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Amir H H Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani inaugurated the 16th QITCOM yesterday at the Qatar Convention Center. The high-profile event is being organized by the Ministry of Transport and Communications under the theme ‘Safe and Smart Cities’.

Speaking at the inauguration, Minister of Transport and Communications H E Jassim bin Saif Al Sulaiti announced the adoption of Qatar’s National Artificial Intelligence Strategy, in cooperation with Qatar Computing Research Institute (QCRI), with the participation of a number of senior experts from international universities. ‘This strategy is the first of its kind to be developed in collaboration between the government and a research institute. It aims to adopt artificial intelligence and harness it to secure the economic and strategic future of Qatar as envisaged by Qatar National Vision 2030,’ His Excellency said.

His Excellency stressed that Qatar was at the forefront of the countries that are aware of the importance and advantages of smart cities, where it has already begun to strengthen its infrastructure and enhance the quality of the Internet to become the first country in the world to launch 5G services. Ministries and government agencies have embarked on the adoption of the latest technologies and work systems that will improve the quality of services provided to the public and enhance the lifestyle of individuals in the Qatari community. Qatar seeks to strengthen its regional and international cooperation to provide a safe and strong cyber environment.

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Kuwait Amir: GCC crisis no longer acceptable

Amir of the State of Kuwait H H Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmad Al Jaber Al Sabah (picture) said that the Gulf crisis has weakened the capabilities of the GCC countries and undermined its achievements, stressing that it is now more than ever necessary to discuss ways to keep the Arab level and that the supreme interests of the nation must be placed above all other considerations, pointing in this regard that there is a historical responsibility.

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‘In my personal assessment, all diplomatic issues at the end of the day also see the question of face-saving, therefore a solution necessarily needs to be structured in a way that is a win-win situation for all sides,’ he said.

He noted that awareness was rising that Gulf crisis must end because other issues were so overwhelmingly important that the region could not allow the speechlessness between important players of the region.

He said that in diplomacy there was nothing impossible, ‘Miracles in foreign policy happen if we are optimistic and committed.’

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PM meets ministers participating in QITCOM

The Prime Minister and Interior Minister H E Sheikh Abdullah bin Nasser bin Khalifa Al Thani, with the Minister of Transport of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, Dagnew Miyoga, at Qatar National Convention Center.

H E the Prime Minister with the Minister of Information and Communication Infrastructure of the Republic of The Gambia, Ebirama Silih.

‘Theqa’ launched to boost Qatar’s e-commerce sector


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There’s no doubt that we are in the middle of a decrease in the cost of connectivity, a phenomenon that is being accelerated by the emergence of 5G technology. The commercialisation of 5G will drive the next wave of connectivity, and as a result, a new era of innovation and productivity is expected to emerge, as well as the potential to transform entire industries.

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To enhance traffic safety at roads, the General Directorate of Traffic will take new measures including installation of radars at pedestrian crossing points in the streets to monitor the vehicles that violate the right of pedestrians at safe crossings, said a senior official at the department.

“The new radar would be tested soon after receiving it from the company concerned. It would capture any vehicle violating the rights of pedestrians while crossing from pedestrian crossing points,” said Major General Mohammed Saad Al-Kharji, Director General of Traffic.

Speaking to reporters yesterday on the sidelines of the seminar on ‘Camping Without Accidents’ held at the department headquarters, Al-Kharji said that despite the decline in traffic accidents, injuries and deaths resulting from camping sites, the department continues its awareness campaign to highlight the importance of adhering to traffic rules.

The seminar was attended by hundreds of officials and students and aimed at promoting traffic awareness among the campers and preserve their lives and property. It discussed some negative violations committed at the camping sites, focusing mostly on safety measures which should be followed in riding motorcycles and dune buggies.

Major General Al Kharji called on all those who wish to camp this year to follow the rules and traffic regulations to ensure a camping without accidents and strictly adhere to security and safety measures to preserve lives and property.

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Qatar takes part in EU-Arab World Summit

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, H E Sheikh Mohamed bin Abdulrahman Al Thani, met yesterday with the Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the German Parliament, Norbert Roettgen, on the sidelines of the Munich Security Conference Core Group Meeting, which is being held in Doha in cooperation with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. During the meeting, bilateral cooperation relations were reviewed as well as issues of common concern. H E Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs also met with the President of the Kurdistan Region of Iraq, Nechervan Barzani, on the sidelines of the MSC Core Group Meeting.

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Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, H E Sheikh Mohamed bin Abdulrahman Al Thani, during the Munich Security Conference Core Group Meeting at Qatar National Museum.

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The Munich Security Conference had held a different international problems. He said that the participants had come to Doha and presented some countries which could come to Doha and there were some countries which could not. He said that Iran’s Foreign Minister, Dr. Mohammad Javad Zarif, participated in the meeting in Doha and presented his ideas including Hormuz Peace Deal in the presence of EU representatives therefore the Munich Security Conference was working as a bridge-builder. He said that at the end of the day every problem had to be resolved through dialogue. “In the meeting representatives from the European countries were present and the European countries have the experience on how to end dividing lines, mutual threats and confrontations.”

Speaking to reporters yes yesterday on the sidelines of the seminar on ‘Camping Without Accidents’ to launch this year an awareness campaign under the slogan ‘A Strategic Partnership’. The objectives include promoting the concept of social responsibility, the need to adhere to traffic rules during the camping season, and spreading awareness of traffic rules in order to reduce serious phenomena that may cause death and injury among young people.

First Lieutenant Abdul Rahman Al Awadi, an officer at Traffic Studies and Research Department, said that vast majority of traffic accidents recorded last year in the camping areas were minor accidents constituting an average of about 85 percent of the local accidents at those sites. The serious accidents fell to 12 percent in the same period compared to 19 percent in 2016. The Hamad Trauma Center (HTC) receives around 2,000 to 2,500 cases annually.
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Experts in simulation-based medical education (SBE) convened at Weill Cornell Medicine-Qatar (WCM-Q) to share their knowledge at the college’s third annual SBE symposium. Medical professionals from several healthcare institutions in Qatar participated in the event. Speakers from WCM-Q, Hamad Medical Corporation, Sidra Medicine, Qatar University College of Medicine and Pharmacy, Sidra Medicine, University College of Nursing, and College of the North Atlantic – Qatar.

Together, these expert facilitators contributed to a National Qatar Simulation Consortium which has been established to enhance the teaching of simulation-based medicine through the promotion of evidence-based best practices. A simulation-based education utilizes a wide range of hi- and low-tech learning aids and artificially created scenarios to allow medical students to learn and perfect variety of key practical skills in a safe environment.

The environment represents the implementation of SBE, such as limited resources, time, skilled staffing, as well as technical skills such as detecting and setting scenario writing among others. To assist them in prioritizing their needs, and in planning to promote a culture of change, the Simulation Culture Organizational Readiness Survey (SCORS) was selected as the appropriate survey tool to be used in the workshop. In total, 86 physicians, training programs participated, completing the SCORS survey, with the resulting data then analyzed in groups of 12-14 with support from a trained facilitator.

This allowed the participants to identify the challenges they faced and list priorities in change, such as importance of transparency, open communication, feedback, and documenting commitment for changes, considering sustainability, and planning to ensure appropriate manpower, space and facilities.

The event benefited from the participation as a speaker of the world’s leading experts in simulation-based medical education, Professor Dedra Destefan, Professor of Education in Healthcare, Monash University, and Professor of Surgical Education, University of Melbourne, Australia.

Speaking at the event, Prof. Destefan highlighted the importance of faculty development for the implementation of SBE and also discussed the critical need for a framework that would link skills training. She also emphasized the importance of empowering those in charge, in order to optimize the learning of clinical skills. Teaching strategies must incorporate steps that include elements of the development of both cognitive and psychomotor skills.

MoCi recalls Can-AM Ryker Bike 2019 model

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MoCI) in cooperation with SPEED GmbH, the International Office of Can-Am (Qatar) announced the recall of Can-AM Al Rihab motorcycle model of 2019 due to potential defect in the wheel nut that may crack and result in loss of control and accident.

The recall campaign comes within the framework of the Ministry’s continuous efforts to protect consumers and ensure that car and bike dealers follow up on vehicle defects and recalls. The recall campaign aims to reach out to the 40 consumers affected by the recall of Can-AM Al Rihab bike by informing about the recall and the necessary procedures. Dealers will communicate with consumers and arrange for necessary repairs are carried out.

Al Khor Mall staff during the Breast Cancer Awareness campaign.

MoCi staffs are currently advertising the breast cancer awareness campaign to educate Qataris on the importance of early detection and screening. MoCi wants Qataris to know that the awareness and prevention of breast cancer starts with them. MoCi will continue to work closely with Qatar Cancer Society to promote breast cancer awareness and prevention across the country.

Urinary Stone and Bariatric Surgery centres at Al Wakrah Hospital receive international accreditation

The grand opening of Hamad Bin Khalifa University’s (HBKU) bookstores was launched on Saturday. The opening of the HBKU Press’s bookstore in Minaretein Mall aims to create a platform to participate in the local and international publishing landscape in Qatar."
Qatar Airways announced that it has signed an interline agreement with Sky Express, which will enable Qatar Airways passengers to benefit from access to 24 exciting new destinations in Greece including Santorini, Crete and many other destinations on Sky Express’ domestic network.

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UDC launches The Pearl-Qatar’s Seabed Clean-up campaign.

CNA-Q receives accreditation from NEBOSH.

The Embassy of Peru in Qatar has presented Qatar National Library (QNL), with a number of valuable books about various topics, including the history and culture of Peru. The books were delivered by Jose Benzaquen Perea, Ambassador of Peru, in a meeting with Dr. Sohar Wadanay, the Executive Director of Qatar National Library.

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The State of Qatar renewed the call for unconditional dialogue with the blockade countries to resolve the fabricated crises that the country is facing as a result of policies based on the international will and disregard for international law. Qatar reiterates its readiness to play its role as a mediator in the region to achieve a political solution that meets the aspirations of all Yemenis, facilitate the arrival of humanitarian aid and the distribution of fuel in Yemen, which made a difference in the status of electricity, she added. She also noted Qatar’s support for UN temporary employment programs in the Gaza Strip. She added that it will continue to work with partners in the international community to push forward all efforts to lead a comprehensive, just and lasting solution to the Palestinian cause and to achieve stability and peace in the entire region.

Regarding Syria, Ambassador H E Sheikh Alaia reiterated Qatar’s call for a political solution to the crisis in Syria, and said that the blockade countries are still looking for their right to security and peace and a political solution that meets the legitimate aspirations of the Syrian people. She also expressed Qatar’s support for the efforts of the Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for Libya Ghassan Salame’s efforts.

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An open mic revolution in Lebanon

Lebanese anti-government protesters celebrate the resignation of Prime Minister Saad Hariri in the southern city of Sidon yesterday.

The complaints underscore a pillar of the protests in Lebanon: the economic divide in Lebanon, where a majority of the population survives on a few hundred dollars a month, while much of Parliament is composed of billionaires. The past two prime ministers, Hariri and Najib Mikati, had both been billionaires.

Both have amassed fortunes in the telecom industry, while Lebanese pay some of the highest phone bills on earth. The tax on WhatsApp calls, announced by the telecom minister, is an effort to family-owned companies worth hundreds of millions of dollars, is what sparked so many protests.

“Have you ever paid a phone bill or a hospital bill in your life?” several protesters asked.

Many addressed politicians by name, a tabo in Lebanon where corruption is frequently discussed, but often in general terms. The ruling class silence on the airwaves was interrupted by a brief, recorded speech by President Michel Aoun, who claimed he was already fighting corruption as a key demand of the protesters.

“Do you know how to do is employ your own family,” a young man said, referring to the speech. The president’s son-in-law, who has also served as energy and telecom minister, has spearheaded a number of controversial infrastructure projects, and is widely mocked for his unmet promises such as a pledge to rehabilitate Lebanon’s electricity grid and ensure 24-hour electricity by the end of the year.

With the revolution in the airwaves was a crowd chanting: “Christians and Muslims together, the politicians.”

Why America needs a hate speech law

As usual, a protest is taking shape on the wrong way on the shut down highway to Beirut, and once, on the way to somewhere to be found. Anyone who has ever lived in Lebanon knows how politicians carry our daily lives. Their posters and party logos adorn thousands of billboards on the streets; their chest pounding and finger-waving speeches are all over television and radio. Meanwhile, our cameras show us the evening news, our physical loneliness completely colored by them, their loyal pundits and the talk show hosts that welcome them with open arms on their programmes, often laughing and smiling. This has been the case for decades, not years. So much so that any average Lebanese can recognise the politicians’ voices if the news is on in another room. But over the last week, that situation has changed drastically.

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Harvard University debuting team won QatarDebate’s Arabic Debating Championship 2019

Dr. Maarafi: I love women and I love their strength. The women with breast cancer," says Dr. Maarafi. "In the medical community, the woman is defined only by the lump in her breast. They often forget that a woman is a human being, her friends, her career – all of these are different facets of a woman. If someone asked me, how far are we willing to go to reach these groups, especially children, in conflict zones?"

Dr. Maarafi also expressed pride that QatarDebate had marked an achievement that was on the history of Qatar Foundation, which crossed the continent to spread the Arabic language through debate.

"The dream of contacting their personal physicians to talk about the duration of the upcoming CT scan session and its results – without being able to talk to her,” said Kim Chang, m/s Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to Qatar. "It is my great pleasure to welcome QatarDebate to its 10th Anniversary Night of Classical Music with Korean Artists. It prepared this special event to show Korean culture with QatarDebate’s diplomatic mission and the Korean community in Doha," said Kim Chang, m/s Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to Qatar.

"Korea is now widely known for its pop music, but at the same time, many Korean classical musicians have long been loved by classical music fans around the world," said the ambassador of the Korean National Day celebration featured Doha-based Korean musicians Sonja Park and Kim Nayoung on piano, Lee Eunyoung and Shin Jhonne on flute, Kim Tae Young on violin. Lee Eunyoung and Kim Ji Young's cellpohs told the audience their great talent and uniqueness in their interpretation of famous composers by celebrating musicians from around the world, including Korean classical music's Kim Nayoung. "This year marks the 45th anniversary of diplomatic relations between Korea and Qatar," said Maarafi.

"We were delighted with this combination because it is a meaningful composition by Philippe Gaubert," said Kim Chang. "The piece that is being admired is ‘Olive Oletto Fantasie for two Flutes and Clarinet’ by French musician Philippe Gaubert. Sonja Park's performance of Nocetto Fantasie for two Flutes and Clarinet was opened by Lee Eunyoung and Sonja Park's performance of Nocturne in Allegro Scherzando by Spanish composer Morales and Philips Gardesar. Award-winning young singer Mai Park Thorpeley played The Lark. By Russian composers Mikhail Glinka and Mihail Bukovsky to the delight of thecrowd.

"This year marks the 45th anniversary of diplomatic relations between the Republic of Korea and the State of Qatar, and the relations of the two friendly countries have never been stronger. In January, H H Amir Sheikh Tahnoun bin Abdullah Al Nahyan paid a successful visit to Korea, followed by H E the Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai, Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, who paid a successful visit in Dubai. We are working together to strengthen the friendship and cooperation between our two countries," the ambassador said.

"I hope that the various Korean theatrical and musical performances that are going to be presented during the event will contribute to the image of Qatar as a country that is more connected and stronger. I hope that the audiences will enjoy the event and that the visit to Qatar will bring our two countries closer together," added the ambassador.

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The members of the debating team of Harvard University with the moment after securing first place in the QatarDebate’s First US Debate Championship 2019. 

Qatar ranks in the top five at-risk countries for malicious URLs, malware threats

Trend Micro Incorporated, a global leader in cybersecurity solutions, has released its annual report ahead of QICTOM that Qatar ranks in the top five most-at-risk countries in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) in malicious URLs accessed by people in the country. This is an increase over tenfold over the same time period. These figures are based on the Trend Micro Hosted Threats: Pareto Effects 2019 Midyear Security Briefing.

"Sophistication and stealth is the name of the cybersecurity game today, as corporate technology and criminal attacks become more connected and smarter," said Aigital Qatar, Country Manager – Qatar. "Trend Micro. Qatar ranking in the top just in Qatar suggests that cyber threats underscored that Qatar is making it a safer place to do business. The cyber ecosystem in Qatar is also expanding their cyber threat landscape, with the Qatar Micro is exhibiting under ‘the Art of Cybersecurity’ with an art commission to process and interpret 400 million pieces of global cybersecurity data.\]
**PM Hariri resigns as Lebanon crisis turns violent**

**AP PHOTO/REUTERS**

Lebanon's Prime Minister Saad Al Hariri handing over his resignation letter to President Michel Aoun at the Baabda Palace in Baabda, Lebanon, yesterday. Right: Lebanese men fight during clashes between demonstrators and counter-protesters in the centre of the capital Beirut yesterday.

*Street won*: Protesters celebrate

With raised fists, traditional ‘dabkeh’ dances and broad smiles, thousands of Lebanese celebrated Prime Minister Saad Hariri’s offer to resign Tuesday after nearly two weeks of unprecedented protests. Across Lebanon, demonstrators filled main squares in their thousands, waving Lebanese flags and celebrating their first major win since the protest movement was launched on October 17.

The northern city of Tripoli — a stronghold of President Michel Aoun’s Future Movement — saw one of the largest turnouts, with hundreds releasing red, white and green balloons — the colours of the Lebanese flag. “Our revolution is not over,” they chanted, after Hariri said he was submitting his government’s resignation in response to pressure from the street.

“What happened today is a big achievement for the revolution,” said Mohammad. “It has moved forward. It ended the uncertainty.”

President Michel Aoun, a political ally of Hezbollah, could now either accept Hariri’s resignation and begin consultations to form a new government, or ask him to rethink. It increasingly looks to be a month-long process, following days of impromptu concerts.

On Tuesday, some protesters even called on the leadership of Hariri’s Future Movement to join in the festivities. Demonstrators distributed traditional Arabic souvenirs, coffee and corn on the cob, while some hailed the prime minister’s “brave” move. But many said their work was unfinished: “This revolution is over but it’s not enough; it’s only one part of a larger list of demands,” said Tima Samir, a 35-year-old mother of two.

*Syrian and Turkish armies in deadly border clash*  

**AP PHOTO/REUTERS**

The armies of Syria and Turkey traded deadly fire yesterday for the first time since Ankara launched an anti-Kurdish offensive in early October. The Turkish military and its Syrian proxies launched an offensive against Kurdish forces in northeastern Syria on October 9 with the aim of creating a buffer zone roughly 30km deep. The withdrawal of armed units from territory where a security corridor should be created has been completed ahead of time,” Shugou said, as quoted by Russian news agencies.

He added that Syrian border guards and Russian military police had been deployed in the area. Earlier this month, Kurdish forces agreed to withdraw from a 120km long, Arab-majority segment of the 440km border zone, but clashes have been reported since. The Turkish president said joint Russian and Turkish patrols would be deployed instead.

The situation was complicated by clashes between Syrian and Turkish forces.

Russia: Kurdish fighters left Syrian border as deadline expires

**AP PHOTO/REUTERS**

Syrian Kurdish fighters completed their withdrawal from a border corridor of Syrian-Turkish border ahead of a deadline agreed between Moscow and Ankara, according to a Syrian Kurdish minister.

The withdrawal of Kurdish fighters was meant to clear the border area of any Kurdish forces that could pose a threat to the Turkish border. The Kurdish forces were asked to leave the border area as part of a deal reached in September between Ankara and Moscow.

Under the accord struck a week ago between the presidents of Turkey and Russia, Syrian Kurdish forces were to withdraw from a strip of land on the border south of the border area. Kurdish forces had said they would not leave the border area until a new security plan had been agreed.

Hamas says ready for Palestinian polls

**AP PHOTO/GAZA CITY**

Gaza’s Hamas rulers say they’re ready to hold Palestinian elections — a potentially significant step that could help end a 12-year rift with the rival Palestinian Authority.

However there was no indication whether the meeting overcame the obstacles that have scuttled similar pacts in the past.

The announcement on Monday night came after a meeting with the head of the Palestinian Central Election Commission, Hanuma Nuseir.

In 2006, the group seized control of Gaza from the forces of President Mahmoud Abbas’ Fatah party. Attempts at reconciliation and holding new elections have repeatedly failed, leaving the Palestinians divided between two governments, one in Gaza and the other in the West Bank.

Israel’s Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu plans to shift funds designated for civilian purposes to military spending to try to curb severe budget deficits, a senior government official said yesterday.

“Netanyahu in a speech did not specify the amount of the funds to be transferred or the need to be moved,” said the official.

Netanyahu’s government has been unable to rein in a budget hole, delaying a parliament vote of approval on next year’s budget. Political analyst Michael Kunitzky said: “It looks like there is a big problem.”

Kunitzky said Israel is in its 12th year with a deficit and the Israeli currency has been performing poorly.

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Tunisia dismisses foreign defence ministers

**REUTERS**

Tunisia President Kais Saied made his first major decision as head of state yesterday, approving the replacement of the foreign and defence ministers as the new government prepares for coalitions talks.

Saied was elected president in elections on October 13, and was invested last Wednesday as head of state that in Tunisia’s political system gives him the power to dismiss ministers.

Moreover, while the presi- dent is the most senior directly elected official, most power is held by a governing coalition that requires a parliamentary majority.

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With the parliament deeply divided, Saied named only 52 of the 217 seats, however, any new government could require complex and potentially lengthy negotiations.

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Mozambique’s main opposition party calls for appeals result

**REUTERS**

Mozambique’s main opposition party Renamo yesterday appealed against the result of the Oct. 15 general election, calling on the “government to settle the court and accord incriminated President Filipe Nyusi its due process.”

Nyusi and his ruling Frelimo party won the election, which was helped by calm elections in Mozam- bique to become a top global gas exporter. Instead, the court result has stoked divisions as opposition parties had feared.

“We want the election results respected,” said “

Populist cleric joins Iraq protests as crisis deepens

Populist Iraqi cleric Moqtada Sadr joined thousands of demonstra- tors in the holy city of Najaf yesterday amid a spiralling political crisis sparked by anti-government protests.

At least 300 people have died and 8,000 have been wounded since demonstrations broke out on October 1 over unemployment and corruption, before evolving into calls for the government to quit.

Sadr, an ex-militiaman with a cult-like following in swaths of Iraq has sparked demands for Prime Minister Abdel Mahdi’s resignation in early parliamentary elections.

Yesterday, he was spotted among thousands of gover- nment demonstrators in his native Najaf, a holy city in southern Iraq. He was seen in a white car in the city just past airport sources said he had landed from neighboring Syria.

Sadr himself is one of the current government’s two main sponsors, after his Saeroon bloc won the largest share of parlia- ment’s 329 seats in a vote last year.

But he reversed in support of an initial six-day wave of protests that rocked the country early this month and resounded last month. Demonstrators have so far been unimpressed by promises, and have looked for more social reforms.

Instead, they have increased pressure for early elections.

Fatah – the political branch of the Hashed al-Shaabi paramilitary force – backs the govern- ment. Several Polish offices have been torched in recent days as the protests spread, observers say is likely an esca- lation of the rivalry between Sadr and the Hashed.

Abdel Mahdi has urged Sadr to agree with Fatah chief Haider Al-Abadi on a way forward.

“If the goal of elections is to change the government, there is no other way than to make Mr. Abadi in a new government,” the prime minister wrote in a letter to the cleric. “Once this agreement is reached, the prime minister can submit his resignation and the new govern- ment can be formed.”

The chaotic protest movement is unprecedented in Iraq, both because of its appar- ently independent natures and the ensuing violence.

The first wave of protests started October 1.25 million people died, mostly protesters in Baghdad, according to a gov- ernment probe which acknowl- edged “excessive force” was used.

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Many of Baghdad’s Islamic State followers also called for bin Laden’s death.

Terrorist raids in central Nigerian Kogi State allowed more than half a million people to escape from pressure, said the coun- try’s prison service said yesterday.

A Turkish newspaper said 131 people died in the attack. “Almost all those killed were by armed forces,” the newspaper said.

Some died in a government prison, while others were killed in the attack.

There have been conflicting reports before whether Baghdadi was still alive.

At least 33 killed in landslide in west Cameron

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In the northeastern state of Adamawa, more than 40 villages have been completely destroyed or by displaced by disasters in recent days, local news reports said.

More than 100 inmates escape Nigeria prison after torrential rain

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European Parliament members in Kashmir in rare foreign visit

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A group of European Parliament members arrived in Jammu and Kashmir yesterday, the first foreign delegation to travel to the disputed region since India stripped it of its semi-autonomous status and imposed a harsh crackdown in early August. The delegation, consisting of 15 MEPs, was led by Sajjad Karim, a Pakistani member of the European Parliament. The visit comes a day after the region witnessed a complete shutdown as protests continued against Indian atrocities in occupied Kashmir.

The delegation, which arrived in Srinagar yesterday, is the first to visit the region since India denied access to the EU delegation a day after protests broke out. The group will meet with local leaders, activists, and journalists to gain a better understanding of the situation in the region.

The delegation is expected to discuss issues such as human rights, freedom of speech, and the future of the region. The MEPs also plan to visit the Baltistan region, which is a part of Pakistan-administered Kashmir, to meet with local leaders and activists.

Meanwhile, the United Nations has expressed concern yesterday about the human rights situation in the region. The Secretary-General of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights said that the region is being deprived of a wide range of human rights and urged Indian authorities to unlock the situation and fully restore the rights that are currently being curtailed.

The Modi-led government has decided that Kashmir’s semi-autonomy could achieve greater economic development and progress. In this context, the visit of the EU delegation is significant as it could help bring about a lasting solution to the conflict.

The delegation is expected to leave for New Delhi today after a meeting with the Indian government. The visit is a significant step towards resolving the long-standing conflict in the region.

Cong keeps watch on Shiv Sena’s moves in Maharashtra

The Congress party has been keeping a close watch on the moves of the Shiv Sena in Maharashtra. The party has been monitoring the Sena’s activities and is planning to take appropriate action if necessary.

In the recent Assembly elections, the Shiv Sena had won 12 seats while the Congress had won 11 seats. The BJP had won 104 seats, making it the single largest party in the Assembly.

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Pakistan traders strike over steps to boost taxes

The two-day strike is the latest in an ongoing series of protest actions by traders against the Pakistani government. The current strikes follow a series of measures introduced by the government to boost tax revenues and combat corruption. These measures include increasing sales taxes and introducing a value-added tax (VAT), which has added significantly to the cost of living for many people in the country. The traders argue that these measures are disproportionately impacting small and medium-sized businesses, which account for a significant portion of the country's GDP and employment.
The death toll from a strong earthquake in the southern Philippines has risen to seven, disaster and police officials said yesterday, as aftershocks continued to be recorded.

The 6.6 magnitude quake hit early yesterday, damaging buildings, toppling power lines and triggering landslides in the central area of the Philippines' southern island of Mindanao, where a 64-year-old man and his 44-year-old father were among those who were killed in the disaster.

Several people were hurt and three were trapped by a building collapse, disaster officials said. Authorities said the death toll could further increase as many injured were not immediately brought to hospitals.

Karnchan Phongkham of the Seismological Research Institute, said the second powerful quake struck 215km southeast of the capital, Bangkok, at 6:17am.

The tremor, which was magnitude 5.4, was felt by several provinces.

A resident waits at a destroyed houses after a 6.5-magnitude earthquake hit Tuba, Benguet province, the southern island of Mindanao yesterday.

A year on from Lion Air crash, Indonesian pray for victims

One year after a Lion Air plane crash that killed 189, relatives and friends of victims held prayer vigils and cast flower petals into the Java Sea at the site where the budget carrier's Boeing 737 MAX jet went down beneath the waves.

The almost new Boeing Co plane had been flying from the Indonesian capital Jakarta to the town of Pangkal Pinang, on the Bangka Belitung islands, when it crashed within minutes of take-off.

"We cannot be forgotten because it was such a tragic and unbelievable event," said Epi Sumardi, whose son was among the more than 189 who died.

"We'll continue to mark this day commemorating the victims."

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London Fire Brigade criticised for 2017 fire

A report on a deadly apartment block fire in London condemned the Fire Brigade and concluded that fewer people would have died if the building were evacuated more quickly.

The London Fire Brigade said the leaked report, which was published on Wednesday, had previously accused borough commander Commissioner Dany Cotton of “remarkable inactivity” for not investigating the death of a woman who she said did not have any, and that the early hours of the June 14, 2017 blaze that killed at least 72 people in the Grenfell Tower.

Fireservice inquiry

Chairman Sir Marcus Moore-Bick criticised a fire department policy that led to residents in the public housing building being told to stay in their apartments to await rescue.

The order remained in place for nearly two hours after the blaze started and for just 15 minutes after it was extinguished, and was not removed until 7.45 a.m., the report said.

The fire service said that decision could and should have been made earlier, and that it was unlikely to have resulted in fewer fatalities.

Senior fire officer, Alan Leake, said in a hearing before the Grenfell Tower public inquiry that the building was “actively promoted” the fire.

The report concluded the fire started as the result of an electrical fault in a large fridge freezer that was attached to the west side of the tower to provide the electrical power to the building.

Firefighters had responded to a fire at the Grenfell Tower on June 14, 2017, and were battling to get the building under control.

Some activities stopped fire-safe contacts to the local government body responsible for the building even before the blaze.

There was no immediate reaction to the fire report, since it was locked.

Some residents did report fire-safety concerns to the local government body responsible for the building, but were not informed about the investigation.

Moore-Bick said there was compelling evidence that the tower’s external walls were “actively promoting” the fire.

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After four years of arguing over Brexit, almost all British politicians now agree an election is needed to settle the next cycle of inaction that has shocked allies of a country once considered a bastion of stable Western capitalism and democracy.

An election, Corbyn argued, could decide the fate of Brexit as well as the main players – PM Johnson, 55, and his rival Corbyn, 70.

When Johnson’s predecessor, Theresa May, lost an election in 2017, she lost her slender majority – a failure that ultimately prevented her from saying her Brexit deal and sank her political career.

Johnson’s Conservatives are ahead of Labour by an average of about 10 percentage points in polls this month, though polls undersated the support for Brexit in 2016 and admit that the numbers are within, but beside the Brexit furnace.

British MPs from both major parties face a fight on at least three fronts. The Brexit Party led by Nigel Farage will seek to peck Brexit votes, while the Liberal Democrats want to see over winners of Brexit.

Police hunt for brothers after 39 truck deaths

Britain’s Press Association

Poland’s Supreme Court yesterday rejected one of six requests by French authorities to extradite fugitive rapper to face human trafficking charges.

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The Ukrainian army and Moscow-backed separatists said yesterday they had began to withdraw troops from a key area in the war-torn east ahead of a high-stakes summit with Russia.

The long, awaited pullback is being watched closely by the two face-to-face talks between Russian President Vladimir Putin and Ukraine’s Volodymyr Zelensky in an attempt to chart a peace path in the eastern conflict zones.

The conflict in eastern Ukraine launched by Moscow-backed separatists in 2014 is the most serious war in Europe since World War II.

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That proposal was among a series of moves in the run-up to the planned summit, Ukrainian Foreign Minister Dmytro Kuleba said.

The Kremlin said it was a “mistake” not to take into account the “legitimate interests” of both sides. It warned that the Minsk agreements should not be discredited.

The rival forces also need to withdraw their troops from the village of Petrivske in the Donetsk region for the high-profile summit to go ahead.

The German Economy Minister Peter Altmaier stepped down from the government yesterday following the death of a 65-year-old man who was stabbed at a conference yesterday, briefly before he had broken his nose, cuts and bruises.

The attack took place at a conference of the president’s office.

French govt calls to seize firearms to reduce domestic violence

A French government source said yesterday it would call for the interior minister to introduce new legislation for confiscating firearms from individuals who are found to be a danger to society.

French police probe massive cyber attack

Georgian police are investigating a massive coordinated cyber attack that took place on Wednesday, sources said.

The attack was carried out by a group of cybercriminals from China and the US.

Spies chief says right-wing radicalism spreads in Germany

The head of Germany’s domestic intelligence agency said that militant right-wing groups were increasingly spreading their extremist views.

Human rights groups including Amnesty International and the German government are concerned about increasing danger from attackers.

Greek migration overhaul threatens rights. NGO

The Greek government introduced new legislation that would tighten asylum seekers’ conditions, Human Rights Watch said.

Cuba leader raises Russia’s role in US standoff

The Cuban President Miguel Diaz-Canel said yesterday that Cuba is under pressure as US President Donald Trump does not meet the Kremlin’s conditions.

Cuba opposes US military manoeuvres near its island and has called for an end to the arms race.

German Minister breaks nose in fall from stage

A German Economy Minister Peter Altmaier stepped down on Wednesday after he fell from the stage during the “Digital-Gipfel 2019” summit in Dortmund, western Germany.

Reuters TV
defensive

The circled areas of the Russian and the Kırım defensive backfielders have repeatedly failed to pull back troops to the frontline because of changes of gunfire zones in Zolote.

The withdrawal of troops and arms in Zolote,” Lugansk region, Ukraine’s army said.

Putin’s aide Vladimir Surkov expressed satisfaction about the agreement.

REUTERS

The Russian President Vladimir Putin meets with his Cuban counterpart Miguel Diaz-Canel at the Novo-Ogaryovsky state residence outside Moscow, yesterday.

The German Economy Minister Peter Altmaier stumbled on stage at a conference yesterday.

The Kremlin denied the Russianuntary attack in Halle.

The leader of the anti-immigration Alternative for Germany (AfD) in the state of Thuringia, Björn Höcke, said his party had been under pressure to go ahead.

The long-awaited pullback is a precondition for the first summit to go ahead.
A new witness in the impeachment investigation of President Donald Trump rocked the White House yesterday with testimony that he personally listened to Trump pressure Zelensky in a July 25 phone call.

Prosecutors accuse former Trump adviser of trying to walk back on guilty plea

The state of South Dakota asked to let execution proceed

The state of South Dakota asked a judge to reject an inmates' objection to the lethal drug used in his execution.

Winds whip California as 2.5 million people face power cuts

Californians remain without power as PG&E blackouts are expected to continue into the overnight hours.

AP Security

The state House spoke later Thursday to start the massive blackouts this year after deadly wildfires burned in 2017 and 2018 blazed on PG&E power lines.

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Chileans reject Pinera’s concession

Hernando de Soto, president of the University of Santiago. “Ine- ffective and Maduro as a “dictator” kept the opposition parties in the tight corner. They said the event was an “attack” in Brazil’s history: Petrobras CEO

Volunteers are seen removing crude oil spilled at the Pocas beach, municipality of Conde, Bahia state, in Brazil, yesterday.

Oil spill may be worst environmental ‘attack’ in Brazil’s history: Petrobras CEO

Reuters 8 DE JANEIRO

Oil slicks washing up on beaches around the world. More than 2,000km of Brazil’s northeast coastline could be drenched following a major environmental disaster. It is still not clear how much crude oil was used to cause the spill. The specter of the oil slicks has been haunting Brazil for years. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) said that the oil slicks were so large that they cannot be put into “0%” or “5%” category. The EPA is working with the Brazilian government to clean up the oil spill.

Military wants more rules for turbines near nuclear facilities

Reuters 8 DE JANEIRO

The military wants nuclear facilities near nuclear facilities to be more secure. New regulations will be put in place to ensure the safety of the nuclear facilities. The military wants to coordinate with the regulatory authorities to ensure that the nuclear facilities are secure and that the nuclear facilities are protected.

Governing extends protected status for Salvadorans in US

The US government has extended temporary protected status for Salvadorans living in the United States by an additional year, the US ambassador to El Salvador, Ronald Johnson, said in an interview that appeared during a meeting in New York City. The US continues to be the first country to extend the status to Salvadorans, who currently have it and are working to extend it to Salvadorans living in the United States.

Pilot missing after small plane crashes in New Jersey

AP WOODBRIDGE

A small plane crashed and exploded in a residential neighbor- hood in the New Jersey suburb of Framingham, New Jersey, yesterday morning, setting two houses on fire and leaving the pilot unaccounted for. The twin-engine Cessna 404 crashed into the home of the Colonia section of Woodbridge Township, New Jersey, authorities said. No one was injured, but flames spread to another house on fire and damaged the house. Woodbridge Mayor John McCormac said there was no evidence anyone on the ground was injured.

AP WOODBRIDGE

The bidders who win exploration rights in the largest oil bidding round in Brazil’s history: Petrobras CEO

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The US military has stepped up efforts to prevent the use of military helicopters to alert facilities compromise the security of nuclear facilities. The military wants to coordinate with the regulatory authorities to ensure that the nuclear facilities are secure and that the nuclear facilities are protected.

President Donald Trump has shown considerable scepticism toward the refugee crisis,裔 which he described as a “crisis” in the wake of the recent move to revoke the special protected status for Salvadorans in the US. El Salvador’s government has said that it is preparing to open its borders to refugees from other countries.

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Within the framework of increasing energy efficiency and diversifying its resources in the country, Qatar General Electricity and Water Corporation (Kahramaa) represented by the National Program for Conservation and Energy Efficiency ‘Tarsheed’ and QTerminals are collaborating through a unique initiative to conserve and reduce the use of energy resulting from the operation of coastal cranes in Hamad Port to conserve electrical power in the port.

An initial step in this project, eight cranes are being utilized to regenerate power to achieve more than 300kWh per year of electrical energy can be saved from each crane with total saving almost 1.2MW/h per year.

Eng. Abdul Aziz Al Hammadi, Manager of Conservation & Energy Efficiency Department at Kahramaa said in the previous system, the excess power is dissipated as heat energy. Therefore the system is modified to reuse the excess power for other application such as lighting, cooling and other small utility systems within Hamad port.

He added that the National Program ‘Tarsheed’ welcomes cooperation with all sectors of the country to work to raise energy efficiency, save the state’s resources of electricity and water and diversify energy sources in accordance with Qatar National Vision 2030 and the global goals of sustainability.

Abdul Hadi Fahad Al Hajri, Director of Support Services at QTerminals, said that the company aimed to be world-class terminal operator by setting reliability bar with operational excellence and sustainability development.

“We are happy to work with Tarsheed on this initiative so that the whole production of energy also helps in reducing Carbon emissions,” said Al Hajri.

To maximise the power generation and utilise the full capacity of Hamad port three more cranes to be mobilised in the year 2020, bringing the total number of regenerated power cranes to 11.

**Ooredoo showcases innovative Blockchain platform**

Ooredoo, the region’s leading enabler of digital business innovation, announced yesterday at QITCOM the Ooredoo Exchange concept of a new and innovative Blockchain platform for Qatar’s end-users to exchange different digital wallets, loyalty points and reward programmes from any platform and also make instant and digital payments.

In Qatar, merchants of any size or industry vertical can quickly and easily on-board into a safe environment that allows them to accept different digital wallets, loyalty points and digital payments. End users can turn their digital assets into programme agnostic digital tokens, which can then be used for any loyalty programmes or digital wallet or be converted into digital payments.

Ooredoo’s Chief Operating Officer, Yousuf Abdulla Al Kubaisi, said: “In response to feedback from our customers, Ooredoo Exchange aims to solve three main customer challenges. Each of interoperability among different digital wallets and loyalty points, instant payment as another option besides redemption and make the merchants on-board into different wallet, loyalty and reward programmes faster.

Ooredoo Exchange is built on R3, Corda Enterprise, a next-generation Blockchain platform and is developed by InobitU, a financial technology consultancy.
What science say about age-old health adages

Ginger relieves nausea

This remedy has strong roots. More than 5,000 years ago, people from India and China used ginger as a tonic to ease many ailments. The root is nourishing and well-established historical use is to alleviate nausea and vomiting. Today, many clinical studies support the use of ginger for exactly these kinds of effects. Research shows that ginger helps relieve nausea and vomiting caused by motion sickness, morning sickness in pregnancy, during chemotherapy treatment and post-surgery after abdominal surgery. It’s thought that the constituents in ginger – including gingerols and shogaols – help soothe gastric emptiness, relieving where nausea. Some people use ginger to help with nausea, while others prefer to take a ginger capsule, and studies show that both options can be effective. My mom used to open a can of ginger ale when I was queasy. While she was on the right track, it turns out many soda brands use artificial flavoring rather than real ginger, so those are at little benefit.

Carrots are good for your eyes

The ancient Romans traced back to World War II. In 1940, British Royal Air Force pilots began using “Men at War” to shave down enemy planes in the dark. To keep this new technology a secret, the Ministry of Information’s propaganda was that the pilots had great visual accuracy because they ate carrots, which improved their night vision. It seemed plausible, too, because carrots are rich in the antioxidant beta carotene, the precursor to vitamin A. Once absorbed by the body, vitamin A helps make rhodopsin, a pigment that helps vision work better in low light. Carrots can help if you have vitamin A deficiency that causes poor night vision, but of course they really can’t help you if your Air Force pilot’s see in complete darkness. So, yes, carrots are good for eye health, but other foods rich in beta carotene, such as sweet potatoes, squash and leafy green vegetables, have similar benefits.

Carrots contain high levels of certain nutrients, including vitamin A. As mentioned above, one of the primary benefits of eating organic is lower levels of pesticides. However, despite popular belief, organic farms use pesticides. The difference is that they only use naturally-derived pesticides, rather than the synthetic pesticides used on conventional commercial farms. Organic pesticides are believed to be less toxic.

Organic meat, dairy, eggs

- Livestock are all grown in organic and - GMO-free feedlots.
- Disease is prevented with natural methods such as clean housing, rotational grazing, and healthy hand weeding, mulching, and tilling.
- Pests are controlled using natural methods, such as traps, insect and naturally derived pesticides.

Organic food is GMO-free. Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs) or genetically engineered organisms whose DNA has been altered in ways that cannot occur in nature or in traditional crossbreeding, most commonly in order to make them resistant to pesticides or produce an insecticide.

Conclusion

Organic farming is better for the environment. Organic livestock raised for meat, eggs, and dairy products must have access to the outdoors and be given organic feed. They may not be as large, but they are not given antibiotics, growth hormones, or any animal by products.

Organeic vegetables & fruits

- Grown with natural fertilizers, manure, compost, and wheel spinning, and using systems that are likely to reduce pesticide residues.
- Pesticides are controlled naturally (by natural hand weeding, mulching, and tilling).
- Pests are controlled using natural methods, such as traps, insect and naturally derived pesticides.

Organic farming is better for the environment. The use of antibiotics can create antibiotic-resistant strains of bacteria. Organically-raised animals are given more space to move around and access to the outdoors, which help to keep them healthy. Organic meat and milk are richer in certain nutrients. Results of a 2016 European study showed that organic milk, eggs, and meats contained a higher fat content, and that levels of certain nutrients, including omega-3 fatty acids, were up to 50 percent higher in organic meat and milk than in conventionally raised versions.

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