Egyptian Presidential Pardon Committee releases 50 pretrial detainees

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CAIRO: Egypt's Presidential Pardon Committee has announced the release of 50 pretrial detainees.

The committee said that it had completed its procedures in coordination with the relevant agencies to release a new batch of detainees who are not involved in violence and do not belong to terrorist groups.



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From Yemen to Ukraine, how Iranian drone technology is wreaking havoc

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IRBIL, Iraqi Kurdistan: Armed drones designed and manufactured by Iran have given Tehran's militia proxies across the Middle East a unique capability to wreak havoc throughout the region.

The Houthi militia in Yemen, for instance, has frequently used explosiveladen drones to target Saudi Arabia. Tehran provided these militants with the means and the know-how to assemble and launch these drones to devastating effect.



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<u>Palestinian activists turn to TikTok</u> <u>amid Israeli anger over 'propaganda</u> <u>videos'</u>

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RAMALLAH: Palestinian activists are turning to TikTok to rally against activities by Israel, which accused the social media platform of igniting the security situation in the Middle East in recent weeks.

Israel had successfully pushed Meta to block thousands of Palestinian accounts and content from its social media platforms, such as Facebook and Instagram, in addition to limiting Palestinian content through Twitter and Snapchat. However, TikTok, owned by Chinese company ByteDance, has rejected the Israeli allegations and refused to change its policies.



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International community urges Yemeni parties to renew truce

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AL-MUKALLA: A six-month-old UN-brokered ceasefire in Yemen's war between Iran-backed Houthis and the Arab coalition ended on Sunday with no word from the rivals on whether it would be extended.

The US, UK, China, other world powers and the secretary-general of the Arab League have all urged Yemen's government and the Iran-backed Houthis to extend the UN-brokered truce.

Despite mounting pressure, only the Yemeni government had earlier agreed to extend the truce.



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UN Yemen envoy expresses regret after truce expires without being extended

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RIYADH: The UN Special Envoy for Yemen Hans Grundberg expressed regret on Sunday that an agreement to extend and expand the truce in the country had not been reached.

"The truce that began on April.2, 2022 has offered a truly historic opportunity for Yemen. Building on the positive outcomes of the past six months, I submitted another proposal to the parties on Oct.1 to extend the truce for another six months, with additional elements," Grundberg said in a statement.

The ceasefire has twice been renewed since April. 2 but expired on Sunday without being extended.



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