

Crime

Report

WOMAN FOUND DEAD AFTER NEPHEW'S SUICIDE

**KUWAIT:** A citizen from Yarmouk went to visit a relative to tell her about the death of her nephew, but found her door broken. When she checked, she found a body in a pool of blood in the kitchen with a knife by her side. The woman called police, and officers, detectives and paramedics who responded found that the woman was stabbed three times in the chest. The body was recovered by the coroner, and the case was registered as a homicide. Detectives took over investigations to find out what happened because the victim lived alone and did not hire any domestic helpers. A security source said what is intriguing is that the victim's nephew, who works for the fire department, committed suicide by jumping from a Salmiya building Monday afternoon.

Score settled

Two citizens settled a score with a friend by stabbing him in the shoulder in an Abdaly camp. The victim lodged a complaint at Qashaniya police station. The two suspects fled after the stabbing, while the injured man was taken to Jahra Hospital for treatment.

Bomb found

A citizen was shocked when his shepherd told him he found a foreign object and put it on the roof of his room, only to discover it was a bomb. The Asian man called operations, so Salmi policemen went to the pen, evacuated the site and military engineers dealt with it.

Vehicle on fire

Fire gutted a luxury car on Salem Al-Mubarak Street in Salmiya. The fire department received a call about the fire, so they responded and put out the fire without any injury. A fire source said the car's fuel tank had exploded.

Insult

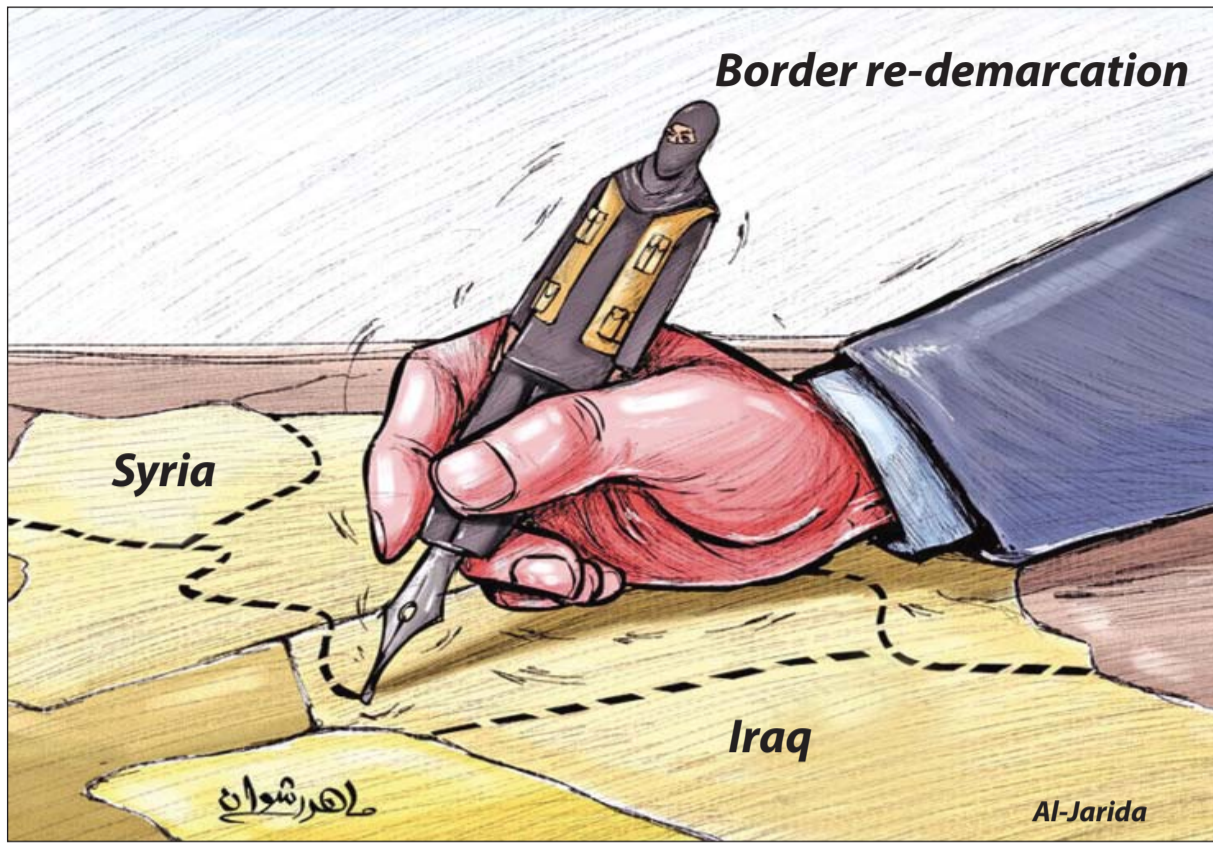
A female citizen was insulted and threatened by two of her friends, who inundated her phone with messages, so she went to Zahra police station to file a report. Police received copies of the messages and the phone numbers used, and are working on the case.

Fight

Two citizens were injured in a fight during which they used sharp objects. The first was injured in the face and the second had a wound in the head. Both were taken to Sabah Hospital, where they were treated. They then exchanged accusations. Legal action is being taken towards them.

Construction material stolen

A thief targeted a building under construction and stole material worth thousands of dinars, as the guard was not at the scene. A security source said the citizen went to Adan police station and told them about the theft in Funaitees. Adan detectives are working on the case. — *Al-Rai*



الجريدة

Al-Jarida

BURNED BREAD

By Saad Al-Mo'tesh

Whenever we hear someone angrily talking about things that do not affect him, we should ask: "What is burning your bread?" In other words, we are asking what damage has been done to him to cause him to complain. It just came to me to ask some people about their burnt bread!

When people talk about dissolving the parliament, we hear certain voices warning of 'constitutional parliamentary dissolution.' I just wish we would deal with the case in terms of profits and losses, starting with us the citizens and the money everybody seeks to make during the election season.

Electoral campaigns create many job opportunities and enhance businesses, such as large electoral tents or marquees, lighting companies, steel companies that manufacture chairs, catering companies and central kitchens.

Similarly, advertising and publication companies would also flourish alongside printed press and TV ads, which are more widely used and more profitable. Even bloggers make considerable gains by such dissolution because the minimum cost of any campaign is KD 250,000.

Everybody benefits except current lawmakers who had paid all the previous beneficiaries in the elections

**Electoral campaigns create many job opportunities and enhance businesses**

they won. They would not want to pay the cost again. So, if the payer of those bills wants to carry on with his own schemes and protect his own interests, he may think twice when asked to reject dissolution. He may even spread rumors that it is the government that would lose, because his own bread will be burned!

Other, even greater losses would be suffered. I am talking about sheep that would be slaughtered, cooked and laid on electoral campaigns' banquet tables. So, if you are one of them, I will not blame you for rejecting dissolution because then, your bread will be really burned and charred! God save constitutional solutions that would activate local markets for everybody and down with those who would pay the cost of what they have stolen!

— Translated by Kuwait Times from

النبا

Al-Anbaa

DIFFERENT 'SPRINGS'!

By Saleh Al-Shayji

The results of the so-called Arab Spring are nothing more than disappointment, blood, and regret suffered by the embittered people of the countries it affected. We used to be far better off when those revolutions began in Tunisia. We rejoiced and were optimistic that people were finally overthrowing those who had grabbed power in their respective countries. We cheered loudly whenever one of those dictators was toppled. Our joy did not come from gloating about those people. In fact, it was out of love for them, and out of our belief that they had been living under authoritarian dictatorships which morphed into everlasting hereditary regimes, contravening the principle of devolution of powers.

**Fear dominated, security deteriorated, crime spread, economies worsened and livelihoods disappeared**

Besides, the rulers of those Arab republics had been turning their countries' resources into their own possessions. As a result, their countries suffered severe poverty and bad public services, along with many other plights.

Those terrible situations made us rejoice for revolutions that were supposed to lead people to freedom, justice and psychological peace. Unfortunately, the results were unexpected and things got much worse; fear dominated, security deteriorated, crime spread, economies worsened and livelihoods disappeared!

Now since we got over the shock, we can contemplate about facts of what happened, why and how it happened. Results were unlike what happened in some European and non-Arabic countries ruled by dictators who got toppled by the people. Those countries quickly developed and adapted democracies. They are more stable, enjoying more welfare and their economies improved much more. Their people are back to life after long periods of suffering under totalitarian, blood-thirsty regimes.

Why did the Arab Spring countries not benefit from the European Revolutions and follow the same path, towards replacing totalitarian regimes with truly democratic ones? Do the Arab Spring countries need new revolutions to straighten things up and save themselves?

— Translated by Kuwait Times



Gulf Bank staff pose for a group photo at the completion of the training.

GULF BANK CONCLUDES BANK-WIDE OPERATIONAL RISK AWARENESS TRAINING

**KUWAIT:** Gulf Bank recently concluded 'Operational Risk Training' sessions for senior management at the Jumeirah Messilah Beach Hotel. The training was conducted by Fitch Learning, part of Fitch Group, over two sessions for more than 40 employees from different departments within the Bank.

The two-day workshops built an understanding of the importance of operational risk management within the Banking industry. Gulf Bank staff were trained to identify the sources of operational risk, how they arise within the context of main business activities and how to reduce this risk. Gulf Bank believes that when key staff across departments understand risk governance structures, systems, and procedures, they will be better able to manage and minimize operational risks.

Highlighting the importance of risk management, Salma Al-Hajjaj, General Manger of Human Resources at Gulf Bank said: "Operational risk management has become crucial in the bank-

ing sector today, particularly in light of the new challenges of cyber and financial crimes. As such, Gulf Bank is working to increase awareness of operational risks and integrate controls by training 'champions' from various departments within the Bank."

Hajjaj continued: "The objective of this training was to add maximum sustainable value to the Bank. By selecting and training 'champions' from each department, they were trained to manage operational risk and implement controls in their respective units and among their staff."

Raghunandan Menon, Chief Risk Officer and General Manager of Risk Management at Gulf Bank added: "In today's banking environment, better risk management provides a competitive edge as better controls translate into superior customer experience and enhances the bank's reputation. This training has focused on improving the awareness of operational risk frameworks in all areas of the bank. It will

facilitate the effective implementation of Gulf Bank's operational risk management framework and strengthen the overall risk and control environment within the bank."

During the course of the workshop, trainer Christopher Pennington, focused on management tools through which Gulf Bank champions will be able to control operational risk activities such as incident reporting, root cause analysis, action plans, and key risk indicators monitoring and reporting. He also gave insights into the risk control and self-assessment frameworks to be implemented in their units.

Fitch Learning is part of Fitch Group and is a platform that provides knowledge and skills and enhances conducts. Fitch Group is a global leader in financial information services with operations in more than 30 countries. For more details about Gulf Bank initiatives, please visit the bank's website: [www.e-gulfbank.com](http://www.e-gulfbank.com) or its social media accounts.



Gulf Bank staff members during the training.