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# Maintaining security, stability 'top priority'

HRH Prince Salman briefed on BDF's initiatives to enhance combat readiness efficiency

#### HRH Prince Salman arrives for a meeting with senior BDF officials

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is Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces, and Prime Minister, received a comprehensive briefing on the Bahrain Defence Force's current and future development plans and programmes aimed at bolstering combat readiness efficiency.

This came as HRH Prince Sal-General Command, accompa- Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, Hamad Al Khalifa.



man yesterday visited the BDF cellency Field Marshal Shaikh officials.

His Royal Highness was the BDF Chief of Staff, Lieutenreceived by the Command- ant-General Theyab bin Saqr er-in-Chief of the BDF, His Ex- Al-Nuaimi, and several senior

During the visit, the Depu-



the BDF, thanks to the support of international efforts, which are His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa appreciated by all. Al Khalifa, the Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces.

#### **National duty**

His Royal Highness Prince and development of the region. Salman bin Hamad affirmed that the BDF personnel bravely carry to the members of the BDF for out their national duty of pro- their efforts in performing their nied by His Highness Shaikh the Minister of Defence Affairs, ty Supreme Commander of the tecting the Kingdom's interests national duty with courage and Mohammed bin Salman bin HE Lieutenant General Abdul- Armed Forces commended the and sovereignty with the utmost loyalty, wishing everyone conlah bin Hassan Al Nuaimi, and continuous development, effi- dedication and determination, tinued success.

ciency, and combat readiness of commending their domestic and

HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister commended the prominent role of the BDF, alongside allied countries, in ensuring the security, stability,

He expressed his appreciation

#### Khalid bin Hamad competition winners for innovation in AI are honoured TDT | Manama

The curtain has fallen on the fourth edition of the "Khalid bin Hamad Competition for Innovation in Artificial Intelligence", themed "A Resilient Future: Innovation for Water, Energy and Climate". The closing ceremony was held at the campus of the Bahrain Polytechnic yesterday.

Held under the patronage of His Highness Shaikh Khalid bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Supreme Council for Youth and Sports First Deputy Chairman, General Sports Authority Chairman and Bahrain Olympic Committee President, the competition is organised by the Bahrain Polytechnic, in cooperation with HH Shaikh Khalid bin Hamad's Media Office and the Information and e-Government Authority (iGA).

The competition, which is part of HH Shaikh Khalid's scientific and humanitarian initiatives, is sponsored by Microsoft, Almoayyed Computers Middle East (ACME), Hope Talents (the talent management arm of Hope Fund) and Noventiq Company.



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### Bahrain, US hold Strategic Dialogue mid-year review

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The Embassy of Bahrain in the US and the US Embassy in the kingdom held a mid-year review of the Strategic Dialogue between the two countries.

The review, conducted in an online meeting, assessed the outcome of the Strategic Dialogue since its last session in July and discussed cooperation mechanisms to be set up ahead of next year's session.

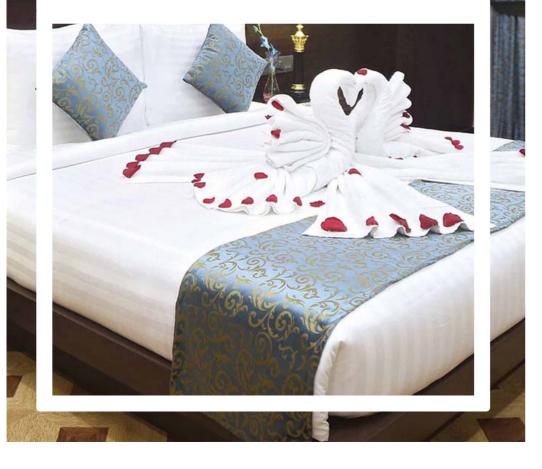


Ambassador Shaikh Abdullah bin Rashid and Ambassador Bondy co-chair the online meeting

His Excellency Shaikh Ab- which contributed to earning al and international develop-



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dullah bin Rashid Al Khalifa, Bahrain a Tier I ranking for the ments, the ambassador reiter-Bahrain's Ambassador to Wash- sixth consecutive year in the ated Bahrain's stance in support ington, and H.E. Steven Bondy, State Department's Trafficking of a ceasefire in Gaza, humanthe US Ambassador in Bahrain, in Persons report. co-chaired the meeting.

flights between the two coun- priorities.

The meeting discussed bi- underscored the importance of lateral cooperation, including this collaborative effort, which mended the strategic relations in security, economic, culture, reflects the commitment of between the US and Bahrain education and tourism sectors. both countries to further con- and its positive impact on re-It also discussed the completion solidating diplomatic com- gional security and stability. of procedures to launch direct munication to achieve mutual He praised the relief efforts

tries, as well as cooperation in Speaking during the meeting represented by the Royal Hucombatting human trafficking, which also discussed region- manitarian Foundation (RHF).

itarian relief efforts, de-escala-Ambassador Shaikh Abdullah tion and protection of civilians. Ambassador Body com-

conducted by Bahrain in Gaza,



Council of Representatives Speaker, His Excellency Ahmed bin Salman Al Musallam and Shura Council Chairman, H.E. Ali bin Saleh Al Salehl, and members of the parliamentary delegation visited the Bahraini pavilion in Expo City Dubai, as part of the International Parliamentary meeting, at the 28th Conference of the Parties of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP28). The delegation commended the Bahraini efforts at the exhibition, which reflect Bahrain's commitment to environmental security, climate and environmental issues, and support international efforts to combat climate change challenges. They commended the royal directives of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, supported by His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, on the implementation of the National Action Plan, "Blueprint Bahrain" to achieve carbon neutrality, and the \$750 million technology fund, as well as the "Safaa" platform.