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First Deputy PM, UK ambassador discuss New Kuwait 2035 plan

Sheikh Nasser leaves for China on official visit



KUWAIT: Kuwait's First Deputy Prime Minister and Defense Minister Sheikh Nasser Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah speaks with British Ambassador Michael Davenport during their meeting on Wednesday. — KUNA photos



A group photo of Kuwait's First Deputy Prime Minister and Defense Minister Sheikh Nasser Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, British Ambassador Michael Davenport and other officials who attended the meeting.

KUWAIT: Kuwait's First Deputy Prime Minister and Defense Minister Sheikh Nasser Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah discussed the New Kuwait 2035 development plan and issues of mutual significance with British Ambassador Michael Davenport and the visiting military attache. The plan, which represents His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah's vision, "aims to build the Kuwait of the future on a path that corresponds with the development being witnessed in the outside world," Kuwait's Defense Ministry said in a statement on Wednesday.

During the talks, Sheikh Nasser hailed the UK's deep expertise and capabilities on this matter, particularly its success stories in the creation and management of global economic ex-

panses, such as Hong Kong and Gibraltar. Partnership opportunities with Kuwait aimed at mobilizing its economic activity amid these plans were discussed as ideas and consultations were exchanged, without overlooking the aspects of security and their relevance to these suggestions. Security was mentioned as a prerequisite for enhancing investor confidence, added the statement.

Separately, Sheikh Nasser Sabah Al-Ahmad left yesterday to the People's Republic of China for an official visit. Sheikh Nasser was seen off by Chief of Army General Staff Lieutenant General Mohammad Al-Khudher, Ministry Undersecretary Sheikh Ahmad Mansour Al-Sabah and Deputy Chief of General Staff Colonel General Sheikh Abdullah Nawaf Al-Sabah. — KUNA



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News in brief

Amir sends condolences to Turkey

KUWAIT: His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah cabled Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan yesterday expressing sorrow over fatalities in a train crash accident in the capital Ankara. HH the Crown Prince Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah and HH the Prime Minister Sheikh Jaber Al-Mubarak Al-Hamad Al-Sabah addressed cables of identical content to president Erdogan. — KUNA

Kuwait reaffirms solidarity with France

KUWAIT: Kuwait's Ministry of Foreign Affairs strongly denounced the deadly shooting attack that took place near the Christmas market in Strasbourg city, east France, on Tuesday evening. The State of Kuwait unequivocally rejects all forms of violence against innocent people and renews the call for the international community to double efforts against this serious phenomenon, an official of the ministry said on Wednesday. Kuwait stands by the government of the friendly French Republic and backs all efforts it might take to protect the security and stability of France, the source said, expressing condolences for the families of the victims and wishing quick recovery for the wounded. — KUNA

Kuwait underlines importance of UNSC Resolution 2231

NEW YORK: Kuwait stressed the importance of following up with implementation of UNSC Resolution 2231 by Iran and other nations as part of their international commitments to non-proliferation of nuclear weapons. Three years ago, Kuwait welcomed the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action and UNSC Resolution 2231 despite its inability to meet all the region's needs, Kuwait's Permanent Representative to the UN Ambassador Mansour Al-Otaibi said in a speech in a Council session late Wednesday.

Security situations in some countries in the region are still instable, Otaibi added, noting some countries continue to deal with outside interferences in their interior affairs. Otaibi also said Iran must shoulder its responsibilities in meeting all its commitments in accordance with the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, the Comprehensive Safeguard Agreement, and the additional Protocol to its IAEA agreement.

Meanwhile, the Kuwaiti senior diplomat affirmed rejection and denouncement of the ongoing hostile actions targeting Saudi Arabia's security and safety of its people through firing scores of ballistic missiles on Saudi-Yemeni border zones, reiterating Kuwait's firm stand in support of the Kingdom's security and stability. Furthermore, Otaibi stressed the importance of committing to non-interference in the internal affairs of states, in addition to respecting their sovereignty in accordance with UN Charter, International Law, and Neighbor Principle Law, resolving disputes peacefully, refraining from use of brute force and threats, and rejecting sectarianism. — KUNA



Ambassador Mansour Al-Otaibi

Jarallah meets departing Mauritanian envoy

KUWAIT: Deputy Prime Minister Khaled Al-Jarallah met yesterday with the outgoing Mauritanian ambassador to Kuwait Hamid Hamouni. Ambassador Ayham Al-Omar, the assistant foreign minister, attended the meeting. — KUNA

