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Kuwaitis continue crossing border from Saudi Arabia



KUWAIT: Kuwaitis cross the borders from Saudi Arabia into Kuwait. —KUNA

KUWAIT: Kuwaiti citizens continued crossing the Nuwaiseeb border from Saudi Arabia for the second day on Wednesday, part of a government repatriation plan to bring back nationals amidst the spread of coronavirus. Citizens passed through the crossing smoothly and in line with instructions of the health

authorities, the ministry of interior said in a statement. It said citizens can enter the country through Nuwaiseeb crossing from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm, and they would be taken to mandatory quarantine at Khairan Resort. The land repatriation plan began on Tuesday and is set to end on May 20. — KUNA



KUWAIT: National Assembly Speaker Marzouq Al-Ghanem takes part in the speakers of world parliaments' preparatory meeting. — KUNA

Ghanem takes part in preparatory speakers' meeting

KUWAIT: National Assembly Speaker Marzouq Al-Ghanem participated Wednesday in an online meeting of the fourth preparatory committee for the Fifth World Conference of Speakers of Parliament to be held in August in Vienna. Ghanem's participation in the meeting comes as a representative of the Arab countries in the Inter-Parliamentary Union, where he previously participated in the past two meetings in Geneva and the last online meeting two weeks ago.

During the meeting, Ghanem discussed several points related to the position of the Arab region group on a variety of issues including climate change, refugee and demographic changes in the world countries, in addition to discussing the developments of the novel coronavirus.

Parliamentarians from more than 15 countries representing geopolitical groups in the world participated in the meeting, in addition to the President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union Gabriela Cuevas Baron and the Secretary General of the Inter-Parliamentary Union Martin Chung Gong. — KUNA

Kuwaiti, Iraqi defense ministers hail strong ties

KUWAIT: Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Defense Sheikh Ahmad Mansour Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah and Iraqi counterpart Lt Gen Jumaa Saadoun lauded, in a phone conversation on Wednesday, strong Kuwaiti-Iraqi military relations. They also voiced readiness to upgrade bilateral military cooperation to achieve the security and stability of both countries and the whole region, according to a statement from the Kuwaiti ministry of defense. Sheikh Ahmad also congratulated Saadoun on his new post as the defense minister of Iraq, wishing him success in his mission. — KUNA



Jumaa Saadoun



Sheikh Ahmad Al-Sabah

Residents of social care homes healthy

KUWAIT: The ministry of social affairs affirmed Wednesday health conditions of residents and employees in social care homes are good. Undersecretary Abdulaziz Shuaib affirmed the wellbeing of residents and employees of social care homes, and said the ministry approached the health and safety conditions inside its facilities in a transparent manner.

He was reacting to social media reports regarding alleged negligence inside the social care sector that could undermine safety of residents and employees alike. Shuaib said the ministry, hand-in-hand with the ministry of health, was adopting all precautionary measures to prevent coronavirus infections or diseases in general. — KUNA