Egypt footballer gets harassed for sharing photo with his 3-year-old girl

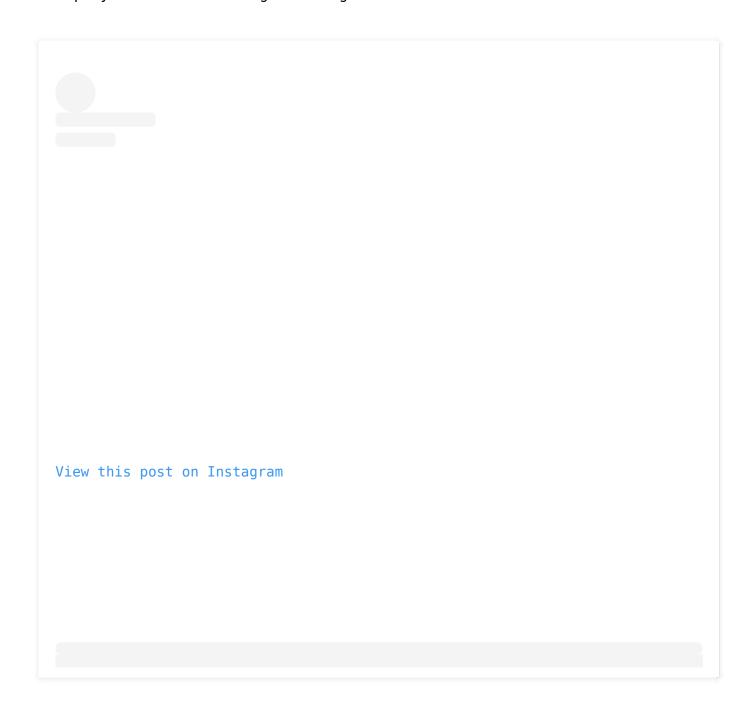
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CAIRO: An Egyptian footballer has threatened to sue Instagram users who sent abusive messages this week over photos of himself and his three-year-old daughter.

The incident involving Amre Soulia, a player at Al-Ahly football club, has caused a storm on social media in Egypt after comments on his photos triggered widespread anger over harassment.

The player publicly called out a number of people who had harassed him and his daughter by sharing screenshots of their comments that mainly targeted what the young girl was wearing — a black T-shirt and jeans.

The player is seen holding his daughter's hand while she smiles back at him.



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A post shared by <u>Amrelsoulia Official</u> (@amrelsoulia) on Jul 10, 2020 at 12:21pm PDT

"May God save her for you ... but I hope you make your daughter wear respectable clothes because you're a respectful player," one user wrote to Soulia.

Another user said: "Cover up your daughter, son, so that she grows to become one (who's covered)."

Several other sexually-loaded remarks targeted the little girl, prompting the player to take legal action against them.

"All legal measures were taken and a lawsuit was filed against anyone who insulted me or any member of my family," Soulia wrote on his social media account.





The incident is the latest in Egypt, where sexual assault and harassment are deep-seated problems.

Egyptian actor Sherif Mounir recently hit out at people who insulted his teenage daughters in a picture he shared of them on Instagram.



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<u>Morocco reimposes Tangiers lockdown</u> <u>after virus spike</u>

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1594651971526211400 Mon, 2020-07-13 13:13 RABAT: Morocco on Monday announced a return to lockdown measures in the northern port city of Tangiers to smother a new outbreak of the novel coronavirus, weeks after easing nationwide restrictions.

The city of about a million inhabitants was locked down from Monday at noon local time, with public transport suspended, cafes and public spaces closed and movement restricted.

Residents are only allowed to leave their homes "in cases of extreme necessity," the Interior Ministry said in a statement, adding that "exceptional authorization from local authorities" would be required for movement within or beyond the city.

Authorities decided to reimpose the measures to "prevent the spread of the virus" after "new infection clusters" appeared, it said.

The northern city, within sight of the Spanish coast on a clear day, has a vast port and is a key economic hub linking Africa with Europe and beyond. Morocco had imposed strict nationwide lockdown measures after recording its first COVID-19 cases in March.

It began easing them in June and has since reopened cafes and restaurants, allowing domestic visitors to restart its vital tourism sector.

Its borders remain closed until further notice, except to Moroccans and residents abroad, who will be able to return from Tuesday onwards.

But despite masks being mandatory in public, new localized outbreaks of the disease have forced the shutdown of several cities.

An outbreak at a fish canning factory prompted authorities to lock down Safi, a town of 300,000 on the Atlantic coast, in early July.

The kingdom, with a population of 34 million, has recorded over 15,000 infections including 253 deaths.



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UAE wants to see a return of Libya's oil production with safeguards: minister

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DUBAI: The UAE said on Monday it wants oil production to return in Libya with safeguards in place.

Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Anwar Gargash, said the Emirates and its partners want to see the return "as soon as possible" and the safeguards are necessary "to prevent the proceeds fueling further conflict."

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The Libyan National Oil Corporation (NOC) said on Saturday that it would resume oil production and exports after a six-month shutdown, which cost the war-torn country billions in lost revenues.

Libya has been divided since 2015 between areas held by a government in Tripoli, backed by Turkey, and the Libyan National Army (LNA) in Benghazi, backed by the UAE, Russia and Egypt.

"We continue to work for an immediate cease-fire and return to a political process," Gargash said in a tweet.



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Bahrain adds \$470m in expenditures to 2020 budget for coronavirus impact

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MANAMA: Bahrain will add 177 million dinars (\$470 million) to its 2020 state budget in emergency expenditures arising from fighting the new coronavirus pandemic, state news agency BNA said on Monday, citing a royal decree.

To this end, \$450 million will be taken as a one-time deduction from the

Future Generations Fund (FGF), a fund set up in 2006 to reinvest hydrocarbon revenues, and allocated to this year's state budget, another new decree said.

The decrees also announced a temporary halt to the allocation of oil revenues to the FGF until the end of 2020.

Bahrain has reported just under 33,000 cases of COVID-19 and 108 deaths.



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<u>Turkey will inform UNESCO about Hagia</u> <u>Sophia moves - foreign minister</u>

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ISTANBUL: Turkey will inform the United Nation's cultural body UNESCO about changes to Istanbul's ancient Hagia Sophia after Ankara converted the museum back into a mosque, Foreign Minister Mevlut Cavusoglu said on Monday. On Friday, a Turkish court ruled that the building's conversion to a museum in 1934 was unlawful and President Tayyip Erdogan, declaring it a mosque, said the first prayers would be held there within two weeks. UNESCO said on Friday it would review the status of the monument as a World Heritage Site following Erdogan's enouncement.

Cavusoglu said Ankara was surprised by UNESCO's reaction and would let it know of further steps that will be taken regarding Hagia Sophia, which was a Byzantine church for nine centuries before the Ottomans converted it to a mosque.

Turkey is sensitive about protecting its historical character, he said. "We have to protect our ancestors' heritage. The function can be this way or that way — it does not matter," Cavusoglu told state broadcaster TRT Haber. Asked about criticism and expressions of concern from Greece, Pope Francis and others, Cavusoglu said the decision to turn Hagia Sophia into a mosque was lawful.

"We respect everyone's view even if we don't agree with it but we strongly reject comments made in a way that infringes on Turkey's sovereign rights," he said.

Greece condemned the decision on Friday, saying it would have repercussions not only on relations between the two countries, but on Turkey's ties with the European Union. Pope Francis said on Sunday he was hurt by the decision.



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