

DOHA (Xinhua) – Qatar will become self-sufficient in food production, one year after the Saudi-led blocs imposed a blockade on the tiny oil-rich country, local media reported Saturday. The Qatari farms have more than doubled production since the siege, a senior official at the Ministry of Municipality and Environment was quoted as saying by the Peninsula newspaper. “The farms have increased their production after the siege, and the ministry is ready to provide all support to these farms like equipment, vehicles, guidance and agricultural fertilizers,” the Qatari official said.

So He made hypocrisy to follow as a consequence into their hearts till the day when they shall meet Him because they failed to perform towards Allah what they had promised with Him and because they told lies.

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Iraq Bombs Daesh Ringleaders' Meeting in Syria, 45 Killed

BAGHDAD (Dispatches) – Iraq has launched an air attack on a gathering of Daesh ringleaders inside neighboring Syria, killing 45 members of the terrorist group, its military said on Saturday.

F-16 fighter jets destroyed three houses on Friday which were connected by a trench in the town of Hajin, where the leaders were meeting.

Those killed included high profile targets such as the group's “deputy war minister”, one of its “media emirs”, its leader Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi's personal courier and its chief of police, the military said in a statement.

“Iraqi F-16 jets carried out a successful airstrike that targeted a meeting of Daesh leaders ... in ... Hajin area within Syrian territory. The operation resulted in the complete destruction of the targets, and the killing of around



Iraqi police and bystanders look at the wreckage of a vehicle destroyed in a car bomb attack in this file photo.

45 terrorists,” the military's joint operations command said in statement on Saturday.

The Iraqi Air Force has carried out several such raids against the terrorist group in Syria since last year.

Iraqi authorities have stated that they work closely with the

Syrian government to monitor and target terrorist targets based on the efforts of intelligence and information departments of the security coordination committee formed between Baghdad, Damascus, Tehran and Moscow years ago, as well as coordination with the so-called

anti-Daesh coalition led by the U.S.

Earlier this month, Iraq said it had launched an airstrike against Daesh positions inside the Syrian territory as both neighboring countries step up efforts to get rid of the Takfiri terror group's remnants.

The Iraqi military said in a statement on June 7 that the Iraqi Air Force F-16 fighter jets destroyed an undisclosed location where members of the terrorist group were operating.

Daesh started a campaign of terror against Syria and Iraq in 2013 and 2014, respectively.

It, however, lost all of its strongholds in both countries last year thanks to counter-terrorism offensives of the Iraqi and Syrian national armies, backed by their allies.

On December 9, 2017, Abadi declared the end of military operations against Daesh in Iraq.

Palestinian Authority: U.S. Mideast Plans Doomed to Fail



The snow capped Dome of the Rock in the compound known to Muslims as Noble Sanctuary and to Jews as Temple Mount, in a-Quds' Old City, is seen from the Mount of Olives.

RAMALLAH (Dispatches) – U.S. Middle East plans that ignore Palestinians' rights and the establishment of the Palestinian state will lead to a dead end, Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas' Spokesman Nabil Abu Rudeinah said on Saturday.

Abu Rudeinah made the remarks as U.S. President Donald Trump's senior advisor Jared Kushner and special representative for international negotiations Jason Greenblatt are touring the Middle East to meet Arab and Zionist officials, official Palestinian news agency Wafa reported.

The U.S. “should abandon the illusion of creating false facts and falsifying history to make the deal possible,” he said.

“A solution to the conflict is only possible with the Palestinian people and their national leadership, supported by their Arab brethren as a whole and their governments,” the spokesman explained.

Meanwhile, Saeb Erekat, secretary general of the Palestine Liberation Organization, said in an interview with official Palestinian radio station Voice of Palestine that the U.S. is now trying to annul the role of the UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees, after recognizing occupied al-Quds as the Zionist regime's capital last December and moving its embassy to the disputed holy city in May.

Erekat said the so-called peace plan, which is expected to be unveiled by the United States, is aimed at normalizing the Zionist regime's apartheid with the Americans serving as the spokesmen for

the regime's occupation.

PLO Secretary General Saeb Erekat told the Middle East Eye news portal on Friday that Palestinian negotiators had yet to see an official draft of the U.S. initiative purported to resolve the decades-long Zionist-Palestinian conflict.

The U.S. plan is not actually a deal as it is already being implemented by Washington and its allies, he said, stressing that the Americans had become “nothing else than spokespeople for the Israeli occupation.”

“If there's any plan, this is being implemented on the ground: with moving the U.S. embassy to occupied al-Quds, withdrawing support for the two-state solution, cutting funds to UNRWA and, eventually, trying to normalize the Israeli apartheid in Palestine,” Erekat said.

On Sunday, Israel's Haaretz newspaper reported that the administration of U.S. President Donald Trump is trying to persuade the Persian Gulf Arab monarchies to invest in Gaza economic projects in a bid to calm the situation in the Israeli-blocked territory before Washington unveils its so-called Middle East peace plan.

Haaretz quoted Israeli and Arab sources as saying that Washington hoped that it could raise between \$500 million and \$1 billion.

Earlier this week, Netanyahu met with Jordan's King Abdullah II in Amman, fueling speculation about a possible backdoor agreement over the U.S. initiative for the Middle East.

Saudi Airstrikes on Yemen Leave 6 More Civilians Dead

SANAA (Dispatches) – At least six civilians have been killed when Saudi military aircraft carried out airstrikes against a residential area in Yemen's northwestern province of Sa'ada as the Riyadh regime presses ahead with its bombardment campaign against its southern neighbor.

Saudi fighter jets conducted aerial assaults against an educational complex in the Kitaf wa al-Boqe'e district of the province on Saturday, leaving six people dead and several others injured, an unnamed local source told Yemen Press Agency.

Later in the day, a couple sustained injuries when Saudi warplanes launched two attacks against an area in the Razih district of the same Yemeni province.

Saudi fighter jets also conducted seven air raids against Harad and Midi districts in the northwestern province of Hajjah, though there were no immediate reports about

possible casualties or the extent of damage caused.

A gym in the city of Hajjah, located approximately 130 kilometers northwest of the capital Sana'a, suffered considerable damage after Saudi jets launched three strikes.

Meanwhile, the Saudi-led assault on the Yemeni port city of Hudaydah has led to mass displacement of people from the strategic area.

“Such an offensive against a city with over 600,000 inhabitants is a gross violation of international law. Yemeni officials say unless a lasting and peaceful settlement is reached, people here will fight until they die honorably,” Hudaydah's Deputy Governor Abdul-Rahman al-Jomai told Press TV's correspondent.

Ahmad al-Wisabi, whose family has been forced to leave, said, “The Saudi offensive against our city and possible street battles

have forced me to leave my home, and move my family to [the capital] Sana'a. I do not know how I can manage there as I have already lost my source of income here. But I do not have any other choice.”

On Friday, Yemenis took to the streets in Hudaydah to vent their anger against the Saudi aggression and condemn Riyadh and its allies for bombing residential areas and killing civilians.

The protesters voiced their support to the Yemeni army and popular committees in their battle against the Saudi invaders and their mercenaries. The Saudi-led alliance has been waging a battle since June 13 to occupy the port city of al-Hudaydah, which is a key entry point for the country's humanitarian aid.

Yemen's Houthi Ansarullah movement which has been defending the country against the invaders together with its allies

has, however, refused to give up the port.

In a statement, the protesters also condemned the stance of the UN on the humanitarian crisis in Hudaydah, considering the world body's silence as evidence of its complicity in the aggression and its support for the occupier.

During the protest, the deputy governor of Hudaydah, Sheikh Ali Qeshr, stressed that the province will be turned into “a graveyard for any aggressor” by Yemeni forces.

Saudi Arabia launched the war on its southern impoverished neighbor to restore its Saudi-allied former officials. Yemen's Health Ministry says more than 600,000 people have either been killed or injured during the three-year-old invasion.

The combination of the war and blockade has sparked a humanitarian crisis and brought Yemen to the edge of famine.

'U.S. Uses Fake Evidence to Blame Chemical Attacks on Syria Gov't'

MOSCOW (Press TV) – Russia says the United States and its allies have relied on fabricated evidence to accuse the Syrian government of conducting chemical attacks against civilians.

“The U.S., Britain, France and their allies have misled international community ... relying on fabrications to accuse Syria of violating the chemical weapons ban with Russian assistance,” said Maj. Gen. Igor Kirillov, the chief of the Russian military's radiation, chemical and biological protection unit, at a briefing in the capital Moscow.

He also accused the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical

Weapons (OPCW) of violating the Chemical Weapons Convention, saying “the remote nature of investigations as well as the collection, analysis and use of the documents obtained without specialists' trips to the alleged sites of chemical weapons use is in direct contradiction to the convention's provisions.”

Back in April, Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov also criticized the OPCW's previous investigations conducted from long distance on alleged chemical attacks in Syria.

In the course of the liberation operation in Eastern Ghouta, which began in February, Moscow has

repeatedly warned that different factions of militant outfits in the region could stage gas attacks in a bid to frame the Syrian government.

The suspected chemical attack, however, hit the town of Douma in the Eastern Ghouta region in the suburban area near Damascus on April 7, reportedly killing at least 60 people and wounding more than 1,000 others.

Western countries swiftly blamed the incident on the Syrian government. Damascus rejected the accusations as “chemical fabrications” made by the terrorists themselves in a bid to halt pro-government forces' advances.

Syrian Army Fends Off Terror Offensive in Dara'a

DAMASCUS (Dispatches) – The Syrian Army troops managed to repel a heavy offensive of more than a thousand members of Tahrir al-Sham Hay'at terrorists in northeastern Dara'a on Saturday.

The Russian Reconciliation Center for Syria reported that over 1,000 gunmen of Tahrir al-Sham attacked the army positions in the de-escalation zone in the southern province of Dara'a, adding that the army forces engaged in fierce clashes with the terrorists in Dama and Dayr al-Dama regions in northeastern Dara'a and managed to ward off the heavy attack.

The center reported earlier today

that the first large group of the so-called Free Syrian Army militants had sided with the Syrian government forces in the Southern de-escalation zone.

“On June 22, after talks between the representatives of the Russian reconciliation center and the Syrian authorities with the militants of the Free Syrian Army in the Southern zone of de-escalation, the leader of the Tajammu al-Wiyat al-Omari (Omari Brigades) announced that his group is siding with the Syrian government,” the center said in a statement, Sputnik reported.

Meanwhile, Syrian forces contin-

ued to make gains in their military campaign against Daesh terrorists in the Badiya region, inflicting losses on them.

They carried out a number of operations targeting Daesh hideouts in the northeastern part of Sweida province in the direction of the Badiya desert, inflicting heavy losses on the terrorist group, SANA news agency reported.

Later, the army managed to reach the Sheikh Hussein Tomb area in the province where they are establishing positions to continue advancing and end the presence of the terror group in nearby areas, the report added.