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Al Khaldiya take control in title race

Mahdi Humaidan scores hat-trick to help Al Khaldiya power to top of league table, just one point ahead of Manama | **P12**





Gwyneth Paltrow 'proud of making divorce easier'

BUSINESS

Alba reports Q1 profit

Israel kills three suspects in murders of UK-Israelis

Nablus, Palestinian Territories

I srael said its security forces shot dead three blamed for killing a British-Israeli woman and two of her daughters last month, in a raid in the occupied West Bank yesterday.

Two suspects in the killings and a third man accused of helping them were killed in a joint operation in Nablus by the army, police and Shin Bet security service, a statement said.

Israel had identified them as the "murderers of Leah, Maia and Rina Dee" who died after the April 7 attack on their vehicle near Hamra in the Jordan Valley, the Shin Bet said, using their Hebrew names.

The army said troops recovered two M-16 assault rifles and an AK-47 from the apartment where the suspects were holed up. Huge crowds later gathered in central Nablus for the funerals of the three men.

17 killed in Egypt motorway collision Cairo, Egypt

Seventeen people were killed when a truck and a bus collided on a motorway in southern Egypt yesterday, the health ministry said.

It said another 29 people were injured, and that 26 ambulances were sent to the scene of the accident on the road between the southern cities of Kharga and Asyut.

The injured were taken to nearby hospitals.

In 2021 there were 7,000 deaths caused by traffic accidents, according to official figures.

BJA announces election

TDT | Manama

The Bahrain Journalists Association (BJA) has scheduled its annual assembly meeting for June 3, during which board elections will be held.

The association will notify its members of the meeting at least two weeks in advance of the specified date.

Candidates will be able to register for the elections 15 days prior to the date set for the elections, with registration closing three days before June 3.

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At the invitation of His Majesty King Charles III of the United Kingdom, Head of the Commonwealth, His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa yesterday departed for the United Kingdom to attend the coronation ceremony. (Story on page 2)

Sudan gets ultimatum

Biden says Sudan conflict 'must end,' threatens sanctions

Clashes between rival factions began on April 15

Killed an estimated 700 people

Biden also signed an executive order to impose sanctions

s President Joe Biden on Thursday threatened to over Sudan's conflict, saying the Rapid Support Forces (RSF). fighting "must end", as gunfire and explosions rocked Khartoum for a 20th straight day.

tles began on April 15 between in the paramilitary RSF. army chief Abdel Fattah al-Bur-



Smoke billows during fighting in the Sudanese capital Khartoum

Biden signed an executive

han's forces and his former dep- order on Thursday that broadimpose new sanctions uty Mohamed Hamdan Daglo's ens authority to impose sanc- capital, witnesses also reported tions on those responsible for As the latest ceasefire expired "threatening the peace, security, at midnight (2200 GMT), the and stability of Sudan" and "unarmy said it was ready to abide dermining Sudan's democratic most of them in Khartoum and Hundreds of people have by a new seven-day truce, but transition", the US leader said the western Darfur region, acbeen killed in Sudan since bat- there was no word from its foes in a statement without naming cording to the Armed Conflict potential targets.

"The violence taking place in ject.

Sudan is a tragedy -- and it is a betrayal of the Sudanese people's clear demand for civilian government and a transition to democracy. It must end," Biden said

Within hours of the latest supposed ceasefire taking effect, witnesses in Khartoum reported explosions and exchanges of fire on the streets around dawn and clashes during the day in the city of five million people.

The foreign ministry later accused the RSF of attacking the Indian embassy and other evacuated diplomatic missions.

In El Obeid, some 300 kilometres (185 miles) south of the battles.

The fighting has killed about 700 people so far across Sudan, Location and Event Data Pro-

"She's not my type"

Trump denies rape allegation in video testimony played in court

AFP | New York

Donald Trump described his rape accuser as "mentally sick" in a videotaped deposition that was played for jurors in his sexual assault and defamation civil trial yesterday.

"She's a liar and she's really a sick person. I think she's sick, E. Jean Carroll. He made the the mid-1990s. comments in October when he

mentally sick," Trump said of alleging that he raped her in a

She also claims that he desat for a deposition in Carroll's famed her when he accused her Carroll sued Trump last year with the allegation in 2019.

Trump has repeatedly and former American columnist New York department store in strenuously denied the allegations and has not been criminal-

About a dozen women came forward accusing

Trump of sexual misconduct in the run-up to

the 2016 presidential election. Among them

who testified in Carroll's lawsuit that Trump

sexually assaulted her on a plane in the 1970s.

was former businesswoman Jessica Leeds

ly prosecuted over them. not know who Carroll is and re-the trial.

peated several times comments he's made before that "she's not my type."

A friend of Carroll's testified Thursday that Carroll told her shortly after the alleged rape that Trump had attacked her.

"I was fighting, I was fighting," retired journalist Carol Martin recalled Carroll as saying, adding that Carroll had not used the word rape.

Trump's lawyers have said During the deposition, Trump the former US leader will not lawsuit against the ex-president. of lying after she went public reiterated his claim that he does take the stand in court during

Bahraini business delegation heads to Japan, South Korea

TDT | Manama

Ahigh-level delegation from Bahrain, led by Abdullah bin Adel Fakhro, Minister of Industry and Commerce (MOIC), supported by Noor bint Ali Al Khulaif, Minister of Sustainable Development, is on a visit to Japan and South Korea from May 5-12

The visit, organised by MOIC, is backed by Bahrain Economic Development

The delegation will be supported by the Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the Bahrain Tourism and Exhibitions Authority (BTEA), Nogaholding, Alba, Export Bahrain, and Bahrain-based Gulf Aluminium Rolling Mill (GARMCO).

During the visit, the Bahrain EDB will host two headline events in Tokyo, highlighting investment opportunities in Bahrain and promoting economic ties with Japan and South Korea.



Adel Fakhro

UN short \$24 mn to prevent Yemen oil spill

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The United Nations is **⊥** short nearly \$24 million needed to safely remove oil from an abandoned tanker off Yemen's coast, officials said Thursday, urging donors to stump up the remaining funds.

A virtual donor conference yesterday raised \$5.6 million in new contributions towards the \$129 million unprecedented rescue operation, in which the UN purchased its own supertanker to remove more than a million barrels of oil from the beleaguered FSO Safer in the Red Sea.

"It is urgent that this gap is closed to successfully implement the operation," said Farhan Haq, spokesman for the UN secretary-general.

"While we appreciate the contributions received so far, there's a crucial need for the funds to allow us to complete the task that we have begun."