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Qatar 'playing a negative role' to obstruct solution in Yemen

Qatar rapped for playing destructive game in Yemen, Libya, Tunisia and Iraq

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in Jeddah".

In an interview with Asharq Al Awsat, Al Khalifa said, "Qatar is trying to prevent a solution in Yemen. We can see it through Doha's positions announced in the media, broadcast by Al Jazeera channel."

He explained that Qatar has always failed to enforce this role in Yemen facing the people's will to stop all foreign interference, including Iran's attempt to incite strife.

The Bahrain FM said that Qatar is not only playing a negative role ers the recent visit of Russian to Syria and AL states," he said, in Yemen, but also in Libya, Tunisia, Gulf States and Iraq.

"Everyone knows what we portant mean," he said.

Khalifa has said that the explosive materials shipments lations with other countries govfrom Tehran to Manama, Shaiand the Southern Transitional arms that Bahrain confiscated bridges of friendship worldwide," Council (STC) under the auspic- was sufficient to destroy half of he said.

the future stability of Yemen, send a message of peace and good in north Syria, and he asked Anparticularly following the impor- neighbourliness or else, Tehran kara to respect the Syrian sovertant meetings held in this regard should be held responsible for its eignty and territories.



actions in the region.

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"The visit shows that Riyadh Commenting on weapons and and Abu Dhabi do not build reerned by circumstances and that both states extend continuous co-operation with the Embassy of

Shaikh Khalid condemned the He explained that Iran should Turkish cross-border infiltration

The quantity of arms that Bahrain confiscated was sufficient to destroy half of the capital. SHAIKH KHALID

"The comeback of Syria to the arms of the Arab League is left adding that the Bahraini diplomatic presence in Damascus had not stopped during the past years. Separately, Shaikh Khalid attended a reception ceremony held by the Bahraini-British Parliamentary Friendship Group in

Bahrain to the United Kingdom. The reception ceremony took place in the House of Commons to mark the minister's visit and Joint Working Group In the presence of ministers, diplomats, countries.

MPs and media professionals, led by Secretary of State for the Middle East and North Africa at the UK Foreign Office, Dr Andrew Morrison, UK Minister of State for International Trade Connor Burns and UK Special Envoy for Freedom of Religion or Belief Rehman Chishti.

In his welcoming statement, the minister expressed his delight to attend the ceremony and meet with a large group Bahrain's friends and took pride in the good ties that date back over 200 years, affirming the depth of relations between the two Kingdoms, based on joint work in all political, cultural and economic areas and on common interests to promote security and development in the region and the world at large.

For his part, the Chair of the Bahrain-UK Parliamentary Group Bob Stewart expressed appreciation to the Minister of Foreign Affairs for his presence, stressing the 12th Meeting of Bahrain-UK the importance of the strategic relationship between the two

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Kuwaiti envoy praises **Bahrain ties**

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m Bahrain,~Shaikh~Tham-}$ er Jaber Al Ahmed Al Sabah, has lauded the deep-rooted solid relations, common destiny, fraternity, love and fruitful cooperation across various fields between Bahrain and Kuwait.

"I was graced by meeting His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa while submitting my credentials as ambassador of my country to the Kingdom of Bahrain. I was honoured by conveyed greetings and good wishes to HM King Hamad from his brother, the Amir of Kuwait, HH Shaikh Sabah Al Ahmed Al Jaber Al Sabah," the envoy said.

The ambassador added that he had listened to HM the King's valuable directives, highlighting HM King Hamad's love for Kuwait and keenness on ensuring the interests of the two countries and their brotherly peoples.

In a statement to the Bahrain News Agency (BNA), Ambassador Shaikh Thamer Jaber Al Ahmed Al Sabah said that he had been instructed by the Kuwaiti Amir to spare no effort in order to enhance bilateral cooperation in various fields.

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He also valued highly the care enjoyed by Kuwaiti students, private sector representatives and tourists in the Kingdom of Bahrain, prayed to Allah the Almighty to protect the two brotherly countries, and to bless them with ever-lasting security,

GCC ministers discuss security co-operation

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t the end of their 36th meeting, GCC countries' Interior Ministers yesterday took some decisions aiming to bolster security co-operation.

GCC Secretary-General Dr Abdulatif Al Zayani said in a press statement to Kuwait News Agency (KUNA) that the resolutions seek to unify the Gulf efforts to combat crimes and terrorist acts.

He stressed that the ministers lauded strenuous and sincere efforts made by GCC security apparatuses.

He also extolled the Gulf security centres like the Criminal



GCC countries warn citizens after protests erupt in Lebanon

Riyadh

nationals already in the country to avoid protest areas.

Beirut advised its nationals to be away from places of protest," Al Ekhbariya news channel reported.

Lancaster Plaza Beirut hotel in from crowds and demonstrathe capital's Raouche neighbour- tions," the embassy said in its hood is a gathering point from tweet. which Saudi nationals can be transported to Beirut airport.

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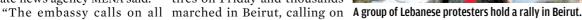
Egyptian citizens in Lebanon to avoid the areas of gatherings **A** audi Arabia's embassy in and protests, to be careful in Beirut yesterday warned their movements and to abide its citizens not to travel to by the instructions of the Leba-Lebanon, and called on Saudi nese authorities in this regard," MENA said.

Meanwhile, Kuwait's embassy The Kingdom's embassy in in Lebanon asked citizens wishing to travel to Lebanon to wait extremely cautious and to "stay because of the current protests and unrest.

"The embassy also calls on citizens currently in Lebanon to It also announced that the take utmost care and stay away

Bahrain warned against travel to Lebanon and called on its cit-Egypt's embassy in the Leb- izens in the country to leave im-

Protesters across Lebanon to avoid protest areas, Egyptian blocked roads with burning state news agency MENA said. tires on Friday and thousands





the government to resign over an economic crisis.

Meanwhile, Lebanon's prime minister gave his partners in government a 72-hour ultimatum to come up with "convincing" solutions for a rapidly worsening economic crisis, as nationwide protests against the country's entire ruling political class continued to escalate.

In an address to the nation and with hundreds of rowdy protesters camped outside his office, Saad Hariri blamed politicians in his national unity government, which includes the Iran-backed Hizbollah group and rival political parties, for blocking his reform agenda at every turn.

Following his speech, groups of rioters broke away from the protesters, clashing with police, setting cars ablaze and smashing store windows in the streets of Beirut.