### <u>Tunisian election to entrench</u> <u>president's rule</u>

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TUNIS: Tunisians go to the polls Saturday to elect a parliament largely stripped of its powers, under a hyper-presidential system installed by the head of state Kais Saied after his power grab last year.

Over a decade since Tunisia's popular revolution unseated dictator Zine El Abidine Ben Ali, opposition parties have urged a boycott of the vote, which they say is part of a "coup" against the only democracy to have emerged from the 2011 Arab Spring uprisings.



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# France announces it will end visa restrictions with Morocco

ID: 1671214375193894500 Fri, 2022-12-16 21:15 PARIS: France will end visa restrictions for Moroccan nationals, the foreign minister said on Friday, in a sign of warmer relations between the two countries after more than a year of tensions between Paris and Rabat. "We've taken measures with our Moroccan partners to re-establish a consular relationship," Foreign Minister Catherine Colonna said on Friday after talks with her Moroccan counterpart Nasser Bourita in Rabat.



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# At least 65 children killed for participating in demonstrations by the Iranian regime

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LONDON: At least 65 children between the ages of 2 and 17 have been killed in a "brutal crackdown" since protests erupted against the Iranian regime over 90 days ago, an opposition group has said.



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## <u>Police officer killed during clashes</u> <u>in southern Jordan</u>

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AMMAN: A senior Jordanian police officer was killed on Thursday during

clashes with demonstrators in the southern city of Maan during protests over high fuel prices, a police source said.

The officer died after being shot by unknown assailants during clashes in the Husseiniya area of Maan. Four other policemen were injured, the source said.

Earlier, youths clashed with police in several impoverished neighborhoods of the city and in the heavily populated industrial city of Zarqa, north east of the capital Amman, witnesses said.



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### <u>Libya's Dbeibah defends extradition of</u> <u>alleged Lockerbie bomber</u>

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TRIPOLI: Libya's interim prime minister on Thursday confirmed and justified the extradition of the man alleged to have made the bomb that destroyed a Pan Am flight over Lockerbie in Scotland in 1988.

Tripoli-based premier Abdelhamid Dbeibah said he had "acted with respect for the sovereignty of Libya" in cooperating "when it comes to crimes committed outside its territory."

Dbeibah has come under heavy criticism from political opponents and rights

activists since the extradition.



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