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EAST UKRAINE Reuters staff missing in Russian strike on hotel REUTERS

A member of the Reuters team covering the war in Ukraine was missing and two others were hospitalised after a Russian strike on a hotel in the eastern Ukrainian city of Kramatorsk.

In a statement, the news agency said that the Hotel Sapphire, where a sixperson Reuters crew was staying, was hit by a strike on Saturday.

"One of our colleagues is unaccounted for, while another two have been taken to hospital for treatment," the agency said.

"Three other colleagues have been accounted for. We are urgently seeking more information, working the authorities with Kramatorsk, and in supporting our colleagues and their families. We will give an update when we have more information," it added.

Syrian suspect confesses to knife rampage Say German police

AFP, Solingen

German police said yesterday that a Syrian man has given himself up and confessed to killing three people and wounding eight others in a knife rampage at a street festival.

The random attack as thousands of people gathered on Friday night in the western city of Solingen has stunned Germany.

Two men aged 56 and 67 and a 56-year-old woman were killed, officials said. Four of the wounded remained in a serious condition. All of the victims were stabbed in the neck. according to police.

Police said that the suspect was a 26-year-old Syrian who had "given himself up to authorities... and declared himself responsible for the attack".



Smoke billows from the site of an Israeli airstrike on Zibqin in southern Lebanon yesterday, amid escalations in the ongoing cross-border tensions. Hezbollah said early yesterday it had launched more than 320 rockets at Israel overnight, targeting a string of military positions.

Yemen Houthis hail Hezbollah strikes

Renew threats to launch their own assault on Israel

missile and drone strikes on Israel-

and the Red Sea.

linked shipping in the Gulf of Aden

Meanwhile, Egyptian President

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Yemen's Iran-backed Houthi rebels praised attacks by Lebanon's Hezbollah on Israel yesterday and renewed threats to launch their own assault in response to Israeli strikes on a port in Yemen.

Abdel Fattah al-Sisi vesterday "We congratulate Hezbollah and warned America's top general its Secretary-General on the great and courageous attack carried out by the resistance this morning against the Israeli enemy," the Houthis said in a statement after Hezbollah said it had launched a large-scale attack with rockets and drones.

The Yemeni rebels said the "strong and effective response ... confirms that the resistance is capable, strong and honest in its promise and threats."

The Houthis pledged to launch their own attacks against Israel in response to July 20 strikes that targeted a rebel-run port in

groups in Iraq, Syria and Lebanon. and stop the state of escalation that Since November, the Yemeni threatens the security and stability rebels have launched a flurry of of the entire region."

"(Sisi warned) in this regard of the dangers of opening a new front in Lebanon, and stressing the need to preserve Lebanon's stability and sovereignty," the statement read. Sisi yesterday called for



13 dead after migrant boat sinks off Yemen 14 more missing

AFP, Dubai

At least 13 people have died when a migrant boat sank off Yemen, also leaving 14 missing, a UN agency said yesterday, in the latest disaster on the perilous migration route. "Thirteen

"Thirteen people have tragically lost their lives and 14 others remain missing after a migrant boat capsized off the coast of Yemen's governorate Tuesday," the Taez on International Organization for Migration (IOM) said.

The vessel had departed from Djibouti carrying 25 Ethiopian migrants and two Yemeni nationals,

SOUTH CHINA SEA ROW **China**, Philippines clash in disputed waters

REUTERS, Manila

The Philippines and China clashed in disputed waters of the South China Sea vesterday over what Manila said was a resupply mission for fishermen, the latest in a series of sea and air confrontations in the strategic waterway.

The incident overshadows efforts by both nations to rebuild trust and better manage disputes after months of confrontations, including a violent clash in June, in which a Filipino sailor lost a finger.

The Philippines yesterday accused China of "aggressive and dangerous manoeuvres" to block the resupply mission. China's coast guard, meanwhile, said it had taken "control measures" against a vessel that had "illegally" entered the waters and repeatedly approached Chinese ships in a dangerous manner.

In the incident near the Sabina Shoal, the Philippine South China Sea task force said Chinese vessels rammed and used water cannons against a Philippine Bureau of Fisheries ship transporting food, fuel and medical supplies for Filipino fishermen.

For its part, the Chinese coast guard said the Philippine ship "ignored repeated serious warnings and deliberately approached and rammed" China's law enforcement boat, resulting in a collision. It added that responsibility for the collision lies entirely on the Philippine side.

US PRESIDENTIAL RACE Harris raises \$540m since launching her campaign

REUTERS, Washington



Democrat Kamala Harris has raised \$540 million in little more than a month since she began her race for US president, with a surge of donations flowing in during the Democratic National Convention last week, her campaign said yesterday.

A memo released by Harris' campaign manager, Jen O'Malley

Dillon, said the \$540 million raised included \$82 million that came in during convention week and is a sign of Democratic enthusiasm for her candidacy. "This is the most ever for any presidential campaign in this time span," she said.

Vice President Harris became a candidate for president on July 21 when President Joe Biden stepped aside under pressure from fellow Democrats concerned about his cognitive ability after he stumbled during a June 27 debate against Republican Donald Trump.

Officers arrested suspect in a raid at a hostel for asylum seekers on Saturday, not far from the scene of the attack, a police spokesman told AFP.

Police have evidence linking the man to the knife attacks, according to North Rhine-Westphalia state interior minister. Federal prosecutors have launched investigation into an charges of "participating in a terrorist organisation", a spokesman said.

the coastal city of Hodeida. "We reaffirm once again that the Yemeni response is definitely coming," the statement said.

The strike on Hodeida came a day after the Houthis launched their first deadly strike on Israel -- a drone attack in Tel Aviv that killed an Israeli civilian, reports AFP.

of the port's fuel storage capacity Hezbollah, reports Reuters. and killed at least nine people, according to the rebels.

as part of Iran's so-called "axis of resistance", which includes militant

during a meeting of the dangers of a major conflict in Lebanon.

US Air Force General C Q Brown, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, arrived in Egypt hours after a significant missile exchange Israel's response destroyed much between Israel and Lebanese

In a statement, Sisi's office said the Egyptian leader told Brown The Houthis are fighting Israel that the international community needed to "exert all efforts and intensify pressures to defuse tension

a "decisive stance from the international community" and a stronger response "to joint Egyptian-American-Qatari efforts" for a ceasefire and hostage-prisoner exchange, which would enable a "path to calm and stability in the region," his office said.

An official from Netanyahu's office said a decision would be made late in the day about whether Israeli spy chiefs would attend the talks in Cairo.

according to the UN agency.

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Date: 25-08-2024

e-Tender Corrigendum Notice

This is to notify for all concerns that e-Tenders are invited the National e-GP System Portal (http://www.eprocure.gov.bd) for procurement of works for the following Tenders. Interested persons/firms can see details by visiting the website www.eprocure.gov.bd.

This is to notify all concerned that the following tender has been published through the e-GP portal.

1. Construction of 04 Nos. PC Girder/RCC Girder Bridge, 35 Nos. RCC Box Culvert and others ancillary work at Chaturi (Chowmohoni) - CUFL - Karnaphuli Dry Dock (Marine Academy) -Fakirnirhat National Highway (N-121) (Chainage: 00+000 - 15+000) with improvement of appropriate & standard width under Chattogram South Road Division during the year 2024-2025. (WP-01)

Tender ID. 1005037, Tender Reference No. e-GP/OSTETM/CSRD/DEV-01/CUFL/2024-2025. Publishing: 29.07.2024.

Corrigendum Details

Sl. No.	Field Name	Old Date & Time	New Date & Time
1.	Tender/ Proposal Document last selling/ downloading Date and Time :	28.08.2024, Up to 16.00	18.09.2024 Up to 16.00
2.	Tender Security Submission Date and Time:	29.08.2024, Up to 10.30	19.09.2024 Up to 10.30
3.	Tender/ Proposal Closing Date and Time :	29.08.2024 Up to 11.00	19.09.2024 Up to 11.00
4.	Tender/ Proposal Opening Date and Time :	29.08.2024 Up to 11.00	19.09.2024 Up to 11.00

All other terms and conditions will remain unchanged this addendum will be considered as part of the tender documents.

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UN 'concerned' by Afghanistan morality law

AFP, Kabul

The UN mission in Afghanistan said yesterday it was "concerned" about a morality law recently ratified by the Taliban authorities, criticising in particular restrictions on women.

The Taliban authorities on Wednesday announced the codification of a law with 35 articles detailing wide-ranging behaviour and lifestyle restrictions based on their strict interpretation of Islamic law.

The law sets out graduated punishments for non-compliance -- from verbal warnings to threats, fines and detentions of varying lengths -- imposed by the morality police under the Ministry for the Propagation of Virtue and the Prevention of Vice.

"It is a distressing vision for Afghanistan's future, where moral inspectors have discretionary powers to threaten and detain anyone based on broad and sometimes vague lists of infractions," said Roza Otunbayeva, head of the UN Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA).

"After decades of war and in the midst of a terrible humanitarian crisis, the Afghan people deserve much better than being threatened or jailed if they happen to be late for prayers, glance at a member of the opposite sex who is not a family member, or possess a photo of a loved one," Otunbayeva said.

Many components of the law have already been informally in place since the Taliban returned to power in August 2021, and it remained unclear if their formal codification would lead to stricter enforcement.

Women have borne the brunt of restrictions the UN has labelled "gender apartheid", which have pushed them from public life.