooming Bahraini competencies in this field.



Speaker Fawzia Zainal, yesterday received the newly-appointed British Ambassador to Bahrain Roderick Drummond. Speaker Zainal congratulated the ambassador on his new post, wishing him success in carrying out his duties, in enhancing the bilateral relations and co-operation in various fields, especially the parliamentary one for the benefit of both countries and peoples. Ambassador Drummond expressed his appreciation to His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa for his keenness to enhance and develop the relations between the two countries, praising the development witnessed by Bahrain. He stressed his country's keenness to further work to promote the distinguished relations between the two countries.



Chief of Staff of Bahrain Defence Force (BDF) Lieutenant General Dhiab bin Saqr Al Nuaimi received yesterday Acting Operations Director of the UAE Armed Forces Brigadier Hassan Mohammed Al Hammadi. They discussed strong ties binding the two brotherly countries.

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The delegation of the Kingdom, headed by the Undersecretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Head of the National Committee on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons as well as their Destruction, Dr Shaikha Rana bint Isa bin Daij Al Khalifa, participated in the opening session of the 63rd International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) General Conference, held in Vienna, Austria, from September 16 to 20. High-level delegations of senior officials from world countries and organisations also took part in the session. The IAEA holds its annual conference every September in Vienna International Centre, providing a platform for the agency and member states to discuss using nuclear and technological sciences in peaceful manners, as well as ways to strengthen regional and international cooperation in the field of nuclear security. It also reviews the latest activities of the agency at all levels.

Workshop for representatives of govt service centres held

Manama

The Bahrain Centre for Strategic, International and Energy Studies (Derasat) organised an introductory workshop for representatives of government service centres in Bahrain in preparation for the start of the second evaluation cycle which will start in October this year.



The workshop in progress.

The workshop included an explanation of the evaluation guide, the governing criteria, and the evaluation mechanisms, which must be met by the centres, in order to strengthen internal control, and standardise the foundations of quality in the provision of services, as well as to establish an internal culture, to adopt a culture of development, excellence and innovation.

Dr Shaikh Abdulla bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, Derasat Chairman, Vice Chairman of the Committee for Evaluation of Government Service Centres, stressed the commitment of government service centres to develop their methods of delivery and implementation in order to advance the quality of services provided.

“We are pleased to host this workshop at Derasat, putting into effect the Centre’s objectives to develop community partnership and contribute as a strategic ally with partnering institutions as well as support the comprehensive development process under the leadership of His Majesty the King,” he said.

Derasat is an active contributor to the work of the Committee, both a member and supervisor of the evaluation process, a participant in the central evaluation team, and hosts workshops and provides innovative ideas for the overall development of the service centres.