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Alcaraz impresses as Venus bows out

Venus Williams falls in three-set battle, Alcaraz storms into second round at vibrant US Open night | **P16**





Sophie Turner 'was going through hell' amid Trust shoot

BUSINESS

TRA continues partnership with Youth City 2030



Apartment fire in Salmabad

TDT | Manama

₹ivil Defense teams successfully extinguished a fire that broke out in a residential apartment in the Salmabad area yesterday.

Several residents were evacuated to ensure their safety during the incident.

Preliminary reports indicate that the fire was caused by an electrical short circuit, and relevant authorities promptly began taking necessary measures at the scene.

Junior national player dies after collapsing at training



Hussein Al-Haiki TDT | Manama

Bahrain's sports community is mourning the death of junior national basketball team and Al-Ahli Club player Hussein Al-Haiki, who died yesterday after collapsing during a routine training session in preparation for the new season, according to eyewitnesses.

Rescue teams responded immediately and transported Al-Haiki to Salmaniya Medical Complex, where doctors made sustained efforts to revive him.

(Detailed report on Page

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HM King returns home from fruitful Oman visit



His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa returned to the kingdom following a private visit to the Sultanate of Oman, at the invitation of His Majesty Sultan Haitham bin Tariq of Oman. Upon arrival, HM King Hamad was received by His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, along with a number of senior officials. During the visit, HM the King met with HM Sultan Haitham, where they reviewed the longstanding relations between the two countries and discussed efforts to further strengthen bilateral cooperation and coordination. (HM King leaves Oman - Page 2)

Ocean Sentinel

HRH Deputy King underscores joint maritime resolve

HRH reaffirms U.S. partnership

Fifth Fleet role highlighted

CSIPA framed as backbone pact

Mahir Haneef TDT | Manama

n a message of maritime re-Al Khalifa, the Deputy King, terday. met with the U.S. Ambassador to Bahrain, His Excellency Steven C. Bondy, and Vice Admiral and the Combined Maritime the Fifth Fleet in Manama as a



Prince Salman bin Hamad Forces, at Gudaibiya Palace ves- pillar of regional stability.

Signal of strength

George M. Wikoff, Command- the Bahrain-U.S. partnership is the framework that channels er of U.S. Naval Forces Central anchored in security coopera- joint defense and prosperity ef-Command, the U.S. Fifth Fleet, tion, pointing to the presence of forts.

The Deputy King stressed that ment (CSIPA), describing it as

Talks also reviewed regional Minister of the Prime Minis- officials.

and international issues of com-HRH drew attention to the mon concern, with His Royal Comprehensive Security Inte- Highness highlighting the role gration and Prosperity Agree- of allies in safeguarding global

> The meeting was attended by His Highness Shaikh Isa bin Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, ter's Court, along with senior



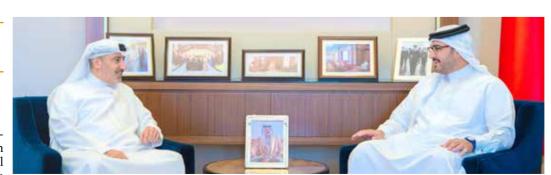
The U.S. Fifth Fleet, headquartered in Bahrain since 1995, oversees navai operations spanning approximately 6.5 million square kilometres of sea - from the Gulf and Red Sea to the Arabian Sea and parts of the Indian Ocean.

Civil Service Bureau Drives Bahrain Reform Engine

CSB executes government strategies

Mahir Haneef TDT | Manama

At Gudaibiya Palace yesterday, His Highness Shaikh Isa bin Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Minister of the Prime the Civil Service Bureau's ponational reform.



Minister's Court, underlined HH Shaikh Isa bin Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa with H.E. Shaikh Daij bin Salman bin Daij Al Khalifa

His Highness praised the ded- of pride and the cornerstone of of Bahrainis has been pivotal in sition as the driver of Bahrain's ication of civil servants, describt he Kingdom's ongoing developenhancing government efficiency, the quality and efficiency of sering their commitment as a source ment. H.H. noted that the resolve strengthening national compet-vices delivered to citizens.

itiveness, and raising the Kingdom's standing both regionally and internationally.

His Highness highlighted the crucial role played by the Civil Service Bureau in executing the strategies of the government and the Civil Service Council, chaired by His Royal Highness the Crown Prince and Prime Minister. His Highness stated that these strategies aim to achieve excellence in government performance and improve