

SANAA (Xinhua) – Heavy rains in Yemen have destroyed five buildings and damaged 40 others at the world heritage site of the Old City of Sana'a, Houthi-run al-Masirah TV has reported. No casualties have been reported in those historic tower buildings which are private houses and still inhabited by families. Built before the 11th century, the over 6,000 mud-brick tower houses are decorated with geometric patterns of white plaster and stained glass windows. The old city of Sana'a, inhabited for more than 2,500 years, was inscribed on the World Heritage List of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) in 1986. It was added to the List of World Heritage in Danger in 2015 after the Saudi-led war.

Whoever keeps in order his affairs with Allah, Allah will also put his affairs with men in order. Whoever makes arrangement for his salvation, Allah will arrange his worldly affairs; whoever is a preacher for himself, Allah will also protect him.

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UN Rights Chief: Killing of Palestinian Children 'Unconscionable'

Hezbollah Intercepts Intruding Zionist Drone



The Lebanese resistance movement Hezbollah says it has intercepted a drone belonging to the Zionist regime that had violated the country's airspace.

BEIRUT (Dispatches) – Fighters from the Lebanese resistance movement Hezbollah have intercepted and fired shots at a drone belonging to the Zionist regime that was hovering over the southern part of Lebanon.

Lebanon's Arabic-language online newspaper Elnashra reported that Hezbollah air defense units fired at a Zionist drone that had entered the Lebanese skies and was hovering over Meidoun village in the country's southern district of Western Beqaa early on Friday.

Last month, Elnashra reported that a Zionist unmanned aerial vehicle that had crossed into Lebanon's airspace went down in al-Wazzani village, which lies in the Hasbaya district of the country's southern Nabatieh province.

Lebanon's Arabic-language al-Mayadeen television news network, citing a statement released by the Lebanese Armed Forces, reported on May 26 that an Israeli Skylark drone had crashed on the outskirts of Rmeish village in the district of Bint Jbeil.

The report added that Zionist troops attempted to recover the unmanned aerial vehicle afterwards, but Lebanese army troops assumed control over it first.

The statement also said that the regime's violation was being followed up in coordination with the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL).

Last month, Hezbollah published a

video threatening the gas extraction infrastructure at the Karish offshore field, near a disputed maritime between Lebanon and the occupying regime.

The video footage, which also contains a rare glimpse of Hezbollah weaponry, was broadcast on Lebanon's Arabic-language al-Manar television station.

It was issued by Hezbollah's War Media Department, which the group uses to broadcast footage of military operations and battles and contains images of ships involved in drilling for and extracting hydrocarbons along with what appears to be their coordinates.

Lebanese politicians hope that commercially viable hydrocarbon resources off Lebanon's coast could help the debt-ridden country out of its worst economic crisis in decades.

The regime frequently violates Lebanon's airspace. Lebanon's government, Hezbollah and the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) have repeatedly condemned the occupying regime's overflights, saying they are in clear violation of UN Security Council Resolution 1701 and Lebanon's sovereignty.

The resolution, which brokered a ceasefire in the war the Zionist regime launched against Lebanon in 2006, calls on the regime to respect Lebanon's sovereignty and territorial integrity.

Terrorism Suspect Blows Himself Up in Jeddah, Injures Four

RIYADH (Reuters) – A Saudi Arabian man wanted in connection with a deadly 2015 bombing in the kingdom detonated an explosive device in Jeddah on Wednesday as security forces attempted to arrest him, killing himself and injuring four others, state media reported.

Saudi news agency SPA, reporting the incident on Friday, identified the man as Abdullah bin Zayed al-Shehri.

Al-Shehri detonated the explosive belt on Wednesday night in Jeddah's al-Samer neighborhood, injuring three members of the security forces, who were seeking to arrest him, and a Pakistani national, SPA reported.

The injured, who were not named, were taken to hospital, SPA said, without giving details of their injuries.

According to Saudi state media reports, al-Shehri was suspected of being a member of a domestic terrorism cell that coordinated the 2015 suicide bombing of a mosque in Abha frequented by

security force members.

Eleven members of the security forces and four Bangladeshi nationals were killed in the attack, and 33 people were injured, state media reported at the time.

The Saudi Arabian government named al-Shehri in early 2016 as one of six Saudi nationals wanted in connection with the bombing.

Saudi Arabia was the scene of a series of large-scale militant attacks in the 2000s, including on security forces and Western targets.

Such attacks were carried out by Daesh, al-Qaeda and other groups. Though attacks have since mostly subsided, several people were wounded in a 2020 attack that used an explosive on a World War One remembrance ceremony in Jeddah.

Earlier this year, French prosecutors opened a terrorism investigation into a December 2021 explosion under a French vehicle involved in the Dakar rally sports race in Saudi Arabia.

The official finally lamented "this climate of impunity, along with the long-standing violations" that drives the cycle of violence and the recurrence of violations.

Meanwhile, a young Palestinian man has died of injuries he sustained from the latest Zionist onslaught against the Gaza Strip, bringing the death toll from the regime's air strikes against the blockaded coastal sliver of land to 49 people.

The man, identified as 22-year-old Anas Khaled Anshasi, succumbed to his wounds at Nasser Medical Complex in the city of Khan Yunis, where he was taken for necessary medical treatment, Palestine's official Wafa news agency reported, citing medical sources.

Anshasi was wounded by a Zionist drone strike east of Khan Yunis. He was subsequently transferred to the hospital and was pronounced dead on Friday.

According to the Palestine Red Crescent Society, a 10-year-old Palestinian girl also died of her injuries on Thursday, bringing the number of children killed during the aggression to 17.

"Our crews are working to transport the body of Lian Al-Shaer after she died of wounds she sustained during the recent aggression on Gaza," the humanitarian organization stated.

Shaer and two other children were transferred days earlier to al-Makassed Hospital in Al-Quds for medical attention via Erez crossing by a Red Crescent crew member.

She arrived at the hospital on Tuesday in a state of clinical death as a result of shrapnel injuries in her head from an Israeli missile, al-Makassed Hospital said in a statement carried by Wafa news agency.

the killing and maiming of so many children this year is unconscionable," Bachelet said in a statement.

"International humanitarian law is clear," the UN official said. "Launching an attack which may be expected to incidentally kill or injure civilians, or damage civilian objects, in disproportionate manner to the concrete and direct military advantage anticipated, is prohibited. Such attacks must stop."

Bachelet condemned the widespread use of live ammunition by the Zionist troops during operations across the occupied West Bank, including East Al-Quds, that had "led to an alarming increase in Palestinian fatalities."



Palestinian children at the site of an explosion, following Zionist strikes in Gaza City on August 5, 2022.

NEW YORK (Dispatches) – Almost 40 Palestinian children have been killed so far this year in the occupied territories and in many incidents, Zionist troops appear to use lethal force in a manner that violates international human rights law, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Michelle Bachelet said.

The United Nations rights chief issued a statement on Thursday expressing "alarm" at the large numbers of Palestinians – particularly children – who have been killed and injured by Zionist troops in occupied Palestinian territory so far this year.

"Inflicting hurt on any child during the course of conflict is deeply disturbing, and

Yemen's Ansarullah: Truce Could Lead to Permanent Peace If Terms Implemented

SANA'A (Dispatches) – Yemen's Ansarullah group said the ongoing UN-brokered truce with Saudi and UAE-backed militants and mercenaries in south of the country could lead to a permanent peace if the Sana'a-based government's terms are implemented, al-Masirah TV reported on Friday.

"The chances of extending the current truce and reaching a permanent peace are big if the terms are implemented, including the issues of addressing the payment of salaries of the civil servants and completely lifting the blockades on Sana'a International Airport and Hudaydah seaport," the television quoted Ansarulh Spokesman Mohammed Abdul-

salam as saying.

"If this truce ends without reaching a clear agreement, we will target who targets us," Abdulsalam said.

The ongoing truce, which has been largely held, went into force for the first time on April 2 and was renewed for two months on June 2, and then extended for an additional two months on August 2.

Breakthroughs in the past four months of truce include the resumption of commercial flights to and from the Sana'a airport and the entry of fuel ships into the port of Hudaydah. However, the siege on the Taiz city has not been lifted yet.

The remarks came after Saudi Arabia reportedly violated the UN-brokered Yemen ceasefire more than 158 times since Thursday by conducting more airstrikes on the war-ravaged Arab country.

The violations included reconnaissance missions over the provinces of Ma'rib, Ta'izz, Hajjah, Jawf, Sa'ada, al-Hadidah, and border areas, al-Masirah reported.

The report added that the armed reconnaissance aircraft belonging to the Saudi-led coalition also targeted residential neighborhoods and positions of the army and Popular Committees in Ma'rib, Ta'izz, Najran, and al-Hadidah provinces.

Saudi Arabia and the United

Arab Emirates have been waging the war on Yemen since March 2015.

The invasion has been seeking to change Yemen's ruling structure in favor of the impoverished country's former Riyadh- and Washington-friendly rulers and crush the Ansarullah resistance movement. The Saudi-led coalition has failed to meet any of its objectives.

The war, which has been enjoying unstinting arms, logistical, and political support on the part of the United States, has killed tens of thousands of Yemenis and turned the entire country into the scene of the world's worst humanitarian crisis.

Sadr Followers Hold Mass Prayer Outside Iraqi Parliament

BAGHDAD (AP) – Thousands of followers of Moqtada al-Sadr held a mass prayer outside parliament in Baghdad on Friday in support for the Shia cleric who has called for Iraq's judiciary to dissolve parliament by the end of next week.

Supporters of the populist leader have occupied the Iraqi parliament since July after a 10-month political stalemate that followed elections last October. Sadr was the biggest winner but failed to form a government free of other parties.

He withdrew his lawmakers from parliament and is now preventing the chamber from electing a new government and is demanding early

elections.

On Wednesday he said the judiciary must dissolve parliament by the end of next week. If not "the revolutionaries will take another stand," he said without elaborating.

Outside parliament on Friday thousands of Sadr supporters gathered for prayer. Most were dressed in black to mark the Muslim month of Muharram and some wore white capes symbolizing burial shrouds and their willingness to die.

In the intense summer heat, men picked their way through the worshippers and sprayed them with cold water.

Sadr's opponents accuse him of corruption. They say his loyalists have run some of Iraq's

most corrupt and dysfunctional government departments.

Political groups were expected to hold their own demonstration later on Friday, the latest in a series of protest and counter-protest in recent days which have led to fears of unrest.

Sadr counts millions of Iraqis among his followers.

His father Mohammed Sadiq al-Sadr was killed more than 20 years ago for his outspoken opposition to Saddam Hussein. When Saddam was toppled in a U.S.-led invasion in 2003 Sadr began an insurgency against U.S. troops.

His new rivals, however, are fellow Shias leaders and parties.