

[Hundreds flee fighting in Yemen's Marib province](#)

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AL-MUKALLA: Hundreds of Yemenis have been forced from their homes in the central province of Marib as the Houthis continued to attack government troops, according to the UN International Organization for Migration.

Fighting has raged between Yemeni forces and the Houthis over the last 10 days in the Harib district, south of Marib, and Merkhah Al-Ulya area, in the southern province of Shabwa, leaving scores of fighters dead or injured.



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[Lebanon airport expansion sparks transparency concerns](#)

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BEIRUT: Civil society organizations and lawmakers in crisis-hit Lebanon have raised concerns over the awarding of a multi-million dollar contract to build and operate a second terminal at Beirut's international airport. Cash-strapped Lebanon announced last week that private company Lebanese Air Transport and Irish firm daa International would partner for the revamp. Public Works and Transportation Minister Ali Hamieh said the private sector would fund the \$122 million project, which would "create around 2,500 jobs."



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[US will not back off Syria mission despite deadly attacks – White House](#)

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WASHINGTON: The United States will not back away from its nearly eight-year-old deployment to Syria, where it is battling the remnants of Daesh, despite attacks on US forces there last week by Iran-backed militia, the White House said on Monday.

A one-way attack drone struck a US base in Syria on March 23, killing an

American contractor, injuring another and wounding five US troops.



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[US, UK sanction 6 Syria-linked Captagon traffickers](#)

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BEIRUT: The US and UK on Tuesday slapped sanctions on four Syrians and two Lebanese involved in manufacturing and trafficking the amphetamine drug Captagon, the two governments said. The six include cousins of Syrian President Bashar Assad and notorious Lebanese drug lynchpins.



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[US officials, Syria experts urge Biden administration to resist any Assad normalization process](#)

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LONDON: A group of American former officials and experts on Syria have written to US President Joe Biden and Secretary of State Antony Blinken urging their administration to push back against any efforts to normalize the regime of Syrian President Bashar Assad.



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