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A general view shows an early morning fog covering the skyline of part of the city of Dubai on Oct 5. (AFP)

Opinion

No compromises on our national security

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NATIONAL security knows no compromises, and there will be no middle ground for this or that group- amid the two options of either sustaining national security or slip into chaos. We have seen the most democratic country in the world suspend human rights to confront internal threats against its existence after some citizens voluntarily went to fight with terrorists. The country in question brought from the shelves primeval laws and activated them, and decided to revoke the citizenship of the culprits, as she pursued and arrested any person its security systems raised doubts against, in terms of supporting terrorist groups.

It is true that the security systems in Kuwait launched a campaign against those who tried to drown the country in a quagmire of chaos and terrorism. In fact, such groups would have drowned the country in the sea of blood if the campaign hadn't been launched, as they eagerly wait day and night for a chance to carry out their vicious plots against Kuwait, and to create a bridge to cross over to other GCC countries to avenge their ally. For this reason, we will not compromise our national security or any incitement against the national unity. Kuwait became an example of national unity to the international community after she paid an expensive price last Ramadan. Is it possible to compromise on this or that or consider the interference of a lawmaker or stakeholder who tries to rescue a person seeking to destroy social stability?

Before any other thing, it is worth mentioning that the anticipatory security action taken by some GCC countries saved them and the entire GCC countries from the terrorist volcano and coups that were planned at the night of the conspiracy. The conspiracies were either planned by the Brotherhood Movement or the agents of Iran but the Gulf countries were able to maintain stability in the entire region while the flame of extremism and sectarian civil war is consuming several neighboring countries.

The countries in question succeeded because they gave no consideration to any sect or faction, and did not target any person in particular while implementing the precautionary measures. The issue is not about dealing with constitutional violation or appointing an incompetent official into a specific position, but rather endangering our collective existence.

We should not forget that we are operating under a fair, transparent and firm judiciary and justice stands as the protector of everybody, meaning that whoever plans to pervert justice through undue interference before judgment delivery knows very well the risk involved in rescuing the situation. A person is afraid of allowing any issue to reach the

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KUWAIT CITY: Kuwaiti and Spanish legal teams have won a court ruling of 19 million euro for **Torrax Hostench**, a subsidiary of the Kuwait Investment Office (KIO), Fatwa and Legislation Chairman Justice **Salah Al-Masad** announced on Monday.
Al-Masad told KUNA that the writ of execution was ordered by a court in **Barcelona**. He added that 28 million euro was deposited as a guarantee to carry out the verdict.
Kuwait Investment Authority (KIA) and its subsidiaries have been countering many legal cases, however, Kuwaiti legal teams in **UK, Switzerland, Spain, US** and the **Bahamas Islands** have been directly dealing with these cases.
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NATO, Turkey warn Russia

Alliance airspace violated

BEIRUT, Oct 5, (Agencies): Turkey warned Russia on Monday against violating its airspace during raids in Syria, as NATO condemned the "extreme danger" of such intrusions and urged Moscow to stop targeting civilians.

Turkey, a NATO member, protested to Moscow after its F-16 jets intercepted a Russian fighter plane that violated its airspace near the Syrian border at the weekend.

Two Turkish jets were also harassed by an unidentified MIG-29 on the Syrian border, Turkey's army said. "Our rules of engagement are clear whoever violates our airspace," said Turkish Prime Minister Ahmet Davutoglu.

"The Turkish Armed Forces are clearly instructed. Even if it is a flying bird, it will be intercepted," he added, while playing down the idea of "a Turkey-Russia crisis".

US Secretary of State John Kerry said the incident

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Parliament 'will' confront FIFA with sport law facts

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KUWAIT CITY, Oct 5: The Parliament Office held a meeting on Monday during which it discussed authorizing MP Abdullah Al-Mayouf and MP Abdullah Al-Turajji to attend the meeting scheduled to be held in Lausanne City on Saturday, Oct 10 and Sunday, Oct 11 in which the two parts of the pertinent crisis - the government represented by Minister of Information and State Minister for Youth and Sports Sheikh Salman Sabah Salem Al-Hamoud Al-Sabah versus the Head of Kuwait Football Association and Chairman of Olympic Committee Sheikh Talal Al-Fahad - will participate.

According to parliamentary sources, both sides will present their pleas based on their respective viewpoints so that FIFA can take a decision regarding the crisis of suspension of Kuwaiti sports activities prior to the grace period allotted by FIFA for the Kuwaiti government to modify

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Crackdown on unlicensed recruiters for domestics

KUWAIT CITY, Oct 5: The Domestic Personnel Department of Ministry of Interior launched an intensive crackdown on domestic personnel recruitment offices in all six governorates in line with Law No. 17/1957 and ministerial Decision No. 617/1992.

According to a press statement issued by Ministry of Interior, the team raided and closed down an unlicensed office in Hawally area after monitoring it through a social networking website and confirming that it was not licensed by the ministry.

The team also raided an event management office that brought domestic personnel into the country illegally without holding the necessary license. It confiscated all the documents that were found inside the office including personnel receipts which the office had issued under the name of another office.

The officers arrested two individuals including a Bedoun who managed an unlicensed domestic personnel recruitment office. Necessary legal procedures

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Night picture of Sharq mall harbor (KUNA - Mustafa Al-Bader)

Al-Jeeran wants more MPs, ministers

Dashti bids to prioritize discrimination law

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KUWAIT CITY, Oct 5: MP Abdulhamid Dashti wants the anti-racial discrimination law which he had submitted in January 2014 to be one of the priorities for discussion during the next legislative term to help the government activate the National Commission for Human Rights law.

He also wants the Bedoun issue to be discussed during the next term, look at the issue from the humanitarian point of view and naturalize those who deserve to be. He said prolonging the solution to the issue is annoying.

Dashti meanwhile warned of the repercussions of the drop in oil prices and the decline in state revenue and to add insult to

injury, he said, we have to put with continued waste and corruption which is deep-rooted in several state institutions which must be addressed by all possible means.

Meanwhile, MP Abdulrahman Al-Jeeran said he plans to submit an amendment to the Constitution to increase the number of MPs and ministers since there is need to form independent and separate ministries such as one for higher education and another for youth and development.

He added this amendment is commensurate with the increase in population which has more than doubled since the Constitution was established.

He said he also wants to seek an amendment to the electoral system so that only those who hold doctorate degrees can contest elections to help MPs legislate scientific laws since we are living in an advanced era.

Al-Jeeran said he knows there are 'those' who are critical of him because of this proposal because it is not in the interest of some to approve this amendment, but the country's interest is greater than everyone.

On another issue, MP Khalil Abdullah Abdullah has forwarded a query to the Minister of Social Affairs and Labor and Minister of State for Planning and Development Hind Al-Subaih on the background of a decision to demolish the Planning Council Secretariat building which was renovated at the cost of KD 3 million.

He said according to a report, the work of renovating the existing Secretariat of Planning and Development building is

nearing completion and at the same time approval has been given by the concerned authorities to demolish the building and rebuild it.

At the moment there is coordination to transfer the Secretariat staff to a rented building until the completion of the demolition and re-construction of the new building.

The lawmaker wants answers for the following questions:

A copy of the renovation contract with explanation to the financial cost since the start of the work on the tender for renovation and completion of work.

He wants to know if there are contracts or other tenders signed on the current Secretariat building such as decoration

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Tax from firms KD 1b

KUWAIT CITY, Oct 5, (KUNA): Finance Undersecretary Khalifa Hamadah said taxes levied by the State from companies operating in the country ranges between KD 800 million and KD one billion annually, according to the new taxes law.

The Ministry will be handed the new taxes draft law from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) by next December, and will be reviewing it during three to four months, the minister said in an interview published by the daily newspaper, Al-Jareeda, on Monday.

All concerned local authorities will take part in examining the draft, he said, naming Kuwait Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Kuwait Banking Association, Union of Investment Companies (UIC), beside others.

The meetings held between the Ministry and the

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Syrian girls write in a classroom on Oct 4, at a primary school in the northern city of Aleppo as the new school year starts. (AFP)

Gulf-plated Kuwaiti hit with \$190,000 in fines

KUWAIT CITY, Oct 5, (AP): A Kuwaiti driver who apparently thought having license plates from another Gulf country would help avoid more than 1,600 traffic citations has been hit with a huge fine.

The state-run Kuwait News Agency says the driver racked up 1,645 different driving violations while traveling under the unnamed Gulf country's plates.

KUNA quoted a statement from an Interior Ministry official, Maj Gen Abdullah Al-Mehanna, as saying that the driver faced over \$190,000 in fines after being caught.

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