

## [Deminers in Yemen discover two minefields in western Hodeidah province](#)

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AL-MUKALLA: Deminers in the western Yemeni province of Hodeidah have discovered two minefields planted by the Iran-backed Houthis after at least three people were killed by landmine explosions while stepping outside of their houses.

The Saudi Project for Landmine Clearance, or Masam, said that its deminers in Yemen have uncovered a fresh landmine field on a derelict farm in Hodeidah's Khokha region after receiving a tip from local farmers.



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## [Lebanon PM's justice vow on UN convoy attack](#)

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BEIRUT: Lebanon's caretaker Prime Minister Najib Mikati has promised a full

investigation into the attack on a UN peacekeeping convoy that left one soldier dead, saying: "Accountability must be taken."

Mikati said on Monday that is "unacceptable to undermine the gravity of the incident," which took place near the village of Al-Aqabiya in southern Lebanon.

"The incident must be taken seriously. Full investigations must be conducted and accountability must be taken," he said in a meeting with journalists.



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## [Amnesty says at least 27 people in Iran could face execution after 'sham' trials](#)

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LONDON: As Iran hanged a second man in connection with protests on Monday, Amnesty International said that at least 27 people in the country, including three juveniles, were at "great risk" of execution in "grossly unfair sham trials."

In a letter sent to Iranian Chief of Justice Gholamhossein Mohseni Ejei earlier in the month, the human rights organization said that some of those

at risk had been sentenced to death while others had been charged with crimes that could result in the death penalty.



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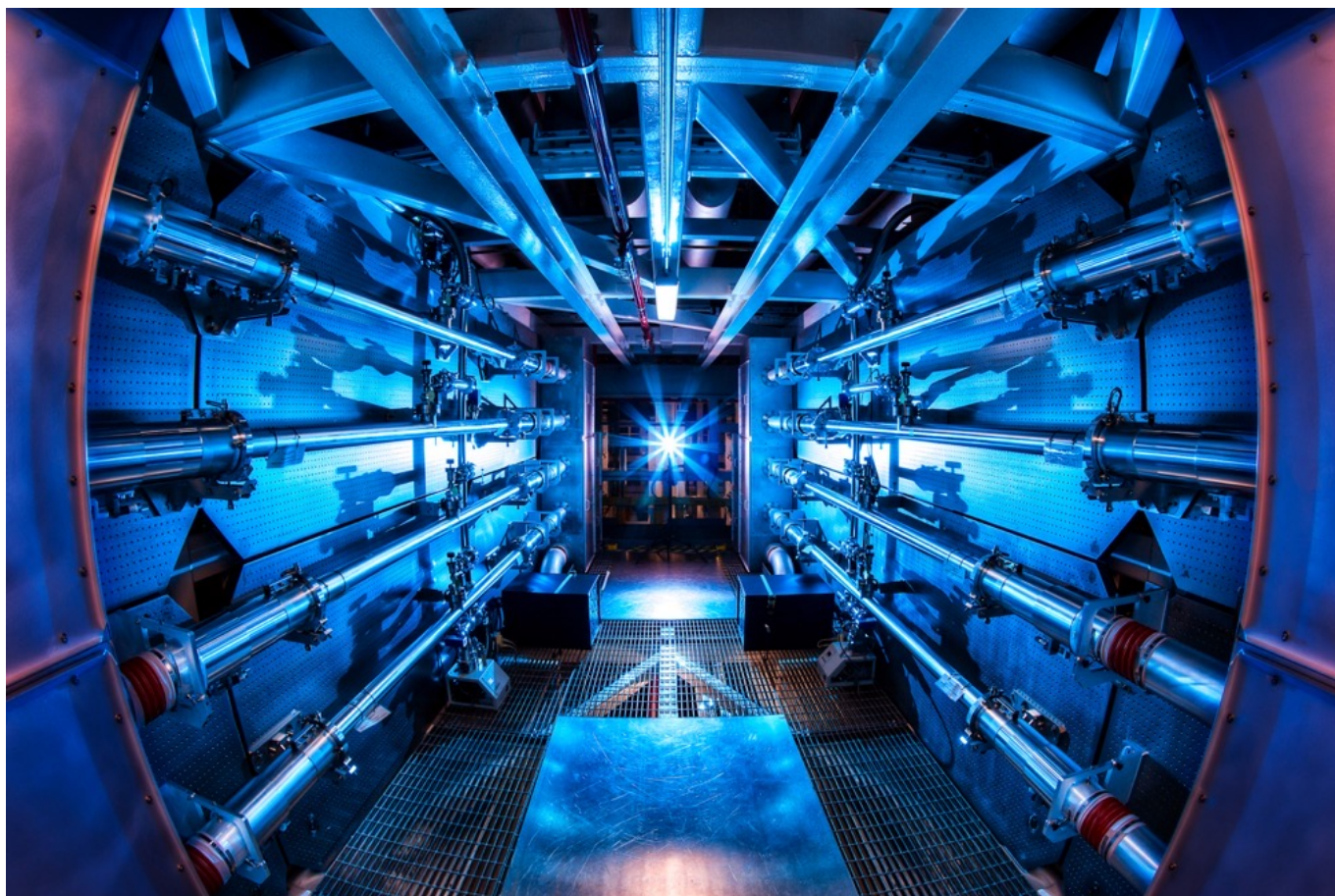
## [Why Middle East countries should continue to invest in nuclear fission tech, despite fusion energy breakthrough](#)

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LONDON: It has taken eight decades, cost billions of dollars and consumed the careers of generations of physicists.

But last week scientists at a US government-funded laboratory in California claimed to have cracked the long-elusive puzzle of nuclear fusion, in the process producing enough energy to boil a few kettles.

That, of course, was not the end game for researchers at the \$3.5 billion National Ignition Facility, which began operating at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in 2010.



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## [UN and Lebanon hold memorial for killed Irish peacekeeper](#)

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BEIRUT: The Lebanese army and UN peacekeepers held a memorial at the Beirut airport on Sunday for an Irish soldier killed by a mob that opened fire last week at two vehicles belonging to the UN peacekeepers in southern Lebanon, a traditional stronghold of the militant Hezbollah group. The attack that killed 24 year-old Pvt. Seán Rooney of Newtowncunningham took place near the southern town of Al-Aqbiya on Wednesday night, as he and seven other Irish peacekeepers from UN peacekeeping mission, known as UNIFIL, were on their way to the Beirut airport.



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