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# Amir thankful for Kuwait's ongoing anti-coronavirus efforts

## Sheikh Sabah receives Qatari audit bureau chief



KUWAIT: His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah meets with Qatari Audit Bureau Chief Sheikh Bandar Bin Mohammad Al-Thani. — Amiri Diwan and KUNA photos



National Assembly Speaker Marzouq Al-Ghanem meets with Qatari Audit Bureau Chief Sheikh Bandar Bin Mohammad Al-Thani.

KUWAIT: His Highness the Prime Minister Sheikh Sabah Al-Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Sabah shared a letter from His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah yesterday, which expressed gratitude for the efforts of special teams formed to fight an outbreak of coronavirus in Kuwait, said a government spokesman. "His Highness the Amir ordered the honoring of these individuals in recognition of their praiseworthy efforts," government spokesman Tariq Al-Merzem said. Amid a Cabinet meeting, Kuwaiti executives discussed the latest coronavirus updates, he added, saying government bodies have "served the nation well" through their efforts to contain the pneumonia-causing virus. He acknowledged these

"herculean efforts," saying the entire nation is deeply grateful for the government's commitment to rid the country of the deadly virus.

In other news, His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah received at Bayan Palace yesterday Qatari Audit Bureau Chief Sheikh Bandar Bin Mohammad Al-Thani. State Audit Bureau Chairman Faisal Al-Shaya escorted his Qatari counterpart to the reception attended by Minister of Amiri Diwan Affairs Sheikh Ali Jarrah Al-Sabah, Kuwaiti National Assembly Speaker Marzouq Ali Al-Ghanem and His Highness the Prime Minister Sheikh Sabah Al-Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Sabah also received the Qatari official separately yesterday. — KUNA



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## Kuwait imports 3.6 million facemasks



KUWAIT: Minister of Commerce and Industry Khaled Al-Roudhan oversees the ship's arrival. — KUNA photos



Facemasks shipment taken out of the plane.

KUWAIT: The Ministry of Commerce and Industry announced importing 3.6 million facemasks to meet the growing demand in local markets. Kuwait Supplies Company is tasked with distributing the masks at supplies centers across the country, said the ministry in a statement yesterday. The masks were imported in cooperation with the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Defense, using the

latter's airplanes to deliver the items, under direct orders from His Highness the Prime Minister Sheikh Sabah Al-Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Sabah, it noted. The health ministry inspected the masks to make sure they fit international standards and directed Kuwaitis and expats on the best way to use them to prevent coronavirus infection, through different media and social media. — KUNA

## Kuwait restates unremitting backing to Palestine: Official

CAIRO: Kuwait yesterday reiterated its principled stance and unwavering support for the Palestinian issue as the "central cause of Arabs," said a Kuwaiti official. "Kuwaiti backing to our Palestinian brothers will endure until they obtain all their legitimate rights pursuant to international laws and UN Security Council (UNSC) resolutions." Assistant Foreign Minister for Arab Affairs Fahad Al-Awadhi said while attending a meeting of Arab permanent representatives. He pointed out international and European support for the legitimate rights of

Palestinians, calling for an Arab alternative based on legitimate international resolutions and the Arab Peace Initiative in order to counter the recently unveiled US peace blueprint. "We, in Kuwait, keep throwing much weight behind our brothers in Palestine in various political and economic domains until an acceptable solution is reached," he insisted. The Kuwaiti official hoped that the meeting would come up with concrete recommendations aiming at providing more support to the Palestinian cause. — KUNA

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