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TURKEY ARRESTS 5 OVER QATAR NEWS AGENCY HACKING

DOHA: Qatar said yesterday that Turkey has arrested five people in connection with the alleged hack of Doha's state news agency, an incident which sparked the current Gulf political crisis. The arrests were announced by Qatar's most senior legal figure, Attorney General Ali bin Fetais Al-Marri. "Our friends in Turkey answered us a short time ago," he said in comments published by the Qatar News Agency (QNA). "Five people were arrested and they are being investigated. The prosecutors in Qatar are working with the Turkish authorities to follow the case." The nationality of the suspects was not given.

The alleged hack of the QNA website took place on May 24, attributing explosive political remarks to Qatar's Emir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al-Thani. The remarks covered sensitive regional political subjects such as Iran, Palestinian Islamist group Hamas, Israel and the United States. Less than a fortnight later, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Bahrain and the United Arab Emirates severed ties with Qatar over its ties to Shiite Iran and support for Sunni Islamist extremist groups.

Qatar denies the charges and says Sheikh Tamim did not make the statements, but that the website was hacked. Doha called in the FBI to help with the hacking investigation and has accused the UAE of being behind the cyber-attack. The UAE has denied the claims. — AFP



ARANSAS PASS, Texas: An overturned trailer sits in a park in the wake of Hurricane Harvey yesterday. — AP

CORPUS CHRISTI, United States: Hurricane Harvey left a trail of devastation yesterday after the most powerful storm to hit the US mainland in over a decade slammed into Texas, destroying homes, severing power supplies and forcing tens of thousands of residents to flee. Harvey roared ashore late Friday, first pummeling the town of Rockport as a category four hurricane, packing sustained winds of 215 km per hour. A few hours later it made a second landfall just north of Rockport as a Category Three hurricane, with winds of 125 mph, the National Hurricane Center said.

Over the next hours Harvey lost strength as it moved inland over south Texas and eventually dropped to a still-dangerous Category One storm, with winds of 75 miles per hour. Although the NHC said Harvey was likely to become a tropical storm later in the day, experts said that a vast area of Texas would face potentially devastating floods over the coming days while some communities were hit by localized tornados. Emergency services were struggling to make headway as rains continued to lash down while the coast guard was responding to May Day calls from tugboats caught out at sea.

President Donald Trump, aware of the damage to George W Bush presidency's for his tardy response to Hurricane Katrina, said he was closely monitoring the relief efforts and urged everyone to "Be Safe!" "There's widespread devastation.

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