



From left, Tunisia's Kais Saied, Syria's Bashar al-Assad, Egypt's Abdul Fattah al-Sissi, Jordanian King Abdullah II, Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa al-Khalifa, Qatari Emir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad al-Thani, Djibouti's President Ismael Omar Guelleh, Mauritania's Mohammed Ould Ghazouani and Palestinian Authority president Mahmud Abbas prior to the Arab Summit meeting in Jeddah.

Joint Arab action is the key, HM King tells Arab Summit

HM King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa welcomes Saudi-Iran ties, truce in Yemen, return of Syria to Arab League

● HM calls for reaching peace between Russia and Ukraine

● Assad caps return to Arab fold

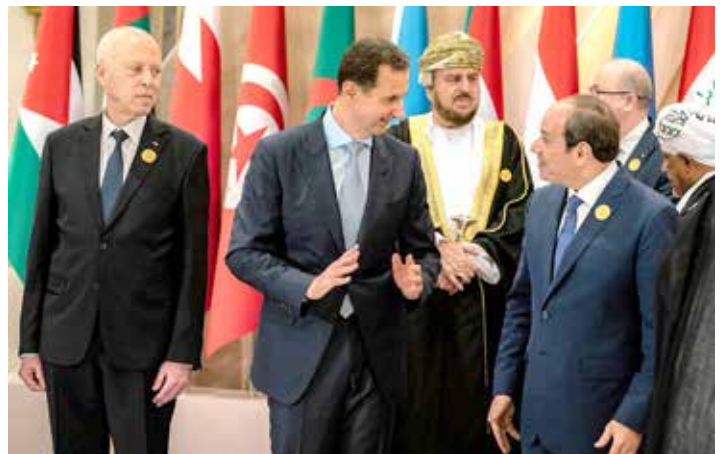
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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa yesterday took part in the 32nd Arab Summit in the Red Sea coastal city of Jeddah, alongside Arab leaders who welcomed Syrian President Bashar al-Assad back into the fold.

It was the first time Assad had appeared at the Arab League since Syria was suspended in 2011. The summit also featured a



Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman posing for a picture with HM King Hamad and Zelensky



Assad greeting his Egyptian counterpart Abdel Fattah al-Sisi (R) as Tunisia's President Kais Saied (L) looks on

We wholeheartedly welcome the dedicated Arab efforts, in which we find promise to establish a renewed and balanced regional dynamic, as seen in the resumption of diplomatic relations between Saudi Arabia and Iran, the continuation of the humanitarian truce in Yemen and the serious efforts to resolve its crisis, and the return of Syria to the Arab League

HM KING HAMAD

surprise appearance by Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky. His visit was his first to the Middle East since Moscow's invasion in February 2022.

In his address, HM King expressed his commitment to advancing joint Arab action, welcoming the restoration of diplomatic relations between Saudi Arabia and Iran, the ongoing humanitarian truce in Yemen, and Syria's return to the Arab League.

HM King also lent support to efforts aimed at resolving armed clashes in Sudan, achieving a two-state solution with East Jerusalem as the capital of Palestine, and upholding Egypt's legitimate rights in the waters of the River Nile.

Furthermore, His Majesty reiterated his desire for the success of collective endeavours towards peace between Russia and Ukraine, as well as the recovery of the global economy

and environment from the ravages of war.

King Hamad emphasised that the Arab nations possess the capacity to adapt to the fast-changing times by strengthening Arab unity, revitalising strategic alliances, and implementing a shared vision and more impactful policies to combat terrorism, prevent conflicts, and address the threats posed by weapons of mass destruction.

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