

Move to encourage Kuwaiti businessmen to conduct more investments in Tunisia

Tunisian parliament Speaker calls for economic conference with Kuwait

TUNIS, Nov 28, (KUNA): Tunisian parliament Speaker Rashed Ghannouchi called on Wednesday for holding an economic conference between

Kuwait and Tunisia, with the objective of promoting cooperation and partnership. Ghannouchi, in a meeting with Ku-

wait's Ambassador in Tunis Ali Al-Dhefeeri, said Tunisia sought to further cement ties and cooperation with Kuwait, the Embassy of Kuwait said in a

statement. He called for encouraging Kuwaiti businessmen to conduct more investments in Tunisia in a drive to boost economic cooperation and cre-

ate jobs. Ghannouchi said he would push for the implementation of bilateral agreements in a drive to improve investment atmosphere.

The parliament Speaker also increasing the number of Tunisian workforce in Kuwait, and commended Kuwait's philanthropic activities in Tunisia.

Arab Women Foundation honours Kuwaiti minister

'Outstanding role in govt sectors development'



Arab Women Foundation honors Finance Minister Maryam Al-Aqeel.

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LONDON, Nov 28, (KUNA): The Arab Women's Foundation in Britain honored the Kuwait's Minister of Finance Maryam Al-Aqeel, in recognition of her outstanding role in the development of the government sectors.

In a statement to KUNA, Al-Aqeel expressed her happiness with this honor with a group of distinguished Arab women in a number of fields, pointing out that Arab women have become an important and influential element in all aspects of life.

She praised the encouragement of His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah and his keenness to empower Kuwaiti women.

In this context, Minister Al-Aqeel pointed to her personal experience in the government work through holding several senior management positions and responsibilities in Kuwait, praising the confidence given by the political leadership, which enables her to serve her country.

For his part, vice-president and chief executive officer of Regent University in London, Professor Aldwin Cooper said it was important to recognize the pioneering role played by Minister Al-Aqeel at a time when the influence of Arab women is greater than ever.

For his part, Kuwaiti Ambassador to UK Khaled Al-Duwaisan told KUNA that he is proud to participate in honoring Minister Maryam Al-Aqeel, describing her as "diligent and persevering", who has been able to attain the highest leadership positions in the country.

He added that Kuwait is one of the first countries that focused on empowering women and enhancing their role in all fields.



Al-Duwaisan



Tunisian parliament Speaker with Kuwait's Ambassador in Tunis.



Yousef Al-Jassem, former KAC president Sami Al-Nusif with Ahmed Al-Jarallah and other guests at the Kuwaiti pavilion.

Exhibition showcases latest services

KAC participates in 10th 'British Trade Exhibition'

KUWAIT CITY, Nov 28: Kuwait Airways Corporation (KAC) participated in the 10th British Trade Exhibition which is being held in Sheraton Hotel, Kuwait.

According to a press release, the exhibition is being held under the auspices and in the presence of His Highness Sheikh Nasser Al-Mohammad Al-Sabah, as well as in the presence of the British Ambassador to Kuwait Michael Davenport.

KAC has its own pavilion at the exhibition where it showcases the latest services offered to its customers.

The three-day exhibition is being held in light of the celebration of 120-year Kuwait-Britain friendship and solid relations, which is characterized by the constant cooperation and development in various fields.

Also present at the exhibition was the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of KAC Yousef Abdul Hamid Al-Jassem, Assistant Chief Executive

Officer of KAC Customer Service Fawzi Khorshid, and Editor-in-Chief of Arab Times and Al-Seyassah newspapers Ahmed Al-Jarallah.

Meanwhile, Kuwait Airways Corporation (KAC) denied the information being circulated that claim State Minister for Economic Affairs and Acting Minister of Finance Mariam Al-Aqeel fired a number of employees of KAC, and appointed others.

In a press release, KAC insisted that none of the employees, pilots or engineers have been fired, clarifying that these tasks are part of the duties of the Board of Directors, which currently does not plan to end the services of any of pilots, engineers or employees.

The KAC Board of Directors affirmed its commitment to preserve its employees' job security, and deal with all the employees in line with the relevant laws and provisions

'Suitable and optimal' for Arabs, regional neighbors

Arab and Int'l Council calls for security system

BEIJING, Nov 28, (KUNA): The Chairman of Arab and International Relations Council Mohammad Al-Saqer called Wednesday for the establishment of a regional security system "suitable and optimal" for the Arab region and its regional neighbors.

The call for the regional security system takes into account the "ambitions of the expansion of non-Arab neighboring countries" through a clear definition of regional and Arab security and similar to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE).

In a speech delivered at the opening session of the Middle East Security Forum held in Beijing entitled "Middle East Security, Challenges and Solutions", Al-Saqer stressed on the necessity of conceptualizing the relations of countries in the region with international organizations, international blocs, major powers and regional powers and how to develop defenses, in addition to activating ending disputes policy.

Al-Saqer called as well for attention and to focus on spreading political awareness among the peo-



Chairman of the Arab and International Relations Council Mohammad Saqer delivering a speech at the forum.

ples of the region on the ideas of common destiny, economic integration, unity and cohesion of national security in order to stabilize the region's security and to avoid the continuation of internal unrest and power struggles between countries, including conflicts and interventions.

He also called for developing a plan of action based on concerted collective efforts to achieve Arab-Arab and Arab-regional reconciliation, predominance of good-neighborly policy among the countries of the region, an economic vision for each state, and a clear vision for its promo-

tion, as well as spreading the right religious awareness and combating extremism.

Al-Saqer added the "difficult" situation and crises witnessed by most countries in the Middle East region, which culminated in recent years, are "comprehensive crises that undermine political systems and stability, and the safety of countries, their unity and solidarity of societies."

He pointed out in the same context that "these dimensions and repercussions are not the result of the time experienced by the current generation or the product of a particular event or a crisis of transient crises faced by peoples or a single political problem, but the product of long accumulations, some of it come from a political nature and some of an ideological nature."

Al-Saqer summarized the challenges facing the countries of the region in the political, social and security turmoil in many countries of the region due to the failure to manage the economic development and human rights issues, and the intensification of international and regional conflict over the countries in the region.

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Al-Shaheen praised the recent ruling of the Cassation Court on the appointments in the Experts Section at the Ministry of Justice.

However, Al-Shaheen wondered why the court expanded the ruling to include all appointment decisions taken since 2014. He pointed out that the issue is now in the hands of the ministry, which should study the decisions individually in order to distinguish the legal and illegal appointments. He also affirmed discussing the issue with the concerned minister earlier and the latter promised to look into it.

Al-Shaheen said the court fulfilled its obligation in confronting illegal appointments and the relevant institutions should do their part by scrutinizing appointment decisions to punish those behind anomalous procedures and to prevent the recurrence of such cases.

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Road. During the civil war, that thoroughfare had connected predominantly Muslim neighborhoods in the city's west with Christian areas in the east.

Intense clashes took place Tuesday night between people in the Shiite suburb of Chiyah and the adjacent Christian area of Ein Rummaneh, where stones were hurled between supporters of Hezbollah and rival groups supporting the right-wing Christian Lebanese Forces. A shooting in Ein Rummaneh in April 1975 triggered the 15-year civil war that killed nearly 150,000 people.

Also on Tuesday night, supporters and opponents of Aoun engaged in fistfights and stone throwing in the northern city of Tripoli, Lebanon's second largest, injuring 24 people. Seven were hospitalized.

In the mountain town of Bikfaya, 10 people were injured, including five who were hospitalized, after scuffles and stone throwing between Aoun's supporters and supporters of the right-wing Christian Lebanese Phalange Party, according to the Red Cross. The violence broke out after a convoy of dozens of vehicles carrying Aoun supporters drove into the town, which has been historically a Phalange stronghold.

On Thursday, about 300 women marched on the former front line between Ein Rummaneh and Chiyah after meeting each other in the middle and exchanging white roses. Some held banners that read: "All one nation" and "All one pain."

"No to civil war!" they shouted.

But in the absence of a government and any political solution, analysts say more turmoil and instability is inevitable.