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Bahrain's U-16 basketball team claims Arab title



Making Bahrain proud

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m B}$ ahrain's under-16 national basketball team returns home today after clinching the 22nd Arab Basketball Championship in Cairo, marking the Kingdom's first-ever Arab title in the sport.

The young squad completed an unbeaten run to lift the trophy, highlighted by standout performances from Sumto Patrick, who earned the tournament's Most Valuable Player award, and Hussain Fouad, who claimed the three-point shooting title.

Officials expressed confidence that this milestone will inspire greater development across youth categories, particularly as preparations intensify for the Asian Championship in Mongolia this September.

The ultimate ambition is to secure qualification for the prestigious FIBA Under-17 Basketball World Cup.

Bahrain condoles with Algeria over fatal bus accident

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The Kingdom of Bahrain extended sympathy and solidarity to the People's Democratic Republic of

Algeria following the tragic passenger bus accident in the



capital, Algiers, which resulted in the deaths and injuries of

dozens of people. A statement by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs said the Kingdom of Bahrain expressed the Kingdom's sincere condolences to the government and people of Algeria, as well as to the families of the victims, wishing a speedy recovery for all the injured.

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Mobility Unlocked

LMRA Clarifies Job Transfer Rules

New employer files EMS

Resignation proof required

One-year rule decisive

Pradeep Puravankara TDT| Manama

√he Labour Market Regulatory Authority (LMRA) has issued a clear reminder of how expatriate workers can legally transfer from one employer to another, emphasising transparency and the importance of documented resignation.

Transfer process

Under the outlined steps, the new employer must initiate the transfer by submitting a work permit request through the Expatriate Management System (EMS). A critical requirement





Bahrain introduced the **Expatriate Management** System (EMS) in 2014 to digitise all work permit processes, aiming to cut down disputes between workers and employers.

is proof that the current employer has received the employprevent disputes over whether countability on all sides. notice has been given.

evant entities review the apheart of the process, the LMRA plication before electronically seeks to balance workplace staforwarding it to the current embility with expatriates' right to ployer for action.

a set framework. If the worker dispute-free.

has been with the current employer for less than one year, the employer may approve or reject the transfer request. However, if the worker has completed more than one year, the current employer cannot block the move but is authorised to set the notice period in line with the law, typically 30 days and up to 90 days depending on the contract.

Final step

After all requirements are fulfilled and approvals processed, the expatriate may join the new employer. The LMRA frames this sequence under its guiding principles of "Transparency, Responsibility, Stability," assuring both workers and employers ee's resignation, a safeguard to that transfers occur with ac-

By setting resignation proof Once filed, the LMRA and rela and the one-year rule at the mobility. The move is part of its The rules give employers ongoing efforts to keep labour some control, but only within market transitions orderly and

Humanitarian Vision

From Peace to Practice: Bahrain **Turns Vision Into Action**

Kingdom marks World **Humanitarian Day**

Initiatives link peace and development

Awards highlight global compassion

Mahir Haneef TDT | Manama

Inder the leadership of His of His Royal Highness Prince development. Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister. Bahrain is turning its vision of compassion into concrete humanitarian action.

the King Hamad Global Centre and natural disasters. for Coexistence and Tolerance



H.E. Dr. Shaikh Abdulla bin Ahmed Al Khalifa

Majesty King Hamad bin tion as a pioneering partner in Isa Al Khalifa and the directives advancing human welfare and

World focus

Marking World Humanitari-His Excellency Dr. Shaikh with the global community in contributions at both local and Abdulla bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, underscoring the importance international levels. Minister of Transportation and of giving, extending assistance Telecommunications and Chair- to those in need, and easing the ed that Bahrain has become a Centre affirms that humaniman of the Board of Trustees of suffering caused by wars, crises, unique model of humanitarian tarian work is both a duty and

(KHGC), said this approach has nentrole of His Highness Shaikh derscoring the vital link be- impact in the pursuit of peace,



The Isa Award for Service to Humanity, established in 2009, has honoured humanitarian leaders from across the globe. including projects in Africa, Asia and Latin America.

Majesty the King's Representative for Humanitarian Work and Youth Affairs and Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Royal an Day, H.E. Dr. Shaikh Abdulla Humanitarian Foundation (RHF), highlighted Bahrain's alignment in enhancing the Foundation's

The KHGC Chairman not-H.E. also praised the promi- values of compassion and un- inspiring new hope and lasting reinforced the Kingdom's posi- Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, His tween peace and development. cooperation, and harmony.

Initiatives such as the call for an international peace conference in the Middle East, the provision of education and healthcare to conflict-affected communities, the Isa Award for Service to Humanity, and the King Hamad Award for Coexistence and Tolerance reflect the Kingdom's wide-ranging humanitarian commitment.

Sustained commitment

H.E. Dr. Shaikh Abdulla also expressed appreciation for international organisations, UN agencies, and frontline relief workers, stressing the need to protect them and to honour those who lost their lives or were injured in the line of duty.

His Excellency affirmed that the King Hamad Global Centre for Coexistence and Tolerance continues to contribute across humanitarian fields with a focus on education, training, and capacity-building. Guided by the royal vision, H.E. said, the work, embodying the highest a value that unites humanity,

Six robbery suspects arrested in Muharraq

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The Interior Ministry The Interior name announced that the Muharraq Governorate Police Directorate arrested six Asians for stealing electrical cables valued at around BD10,000 and vandalising a power supply station in East Hidd.

Launched investigation led to identifying and arresting the suspects. Legal proceedings were taken, and the case was referred to the Public Prosecution.

Air alert over Kyiv ahead of **Trump-Zelensky** talks in US

AFP | Kyiv

Air raid sirens sounded over Kyiv yesterday ahead of highly-anticipated talks in Washington between Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky and US leader Donald Trump.

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Labour Ministry warns employers over three-month summer heat rules

Mohammed Darwish TDT | Manama

The Ministry of Labour has **⊥** called on employers to shield workers from heat stress as temperatures rise, stressing that outdoor work is forbidden between 12 noon and 4 pm from 15 June to 15 September each year under Ministerial Decision No. 11 of 2025.

Employers who breach the rules face up to three months in prison and fines of BD500 to

In a video advisory shared on its official platforms, the ministry warned that direct exposure to extreme heat can cause skin burns, dehydration, exhaustion and heatstroke, as well as long- and loss of appetite demand term illnesses such as heart and immediate attention. kidney disease.

sweating, shortness of breath should be called on 999.



Direct exposure to extreme heat can cause skin burns, dehydra tion, exhaustion and heatstroke, as well as long-term illnesses such as heart and kidney disease.

Severe cases may progress to seizures or unconsciousness, in while supporting productivity

The ministry pointed to strict precautionary measures already in place, including Ministerial Decision No. 9 of 2014 on physical hazards.

Employers are expected to provide shade and cooling, make cold drinking water available on site, and encourage workers to drink at least one cup every 15 to 20 minutes.

Regular breaks and electrolyte drinks are also advised to replace lost fluids.

Loose, light clothing, routine awareness sessions and designated heat-safety contacts at worksites were recommended to ensure closer monitoring.

According to the ministry, reducing the risks of extreme heat protects workers' health and maintaining safe conditions on site.

It said early signs like headache, fatigue, nausea, cold which case emergency services



Bahrain-US ties His Highness Shaikh Isa bin Salman

bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Minister of the Prime Minister's Court, underlined the longstanding strategic partnership between the Kingdom of Bahrain and the US, noting the shared history of collaboration across multiple sectors. This came as HH Shaikh Isa bin Salman yesterday met with His Excellency Steven C. Bondy, the Ambassador of the US to the Kingdom of Bahrain, at Gudaibiya Palace.



Proud moment



With hearts full of pride, the Dawoodi Bohras of Bahrain joined their Indian brothers and sisters at the Indian Embassy to celebrate India's 79th Independence Day. His Excellency Vinod K. Jacob, Indian Ambassador to Bahrain, unfurled the Tricolour, as the community stood together in honour of India's heritage, freedom and shared values of peace and progress.

iGA organises successful technical program for 80 young Bahrainis

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The Information & eGov-**⊥** ernment Authority (iGA) organised an introductory session for 80 young Bahrainis newly accepted into the third batch of its Technical Development Program (TTDP).

His Excellency Mohammed Ali Al Qaed, iGA Chief Executive, senior officials, and program coordinators, were present.

Al Qaed congratulated the participants on being selected from among 269 applicants to the program, which was launched by the iGA in partnership with the Ministry of Labour, and in line with directives by His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister.

He also highlighted the support provided by General Shaikh Rashid bin Abdullah Al Khalifa, Minister of Interior and Chairman of the Ministerial Committee for Information & Communication Technology (MCICT), which reinforced the program's role in developing national talent and advancing Bahrain's digital transformation.

Strategic initiatives

Al Qaed described the program as one of the Kingdom's most important strategic initiatives, which is designed to refine the skills of Bahraini youth in technical fields, and prepare them to be leaders in ICT excellence and innovation.

He also encouraged the participants to make the most of the training they will receive from the iGA's various technical departments, as well as their academic and professional certification programs.

Al Qaed urged them to enhance their knowledge.

Six violating workers detained, 103 deported



LMRA conducts 1,112 inspection campaigns, visits

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confirmed the detention of six Organization. violating and irregular workers and the deportation of 103 continuation of joint coordinaviolators following 1,112 in- tion with government agencies spection campaigns and visits to intensify inspection camconducted between 10 and 16 paigns in all governorates of August 2025.

and visits also resulted in mon- negatively affect the stabiliitoring a number of violations ty and competitiveness of the related to the provisions of a labour market or harm econumber of regulating laws, nomic and social security of especially the Labour Market the Kingdom. Regulatory Authority and the Residency Laws in the Kingdom members of the society to supof Bahrain, noting that legal port the efforts of government measures were taken regarding agencies in addressing illegal the observed violations.

In addition to 12 joint inspec- violations via the electronic tion campaigns, 3 campaigns in form on the authority's webthe Muharraq Governorate, site www.lmra.gov.bh or by 6 campaigns in the Northern calling the authority's call Governorate and 3 campaigns centre on 17506055 or via the in the Southern Governorate, government's Suggestions and the Authority pointed out that Complaints System (Tawasul).

1,100 inspection visits were carried out on various shops in all governorates.

Government entities that participated in the campaigns are the Ministry of Interior, represented by the Nationality, Passports and Residence Affairs (NPRA), and the Governorate's The Labour Market Regu-respective Police Directorate, as well as the Social Insurance respective Police Directorate,

The Authority affirmed the the Kingdom and to address The inspection campaigns any violations or practices that

> It renewed its call on all labour practices, by reporting

Youth Parliament Opens

Eighth edition launches under Shura patronage with UK-Germany support

Shura-backed youth programme

Global partners enrich training

Registration now open

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he Youth Pioneer Society cellency Ali bin Saleh Al-Saleh, models.

Aimed at strengthening legislative culture among young people, the initiative seeks to equip participants with a deeper understanding of the legislative and oversight roles of parliamentary institutions. It also focuses on sharpening their skills in analysing public issues, building positions aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals, and engaging more effectively in policy debates.

Over eight editions, the prohas launched the eighth gramme has produced particiedition of its 'Young Par- pants who have gone on to conliamentarian 2025' programme tribute across sectors, building the British Embassy in Bahrain une - News of Bahrain. Society under the patronage of His Ex- reputations as national role and Germany's Konrad Adenau- chairperson Ameera Mahmood

Chairman of the Shura Council, This year's edition is delivered with media partners Al Ayam international expertise into the



Ameera Mahmood, Society chairperson

er Foundation, in cooperation said these alliances have brought with registration set to open on in strategic partnership with Newspaper and The Daily Trib- training, opening horizons for



Jawaher AlSenan, Programme General



The Konrad Adenauer Foundation, a German think tank, runs youth parliamentary training projects in more than 100 countries, linking civic education with democratic development.

participants to explore best global parliamentary practices.

Programme General Coordinator Jawaher AlSenan added that this cycle introduces new training themes to reflect current legislative developments and national priorities, while also boosting participants' capacity to hold constructive dialogues with decision-makers.

Registration and personal interviews will open from August 20, with the Society inviting young Bahrainis from all fields to apply. With its mix of theory, practice, and direct exposure to parliamentary culture, the programme continues to position itself as one of Bahrain's most important youth empowerment platforms.

Teacher remanded over assault on eight-year-old student

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teacher at a private Aschool has been remanded in custody after allegedly assaulting an eight-year-old student on school grounds, according to prosecutors.

The footage, taken from the school's own security cameras, shows the teacher grabbing the child with force, immobilising her, dragging her by one arm across the floor and deliberately obstructing her movement, all in front of other pupils.

The Public Prosecution launched an investigation after receiving a complaint from the Ministry of Education.

Investigators reviewed the footage, interviewed the girl, questioned the suspect, and confronted her with the recording. She was then ordered into pre-trial detention.

Voice Fraud Exposed

PR manager accused of voice-altering fraud

Elderly victims defrauded

- Voice-altering software used
- Over BD136,000 embezzled

Rehab Mohammad TDT| Manama

Bahraini bank employee is standing trial at the First High Criminal Court, accused of orchestrating a high-tech fraud that siphoned more than BD136,000 from elderly customers by exploiting ty cards of four individuals by his position and digital tools.

the electronic signatures and login credentials of three clients between 2023 and 2025 to gain unauthorized access to their accounts and tamper with personal data.

Investigations revealed that he used voice-altering software to impersonate clients during account-opening procedures. In some cases, he even carried out the transactions at a private farm, where his voice and vehicle were later identified. One victim was said to have lost BD60,000.

Elderly victims

The Public Prosecution charged him with fraudulent- or consent. ly obtaining and using identiphotographing them and sub-The defendant, a man in his mitting the copies to banks and alerts, leaving them unaware thirties working as an assistant financial institutions. These acpublic relations manager at a counts were allegedly opened accounts. By doing so, he was BD136,575.422 from the accounts technology can be twisted into local bank, allegedly misused without the owners' knowledge able to carry out unauthorized of three customers. The prostools of deception.



Image used for illustrative purposes only

The defendant is accused of altering contact details of elderly victims to block banking

Heist uncovered

of suspicious activity on their alleged to have embezzled derly customers in an era where



Globally, voice-cloning fraud attempts surged by more than 350% in 2023, according to research by McAfee.

ecution described the acts as a calculated breach involving forgery within banking informatransactions while concealing tion systems, fraudulent account openings, and the exploitation of vulnerable clients.

The trial, now underway, In total, the defendant is highlights the risks faced by el-

Motorcyclist's life saved after severe accident



Surgery in progress

Specialised teams perform urgent procedure at Salmaniya Hospital

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medical team at the Interventional Radiology and Catheterization Unit of Salmaniya Medical Complex successfully saved the life of a young mocal injuries in a serious traffic accident.

The accident caused extensive liver tissue damage and severe internal bleeding in the liver's blood supply. abdominal cavity.

Departments, said the patient wires (coils) in under 30 minwas rushed to the emergency utes, avoiding the need for surdepartment in critical condi- gical intervention.

Abdominal bleeding

requiring immediate admis- stabilized completely.

sion to the intensive care unit and continuous monitoring of his vital signs.

Dr. Al-Ali commended the efficiency of the treating team, emphasizing that the successful intervention reflects the readiness and integration of government hospital specialists and their ability to respond vernment hospitals an-rapidly to life-threatening nounced that a specialised cases using advanced medical technologies.

Urgent procedure

Dr. Ammar Khamis, Consultant of Interventional Raditorcyclist who sustained criti- ology and Catheterization, explained that an urgent procedure was performed through the femoral artery, enabling precise catheterisation of the

The bleeding source was ac-Dr. Hazem Al-Ali, Head of curately identified and sealed Medical Services for Surgical with specialized therapeutic

He added that the patient received intensive care following the procedure, during which Initial examinations con- accumulated blood was gradufirmed severe abdominal ally drained under close superbleeding caused by liver injury, vision. The patient's condition

When Honking Turns Violent

- Honking sparks heated clash
- Motorist left with 5% disability
- Court verdict due September 16

Rehab Mohammad TDT | Manama

Asimple honk escalated into a violent altercation in Souq Waqif, leaving a motorist with a permanent disability and a damaged

The First High Criminal Court has fixed September 16 to issue its ruling in the case against a 24-year-old defendant accused of assault and criminal damage.

According to the Public Prosecution, the incident unfolded on April 15 when the defendant blocked the victim's path. After an exchange of words, the defendant allegedly punched the motorist in the nose, causing heavy bleeding. The forensic report confirmed a deviated nasal septum and partial blockage of the left nasal passage, amounting to a five percent permanent impairment. The defendant also stands accused of deliberately damaging the victim's car.

Honking Trigger

During Sunday's hearing, the defendant admitted to throwing the punch but claimed he was provoked by the victim's repeated honking. The victim, however, told the court he had only honked to alert the defendant after his path was blocked. He said the confrontation turned hostile when the defendant verbally insulted him, struck him in the face, and then kicked and broke his windshield.

Tourism lifts Bahrain hospitality 10.3% in Q1

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Bahrain's accommodation and food services led sector growth in the first quarter of 2025, rising 10.3 per cent year on year as tourism picked up.

A tourism survey reported an 8.6 per cent increase in overnight visitors to 1.7 million and a 1.1 per cent rise in average daily spend compared with the same period last year.

Financial and insurance activities grew by 7.5 per cent, transport and storage by 5.4 per cent, and oil activities by 5.3 per cent.

Non-oil activities

activities increased by 2.2 per 3.4 per cent.

"other activities" declined by per cent, about BD60 million. 8.4 per cent.



Across the economy, non-oil Image used for illustrative purposes only

Financial and insurance ac-In terms of weight in the non-tivities accounted for 17.4 per Some areas eased. Manufac- oil economy, accommodation cent, manufacturing 14.4 per turing fell by 0.4 per cent and and food services made up 1.9 cent and public administration

Drug dealers caught



The Interior Ministry announced that as part of ongoing security efforts carried out by the Anti-Narcotics Directorate of the **General Directorate of Criminal** Investigation and Forensic Science to protect society from drug addiction, the directorate, in two separate cases, arrested three individuals in possession of around 3.6kg of narcotics, with an estimated street value exceeding BD15.000. The directorate said that investigations into received information about the two cases led to the identification of the suspects and their arrest in possession of the drugs.

Ensuring marriage wellness

Mohammed Darwish

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arliament's Services Committee is reviewing a bill to widen pre-marital screening to include mental-health assessments and tests for drug use alongside existing checks for genetic and infectious diseases.

Proof of testing would be required before a marriage contract is concluded.

Specialist doctors would advise couples, and the minister could order further tests by decision

The draft shifts the scheme from a narrow medical check to a fuller assessment of both parties.

Review

It keeps the current screens for hereditary and communicable conditions, adds a review of mental health, and requires testing to detect the use of illegal medicines or narcotics.

Those empowered to conclude marriage contracts would being and social stability. have to verify that both sides

MP Basema Mubarak, one of aims to help couples start family life on sound footing.

She said the goal reaches divorce. beyond infectious and genetic



"The goal reaches beyond infectious and genetic disease to include mental wellbeing and social

> stability." - MP BASEMA MUBARAK

disease to include mental well-

have completed the examina- of substance use can decide if a sess psychological stability and marriage is viable.

Treating the issue lightly, she the sponsors, said the measure added, can carry consequences found Bahraini families on firm, that reach children and con- healthy bases, support social tribute to family break-up and stability and avoid family frac-

Supporters note that the cur- and security effects.

rent law focuses on hereditary and communicable disease

They cite regional practice, including Saudi Arabia's premarital screening programme, which they say cut high-risk marriages by about 60 per cent over six years.

They also point to studies linking drug or alcohol use by one partner to severe strain, poor communication and relationship decline, which raises the chance of separation or divorce.

Figures cited in the proposal state that more than 321,000 children in the United States lost a parent to drug overdose between 2011 and 2021.

Care and protection

According to the explanatory memorandum, the Constitution stresses the care and protection of the family as a foundation of a healthy, stable society.

The memo says public health now extends beyond genetic disease to include mental health, and that wider pre-mar-Mubarak said early detection ital screening is needed to asaddiction risks.

> It says the changes aim to tures that carry negative social

Pakistan Club marks Pakistan's Independence Day



H.E. Ambassador Mr. Saqib Rauf with Chairman Pakistan Club Mr. Mohammad Afzal Bhatti and Excutive Board members in the cake-cutting ceremony



Volleyball tournament winners, participants and volunteers receive shields and trophies

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ence Day celebrations on the Kingdom. evening of 14 August 2025 with a grand community gathering featuring cultural, sports, and health initiatives.

of Bahrain, who joined with contribution. Chairman Pakistan Club Mr.

the nation's 78th Independence

A highlight of the program The Pakistan Club in the was the All Bahrain Volleyball L Kingdom of Bahrain con- Tournament, which brought tinued its Pakistan Independ- together teams from across the

Dedication and contribution

Shields and trophies were awarded to the winners, par-The evening festivities were ticipants, and individuals who graced by the Chief Guest, H.E. volunteered their services for Mr. Saqib Rauf, Ambassador the Pakistani community, recof Pakistan to the Kingdom ognizing their dedication and

The Ministry of Labour, Mohammad Afzal Bhatti and Kingdom of Bahrain repre-Excutive Board members in the sentative Mr. Hussain Al-Huscake-cutting ceremony to mark saini actively participated by

promoting its Summer Health and Safety Awareness Program, educating attendees on staying safe during the hot season.

Al Hilal Hospital set up a medical camp offering free health check-ups, ensuring accessible healthcare for the community during the celebrations.

Sponsors

The event was proudly sponsored by BFC (Bahrain Financing Company) as the main sponsor, with additional support from Zain Bahrain and Pocari Sweat (Hydration Partner).

Their contributions played a vital role in making the celebrations a resounding success.

حبيب بغلث المصدود HABIB BANK LIMITED

Retail Branch - Kingdom of Bahrain

_	30-Jun 2025 (Reviewed)	31-Dec 2024 (Audited)
Assets		
Cash and balances with the		
Central Bank of Bahrain	19,667	17,794
Placements and balances with banks	3,114	3,700
Investments	28,235	26,341
Loans and advances	62,058	62,458
Equipment	514	352
Other assets	1,569	1,905
Total assets	115,157	112,550
Liabilities and head office funds		
Liabilities		
Deposits from other offices of the Bank	17	27
Deposits from customers	96,337	95,417
Short-term borrowings from banks	566	-
Other liabilities _	3,464	3,359
Total liabilities	100,384	98,803
Head office funds		
Capital contribution	2,754	2,754
Reserve	1,500	1,500
Unremitted profit	8,071	7,628
Fair value reserve	2,448	1,865
Total head office funds	14,773	13,747
Total liabilities and head office funds	115,157	112,550

Note: The above figures have been extracted from the condensed financial information for the six-month period ended 30 June 2025 which were approved and issued by management on 17 August 2025 and were reviewed by KPMG Fakhro.

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nterest income			3,457	3,70	
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Other income		_	222	20	
Total operating income		_	1,606	1,81	
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Staff expenses Depreciation and amortization			(473) (67)	(476 (46	
Other operating expenses		_	(306)	(388	
Total operating expenses		_	(846)	(910	0)
Profit before impairment provision			760	90	3
Charge for impairment provision - net		_	(239)	(75	5)
Profit before tax			521	82	8
Fax expense		_	(78)		
Profit for the period		_	443	82	8
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		-	30-Jun 2025 (Reviewed	30-Jun 2024) (Reviewe	ed)		30-Jun 2025 (Reviewed)	30-Jun 2024 (Reviewed)
Interest income			3,457	3,70				
Interest expense Net interest income		_	(2,073) 1,384	(2,097 1,60				
Other income			222	20		Cash flow from operating activities Profit for the period	521	828
Total operating income			1,606	1,81		Adjustment for:	521	020
Staff expenses			(473)	(476		Depreciation and amortization	67	46
Depreciation and amortization			(473) (67)	(476		Charge for impairment provision – net	239	75
Other operating expenses			(306)	(388				
Total operating expenses		_	(846)	(910	0)	Profit before changes in operating assets and liabilities	827	949
Profit before impairment provision			760	90)3	Working capital adjustments:		
Charge for impairment provision - net			(239)	(75	5)	Mandatory reserve with the CBB	140	(95)
Profit before tax			521	82	28	Loans and advances	161	(1,545)
Tax expense			(78)			Other assets	227	(253)
Profit for the period			443	82	28	Deposits from customers	920	6,580
Other comprehensive income						Deposits from other offices of the Bank	(10)	(217)
Items that are or may be reclassified in subsequent						Other liabilities	(61)	75
periods to profit or loss:						Placements with original maturity of more than 90 days	1,284	6,257
Net change in fair value of debt investments at fair value through other comprehensive income			583	2,93	24	Net cash generated from operating activities	3,488	11,751
Total comprehensive income for the period		_	1.026	3,76		not such generated from operating activities	0,400	11,701
				3,76	<u></u>	Cash flow from investing activities		
CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN	I HEAD OF					Purchase of investments	(1,632)	(5,203)
For the six months ended 30 June 2025		(In the	ousands of	Bahraini D	inars)	Proceeds from maturity of investments	461	-
2025 - (Reviewed)	Capital	Reserve	Unremitted profits	Fair value reserve	Total	Purchase of equipment and intangibles	(127)	(4)
As at 1 January 2025	2,754	1,500	7,628	1,865	13,747	Net cash used in investing activities	(1,298)	(5,207)
Comprehensive income						Cash flow from financing activities		
Profit for the period	-	-	443	-	443	Payment of lease liabilities	(45)	(25)
Other comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	583	583	Short-term borrowings	566	-
Total comprehensive income for the period	2,754	1,500	443	583	1,026			
At 30 June 2025	2,754	1,500	8,071	2,448	14,773	Net cash generated from/(used in) financing activities	521	(25)
						inializing activities	321	(23)
2024 (Reviewed)	Capital	Reserve	Unremitted	Fair value	Total	Increase in cash and cash		
-			profits	reserve		equivalents during the period	2,711	6,519
As at 1 January 2024	2,754	1,500	6,282	(1,527)	9,009	Cash and cash equivalent at the beginning of the period	17,690	26,295
Comprehensive income						Cash and cash equivalent at the end of the period	20,401	32,814



in 'Empower' Summer Internship 2025

Empower is an internship programme that provides undergraduates with hands-on experience across Bapco Energies' diverse portfolio of companie

Manama

apco Energies - the integrated energy company leading the energy transition in the Kingdom of Bahrain - held a ceremony to recognize the achievements of more than 200 university students who successfully completed its annual summer internship program, "Empower".

experience across Bapco Ener- requirements. gies' diverse portfolio of compa-



The program is designed to nies, including Bapco Refining, prepare a new generation of Executive Officer of Bapco Enling, and the Arab Shipbuild- dom's energy industry into the tional talent development in Bahrain's future," said Thom- shape a resilient, sustainable, landscape.

dergraduates with hands-on while fulfilling their graduation to thrive in a rapidly evolving Affairs, and Chairman of the nis in meaningful, real-world ues to demonstrate its commit-

Mark Thomas, Group Chief Energies.

Bapco Upstream, Bapco Gas, talent capable of driving inno- ergies, underscored the pro- training program - it is an in- but to lead it. Our vision is take on the challenges and op-Bapco Tazweed, Bapco Air Fue- vation and leading the King- gram's role in advancing na- vestment in the Kingdom of to cultivate leaders who will portunities of the future energy

Board of Directors of Bapco experiences across the energy ment to developing local talent, sector, we are equipping them enhancing skills, and ensuring "Empower is more than a not just to enter the workforce, Bahrain's youth are ready to

Through initiatives like Empower, Bapco Energies contin-

BisB partners with Diyar Al Muharraq to provide exclusive Real Estate Financing for The 'Al Wasem' project

The partnership introduces exclusive features

BisB is offering financing for "Al Wasem's" seafront and inner plots

Manama

Bahrain Islamic Bank (BisB), the leading provider of innovative Islamic financial solutions for simplifying money matters in the Kingdom of Bahrain, has signed a strategic agreement with Diyar Al Muharraq to offer mortgage nership introduces exclusive ing, paving the way for a faster residential project. The part- early access to property financ- acquisition process.



financing for the "Al Wasem" features aimed at facilitating and more flexible real estate is offering financing for "Al ensure that pathways to home-dividuals and families across

Under the agreement, BisB

plots. The offering also removes and aligned with today's market the need for a property evalua- demands." tion, streamlining the process for prospective buyers. In ad- ship, Mohamed Al Mahmood, dition, reservation payments Head of Sales at Diyar Al Munised as part of the customer's enter this strategic collaboradown payment.

Wasem's" seafront and inner ownership are both accessible Bahrain."

Commenting on the partnermade on the plots will be recogharraq, said: "We are proud to tion with Bahrain Islamic Bank Mr. Faisal Al Abdulla, Chief as part of our ongoing efforts to Retail Banking Officer at BisB, offer integrated solutions that stated, "We are delighted to simplify the path to homeownpartner with Diyar Al Muhar- ership within one of our most raq, which represents a sig-distinctive developments, the nificant step in our real estate 'Al Wasem' project. By offering financing plans at Bahrain Is- mortgage financing through a lamic Bank. By removing tra- well-established and trusted fiditional barriers such as prop-nancial institution such as BisB, erty evaluation and simplifying we are reaffirming our commitearly-stage funding, we are rement to delivering a seamless sponding directly to the needs and accessible customer experiof our customers. As demand ence-aligned with our vision to grows for flexible Sharia'a com- create sustainable communities pliant solutions, our role is to that meet the aspirations of in-

NBB appoints Mohamed Al Hammadi as Group Head of Financial Institution & Transaction Banking Sales

Manama

The National Bank of joining NBB, he held Bahrain (NBB) has an- multiple leadership nounced the appoint- roles at Citi, includment of Mohamed Ahmed Al ing Head of Finan-Hammadi as Group Head of cial Institution Financial Institution & Trans- Sales - Middle action Banking Sales.

Mohamed brings two decades Jordan and of experience across the Middle L e b a East and GCC, with a proven non and record in leading institutional Head of

and corporate banking operations. Prior to East, Pakistan,



Trade Solutions for Corporate, Commercial and Public Sector- Bahrain. In these roles, he managed strategic client relationships and large-

The appointment supports NBB's efforts to expand its market reach, broaden service offerings, and reinforce the Bank's position through strategic business development.

scale portfo- financial institutions, public tional corporations. lios across sector entities, and multina-Mohamed holds a Bache-

lor's Degree in Business Information Systems from the University of Bahrain, and a Master's Degree in Business Administration (Finance) from the University of Technology

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Zeeba Askar Appointed New Chief **Executive Officer of BAB**

Manama

Mr. Yasser Alsharifi, Chairman of BAB, extended his con- professionals capable of ad- added, "We are fully confident gratulations to Mrs. Askar on vancing the Association's stra- in Mrs. Askar's ability to play a her new appointment, noting tegic direction and executive pivotal role in executing the As-



and banking sector.

The Board of Directors of "Mrs. Askar distinguished practical expertise that are vitable Bahrain Association track record in driving strateof Banks (BAB) has announced gic transformation and leading into a new phase of developthe appointment of Mrs. Zeeba financial institutions and proment, one that prioritizes in-Askar as the new Chief Execu- fessional associations aligns novation in banking and aligns tive Officer of the Association. closely with the Board's vi- with evolving global financial sion to appoint high-caliber trends and best practices, and that the decision reflects the plans. The appointment also sociation's ambitious strategy,

> c o n f i - sition as a key stradence tegic partner to the in her Kingdom's banking exten- sector and further amplifies the impact of its specialized initiatives and programmes." said Mr. Alsharifi. The Chair-

man of BAB further

sive experience in the financial that Mrs. Askar brings a strategic outlook and a wealth of

> which seeks to enhance competitiveness and sustainability across Bahrain's banking industry, address the imperatives of digital transformation, and support national efforts to strengthen Bahrain's position as a premier regional financial center." Mr. Yasser

Alsharifi,

Bahrain Bourse welcomes Moscow Exchange delegates



Shaikh Khalifa bin Ebrahim Al-Khalifa. CEO of Bahrain Bourse recently welcomed a delegation from Moscow Exchange (MOEX), headed by Mr. Artem S. Zheleznov, Senior Managing Director, Head of Strategy, at MOEX. During the meeting, both parties discussed areas of mutual interest and explored potential collaboration between Bahrain Bourse and Moscow Exchange. They expressed their commitment to fostering stronger ties and enhancing cooperation with the aim of developing the capital markets.

ASRY concludes 2025 HSE Week



The Arab Shipbuilding and Repair Yard Company (ASRY) has brought its 2025

Health, Safety and Environment (HSE) Week to a close. Held from 11 to 13 August under the theme 'Elevating HSE Culture with Safe Summer', the three-day program drew wide participation from ASRY

ny attended by senior mer months. company officials and

evant government bodies and The first campaign, 'Safe Sum- ing activities. industrial firms in the King- mer', featured specialist talks

and practical activities on pre-tered on waste management. stressed the value of holding The week opened venting heat stress and sound The Supreme Council for En- such events. They raise awarewith a formal ceremo- safety practice during the sum- vironment (SCE) delivered a ness across the workforce about focused presentation on envi-taking preventive measures in The next campaign, 'Fire, ronmental sustainability and everyday work and keep safety representatives of workplace Safety and Security', environmentally friendly prac- as a top priority for all. He addthe Ministry of La- offered a series of educational tices. ASRY's Quality and HSSE ed that ongoing open commubour, the Ministry talks and practical workshops teams added detailed sessions nication between management of Interior, Bahrain led by safety experts from sever- covering advanced training and employees helps ensure Civil Defence, and al major industrial companies in topics and presented guidance the objectives are achieved and the companies SULB Bahrain. It also included a guid- aligned with the highest stand- sustained. and Foulath Holding. ed tour of ASRY's workshops and ards applied in Bahrain and in-

paigns, Mr Mahmood Abdu-The closing campaign cen- laziz, ASRY's HSSE Manager.

Zain Group reports exceptional Performance for H1 2025

Net Profit soars 49% YoY to reach KD 121m (USD 395m); Revenue grows 14% YoY to reach KD 1.1bn (USD 3.5bn)

Board approves interim dividend of 10 fils per share for first six-months of 2025

Group consolidated EBITDA grew 10% to KD 356 million (USD 1.2 billion) Manama

ain Group, a leading provider of innovative ICT and digital lifestyle communications, operating in eight markets across the Middle East and Africa, announces its consolidated financial results for second quarter (Q2) and sixmonths (H1) ended 30 June 2025. Zain served 50.9 million customers at the end H1 2025, a 7% increase Year-on-Year (YOY), driven by network restoration in Sudan and expansion in

Zain Group H1 2025 revenue soared 14% YoY to reach KD 1.1 billion (USD 3.5 billion). EBIT-DA grew 10% YoY to reach KD 356 million (USD 1.2 billion), reflecting an EBITDA margin of 33%. Net income for the first six months soared 49% YoY, reaching KD 121 million (USD 395 million). Net income for H1 2025 includes one-time gain of KD 15 million (USD 50 million) on settlement of legal dispute involving INWI, of which Zain Group is a 15.5% shareholder (via Zain Al Ajial). H1 2025



Mr. Bader Al-Kharafi, Zain Vice-Chairman and Group CEO

Chairman of Zain Group, Mr. Osamah Al Furaih

Key Operational Highlights for H1 2025

The Board declares interim dividend of 10 fils per share for the 5th consecutive year, that will be payable to entitled shareholders on 3 September 2025.

Customer base increased 7% driven by network restoration in Sudan and site expansion in Iraq

Data revenue grew 8% YoY to reach USD 1.3 billion, representing 37% of total Group revenue

Over the six months, Zain Group invested USD 397 million in CAPEX (11% of revenue)

Operations in Kuwait, KSA, Bahrain and Jordan witness impressive growth in 5G revenues

Zain Kuwait and KSA launch 5G Advanced services enhancing digital innovation in these markets

Impressive net profit growth in Sudan (+101%), KSA (+28%) and Iraq (+23%) for H1 2025

Fintech revenue witnessed robust growth of 28% YoY, while transaction volume soared 46% YoY

Groupwide enterprise revenue witnessed 11% growth YoY, as ZainTECH and B2B teams win key business and government accounts, ZainTECH revenue Groupwide digital services witness revenue growth of 7% driven by increase in Sudan and Kuwait

Zain Omantel International (ZOI) records exceptional revenue growth of 324% YoY; receives multiple industry awards for its innovative subsea and terrestrial networks

Zain launches 'Bede' Fintech Platform in Sudan offering money transfers, airtime top-ups, bill payments, merchant purchases, cash deposits and withdrawals

Launch of "WE ABLE 2030" Vision aiming to safeguard people with disabilities in the 'AI' era

Zain Inclusion, Diversity & Equity University (IDEU) program wins prestigious EFMD Excellence Award Published the 14th annual Sustainability Report, titled 'The New Paradigm Shift'

Earnings per share stood at 28 KD 186 million (USD 606 mil- (USD 0.05).

ductive alliance between the lion), reflecting a healthy EBIT- Commenting on Q2 and H1 Board and executive manage-Zain Group Q2 2025 revenue DA margin of 34%. Net income 2025 results, Chairman of Zain ment teams of all our entities our enterprise, fintech, and performed exceptionally well, grew 13% to reach KD 541 mil- soared 40% to reach KD 73 mil- Group, Mr. Osamah Al Furaih in delivering our '4WARD-Prolion (USD 1.8 billion) compared lion (USD 237 million), reflect- said, "The Group's strong per- gress with Purpose' strategy. are committed to sustaining service portfolios across multi-

laboration, and digital innovation, alongside our ESG commitments, is having comprehensive impact on sustainable value creation for all stakeholders. Moreover, constructive relationships with regulators and key stakeholders are also driving meaningful connectivity across all

"Following this H1 2025 performance and solid financial position, the Board is pleased to declare a fifth consecutive interim dividend of 10 fils per elevating Zain to even greater share, in line with our mini- heights." mum annual dividend policy of 35 fils."

customer segments."

technologies, combined with to Q2 2024. EBITDA reached ing earnings per share of 17 fils formance underscores the pro- Our focus on acceleration, col- this positive momentum and ple markets."

Key business H1' 25 highlights:

Customer base expanded 7% to 50.9m, driven by network restoration in Sudan and expansion in Iraq

Data revenue grew 8%, to reach USD 1.3 billion, representing 37% of total Group revenue

Outstanding net profit growth in Sudan (+101%), KSA (+28%), and Iraq (+23%)

Zain Kuwait and KSA launched **5G-Advanced services enhancing** digital innovation in these markets

Enterprise revenue grew 11%, as ZainTECH and local B2B teams win major clients

Fintech revenue soared 28% YoY across multiple markets

Zain Omantel International (ZOI) posted remarkable revenue growth of 324% YoY

New growth verticals delivered USD 353 million in revenue, marking a strong growth of 143%

"Despite fierce competition in our home market of Ku-Mr. Bader Al-Kharafi, Zain wait-which still delivered sol-Vice-Chairman and Group CEO id results—our core operations commented, "Our outstand- across all major markets made ing operational and financial notable strides. Sudan, Saudi performance over the past six Arabia, and Iraq, in particumonths is the result of carefully lar, recorded exceptional douexecuted strategic investments ble-digit net income growth. in network expansion and AI Furthermore, our ICT enterprise arm, ZainTECH, and our disciplined cost optimization global wholesale carrier, Zain and focused monetization of Omantel International (ZOI), digital service portfolios. We as did our fintech and digital

'Future Nurses Bahrain' Initiative Joins Youth City 2030 to Inspire the Next Generation

The 'Future Nurses Bahrain' initiative is proud to participate in the Youth City 2030 from 17-21 August 2025, aligning with national efforts to empower young Bahrainis and nurture their professional aspirations in line with the Bahrain Vision

Launched in 2018, Future Nurses Bahrain is a national initiative led by the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCSI) - Medical University of Bahrain with the endorsement of His Excellency Lieutenant General Dr Shaikh Mohammed Bin Abdulla Al Khalifa, Chairman of the Supreme Council of Health.

As part of this collaboration, a series of interactive workshops aims to engage and educate visitors about the nursing profession and some nursing skills. The workshops also provide a platform for participants to explore nursing as a professional career through a hands-on learning experience.

The sessions led by the Uni-









versity's Community Engage- eration. ment team, more than 10 nurs-

Participation in Youth City ing alumni with the support of 2030 underscores Future Nursfive nursing students, reflects es Bahrain's goal to address the ing alumni, students and team, RCSI Medical University of Bah- growing demand for skilled we aim to inspire future leaders rain's commitment to drawing healthcare professionals, while in nursing who will consider on both academic expertise and fostering a deeper appreciation the profession as a sustainable real-world professional expe- of the nursing profession's con- option in the growing healthcare rience to inspire the next gen- tribution to community health sector."



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and wellbeing.

Commenting on the collaboration, Dr Eman Tawash, Senior Lecturer in Nursing, Deputy Head of School of Nursing and Midwifery and Lead of Future Nurses Bahrain, stated:

"The workshops were designed to foster discovery and give young Bahrainis a first-hand look into the world of nursing, breaking down misconceptions, and removing the barriers that may deter them from considering the profession. Through meaningful engagement and real-life interaction with our nurs-

QUOTE **OF THE** PERFECTION IS NOT ATTAINABLE. **BUT IF WE CHASE PERFECTION WE CAN CATCH EXCELLENCE**

VINCE LOMBARDI

News in brief

◆ Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian headed to Armenia on Monday for talks on a planned corridor linking Azerbaijan with its exclave near the border with Iran, part of a peace deal signed at the White House. "The (possible) presence of American companies in the region is worrying," Pezeshkian said before departing on a pre-planned trip that also includes a visit to Belarus. "We will discuss it (with Armenian officials) and express our concerns," he added, according to footage broadcast on state television. The land corridor, dubbed the "Trump Route for



corridor

International Peace and Prosperity" (TRIPP), is part of a deal signed earlier this month in Washington between Armenia and Azerbaijan. Under the agreement, the United States will hold development rights for the proposed route, which would connect Azerbaijan to its Nakhchivan exclave, passing near the Iranian border.

• Nepal has eliminated rubella as a public health problem, the World Health Organization said Monday, citing the success of its immunisation

Nepal eliminates rubella, says **WHO**

campaigns and disease-surveillance programme. Rubella is a highly contagious viral infection transmitted through coughs and sneezes. It occurs most often in children and young adults, most of whom will develop a mild fever and rash. But it is particularly serious for pregnant women as infection can lead

to miscarriage, stillbirth, or a range of lifelong and debilitating birth defects. A vaccination exists against rubella, which Nepal started using in its immunisation programme in 2012. By 2024, Nepal had achieved over 95 percent coverage for at least one dose of rubella vaccine.

Newsmax is to pay \$67 million to a voting technology firm over false claims the pro-Trump cable television channel made about the 2020 US presidential

election.The settlement of the defamation case brought by Dominion Voting Systems was announced in a filing by Newsmax on Monday with the Securities outlet to pay and Exchange Commission (SEC). Under the settlement agreement, Newsmax said it had paid Dominion \$27 million on Friday and would pay \$20 million in 2026 and the final \$20 million in 2027. The Rupert Murdoch-owned Fox News settled a similar defamation lawsuit with Dominion in 2023 for \$787.5 million. Dominion filed a defamation suit against Newsmax in 2021 over false claims that its voting technology was used to rig the 2020 election, in which Democrat Joe Biden defeated Republican Donald

\$67 mn in voting defamation case

Pro-Trump

Trump. Dominion sought \$1.6 billion in damages. In a statement, Newsmax said it had agreed to settle because it did not believe it could receive a fair trial from the Delaware judge presiding over the case.

SPOTLIGHT

Amnesty says Israel deliberately starving Gaza's Palestinians

AFP | Jerusalem, Undefined

Rights group Amnesty International on Monday accused Israel of enacting a "deliberate policy" of starvation military and foreign ministry and aid groups warn of famine on Amnesty's findings. in the Palestinian territory.

Strip, has repeatedly rejected claims of deliberate starvation in the 22-month-old war.

In a report citing testimonies of displaced Palestinians and medical staff who treated malnourished children, Amnesty said that "Israel is carrying out a deliberate campaign of starvation in the occupied Gaza Strip."

The group accused Israel of "systematically destroying the health, well-being and social fabric of Palestinian life".

"It is the intended outcome of plans and policies that Israel has designed and implemented, over the past 22 months, to deliberately inflict on Palestinians in Gaza conditions of life calculated to bring about their physical destruction -- which is part and parcel of Israel's ongoing genocide against Palestinians in Gaza," Amnesty

The report is based on interviews conducted in recent weeks with 19 displaced Gazans

sheltering in three makeshift camps as well two medical staff in two hospitals in Gaza

Contacted by AFP, the Israeli in Gaza, as the United Nations did not immediately comment

In a report issued last week, Israel, while heavily restrict- the Israeli defence ministry's ing aid allowed into the Gaza COGAT, a body overseeing civil affairs in the Palestinian territories, rejected claims of widespread malnutrition in Gaza and disputed figures shared by the health ministry in the Hamas-run territory.

> In April, Amnesty accused Israel of committing a "livestreamed genocide" against Palestinians by forcibly displacing Gazans and creating a humanitarian catastrophe in the besieged territory, claims that Israel dismissed at the time as "blatant lies".

A man and young children push on a cart carrying a water tank at the Bureij camp for displaced



Hamas accepts new Gaza truce plan

60-day truce and hostage release in two batches



Palestinians gather to receive cooked meals from a food distribution center in the Nuseirat refugee camp in the central Gaza Strip

Mediators from Egypt and Qatar, backed by the United States, have struggled to secure a lasting truce

Israel has vet to respond

Out of 251 hostages taken during Hamas's October 2023 attack that triggered the war, 49 are still held in Gaza

AFP | Cairo, Egypt

amas has accepted a new ceasefire proposal for Gaza without requesting amendments, a source from the group told AFP Monday, after a fresh diplomatic push to end more with the talks said mediators were than 22 months of war.

backed by the United States, have set a date for the resumption of struggled to secure a lasting truce talks", adding guarantees were in the conflict, which has trig- offered to ensure implementation in the Gaza Strip.

posal from meditators, Hamas an initial 60-day truce and hos-

said it was ready for talks. "Hamas has delivered its respeaking on condition of ano-domestic opposition.



tents housing displaced Palestinians in Gaza City

Israel has yet to respond.

A Palestinian source familiar "expected to announce that an Mediators Egypt and Qatar, agreement has been reached and

Another Palestinian official ear-But after receiving a new pro- lier said mediators had proposed tage release in two batches.

The proposal comes more than proposal without requesting any refugee camps, which has sparked amendments," the source said, international outcry as well as

'Confronted and destroyed'

An Islamic Jihad source told AFP the plan envisaged a 60-day ceasefire "during which 10 Israeli hostages would be released alive, along with a number of bodies".

Out of 251 hostages taken durgered a dire humanitarian crisis and pursue a permanent solution. ing Hamas's October 2023 attack that triggered the war, 49 are still held in Gaza including 27 the Israeli military says are dead.

The Islamic Jihad source said "the remaining captives would be sponse to the mediators, con- a week after Israel's security cab- released in a second phase", with firming that Hamas and the fac- inet approved plans to expand the negotiations for a broader settletions agreed to the new ceasefire war into Gaza City and nearby ment to follow. They added that "all factions are supportive" of the Egyptian and Qatari proposal.

US President Donald Trump wrote on Truth Social: "We will



only see the return of the remaining hostages when Hamas is con-

'The sooner this takes place,

Last week, Prime Minister Ben-

jamin Netanyahu said Israel "will

agree to an agreement in which all

the hostages are released at once

and according to our conditions

Meanwhile, in a now familiar

scene in Gaza, AFP footage from

the southern city of Khan Yu-

nis showed crowds of mourners

kneeling over the shrouded bod-

ies of their loved ones who were

killed seeking aid the day before.

for ending the war".

the better the chances of success

fronted and destroyed!!!"

will be."

Hamas's October 2023 attack on Israel resulted in the deaths of 1,219 people, mostly civilians, according to an AFP tally based on official

figures. Israel's offensive has killed more than 62,004 Palestinians, most of them civilians, according to figures from the health ministry in Hamas-run Gaza which the **United Nations considers** reliable.

Octavian, later known as Augustus, compels the Roman Senate to elect him consul

World War II: Over 4,000 Canadian and British soldiers are killed, wounded, or captured during a raid on Dieppe, France



Iran and Iraq begin a ceasefire in their eight-vear-old war at 11 pm EDT

Operation Iraqi Freedom winds

down as the last of the United **States Brigade Combat Teams** cross the border into Kuwait



Our main goal is a reliable and lasting peace for Ukraine and for the whole of Europe. And it is important that the momentum of all our meetings lead to precisely this result.

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▶oday, I'm in Washington D.C. with @ ZelenskyyUA and European leaders. Together, we will meet with @POTUS. We are working to end the bloodshed in Ukraine. And achieve a just and lasting peace.

@vonderleyen



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China's top diplomat Wang arrives in India

AFP | New Delhi, India

China's top diplomat landed in neighbouring India yesterday, seeking to bolster long-fraught relations in the face of intense pressure and tariffs from the United States.

Foreign Minister Wang Yi held talks with his counterpart Subrahmanyam Jaishankar, and is also expected to meet Prime Minister Narendra Modi during his three-day visit to New Delhi.

Modi, according to Indian media, might also visit China this

India's foreign ministry said in a social media post that "important engagements of the India-China Special Representatives and on bilateral relations" were scheduled over the next two

Restarting border trade across their icy and high-altitude Himalayan border is expected to feature high on Wang's agenda.

Its resumption would be significant for its symbolism, and follows agreements to return direct flights and issue

> India is also part of the Quad security alliance with the United States, Australia and seen as a counter to China.



calls 'friend' Putin

Modi said Monday he spoke to "my friend" Vladimir Putin, with the Russian president "sharing insights" on his Alaska summit with Trump last week.

"India has consistently called for a peaceful resolution of the Japan, which is Ukraine conflict and supports all efforts in this regard," the Indian premier wrote on social media.

Indian hopes that the Alaska meeting would ease US tariff pressure were tempered earlier Monday by US trade adviser Peter Navarro.

"If India wants to be treated as a strategic partner of the US, it needs to start acting like one," he wrote in a sharply-worded column in the Financial Times.

"India acts as a global clearinghouse for Russian oil, converting embargoed crude into high-value exports while giving Moscow the dollars it needs," he wrote.

"The proceeds flow to India's politically connected energy titans, and in turn, into Vladimir Putin's war chest," he added, in an apparent swipe at India's big refiners, which include tycoon Mukesh Ambani.

Navarro said the 50% tariff -- due to begin on August 27 -will "hit India where it hurts".

Dubai police retrieve stolen diamond worth \$25 million

AFP | Dubai, United Arab **Emirates**

Dubai police said yesterday they caught three thieves just hours after they stole a precious pink diamond worth \$25 million.

"The Dubai Police General Command has foiled the theft of a very rare pink diamond, valued at \$25 million," the police said in a statement shared by the United Arab Emirates' official news agency

A diamond trader who had brought the jewel from Europe was lured to a villa by a crime gang under the pretence of a viewing by a potential wealthy client, police said.

But the gem was stolen when the diamond dealer arrived for the bogus inspection, the statement added.

"thanks to the efforts of spe- and stability."

ised and field teams, and by

using the latest artificial intelligence technologies," police said.

Video footage shared by the Dubai Media Office showed the three men with their faces blurred after their arrest as well as CCTV footage of the

Dubai is an important hub Within eight hours three for diamond trading. Tightly people from an unspecified controlled and policed, the Asian country were arrested UAE prides itself on its security

Son of Norway princess charged with four rapes

Rapes allegedly took place in 2018, 2023 and 2024

Hoiby has already admitted to assault and vandalism

He said had acted "under the influence of alcohol and cocaine"

AFP | Oslo, Norway

son of Norway's crown Aprincess has been charged with 32 offences including four rapes and several acts of violence and assault, a prosecutor said yesterday.

Marius Borg Hoiby, who was born from a relationship before Crown Princess Mette-Marit's married Crown Prince Haakon, has been under investigation reporters. since his arrest on August 4 last year on suspicion of assaulting a girlfriend.

In addition to four counts of rape, the charges include doviolence, disturbing the peace, said. vandalism and violation of restraining orders against another former partner.

ing the genitals of a number of more lightly or more severely women without their knowl- than if similar acts had been edge or consent, public pros- committed by others," Henriksecutor Sturla Henriksbo told bo stressed.



Back row (L-R) King Harald, Crown Prince Marius Borg Hoiby, Crown Prince Haakon and Crown Princess Mette-Marit, front (L-R) Prince Sverre Magnus, Queen Sonja and Princess Ingrid Alexandra pose during a Christmas photo session at the Royal Palace in Oslo

the offences listed in the indictment is imprisonment of up to the last one after the police in-10 years," he said.

"These are very serious acts mestic abuse against a former that can leave lasting scars and to assault and vandalism in the partner and several counts of destroy lives," the prosecutor

> "The fact that Marius Borg Hoiby is a member of the royal

The four rapes for which "The maximum penalty for Hoiby is charged allegedly took place in 2018, 2023 and 2024, vestigation began.

Hoiby has already admitted August 2024 incident for which he was arrested.

In a public statement 10 days after his arrest, he said he had family should, of course, not acted "under the influence of He is also charged with film- mean that he should be treated alcohol and cocaine after an argument", having suffered from "mental troubles" and struggling "for a long time with substance abuse".

Iran warns war with Israel could resume at any time



AFP | Tehran, Iran

senior Iranian official Awarned Monday that war moment, describing the current lull after June's 12-day conflict as only a temporary nounced a halt in fighting

every moment for confron- Iranian nuclear facilities. But tation; right now, we are not there was no agreement foreven in a ceasefire (agree- malising the ceasefire, only ment); we are in a cessation an undeclared pause in hosof hostilities," said First Vice tilities. On Sunday, Yahya Ra-President Mohammad Reza him Safavi, a military advis-Aref.

rael bombard Iranian nuclear Iranian media the country and military sites, as well as was "preparing plans for the residential areas, killing more worst-case scenario".

than 1,000 people, including senior commanders and nuclear scientists.

Iran retaliated with missile with Israel could erupt at any and drone strikes that killed dozens in Israel.

The United States anon June 24, two days after it "We must be prepared at joined the war by bombing er to Iran's supreme leader The fighting in June saw Is- Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, told

Europeans arrive for high-stakes Trump and Zelensky talks

Trump said it was a "big day at the White House"

- The European leaders held a preparatory meeting with the Ukrainian president
- Zelensky described the talks at the White House as "very serious"
- Trump said Sunday that Zelensky could end the war "almost immediately, if he wants to" but that, for Ukraine, there was "no getting back" Crimea. which Russia annexed in 2014, and "NO GOING INTO NATO."

AFP | Washington, United States

European leaders arrived at the White House yesterday ahead of high-stakes talks with US President Donald Trump and Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky aimed at bridging big differences over a peace deal with Russia.

The leaders of Britain, France, Germany, Italy and Finland, as well as NATO chief Mark Rutte and European Commission chief Ursula von der Leyen, are demonstrating support for Ukraine as Trump presses Kyiv to make concessions.

Air raid sirens sounded over Kyiv on Monday, AFP journalists heard, at the same time as the Europeans were arriving. Rus- least seven people. sian strikes overnight killed at



the Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky (L) meeting with US Special Envoy for Ukraine Keith Kellogg in Washington, DC



Russian President Vladimir Pu-Following his summit with tin in Alaska last week, Trump ing," the Republican said on his ficials said.

said Ukraine must give up Crimea and abandon its NATO ambitions -- two of Moscow's top demands.

shortly for a one-on-one with plane to Washington: "We've got Trump in the Oval Office, scene to make sure there is peace, that of an astonishing meeting in it is lasting peace, and that it is February February when the fair and that it is just." US president and his deputy JD Vance publicly berated the be open to Western security Ukrainian.

Trump will later meet separately with the European lead-

Trump, 79, said it was a "big social media posts.

Truth Social network. "And I don't need the advice of people who have been working on all of these conflicts for years, and were never able to do a thing to stop them."

'Peace through strength'

The European leaders held a preparatory meeting with the peace deal, meaning negotia-Ukrainian president in Washington on Monday morning, while Zelensky also met Trump's Ukraine envoy Keith Kellogg.

Zelensky described the talks at the White House as "very serious" -- and sought to flatter Trump ahead of the meeting, by through strength" language.

"President Trump has that strength. We have to do and "NO GOING INTO NATO." everything right to make peace happen," he said.

Zelensky later called on social media for a "reliable and lasting peace for Ukraine and for the whole of Europe" and said they would discuss Western security guarantees for Ukraine.

British Prime Minister Keir Zelensky was due to arrive Starmer told reporters on the

> Reports had said Putin would guarantees for Ukraine in the event of any peace deal -- but had ruled out Kyiv's long-term ambition to join NATO.

Russia kept up its attacks on day at the White House" but Ukraine ahead of the new talks, appeared to be in a combative killing at least seven people, inmood, churning out a string of cluding two children, in dozens of drone and ballistic missile "I know exactly what I'm do- strikes overnight, Ukrainian of-

The Trump-Putin summit in Alaska failed to produce a ceasefire in the nearly three-and-ahalf-year war that began with Russia's full-scale invasion in February 2022.

After, Trump dropped his previous insistence on a ceasefire in favor of seeking a complete tions could proceed while the war goes on. He also alarmed Kyiv and European capitals by repeating a number of Russian talking points.

Trump said Sunday that Zelensky could end the war "almost immediately, if he wants echoing his trademark "peace to" but that, for Ukraine, there was "no getting back" Crimea, which Russia annexed in 2014,



US media reports have said Putin would consider freezing much of the current frontline in Ukraine if Kyiv agreed to completely give up the Donbas region in eastern Ukraine. Trump envoy Steve Witkoff said Moscow had made "some concessions" on territory.

US envoy says Israel's turn to 'comply' as Lebanon moves to disarm Hezbollah

Israel was to withdraw its troops from the country but has kept them at five border points

AFP | Beirut, Lebanon

s envoy Tom Barrack yes-Uterday called on Israel to They've taken the honour commitments under a first step. Now what ceasefire that ended its war with we need is Israel Hezbollah, after the Lebanese to comply," Barrack government launched a process said following a to disarm the militant group.

Under the November truce, which ended more than a year of hostilities including two months of all-out war between Israel and Hezbollah, the Iran-backed group was to withdraw its fighters from near the Israeli border and weapons were to come under the control of the Lebanese state.

troops from the country but has Joseph Aoun. kept them at five border points it deems strategic and has con-right direction," he said after part of Israel, and we need an ening to do so until Hezbollah

has been disarmed. "There's always a step-by-step approach but I think the Lebanese government has done their part. meeting in

Israel was to withdraw its rut with Lebanese President "that's exactly the next step" table for Hezbollah's disarma- Israel halt hostilities", withdraw "We're all moving in the

> Nabih Berri. commitment to the nomic crisis. ceasefire and its troop withdrawal to stability in Leb-

'Progress'

Asked by reporters whether he expected to see Israel fully withdraw from Lebanese territory lations. Barrack s a i d

needed.

"We need participation on the restoration and renovation," the Berri, a Hezbollah US diplomat added, with Leba-

Barrack said Washington was "in the process of now discusswas "the gateway ing with Israel what their posianon", a statement few weeks vou're going to see progress on all sides."

"It means a better life for the people... and at least the beginning of a roadway to a different kind of dialogue" in the region,

factions gave up their weapons struction, the presidency said. decades ago.

t h a t US proposal that includes a time-fil its responsibility in pressuring process".

ment, with Washington pressing troops and release Lebanese Lebanon to take action.

The cabinet endorsed the intinued to strike Lebanon, threat-meeting parliament speaker economic plan for prosperity, troduction of the US text, which that kept its weapons after lists 11 objectives including to "ensure the sustainability" of the ally, said Israel's non weighed down by an eco-ceasefire, and to phase out "the armed presence of all non-state actors, including Hezbollah" across all Lebanese territory.

It also provides for demartion is", adding that "in the next cating Lebanon's land borders its weapons while... occupation with Israel and neighbouring Syria, and a process involving the international community to support reconstruction.

'Lebanese process'

Aoun told Barrack that what The visit comes after Leba- was needed was for "other parnon's cabinet tasked the army ties to adhere to the contents" of with developing a plan to disarm the joint declaration, "more supand stop Hezbollah by year end -- an un- port for the Lebanese army", and precedented step since civil war expedited steps towards recon-

prisoners it holds.

Hezbollah, the only faction Lebanon's 1975-1990 civil war, emerged badly weakened from last year's war with Israel.

On Friday, Hezbollah leader Naim Oassem vowed to fight plans to disarm, saying that "the resistance will not surrender persists".

On Sunday, Aoun told the Saudi-owned Al Arabiva channel authorities would do "everything possible... to spare Lebanon any internal or external shock".

If Lebanon rejected the US plan, "then Israel will intensify its attacks, Lebanon will be economically isolated, and none of us will be able to respond to the aggression", he said.

Barrack on Monday stressed Prime Minister Nawaf Salam that "dealing with Hezbollah, as The cabinet has also tackled a said Washington needed to "ful-we've always said, is a Lebanese

US ambassador to Turkey and special envoy for Syria Tom Barrack

Jamie Lee Curtis hails Freakier Friday co-star Lindsay Lohan



Lindsay Lohan and Jamie Lee

Bang Showbiz | Los **Angeles**

Jamie Lee Curtis learned "perseverance" from Lindsay Lohan.

The 66-year-old actress has reunited with Lindsay for Freakier Friday, the sequel to their 2003 comedy movie Freaky Friday, and Jamie has taken to social media to heap praise on her co-

Jamie's Instagram post featured a quote from Lindsay in which she praises her co-star. The quote reads: "Jamie was with me at a time in my life when I was going through a lot publicly [...] I have to feel safe around people. And Jamie is one of those people for me."

In response to the quote, Jamie wrote in the caption: "And SHE taught me about perseverance, solitude, style, family and Bitmoji!

Lindsay and Jamie have repeatedly praised each other throughout the Freakier Friday press tour.

Jamie recently admitted that she felt "tremendous maternal care" for Lindsay after they starred together in Freaky Friday.

The Hollywood star told the Guardian newspaper: "I felt tremendous maternal care for Lindsay after the first movie, and continued to feel that.

Sandra Bullock insists dealing with stalkers isn't a 'one off'

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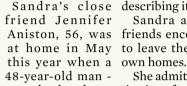
Candra Bullock admits Dbeing stalked her turned her home into her "fortress".

In 2014, the 61-year-old star was left terrified after a mentally unwell stalker broke into her house while she was there, and she's still affected by the incident over a decade later.

She told Vanity Fair magazine: "It makes me think, Do I really have to go outside and navigate the world?

"There's the cases where they got into the house, the cases where they're outside the house, the cases where you're on a film set and they figured out where you are, and the cases that no one hears about.

"It's ongoing. It's not a one-off. And it does create a mindset where your home also unfortunately becomes your fortress."



stalking, going?" which he has denied - allegedly drove into her gate.

T h e Friends their minds. Who wants to put that there.'

She inteam is

Sandra's close describing it as "a necessity". Sandra admitted the two Aniston, 56, was friends encourage each other at home in May to leave the comfort of their

She admitted: "There's a mowho has been tivation of going, 'Okay, we need accused of togo somewhere. Where are we

Jennifer quipped: "I'm desperately trying not to Howard Hughes myself."

The duo also try to help each other get over their fear of flying, as Sandra joked the pair look "pathetic" when they're on a plane together.

She joked: "The two of us on actress a plane—it's the most pathetsaid: "Peo- ic thing to look at. Usually it's ple are out of us grabbing each other's arms from across the table with our heads down."

For Jennifer, her own fears energy out subside when her friends are scared in the same moment.

She revealed: "All of a sudden, sisted her my fear falls away and I get to security take care of them.

"When there's someone in "not glam- need of being calmed, I have orous in such empathy for it that all of any way", a sudden my fear goes out the instead window."

Sandra Bullock

Chris Hemsworth banned from surfing 40-foot wave

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banned from surfing a couldn't get it through the 40-foot wave for his new TV show over fears he would The actor has filmed a fol-

low-up to his 2022 National 200-meter dam wall,. Geographic series Limitless - titled Limitless: Live Better Now - in which he takes on challenges including learning drums to perform with Ed Sheeran at a concert, training with Special Forces in South Korea to tackle his back pain and

climbing 600-foot dam

in the Swiss Alps - and Chris has now revealed he initially wanted to include a surfing stunt but it was d e e m e d too riskv.

He told The Hollywood Reporter: "I was going to attempt to surf

a 40-foot wave and train with Thris Hemsworth was big wave specialists, but we ranks.

"The risk assessment, basically, was too far gone, so I ended up climbing a

> "They both have a fair amount of risk attached to them, but [the dam climb] got past the risk assessment team. So there definitely was [concern]: 'No, we need him to go off and shoot Thor next. We can't have him drown while filming a big wave ep-

> > isode'." Hemsworth Chris Hemsworth

George Clooney doesn't care if people think he only plays himself

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G"give a s***" about criti-

cism of his acting. The 64-year-old star's versatility as a performer has come into question but the Jay Kelly actor insisted he doesn't care that people believe he is only ever playing a version of himself because he appreciates the diverse range of projects that come his way. He told Vanity Fair

magazine: "Do people say that I only play myself? I don't give a

"There aren't that many guys in **George Clooney**

my age group that are allowed to do both broad comedies like ♥eorge Clooney doesn't OBrother [Where Art Thou?] and then do Michael





The 67-year-old actress can understands why dibe seen in one scene in the rector Paul Verhoeven 1992 exposing her private was "scared" to area as her alter ego Cathe- show it to her. rine Tramell crosses her legs in front of Michael Douglas' "I very character Detective Nick Cur- much beran and other cops whilst she lieve that is interrogated, and while she none of us noted the controversial mo- knew at the ment "made [her] an icon", time what she has mixed feelings about we were

She told Business Insider: regard to fantasy world in this way."

Sharon Stone doesn't think Basic Instinct brought her 'respect' tricked into removing And despite her ini-

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Sharon Stone doesn't think she received "respect" because of her infamous Basic til a screening of the Instinct scene.

"It made me an icon, but it that shot, didn't bring me respect. But and when would I do it again? We don't Paul got it, get to make these choices in he didn't life. I don't participate in the want to lose

Sharon alleged in her 2021 scared to show autobiography, The Beauty me. And I get of Living Twice, that she was that."

her underwear for the scene and hadn't seen the footage unmovie, but she now

She said:

getting in it, and he was

tial unhappiness, Sharon was happy to keep the scene in the movie because she understood its value. She explained: "Once

I had time to calm down, I didn't

make him take it out of the movie when I had the legal right to.

"So I did have the chance to do it differently, and I didn't because once I had the chance to step back, I understood, as the director, not the girl in the film, that that made the movie better.

Sharon Stone

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German star sees debut goal disallowed as Vancouver Whitecaps draw 1-1 with Houston Dynamo

Offside call denies first MLS goal

Received massive ovation

AFP | Los Angeles

homas Mueller made his Major League Soccer debut on Sunday as a second-half substitute for Vancouver Whitecaps in a 1-1 draw with Houston Dynamo that left the Germany great with "mixed feelings" after he had a goal disallowed for offside.

Vancouver were up 1-0 courtesy of Brian White's sixth-minute penalty when the former Bayern Munich striker Mueller entered the contest to a massive ovation in the 61st minute.

Mueller, a World Cup-winner with Germany whose storied tenure at Bayern included 13 Bundesliga titles, had made his way into Vancouver's BC Place stadium through a throng of excited supporters, high-fiving and shaking hands as he went.

The Whitecaps had officially unveiled their new signing on Thursday, a week after he inked a deal through the end of the 2025 season with an option for game Mueller blasted a ball into

The crowd of 26,301 stood and cheered when he was intro-



Thomas Mueller salutes fans after making his Major League Soccer debut for **Vancouver Whitecaps**

eller applauded fans in return.

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duced before kickoff, and Muings," the 35-year-old said. "The result is disappointing, to be

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"We have to take the next steps in the next game," he added after seeing Houston's Artur grab the equalizer with a longrange blast in the first minute of second-half injury time.

"But I'm very happy to be here. I think the crowd was amazing."

The draw left Vancouver in third place in the Western Conference on 46 points, six behind game is in the books," said the conference leaders San Diego and one back of Minnesota.

San Diego moved to the top of the Supporters' Shield standings for best overall record -- ahead of Eastern Conference leaders Cincinnati on goal difference -- with a come-from-behind 2-1

"We had to win it clear," Mu-



Mueller joined Bayern's youth system in 2000 and staved 25 years at the club before embarking on his first overseas adventure, greeted in Vancouver by fans chanting his name on debut day

eller said. "We had to get big chances. But in the end, yeah, it's soccer and it can happen."

He was happy to have his first MLS match under his belt and looking forward to settling in after a whirlwind first week.

"I'm happy now that my first German, who joined Bayern's youth program in 2000 and then called the club home for 25 years.

'I can start next week, just a regular week," he said.

"I just have to settle down today after this game in my apartment and think about what happened this week -- it was crazy

Atletico beaten by Espanyol in La Liga opener



Pere Milla celebrates after scoring for Espanyol

AFP | Madrid

Espanyol staged a late come-back to grab a shock 2-1 win over Atletico Madrid on Sunday as Diego Simeone's men made a disappointing Real Madrid host Osasuna on start to their La Liga campaign.

Pere Milla scored a late winner as Atletico stumbled Hancko had the best chance of to defeat in Barcelona despite a cagey opening half-hour for leading through Julian Alva- Atletico but could only head rez's brilliant goal.

Atletico have been busy in er Marko Dmitrovic. the transfer market, with nocelona and Real Madrid for dive of Dmitrovic. the title.

Paul and Cesar Azpilicueta fore the hour mark when he have all departed as part of crashed a shot against the the rebuild after Simeone's post.

team finished third, 12 points behind champions Barca last

Barcelona kicked off their title defence with a 3-0 win at Mallorca on Saturday, while Tuesday.

Slovakia centre-back straight at Espanyol goalkeep-

The visitors forged ahead table arrivals including Alex in spectacular fashion in the Baena, David Hancko, Johnny 37th minute, though, as Alva-Cardoso and Giacomo Raspa- rez curled a free-kick into the dori, in a bid to challenge Bar- top corner, well beyond the

Alvarez went close to dou-Angel Correa, Rodrigo De bling Atletico's lead just be-

PSG get Ligue 1 title defence off to winning start

Vitinha's deflected goal decides match against Nantes

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m defence\,\,of\,\,the\,\,Ligue\,\,1\,\,title}$ off to a winning start on Sunday as Vitinha's deflected strike proved enough to earn the European champions a 1-0 victory away to Nantes.

The Portuguese midfielder's effort midway through the second half beat goalkeeper Anthony Lopes with the aid of a wicked deflection off Nantes defender Chidozie Awaziem to break the deadlock.

PSG were made to work hard for their victory as coach Luis Enrique made seven changes to his starting line-up following the UEFA Super Cup win on penalties against Tottenham Hotspur in midweek.

That was the first game of the new campaign for last season's Champions League winners, who only began pre-season training on August 6 having gone all the way to the Club World Cup final in the United States in mid-July.

They did not play any friendly matches prior to that and are therefore likely to require several weeks before getting close to the level at which they performed last season.

but punchless Nantes side, play- Luis Castro.



Vitinha (C) celebrates with teammates Nuno Mendes and Desire Doue after scoring Paris Saint-Germain's winning goal

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However, they still had ing a first competitive match enough against a hard-working under new Portuguese coach

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"We were in control throughout, playing away from home. In the first half we didn't create much but that is normal because it is difficult against a team defending so deep."

Asked about his team's lack of preparation for the start of the new season, the Spanish coach added: "Today we saw that our players are ready and wanted to show the level they can perform at.

"They all need time which I think is normal but we will look more comfortable with the ball once we have a few more games under our belts."

Swiatek, Paolini set for Cincy final

Swiatek overcomes early struggles as Paolini edges Kudermetova to reach Cincinnati title clash

Swiatek beats Rybakina 7-5, 6-3

Paolini outlasts Kudermetova in three sets

AFP | Cincinnati

ga Swiatek reached the final of the ATP-WTA Cincinnati Open for the first time on Sunday, surging past Elena Rybakina 7-5, 6-3 to book a title clash with Jasmine Paolini.

The six-time Grand Slam champion earned a Monday evening final against an opponent with nothing to lose after Paolini managed to "forget" a patch of bad form to claim a 6-3, 6-7 (2/7), 6-3 win over Russian Veronika Kudermetova.

The 29-year-old, who was a two-time Grand Slam finalist in 2024, will bid for the fourth title of her career when she faces Swiatek, who is set to compete in her 13th final at the 1000 level as she closes in on a return to world number two.

Swiatek, the reigning Wimbledon champion, recovered an early break in the opening set and pow-

ered away to beat 2022 All England winner Rybakina -- who had swept past world number one and defending champion Aryna Sabalenka in the quarter-finals.

The former world number one from Poland now ranked third,

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had twice stalled at the semi-final stage at the pre-US Open event, but booked her title chance on her third opportunity. "It was a great match, and at the begin-



Iga Swiatek of Poland serves to Elena Rybakina of Kazakhstan

ning, I was even surprised that I'm able to keep up with the pace, because we played so fast," Swiatek

"I wanted to be there when Elena starts making mistakes. It's impossible to play such a good level throughout the whole

Swiatek recovered from 3-5 down in the opening set, sweeping the last four

She jumped to a 4-1 lead in the second, sandwiching a pair of love service games around a break of Rybakina's

Jasmine Paolini



Swiatek had twice fallen in Cincinnati semi-finals before finally breaking through on her third attempt, setting up a title clash with Paolini, whom she has defeated in all five of their previous matches

But Kazakhstan's Rybakina made her work for it, fending off three break points in the sixth game and saving a pair of match points in the eighth before Swi- straight-set victory but failed atek closed it out a game later.

"I was playing with intensity and quality," Swiatek said. "I feel good about my game right now and would not change anything."

with the Italian winning just a quarter hours.

But Swiatek said she was preplayer who beat world number two Coco Gauff in the quarter-fi

been playing well," she said.

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IGA SWIATEK

'Keep fighting'

Before her 6-0, 6-0 Wimbledon final win over Amanda Anisimova last month, Swiatek had been in a trophy drought with her last prior title coming in June 2024 at Roland Garros.

Another victory yesterday would be a strong springboard into the US Open, where firstround play starts on August 24.

Paolini looked headed to a to serve out her match at 5-4 in the second set and admitted the lapse left her nervous.

"The key was to forget, get back into the fight and stay in Swiatek has beaten Paolini in the present," Paolini said after all five of their prior meetings wrapping up the win in two and

"I was fighting in the second set and all was fine. But I got pared for a tough final against a nervous and thought I would lose the tiebreaker.

"I came back onto court in the third set trying not to think "Anyone who is there will have about what had happened. You have to keep going."

Joao Felix says late Jota 'will forever be part of football history'

AFP | London

oao Felix said yesterday that Portugal team-mate and close friend Diogo Jota will "forever be a part of football history" following the Liverpool star's death aged 28.

Jota was killed along with brother Andre Silva when their Lamborghini went off the road in northern Spain on July 3.

Just 11 days prior to the accident, the Portuguese forward had married Rute Cardoso, the mother of his three children

The Premier League remembered Jota over the weekend in a series of moving tributes.

Adding his voice to the out-



Portugal's Diogo Jota celebrates with Joao Felix (L) (file photo)

international colleague.

pouring of grief across the foot-mourners at the brothers' fu-were always together. ball world, Felix looked visibly neral, said: "Diogo to me was moved as he spoke about his one of my best friends in the his parents, an incredible famgood friend and national team, he was always ily."

part of our mini group in the Felix, who was among the national team, those of us who

"I knew his family, especially

Speaking in Hong Kong, where Felix is with his new team Al Nassr for this week's Saudi Super Cup, the 25-yearold added: "I think he will forever be a part of football history, he will remain in the hearts of those who were already close

"After that day, every time we go on the field we will remember him and play in part for him."

The attacker Felix joined fellow Portuguese Cristiano Ronaldo at Saudi Arabia's Al Nassr late last month from Chelsea in a move reported to be worth up to 43.7 million pounds (\$58 million).

Felix, who has also played for Benfica, Atletico Madrid, Barcelona and AC Milan, will reportedly earn \$10 million a year.

FIFA boss condemns racial abuse in German Cup games

AFP | Berlin

 ${f F}^{ ext{IFA}}$ President Gianni In- wi-Adjei said he was racially fantino has condemned abused by home spectators. the alleged racial abuse which An announcement on the occurred during two German stadium PA was made con-Cup fixtures on the weekend demning racist abuse. After as "unacceptable", in a state- the match resumed, the winger ment issued yesterday.

continue to do so. There is no tive issued an apology later on place for racism in football," Sunday. Infantino said in the state-

home side Lokomotive Leip- abuse from a member of the

ter winger Christopher Ant-

was booed repeatedly by the "I repeat myself and will home support and Lokomo-

Also on Sunday, a player from visiting side Kaisers-On Sunday, a match between lautern also alleged racial zig and Schalke was halted af- crowd at club RSV Eintracht.



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club announced on Monday. website.

According to French

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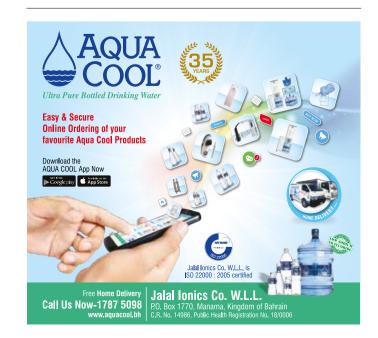
rench striker Arnaud ed to announce the signing of Ar- he made five appearances for PSG Kalimuendo has signed a five- naud Kalimuendo, who joins the and enjoyed success during loan year contract with Nottingham club on a five-year deal," read a spells at Lens -- scoring 21 goals in 65 Forest, the Premier League statement on the English club's outings.

media, the transfer paid ranks at Paris Saint-Germain, before is a proud moment for me, joining to ex-club Rennes is be- enjoying a breakthrough season at a team who had a strong season last lieved to be at least 30 Ligue 1 side Rennes last year when year and a club with great history," million euros (\$35 he netted 18 times in 34 appearances said Kalimuendo.

in all competitions.

"Nottingham Forest is delight- Prior to joining Rennes in 2022,

"When I heard about the interest The 23-year-old came through the from Forest, I was honoured. This



Alonso demands no excuses at Madrid

New Madrid boss unfazed by short pre-season as Osasuna clash looms today

Alonso to debut in La Liga

Club denied request for postponement

Short pre-season after Club World Cup

AFP | Madrid

eal Madrid coach Xabi Alonso said the team's shortened pre-season will not be used as an excuse as they prepare to kick off their La Liga campaign at home to Osasuna today.

Alonso will take charge at the Santiago Bernabeu for the first time after beginning his reign at the Club World Cup in the United States, where Madrid reached the semi-finals.

Madrid's request to postpone their league opener to a later date was rejected by Spanish football officials, and the team have played just one friendly since their 4-0 loss to Paris Saint-Germain in New Jersey on July 9.

"Obviously it would have been nice to receive some support with our request, especially for the players' health... after such a long season and to have a little more preparation time," Alonso said yesterday.

"But anyway, in the end it wasn't to be and that's that.



Real Madrid's French forward #10 Kylian Mbappe (C) and teammates attend a training session

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eral new signings, including former Europe. Liverpool defendthe page on a dis- capital. appointing end to

Xabi Alonso

League and La Liga in 2023-24 ing for excuses but finished runners-up domesquarter-final exit to Arsenal in

er Trent Alexan- kusen to a remarkable Bunde- the stadium, and then earn it, not be unanimously agreed upon by der-Arnold, at his sliga and German Cup double just talk about it. disposal as Ma- two seasons ago, was coy about

the Carlo Ancelotti than a talker. So making prom- on that path to get where we forehand."

ises before taking action in foot-Madrid won the Champions ball doesn't usually work," said Alonso.

tically to arch-rivals Barcelo- people are eager, you can feel Alonso has sev- na last season and suffered a that. We are also very eager, we want to start this new project, with new players, a new coach,

"Talking about it won't make drid look to turn his expectations in the Spanish it happen, otherwise it would all is not appropriate at this time "I tend to be more of a doer and we have to start tomorrow should have been consulted be-

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XABI ALONSO

want to be in May."

Alonso also fully backed Madrid's opposition to plans to stage a La Liga game between Villarreal and Barcelona in Miami in December.

Madrid said last week it would "give an undue sporting advantage" to the teams involved.

"I agree wholeheartedly with "We are working hard and the club's statement," added

"I believe that at the start of the competition, we all knew what the rules were, and if the Alonso, who led Bayer Lever- and bring this energy we have to rules are to be changed, it must all participants.

"Therefore, I believe that this be very easy. We have to earn it and that all La Liga participants

Bahrain Sweep Iraq to Stay Perfect in Arab Juniors

Bahrain's U18 volleyball side beat Iraq 3-0 in straight sets to lead Group B

- Bahrain sweep Iraq in straight sets
- Faidutti-coached side lead Group B
- Palestine clash closes group stage

Hussain Almaskati TDT | Manama

Bahrain's under-18 men's volleyball team made it two wins out of two at the 17th Arab Junior Volleyball Championship in Amman, beating Iraq in straight sets 25–21, 25–20, 25–18. The result followed their 3–1 opening win over Kuwait and moved them to six points from two matches.

Controlled and Composed

Coached by Argentina's Santiago Faidutti, Bahrain looked Bahrain out of control.

Top of Group B

With the win, Bahrain lead Group B, which also includes



Bahrain's squad celebrate after the match

sharper throughout. Their block Palestine. Kuwait remain in conproved decisive, while steady tention after earlier beating Palserving created separation in estine, while Iraq sit winless. In each set. Iraq stayed competi- Group A, Lebanon, Libya, Egypt, tive but were never able to push and hosts Jordan are fighting for semifinal places after Saudi Arabia and the UAE withdrew from the competition.

Next: Palestine

This is Bahrain's best start to the Arab Juniors in over a decade

Bahrain rest today before clos- at 5pm. A win would confirm ing their group stage campaign their place in the semifinals with against Palestine on Wednesday a perfect record.

The championship is organised by the Arab Volleyball Association, chaired by Bahrain Volleyball Association president Shaikh Ali bin Mohammed Al Khalifa, in cooperation with the Jordan Volleyball Federation. Bahrain's delegation in Amman is led by BVA vice-president Mohammed Al Thawadi.

Lukaku to miss start of Napoli's title defence with 'serious' thigh injury



Romelu Lukaku **AFP** | Milan

Romelu Lukaku will miss Napoli's opening fixture of their Serie A title defence after suffering a thigh injury which could keep the Belgium striker out for months, the Italian champions said vesterday.

Napoli, who travel to promoted Sassuolo on Saturday, said in a statement that Lukaku had suffered a "serious" tear in his left thigh during Thursday's pre-season friendly with Olympiakos.

No indication over how long Lukaku would be sidelined was given by Napoli, but Italian media reported that he could be out of action until November.

Napoli suggested that Lukaku, 32, might have to undergo surgery.