

# [Beirut bank gunman still behind bars as family takes to the street in protest](#)

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BEIRUT: The Lebanese man who held eight bank employees hostage at gunpoint while demanding the release of his frozen savings remained behind bars on Friday pending further inquiries.

Bassam Al-Sheikh Hussein was arrested after voluntarily leaving the Federal Bank branch in Beirut on Thursday evening following a seven-hour standoff.

On Friday, members of his family blocked Al-Ouzai Road in Beirut in protest at his continued detention saying it was in breach of an agreement made the night before.



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# [Hundreds linked to Daesh transferred](#)

## [from Syria to Iraq](#)

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BEIRUT: Syria's autonomous Kurdish region transferred to the Iraqi government more than 600 relatives of Daesh group members who were detained at the notorious Al-Hol camp, a monitor said Friday.

It is the fourth operation of its kind this year from the camp, which lies less than 10 kilometers from the Iraqi border.

In the latest transfer, around "620 people, relatives of Daesh members, left Al-Hol," coordinated between the camp administration and the Iraqi government, the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said in a statement.



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## [Assassins Creed: Why the plot to kill John Bolton is in the DNA of the](#)

# Iranian regime

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QAMISHLI, Syria/JEDDAH: For the past year, unbeknown to the citizens of Washington D.C., an assassin had allegedly been stalking the streets of the US capital searching for a prime target: A former high-ranking American official whose killing would shake the world and serve as a symbol of vengeance against the West.

This alleged plan was revealed to have been foiled when, on Wednesday, the US Department of Justice officially charged an Iranian citizen with plotting to kill John Bolton, a senior national security adviser under both the Bush and Trump administrations.



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# Hamas 'wins with Israel but loses with Palestinians': Analysts

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AMMAN: Long after the dust of the latest attack on Gaza has settled, the Hamas movement – the predominant power in the Gaza Strip – has yet to

overcome the political fallout of its refusal to join fellow Islamic Jihad in retaliation against Israel.

Leading Palestinian pollster Khalil Shikaki told Arab News that Hamas failed to consider the arrest of Palestinian Islamic Jihad leader in Jenin Bassam Saadi a national threat requiring a military response from the Gaza Strip.



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## [US envoy to Yemen visiting Saudi Arabia, other Gulf nations amid Houthi escalation in Shabwa](#)

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LONDON: The US special envoy for Yemen, Tim Lenderking, began a tour of Saudi Arabia, the UAE and Oman on Aug. 11, and members of his team have traveled to Jordan, as part of intense diplomatic efforts to extend a UN-mediated truce in Yemen and bolster peace efforts.

“The special envoy and his team will focus on helping to meaningfully expand benefits of the truce to all Yemenis and pave the way for a permanent

ceasefire and an inclusive, durable Yemeni-led resolution to the conflict,” the State Department said.



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