

HM King, HRH Prince Salman receive cables of thanks

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, received cables of thanks from Chinese President Xi Jinping, in reply to their congratulations on his country's National Day.

HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister received a similar cable from the Premier of the State Council of China, HE Li Qiang.

HM the King and HRH Prince Salman received cables of thanks



HM the King



HRH Prince Salman



Chinese President



Morocco King

HM King Hamad and HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister for their sincere feelings

and prayers, wishing Bahrain and its people further security and prosperity.

His Majesty received a cable of thanks from President Kim Jong Un of North Korea, in reply to HM's congratulations on North Korean National Day.

His Royal Highness received a cable of thanks from the President of the Republic of Armenia, HE Vahagn Khachaturyan, in response to HRH's cable of congratulations on Armenia's Independence Day.

HRH Prince Salman received a similar cable from the Prime Minister, HE Nikol Pashinyan.

from His Majesty King Mohammed VI of Morocco, in reply to

their condolences over the victims of the earthquake.

HM King Mohammed expressed his appreciation to

HRH Deputy King restructures Labour Fund board of directors

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The Deputy King, His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, yesterday issued Decree (94)

of 2023, restructuring the Board of Directors of the Labour Fund, based on a proposal by the Prime Minister, and following the approval of the Cabinet.

The decree stipulates the following:

Article (I)

The Board of Directors of the Labour Fund shall be restructured under the chairmanship of His Highness Shaikh Isa bin Salman

bin Hamad Al Khalifa, and the membership of: HE Hamad bin Faisal Al Malki, HE Nour bint Ali Al Khulaif, Waleed Ibrahim Kano, Bassem Mohammad Al Saei, Mohammad Farouq Al Moayyad,

Dr. Youssef Yaqoub Al Mas, Yaqoub Youssef Muhammad, and Hassan Abdullah Al Halwaji.

The term of their membership in the Council shall be four years.

Article (II)

The Prime Minister shall implement the provisions of this decree, which takes immediate effect and will be published in the Official Gazette.

BDF unit inspection



Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, Bahrain Defence Force Commander-in-Chief, paid an inspection visit to a BDF unit. The commander-in-chief was briefed on the unit's military preparedness, as well as its workflow. Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa said that the BDF continues the military development at various levels thanks to the constant care of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, the Supreme Commander, and the follow up of His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander, and Prime Minister.

Praise for royal support



General Shaikh Rashid bin Abdullah Al Khalifa, the Interior Minister, received the Director-General of Verdict Enforcement and Alternative Sentencing, Shaikh Khalid bin Rashid Al Khalifa. The minister affirmed that the reform approach of the alternative sentencing and the open prisons programmes were supported by His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, commending the ongoing support of the government headed by HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister for these initiatives. General Shaikh Rashid appreciated the professionalism and high performance of the directorate's affiliates, noting that the graduation of the first batch of the open prisons programme was a success story that made the alternative sanctions project a reformation and rehabilitation an exemplary model in human rights and community service.

Investment opportunities



Dr. Mohammed bin Mubarak Bin Daina, Minister of Oil and Environment and Special Envoy for Climate Affairs, received Alastair Long, UK Ambassador to Bahrain. The meeting discussed enhancing investment opportunities in the oil and environmental sectors. Dr. Bin Daina affirmed Bahrain's keenness to strengthen cooperation with various countries to consolidate and develop strategic partnerships in various fields, especially in the oil and environmental sectors. Ambassador Long commended Bahrain's achievements in the oil and environmental sectors, wishing the Kingdom success within the framework of its comprehensive development process.

MP Al Dhaen congratulates His Highness Shaikh Isa bin Salman on new position

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MP Dr. Maryam Al Dhaen has congratulated His Highness Shaikh Isa bin Salman on his appointment as the President of the Board of Directors of the Fund for Action to Empower.

The appointment marks a new era of empowerment for Bahrainis, prioritising citizens and providing them with support and opportunities in the labour market.

Dr. Al Dhaen believes that the appointment of His Highness has brought about a sense of optimism among the citizens of Bahrain, as it signals the start of a new era that aims to fulfil their aspirations and

empower them.

Empowering Bahrainis

The Fund will now actively work towards supporting and empowering Bahrainis in the labour market.

Under His Highness' chairmanship, the Fund will be able to contribute significantly to the betterment of Bahraini society by providing the necessary support and opportunities in the labour market.

Furthermore, Dr. Al Dhaen expressed her optimism that the Fund for Action will now focus its support on Bahrainis, rather than foreigners who have exploited the Fund for personal gain. It is time to redirect the re-



MP Dr. Maryam Al Dhaen

sources of the Fund towards the citizens and help them thrive in the labour market. She placed her full confidence in His Highness' ability to address any irregularities or abuses that have affected the Fund in the past.

This includes filling any gaps or deficiencies that have occurred over the years and steering the Fund back on track to achieve the best national achievements possible. This appointment marks a turning point for the Fund for Action to Empower, signalling a new era of empowerment for Bahrainis.

Dr. Al Dhaen believes that under His Highness' chairmanship, the Fund will be able to contribute significantly to the betterment of Bahraini society by providing the necessary support and opportunities in the labour market. This appointment signifies a commitment to prioritise the citizens and ensure that they have the tools and resources needed to succeed.

Bahrain, Kazakhstan hold talks on tolerance and coexistence

Astana | Kazakhstan

Dr. Shaikh Abdulla bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the King Hamad Global Centre for Peaceful Coexistence, held a meeting with Sarsenbayev Bulat Sergazievich, Chairman of the N. Nazarbayev Centre for Development of Interfaith and Intercivilisation Dialogue, on the sidelines of the 21st Session of the Secretariat of the Congress of Leaders of World and Traditional Religions, held here.

Dr. Shaikh Abdulla bin Ahmed affirmed the depth of the Bahraini-Kazakh relations, indicating that both countries are keen to promote the values and principles of tolerance and coexistence in the world, and to provide room for dialogue and rapprochement among various religions and cultures.

He underlined the impor-



Dr. Shaikh Abdulla bin Ahmed with Sergazievich

tance of developing constructive cooperation between the King Hamad Global Centre for Peaceful Coexistence and the N. Nazarbayev Centre for Development of Interfaith and Intercivilisation Dialogue.

This will achieve the goals of the Declaration of the Kingdom of Bahrain and the Congress of Leaders of World and Traditional Religions, as well as establish cognitive integration, and religious tolerance, in ad-

dition to spreading intellectual enlightenment, in a way that contributes to supporting global peace and security, and achieving growth and prosperity for all, he said.

The Board of Trustees Chairman of the King Hamad Global Centre for Peaceful Coexistence stressed the need to coordinate joint efforts related to increasing awareness of rapprochement, respecting cultural differences and diversity, instill-

ing spiritual and moral values among young people, as well as combating misconceptions and ideas, especially the issue of Islamophobia, in addition to taking the necessary measures to confront intolerance, racism and hatred.

Dr. Shaikh Abdulla bin Ahmed highlighted the positive role played by the King Hamad Global Centre for Peaceful Coexistence, as a global institution for defending human values without discrimination, and demonstrating the essence of the principles of moderation and human fraternity, noting that the centre reflects His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa's enlightened vision regarding the protection of religious freedoms and the dissemination of the values of tolerance and moderation, towards a more peaceful, secure and prosperous world.