

# Bahrain defends UAE's rights protection record

European Parliament resolution based on 'incorrect information, lacks credibility'

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Bahrain has strongly rejected the false allegations in the resolution issued by the European Parliament on the UAE's human rights protection record.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs stressed that the European Parliament's resolution is based on incorrect information, lacks credibility, and ignores the outstanding achievements of the UAE regarding human development, preserving human rights, promoting principles of justice and equality, and providing a decent life for all citizens and residents in compliance with its constitution and national laws.

The ministry highlighted in a statement the UAE record of human rights protection and adherence to the values of equality, justice and non-discrimination, in addition to its classification among the countries of "very



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high human development" in the Human Development Index of the United Nations Development Programme.

## Ignoring achievements

The Shura Council also strongly rejected the false allegations in the European Parliament resolution.

The Shura, one of the two chambers of the parliament, stressed that the European Parliament's decision ignored the UAE's important achievements in human rights protection, human development support and fair treatment of all citizens and residents in compliance with its constitution and national laws. The council praised UAE's



keenness to promote and preserve human rights throughout its history, in line with human development international standards.

## Baseless fallacies

The Foreign Affairs, Defence and National Security Committee at the Council of Representatives, chaired by MP Mohammed Ibrahim Al Sisi Al Buainain, strongly rejected and denounced the resolution, noting that it contained baseless fallacies and slander, far from objectivity and

credibility.

In a statement, the committee affirmed that the UAE boasts a rich record laden with landmark achievements in the human rights fields, noting that it has set the example in charitable and humanitarian work locally and abroad during the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic, by providing aid to expatriate workers, facilitating the travel of foreigners to their countries, and providing medical assistance and vaccinations to a large number of countries, earning it the acclaim of the

international community.

The committee indicated that the false allegations included in the resolution, and affect the identity and values of the UAE society, are considered an unacceptable transgression against and interference in the internal affairs of the UAE, which is a state of the rule of law and institutions.

The panel affirmed that the resolution clearly violates international charters, treaties and agreements that respect the freedom and independence of countries.

## Thieves' jail terms cut from five years to three on appeal

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The High Criminal Appeals Court reduced the jail sentences issued against three men who were convicted of theft to three years in prison instead of five.

The trio were held guilty for attempting to steal cars and other spare parts from a workshop.

They are said to have broken into a local workshop and stole many items, but a driver working at the property spotted them.

The driver captured the defendants via his phone while they were trying to tow vehicles out of the workshop in a bid to steal them too.

The trio fled from the scene, only to return again, assault the driver and steal his phone to cover up the crime.

## 'Manama Beach Clean-up' campaign held successfully

### Capital Governor Shaikh Hisham bin Abdulrahman patronises environmental project

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On behalf of His Excellency Capital Governor Shaikh Hisham bin Abdulrahman Al Khalifa, Acting Director of Information and Follow-up Yusuf Yaqoob Lori has participated in the "Manama Beach Clean-up" campaign, which comes within the framework of the Green Capital project.

The project comes after the approval of Manama as a healthy city by World Health Organisation (WHO).

The campaign coincides with



the global campaign World Clean-up Day that falls on September 18. It was launched in joint cooperation with the Submarine, Water Garden City and the participation of residents in the district.

Lori stressed the keenness of the governorate to continue with such national environmental campaigns, in an effort to support various awareness and environmental-friendly

projects.

He hailed the extensive cooperation and the efforts of volunteers and individuals in this initiative, that enhances the concept of community partnership.

The Director of Submarine, Firas Noor, extended his thanks and appreciation to the Capital Governorate for launching and sponsoring this environmental campaign as well as appreciated the contributors and sponsors for their support in the success of the campaign.

The campaign aims to raise community awareness about the importance of protecting the environment, promoting the culture of keeping beaches clean from plastic, and recognising the dangers of such substances to marine life and their impact on public health.

## Forum for Protection of Ozone Layer opened



The discussion in progress  
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Bahrain is keen to exert all efforts and back the international community to protect the environment from the severe damage caused by the depletion of the ozone layer due to chemicals and refrigerants.

This was emphasised by Special Envoy for Climate Affairs, Dr Mohammed bin Mubarak bin Dainah, the Chief Executive of the Supreme Council for Environment (SCE), as he patronised yesterday the opening of the fourth Forum for the Protection of the Ozone Layer.

The event was held in conjunction with the International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer that is celebrated annually on September 16 and is observed this year under the theme "Montreal Protocol - Keeping us, our food, and vaccines cool".

Dr bin Dainah pointed out the measures taken by SCE to cope with technological development according to the best global practices.

He added the set of national legislations launched by SCE

in this regard are within the framework of the kingdom's commitment to the requirements of the Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer and the "Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer".

The Fourth Forum for the Protection of the Ozone Layer was organised by SCE over four days at the Gulf Hotel's Convention Hall with the participation of more than 120 parties from different sectors.

It featured intensive workshops aimed at raising awareness of governmental and non-governmental institutions of the importance of the national legislation launched by SCE to preserve the ozone layer.

The forum also comprised an exhibition showcasing the latest technologies used in recycling gases depleting the ozone layer.

To promote the concept of protecting the ozone layer, the SCE launched a number of competitions and cultural programmes targeting all age categories of the Bahraini society.

## Al Sehla sewage network project completed

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The construction of a sewage network on Block 441 in Al Sehla area in the Northern Governorate has been completed.

This was confirmed by Eng. Fathi Abdullah Al Farea, Director of the Sanitary Drainage Planning and Projects Department at the Ministry of Works, Municipalities Affairs and Urban Planning.

The project is an extension of the old village.

Eng. Al Farea said that the ministry has completed the construction of a 1,500-metre network from the main lines and 600 metres from the sub-lines, as well as the 150 inspection room and the speed-reducing heights with previously removed roads.

It is part of the ministry's programme to develop sewage

services in the Northern Governorate.

Eng. Al Farea noted that it is working on the implementation of many important projects that contribute to the expansion and development of facilities on this sector.

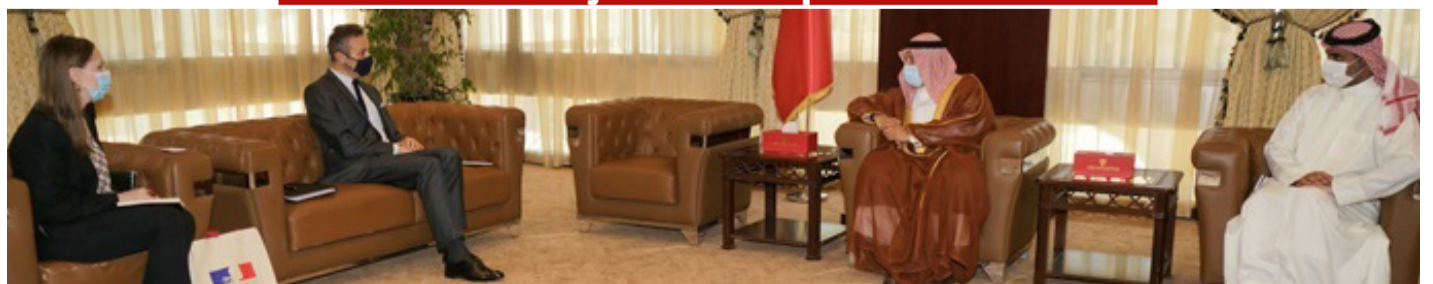
It is within the national strategic plan set by the ministry for sanitation and water treatment as a basis for planning, developing and expanding net-

works and treatment systems in Bahrain with the rapid urban development.

It aims to achieve sustainable development in this public sector, provide the best services to all regions of the Kingdom, and ensure a healthy environment for citizens and residents.

The tender for the project has been awarded by the Tender and Auctions Board to YOCO Engineering at a value of BD364,143.

## Bahrain-France judicial cooperation discussed



Justice, Islamic Affairs and Endowments Minister Shaikh Khalid bin Ali Al Khalifa received yesterday French Ambassador to Bahrain Jerome Cauchard and the Attache for Regional Cooperation in the Judicial Field. The minister lauded relations between both countries and their growth. Discussions focused on cooperation in the judicial field.

### The Central Bank of Bahrain

#### Notice

With regard to the cancellation of the Ancillary Service Provider license of "Finzo Co. B.S.C. (closed)"

With reference to the Resolution of the Governor of the Central Bank of Bahrain No. (40) of 2021 pertaining to the cancellation of the Ancillary Service Provider license of "Finzo Co. B.S.C. (closed)" issued on 6th Safar 1443H, corresponding to 13th September 2021, the Central Bank of Bahrain hereby provides notice that the Ancillary Service Provider license of "Finzo Co. B.S.C. (closed)" issued on 18th December 2018, registered under commercial registration No. 119211 has been cancelled, with effect from the date of issuing and publication of the above resolution in the Official Gazette.