



Suspect arrested for 'seditious' videos online

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A 53-year-old individual was arrested for posting videos on a social media platform that targeted and demeaned a specific sect, inciting sedition and disturbing civil peace.

Prior to the arrest, the suspect was summoned by the Anti-Cyber Crime Directorate of the General Directorate of Anti-Corruption, Economic, and Electronic Security as part of its ongoing monitoring of content published on social media platforms.

The Directorate confirmed that all necessary legal measures have been taken to refer the case to the Public Prosecution.

It urged everyone to abide by laws and regulations, exercise social responsibility when using social media and online platforms, and refrain from publishing or circulating any content that is legally prohibited.

Child killed in road accident

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A 10-year-old child was killed and another injured in a traffic accident involving a vehicle and a truck on Zallaq Road near Sakhir.

Authorities confirmed that all necessary legal and procedural measures are being taken.

UK to 'recognise' Palestinian state

AFP | London

Prime Minister Keir Starmer announced yesterday the UK will formally recognise the State of Palestine in September unless Israel takes various "substantive steps" in Gaza, including agreeing to a ceasefire.

The potentially landmark move, part of a plan for "lasting peace" that Starmer is putting forward, came after the UK leader recalled his cabinet from recess for urgent talks on the worsening situation in the besieged territory. Starmer said London will formally recognise a Palestinian state in September.

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Banking Pivot

Supportive laws key to competitiveness



HRH Prince Salman receives KFH Group Chairman Hamad Abdulmohsen Al-Marzouq and board members

● Bahrain backs banking sector

● KFH leaders meet HRH Prince Salman

● Growth linked to legislation

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His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, reaffirmed Bahrain's commitment to strengthening its banking sector during a high-level meeting with top executives from the Kuwait Finance House (KFH) Group yesterday.

Receiving Hamad Abdulmohsen Al-Marzouq, Chairman of the KFH Group, along with board members at Gudaibiya Palace, HRH underlined the im-



portance of a competitive and effective banking environment in powering Bahrain's national development.

HRH highlighted that a robust financial sector is central to the Kingdom's comprehensive growth, led by His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, and plays a vital role in creating

high-quality opportunities for Bahraini citizens.

HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister also stressed the need to foster a supportive legislative and regulatory framework that enables financial institutions to enhance their performance in a fast-evolving sector.

The meeting came amid the

Kingdom's broader efforts to attract major banking and financial players, in line with its national economic goals.

KFH response

For his part, KFH Group Chairman Hamad Abdulmohsen Al-Marzouq thanked HRH for his continued support to the

financial sector. He praised the Kingdom's efforts in strengthening the role of banks, noting their contribution to realising Bahrain's broader national aspirations.

His Highness Shaikh Mohammed bin Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa also attended the meeting.



Kuwait Finance House (KFH) is one of the world's largest Islamic banks by assets, with a major presence in Bahrain through its subsidiary KFH-Bahrain.

Bahrain Highlights Robust US Alliance

● HRH Crown Prince meets US Ambassador

● Strategic ties reaffirmed

● Multisectoral pacts discussed

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His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, reaffirmed Bahrain's long-standing strategic relationship with the United States during a meeting with His Excellency Steven C. Bondy, the US Ambassador to the Kingdom,



HRH Prince Salman with US Ambassador, H.E. Steven C. Bondy

at Gudaibiya Palace yesterday. During the meeting, His Roy-

al Highness highlighted the depth and endurance of the Bah-

rain-US partnership, describing it as rooted in a shared commit-

ment to advancing mutual goals through expanded cooperation.

HRH the Crown Prince also pointed to recently signed agreements between the two countries and the ongoing multisectoral collaboration as key pillars in strengthening bilateral ties across sectors.

Wider Developments

The talks also covered a range of regional and international developments, in addition to other matters of shared interest. The engagement reflected Bahrain's continued diplomatic efforts to maintain robust ties with its allies amid an evolving global landscape.

His Highness Shaikh Mohammed bin Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa was also present at the meeting.