

## **Announcement ignites fresh discussions surrounding potential impact of deal on Ankara's humanitarian responsibilities**

ANKARA: The UK and Turkiye have unveiled a deal aimed at tackling the pressing issue of migration in the Mediterranean region.

The announcement, reported by Reuters on Wednesday, has ignited fresh discussions surrounding the potential impact of the agreement on Ankara's already weighty humanitarian responsibilities.

The Turkish government has not yet officially reacted to the alleged deal.

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## **QIA becomes minority investor in US-based Monumental Sports & Entertainment**

DUBAI: Washington-based Monumental Sports & Entertainment announced on Friday the Qatar Investment Authority as a minority investor.

The sports and entertainment company owns and operates seven professional and amateur team franchises, six venues and two media networks, among additional assets.

In partnership with the District of Columbia and Events DC, MSE has also built a 4,200-seat arena in Southeast DC.

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## **Migrant crisis: 24 hours at sea with Tunisia's coastguard**

SFAX, TUNISIA: A rubber dinghy brings back dozens of people from one of six boats the Tunisian coastguard intercepted in a 24-hour period off Sfax, a migrant launchpad for Europe.

"Our priority is to save lives," said Mohammed Borhen Chamtouri, a commander of Tunisia's coastguard, as the dinghy headed towards the speedboat that had

spotted the migrants on radar.

Chamtouri, who is based in Sfax, was speaking after 24 hours spent intercepting and rescuing migrants who left the port city between Wednesday and Thursday.

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## **White House: There will be restrictions on any unfrozen Iranian funds**

WASHINGTON: The White House stressed on Friday that there would be restrictions on what Iran could do with any funds unfrozen under an emerging agreement that has led to the release of five Americans from prison to house arrest in Tehran.

White House spokesperson John Kirby told reporters that the United States would have “full visibility” into where any released Iranian funds are directed and used. An estimated \$6 billion in Iranian assets are now held in South Korea.

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## **Bahrain is empowering young people to help achieve Sustainable Development Goals, official says**

RIYADH: Authorities in Bahrain are working to instill in the nation’s youth the values and principles of leadership and ambition, while supporting and empowering them to fulfill their full potential, according to Sheikh Nasser bin Hamad Al-Khalifa, the king’s representative for humanitarian work and youth affairs.