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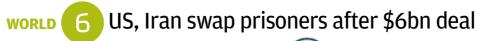
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Bahrain begin Asian Games campaign

Kingdom's senior men's volleyball team, under-23 Olympic football team get medal bids underway today in Hangzhou Asiad | P12





Salma Hayek reveals secret to looking so youthful

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Earthquake hits central Italy

AFP | Rome

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m 4.8-magnitude}$ earthquake struck central Italy north of Florence yesterday morning, sending residents into the streets but causing no immediate damage, authorities said. Schools were closed in some areas as a precaution and trains were delayed pending checks on the railway lines.

Italy's National Institute of Geophysics and Volcanology (INGV) measured the quake at 4.8 on the Richter scale, with its epicentre near Marradi, a town of about 3,000 residents in the province of Florence within the Apennine mountain range.

HM King praises RBAF personnel's patriotism

TDT | Manama

 \mathbf{H} is Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, the Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces, commended the patriotic efforts exerted by the brave Royal Bahraini Air Force (RBAF) personnel to protect the nation.

HM the King praised their sincere determination, roundthe-clock combat readiness and distinguished skills to carry out their sacred duties of defending the nation, its accomplishments and the security of its citizens,

Royal Bahraini Air Force (RBAF). branches.



HM the King visits the Royal Bahraini Air Force

He congratulated all RBAF af-

alongside their valiant brethren filiates on receiving "F-16 Block the ongoing military coopera- regional and global trade. from the Bahrain Defence Force 70" fighter jets, which are the tion with brotherly and friendly among the latest and most ef- countries to contribute to safe- Commander of the Armed Forc-His Majesty was speaking as fective military aircraft, as part guarding regional security and es greeted a number of RBAF pihe paid a visit yesterday to the of the plans to advance all BDF global peace, as well as protect- lots who were gracing by taking all of them continued success. ing navigation and the flow of souvenir photos with HM.

HM King hamad commanded energy supplies, in addition to

HM the King, the Supreme and appreciation to all RBAF of-

HM the King requested RBAF pilots to convey his greetings ficers, non-commissioned officers and servicemen, wishing

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US F-35 stealth jet disappears from skies

AFP | Washington

The US military scrambled yesterday to locate a stealth jet that went missing after the pilot ejected - with the failure to track the aircraft drawing amazement and ridicule in equal measure.

When the F-35 disappeared over South Carolina on Sunday, Joint Base Charleston (JBC) issued a plaintive call on social media asking for anyone who had information to call in.

The JBC said that "based on the jet's last-known position" the search was centered around two large lakes north of Charleston, suggesting it may have crashed.

Proposed law to ban 'offensive' clothing in China

AFP | Beijing

Clothing that "hurts the feelings" of the nation could soon be outlawed in China, according to recent draft revisions to legislation, with their vagueness sparking concern over the broad scope for interpretation and enforcement.

The proposed law states that both speech and clothing deemed "harmful to the spirit of the Chinese people" or that "hurts the feelings" of the nation will result in fines or even jail time.

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Bahrain and US ties reach new heights

Cabinet hails HRH Prince Salman's successful official visit to the US

Kingdom vows to support countries in need as part of royal directives

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The Capinet yesterm, mended His Royal Highness **¬**he Cabinet yesterday com-Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister's official visit to the US and the strengthening of Bahrain-US strategic relations.

This came as the Cabinet reviewed a report on HRH Prince Salman's successful visit to the US, highlighting its importance and the meetings that he had with US senior officials.

It affirmed that the longstandtions will be further strengthened following the signing of Agreement, which will enhance the Cabinet highlighted the in the eastern region of Libya, reaching a sustainable political levels.



HRH Prince Salman chairs the weekly Cabinet meeting

During yesterday's weekly

the two countries' cooperation Kingdom's longstanding comacross a range of areas, from mitment to supporting countries defence and security to emerging in need, guided by the vision and ing Bahrain-US strategic rela- ing technology, trade, and in- directives of His Majesty King tainable political solution ac- mitment to promoting peace Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa.

It acknowledged the recent

devastating floods. The Cabinet of the United Nations. also reviewed measures taken to assist those affected by the position of the Bahrain in supearthquake in Morocco.

The Cabinet expressed its sin-nounced in March 2021. cere condolences to Libya for The Cabinet congratulated the the victims of the floods, and King, government, and people of wished a speedy recovery for Saudi Arabia on their National those injured, and for the safe Day. The Cabinet commended

Praise for Saudi efforts

yadh to hold discussions in an Saudi Arabia. effort to reach a compromise and permanent ceasefire in the national Day of Peace, the Cab-Republic of Yemen and a sus- inet affirmed Bahrain's com-

the Comprehensive Security meeting at Gudaibiya Palace, directives to provide human-strengthen and expand the hu-ity and establishing coexist-Integration and Prosperity chaired by HRH Prince Salman, itarian aid to several regions manitarian truce and discuss ence at the regional and global

expressing condolences to the solution acceptable to all Yemenation for the victims of the ni parties under the sponsorship

The Cabinet reaffirmed the port of the Saudi initiative an-

return of those who are missing. the achievements made by Saudi Arabia under the leadership of the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques, King Salman bin Ab-The Cabinet welcomed the dulaziz Al Saud, and the support Kingdom of Saudi Arabia's ef- of His Royal Highness Prince forts, in coordination with the Mohammed bin Salman bin Sultanate of Oman, to invite a Abdulaziz Al Saud, the Crown delegation from Sana'a to Ri- Prince and Prime Minister of

In recognition of the Interceptable to all Yemeni parties. to achieve the shared goals of The meeting also aims to enhancing security and stabil-

