



The 44th meeting of AUE Board of Directors

GCCIA JOINS ARAB ELECTRICITY UNION

AMMAN: Arab Union for Electricity (AUE) has accepted Gulf Cooperation Council Interconnection Authority (GCCIA) as an effective member to promote Arab joint cooperation in the field of electricity. The 44th meeting of AUE Board of Directors also approved a training program, which will be organized by Jordan's National Electric Power Company (NEPCO) and United Nations Economic and Social Commission for West Asia (ESCWA), AUE Secretary General Fawzi Kharbat said.

He added that the meeting agreed to update database of power plants in

the Arab world; in addition, it discussed AUE's general budget for 2015. Jordanian Energy Minister Ibrahim Saif stressed in his opening remarks at the meeting the importance of promoting Arab joint work in the electricity field to face any shortcomings. He added that Arab interconnection power project is essential to providing for better economic and social living in the Arab World.

On his part, AUE President and Qatar General Electricity and Water Corporation chairman Essa Bin Hilal Al-Kuwari lauded all efforts made to

improve the performance of AUE and encouraged to bring new ideas to the table to achieve more development. Arab Union of Electricity was established in 1987 as a gesture of a group of Arab electrical companies with the purpose of strengthening ties between members to improve power manufacturing in the Arab World. AUE is situated in Amman, Jordan. It consists of 19 countries which are: Jordan, UAE, Bahrain, Tunisia, Algeria, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syria, Iraq, Sultanate of Oman, Palestine, Qatar, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Egypt, Morocco, Mauritania and Yemen. —KUNA

KUWAIT URGES REGIONAL, GLOBAL COOPERATION AGAINST TERRORISM

NEW DELHI: Kuwait has urged further regional and global cooperation to counter terrorism, and its root causes. The call was made by Chairman of the Appeals Chamber in the Kuwaiti Justice Ministry Counselor Ali Musaed Al-Dhabibi in his address to the 55th annual meeting of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO) held in New Delhi on



NEW DELHI: Chairman of the Appeals Chamber in the Kuwaiti Justice Ministry Counselor Ali Musaed Al-Dhabibi addressing the 55th annual meeting of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO).—KUNA

Wednesday. Terrorism has come to constitute a major phenomenon of grave consequences and has had wide impacts "proving it has no boundaries, regional or religious," he said. Al-Dhabibi arrived in New Delhi on Monday leading a Kuwaiti delegation to the event.

He reiterated Kuwait's support to Palestine, urging the AALCO leadership to carry on with backing the decade-long cause. Kuwait is certain that the just demands of the Palestinian people, self-determination, improving their livelihood and providing them with security and peace, are basics of human civilization, he said. Al-Dhabibi noted that the Palestinian issue has been on the top of AALCO's agenda ever since its 27th meeting held in Singapore in 1988. In addition, he stressed the fact that Kuwait has been a staunch supporter of the Palestinians' rights over long years.

Meanwhile, Al Dhabibi appreciated AALCO's efforts to achieve stronger relations and understanding among the member states, and to help them formulate "foolproof opinions and directions over issues of global concern." Following the historic Bandung Conference, Indonesia, April 1955, the Asian Legal Consultative Committee (ALCC) was formed, November 1956 with India, Iraq, Japan, Egypt, Syria, Indonesia, Myanmar and Sri Lanka as the founding members. It was renamed as the Asian-African Legal Consultative Committee (AALCC) in 1958.—KUNA

EX-MINISTER EXONERATED

By A Saleh

KUWAIT: The Cassation Court has exonerated former Minister Mohammad Al-Sanousi and his son from embezzling public funds through the financial discrepancies in the Showbiz case. The court had earlier suspended the jail sentence of Shaker Al-Othman and Ziyad Al-Sanousi.

Kuwaiti found drowned

Rescue teams and the Coast Guard found a Kuwaiti youth who drowned near Bneid Al-Qar. The man (born in 1994) was found dead. Criminal detectives were called in to recover the body.

Drug suspects nabbed

Drugs Control Department arrested 14 persons including seven Egyptians, a Syrian and six Asians for trading on drugs. A security source said 500g heroin, 850 Tramadol tablets, 130g shabu and 20g hashish were confiscated. He added that eight persons are being deported for helping the drug dealers. In another development, Farwaniya police have arrested a Kuwaiti youth who was found in an abnormal condition. Police found drugs in his possession. The suspect was also posing as a policeman and had a car with a stolen license plate.

Crime

Report

'CROSS-DRESSER' ARRESTED

KUWAIT: Police have arrested a 'cross-dresser' in Salmiya. The police patrol spotted a suspicious vehicle and asked the driver to stop. They checked the car with tinted glass and found 'cross-dresser' inside women belongings.

Under drug influence

A man who was under the influence of drugs was arrested with 72 illicit tablets. Jahra security operatives noticed a man in a miserable condition so they stopped him for questioning. The suspect happened to be an ex-convict on drugs cases. He was sent to Drugs Control General Department.

Officer injured

An officer in Ahmadi was hurt when a 4WD vehicle driver attempted to escape from patrol officers following a string of reckless driving. Police responded to a call about the reckless driver, so he was chased. His vehicle hit a patrol car carrying a 1st Lieutenant after one of his tires exploded. When the officer came out of his car to arrest the driver, he hit him and injured him slightly.

Woman accuses husband

A woman accused her husband of stealing KD 1700 from her closet, according to a complaint she filed at Fintas police station. The husband denied the accusation, but she said she is sure he is the culprit. The woman claimed the husband is the only one who knows where the money was kept. Police are investigating.

MOCK EXERCISE

By Hanan Al-Saadoun

KUWAIT: The Civil Defense Department conducted a mock exercise at Crowne Plaza hotel with the participation of the explosives department at the special services directorate, fire department and medical emergencies of the Health Ministry. The exercise was about a fire in the hotel kitchen resulting to injuries. The hotel was evacuated and the injured were taken by ambulance to the hospital.



Egyptian arrested

Drugs Control General Department officials have arrested an Egyptian in Farwaniya area after he sold 1000 Tramadol tablets for KD 1500 to an undercover agent. 26,000 tablets were found in his house. He has been sent to concerned authorities.