## Yemen president vows to open roads in Taiz, achieve peace

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AL-MUKALLA, Yemen: The head of Yemen's Presidential Leadership Council, Rashad Al-Alimi, has vowed to use force or peaceful means to relieve the Houthi siege of Taiz, make further concessions to ease the country's humanitarian crisis, and support any rebellion against the Houthis.



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#### <u>Lebanon retirees scuffle with police</u> near Parliament as MPs approve budget

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BEIRUT: Lebanese army retirees scuffled with Parliament guards in Beirut during a rally on Monday amid anger over decimated monthly pay.

Hours after the protest, Parliament passed the 2022 budget, with 63 legislators voting in favor, 37 voting against and six abstaining.

The new budget will calculate customs tax revenue at 15,000 Lebanese pounds

to the US dollar at a time when the black market rate is more than double that at 37,000 pounds to the dollar.



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# Mahsa Amini's death in Iranian police custody has lit a spark in a nation seething with anger and discontent

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DUBAI: Protests have spread to almost all of Iran's 31 provinces and urban cities since the death of 22-year-old Mahsa Amini at the hands of the morality police. On Sept. 13, Amini was arrested by a morality police (Gashtershad) patrol in a Tehran metro station, allegedly for violating the Islamic Republic's strict dress code.

She was hospitalized after the arrest, fell into a coma and died three days later. Iranian authorities maintain that she died of a heart attack. Her family says thart she had no pre-existing heart conditions.



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# Freed Moroccan POW speaks of Ukraine struggle

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CASABLANCA: A Moroccan prisoner of war released as part of an exchange between Moscow and Kyiv said he wanted to draw attention to the "struggle" of Ukraine as he returned home Saturday.

"I'm happy to come home after going through very difficult times," said Brahim Saadoun, 21, an aeronautical engineering student who had been based in Ukraine since 2019.

"I want to draw attention to the difficult situation in Ukraine and the struggle of its people in this painful time," he said at his family home, in a working-class district of Casablanca.



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## Borrell says Iran protest crackdown 'unjustifiable, unacceptable'

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BRUSSELS: The EU's foreign policy chief Josep Borrell said Sunday that Iran's crackdown on protests is "unjustifiable" and "unacceptable," as Tehran vowed no leniency against the unrest gripping the country.

A wave of protests has rocked Iran since the death of 22-year-old Kurdish woman Mahsa Amini in the custody of Iran's morality police.

At least 41 people have died, mostly protesters but including members of the Islamic republic's security forces, according to an official toll, although human rights groups say the real figure is higher.



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