

Kuwait takes part in Arab Civil Aviation Organization meeting

Meeting to discuss regional aviation industry in post-COVID era

RABAT: Kuwait is taking part in the 27th meeting of the Arab Civil Aviation Organization's (ACAO) Executive Council, held in Rabat, Morocco. Deputy Director-General for Aviation Safety, Air-Transport and Aviation Security Duaij Al-Otaibi said in a statement that this participation comes from our keenness on contributing to Arab joint mechanism, especially in the civil aviation sector. "Kuwait's participation in the event is part of its executive membership in ACAO, to help contribute to promoting the civil aviation sector in Arab countries," he said. "This meeting in particular will discuss several topics concerning civil aviation industries and the repercussions of COVID-19 on aerial transportation and its effects on the Arab region," he added. Kuwait participates in this meeting with an official delegation headed by the President of Kuwait's Civil Aviation Sheikh Abdullah Ali Al-Abdullah Al-Sabah. — KUNA



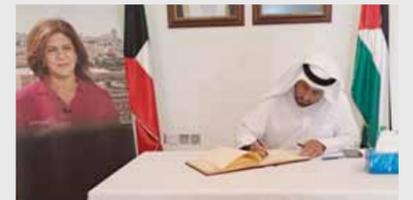
RABAT: Deputy Director-General for Aviation Safety, Air-Transport and Aviation Security Duaij Al-Otaibi (left) is seen on the sidelines of the event. — KUNA

Dr Suad Al-Sabah eulogizes Palestinian journalist Abu Akleh

KUWAIT: Sheikha Dr Suad Mohammad Al-Sabah said the Palestinian cause will remain in the free hearts that believe rights must go back to their owners, and the presence of the occupier remains temporary no matter how long it stays. Dr Suad conveyed her condolences to the Palestinian embassy on the death of Shireen Abu Akleh. She was represented by Director of Suad Al-Sabah Cultural House Ali Al-Masoudi. He was received by Palestinian Ambassador to Kuwait Rami Tahboub, who reminded of Dr Suad's status in the Arab culture and human action, and he valued her long-time efforts in the support of the Palestinian cause. Tahboub also appreciated Dr Suad's initiative of launching a media award in the name of Shireen Abu Akleh. Dr Suad wrote in the condolences book that Shireen Abu Akleh will remain alive in the hearts, streets and trees just like the Palestinian cause. Masoudi said he was happy to represent Dr Suad Al-Sabah to convey her condolences, adding that Suad Al-Sabah will remain committed to her causes as ever since she founded the Arab Organization for Human Rights in the 1980s with a number of intellectuals, continues her hard work in helping the human being and his right in a dignified life, and rejects all types of oppression and occupation. Masoudi thanked the Ambassador for the good reception and hospitality.



KUWAIT: Director of Suad Al-Sabah Cultural House Ali Al-Masoudi offers condolences to Palestinian Ambassador Rami Tahboub.



Director of Suad Al-Sabah Cultural House Ali Al-Masoudi writes in the book of condolences.



KUWAIT: Health Minister Dr Khaled Al-Saeed tours the General Medical Council branch in Funaitees. — KUNA

Mishref labor testing center open soon: Minister

KUWAIT: Health Minister Dr Khaled Al-Saeed inaugurated on Thursday a branch for the General Medical Council in Funaitees to serve citizens in Ahmadi and Mubarak Al-Kabeer Governorates. During the event, Dr

Saeed revealed also that the ministry is finalizing the Mishref labor testing center, which can finalize around 500 transactions daily, raising the ministry's total capacity to 4,000 daily transactions. —KUNA

PAM participates in college career fair

By Yousuf Al-Mutairi

KUWAIT: The Public Authority for Manpower participated in the job opportunities exhibition that was held at the science college of Kuwait University, Shadadiya campus. The event was held under the title 'Science Expo' on May 18th and 19th. As PAM is keen to reform the marketplace in

Kuwait, and to contribute to extending all types of services to universities in order to support graduates from various colleges, it participated in the 'Science Expo' for science college graduates to open opportunities for students training and give consultations in all fields as well as provide high skills and support the human development process. In addition, its participation came to qualify graduates through training programs and guidance sessions in order to improve their skills and guide them to work in the private sector according to their majors. PAM thanked the college of science for its effective role in encouraging graduates to work in the private sector.



Kuwait's April trade surplus with Japan up 82.7 pct

TOKYO: Kuwait's trade surplus with Japan surged 82.7 percent from a year earlier to JPY 82.0 billion (\$638 million) in April, up for the 13th consecutive month thanks to high export bills, thanks to robust exports, government data showed Thursday. Kuwait posted black ink with Japan for 14 years and three months, the Finance Ministry said in a preliminary report. Kuwaiti overall exports to Japan jumped 53.9 percent year-on-year to JPY 98.5 billion (\$753 million) for the 13th straight month of expansion. Imports from Japan declined 13.5 percent to JPY 16.6 billion (\$129 million), down for the eighth month in a row. Middle East's trade surplus with Japan swelled 117.0 percent to JPY 1.1 trillion (\$8.3 billion) last month, with Japan-bound exports from the region soaring 91.3 percent from a year earlier. Crude oil, refined products, liquefied natural gas (LNG) and other natural resources, which accounted for 96.3 percent of the region's total exports to Japan, jumped 98.6 percent. The region's overall imports from Japan grew 19.7 percent on demand for automobiles, machinery and manufactured goods. The world's third-biggest economy posted a global surplus of JPY 839.2 billion (\$6.5 billion) in April for the ninth straight month of red ink, as surging energy bills and a weaker yen continued to push up the value of its imports. It marked the longest streak of trade deficit since February 2015. Exports grew 12.5 percent from the year before, buoyed by robust shipments of steel, mineral fuels and automobiles. Imports inflated 28.2 percent on higher energy prices, especially crude oil, LNG and coal. China remained Japan's biggest trade partner, followed by the US. The trade data are measured on a customs-cleared basis before adjustment for seasonal factors. —KUNA



KUWAIT: The Diplomatic Women's Committee hosted a special event recently to celebrate the Kuwaiti Women's Day. Ambassadors, spouses of ambassadors, diplomats and other dignitaries attended the event which highlighted the Kuwaiti women's achievements locally and in the region.