

# [Egyptian envoy highlights importance of attracting more Russian tourists to Egypt](#)

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CAIRO: Visitors from Russia remained an important part of Egypt's tourism trade, Cairo's envoy to Moscow has said.

And addressing representatives of major Russian tourism companies at a forum organized by the Egyptian Embassy in Russia, ambassador Nazih Al-Najari highlighted efforts to further increase traveller numbers.

Amr El-Kady, chief executive officer of the Egyptian Tourism Promotion Board, joined the event via video call. Moscow-based representatives of national flag carrier EgyptAir were also among the audience.



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## [Japanese company's lander rockets](#)

## toward moon with UAE rover

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CAPE CANAVERAL, Florida: A Tokyo company aimed for the moon with its own private lander Sunday, blasting off atop a SpaceX rocket with the United Arab Emirates' first lunar rover and a toylike robot from Japan that's designed to roll around up there in the gray dust.

It will take nearly five months for the lander and its experiments to reach the moon.



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## Two Yemeni soldiers escorting UN convoy killed in ambush

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SANAA: Two troops from Yemen's pro-government forces were killed in an armed ambush on a UN convoy in eastern Yemen, the UN said on Saturday.

According to a statement from the UN's International Office of Migration spokeswoman, the two soldiers were killed while escorting a convoy traveling west from Seiyun to Marib. No IOM staff, who were on an unspecified

humanitarian mission, were injured in the attack, it said. No further details about the Friday incident were given.



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## [UAE official: European ties with Gulf 'should not be transactional'](#)

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DUBAI: A senior UAE official said on Saturday it was encouraging to see greater European outreach to Gulf Arab states in the face of the Ukraine conflict and energy crunch, but that engagement should not be “transactional.”

A number of European officials have visited Gulf countries to secure energy supplies outside of former top provider Russia after the West imposed sanctions on Moscow over its invasion of Ukraine.



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## [Record number of mosques opened in Egypt this year](#)

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CAIRO: A record 1,200 new mosques opened across Egypt this year, according to the Ministry of Awqaf.

Ayman Omar, an undersecretary at the ministry, told Arab News that some of the 1,200 new mosques were financed by the ministry, while others were privately built under government supervision.



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