

Amir, Crown Prince receive state officials at Bayan Palace

Sheikh Sabah meets visiting Saudi Minister for Energy



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His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah meets with Speaker of the National Assembly Marzouq Ali Al-Ghanem and His Highness the Prime Minister Sheikh Jaber Al-Mubarak Al-Hamad Al-Sabah. — Amiri Diwan and KUNA photos



His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah meets with Chief Justice Yousef Jassim Al-Mutawaa.



His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah meets with Saudi Minister for Energy Affairs Abdulaziz bin Salman Al Saud.



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His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah meets with Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al-Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Sabah.



His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah meets with Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Interior Sheikh Khaled Al-Jarrah Al-Sabah.

KUWAIT: His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah received yesterday at Bayan Palace His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah. His Highness the Amir also received Speaker of the National Assembly Marzouq Ali Al-Ghanem, His Highness

the Prime Minister Sheikh Jaber Al-Mubarak Al-Hamad Al-Sabah and President of the Supreme Judicial Council and the Constitutional Court and President of the Cassation Court, Justice Yousef Jassim Al-Mutawaa.

Meanwhile, His Highness the Amir received the

visiting Saudi Minister for Energy Affairs Abdulaziz bin Salman Al Saud and his official delegation. Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al-Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Sabah, acting Minister of Amiri Diwan Affairs Sheikh Mohammed Abdullah Mubarak Al-Sabah and Minister of

Electricity and Water Dr Khalid Ali Al-Fadel attended the meeting. In the meantime, His Highness the Crown Prince received Ghanem. His Highness Sheikh Jaber Al-Mubarak, Sheikh Sabah Al-Khaled, and Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Interior Sheikh Khaled Al-Jarrah Al-Sabah. —KUNA

News in brief

Commercial Bank launches 'E-GOV' card

KUWAIT: The Commercial Bank of Kuwait announced launching the 'E-GOV' card that was designed to meet the needs of its clients, and present innovative services to them. General Manager of the Personal Banking Services Hameed Salman said the E-GOV card is distinguished by being an ATM card with recharging ability, and comes with other unique features that allow control of payment and uses.



Hameed Salman

Deputy FM heads to Switzerland

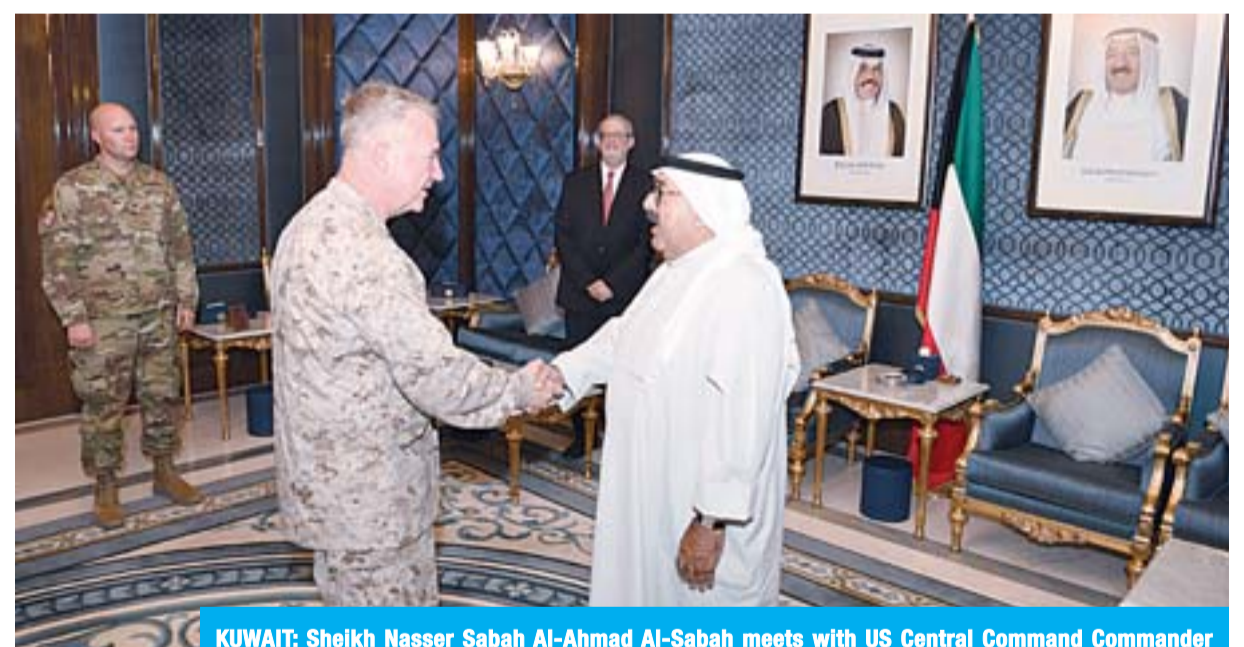
KUWAIT: Kuwait's Deputy Foreign Minister Khaled Suleiman Al-Jarallah headed yesterday to Switzerland to lead Kuwait's delegation in the fifth round of political consultations between Kuwait and the Swiss confederation. Political consultations between both sides were established under a signed agreement as a mechanism for coordination and consultation where Jarallah heads the Kuwaiti side. The Swiss team is led by the Minister of State for Foreign Affairs. Through the last four sessions, held alternately between both countries, they were able to launch relations to new and multiple horizons. —KUNA

Pan-Arab economic merger

CAIRO: Director General of Kuwait General Administration of Customs (KGAC) Jamal Al-Jalawi yesterday underscored necessity of achieving pan-Arab economic integration to pave way for setting up the aspired joint Arab custom union. Custom managers play a role in facilitating cross-border commerce and unifying tariffs, said Jalawi, addressing the 29th meeting of Arab custom general directors, held at the Arab League headquarters. Acknowledging that some Arab states have 'reservations' regarding the planned common Arab custom law, Jalawi hoped the delegations' views would be harmonized on controversial matters. —KUNA

Kuwaiti Defense Minister, US General discuss cooperation

KUWAIT: Kuwait's First Deputy Prime Minister and Defense Minister Sheikh Nasser Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah on Tuesday discussed mutual cooperation with visiting US Central Command (CENTCOM) Commander General Kenneth McKenzie. The meeting also featured cordial talks about matters and topics on the visit's agenda, the Ministry of Defense said in a statement. Sheikh Nasser Al-Sabah lauded the depth of relations between the two friendly countries as well as the mutual cooperation on different levels, mainly the military affairs, according to the statement. This reflects mutual keenness on developing and promoting all aspects of bilateral cooperation, it noted. —KUNA



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Audit organizations sign agreement to exchange expertise

KUWAIT: The Arab Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (ARABOSAI) and the Asian Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (ASOSAI) signed yesterday a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to exchange expertise and bolster cooperation. Chairman of the Executive Council of the Arab Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (ARABOSAI) Iraq's Saleh Khalaf said that the MoU focuses on boosting cooperation in the application side of things, adding that joint work between ASOSAI and ARABOSAI will result in strategies bettering society and improving governments programs to fight poverty and unemployment. The ASOSAI has recently concluded its 54th meeting in Kuwait, a gathering that saw the participation of 11 audit bureaus from Asia. —KUNA



KUWAIT: ARABOSAI and ASOSAI chiefs sign the memorandum of understanding. —KUNA