

## [Ecuadorian foreign minister receives Egyptian ambassador in Quito](#)

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CAIRO: Ecuadorian Minister of Foreign Affairs Carlos Holguin received Ashraf Abdel Qader Salama, the Egyptian ambassador to Ecuador, at the end of Salama's term in the country.

Salama expressed his gratitude for the assistance he had received from officials at the ministry of foreign affairs and the government during his stay in Ecuador.



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## [Iran unveils naval drone division as Biden tours Mideast](#)

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TEHRAN: Iran's navy on Friday unveiled its first division of ships and submarines capable of carrying armed drones, as US President Joe Biden tours the Middle East.

The United States and Israel, the sworn enemies of Iran, have previously accused the Islamic republic of using drones and missiles to attack US forces and Israel-linked ships in the Gulf.

"The first drone-carrier division of the Iranian navy consisting of ships and submarine units carrying all types of drone for combat, detection and destruction has been unveiled," state television said.



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## [Nasrallah speech prompts Lebanese fears of Israel escalation amid maritime border row](#)

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BEIRUT: Hezbollah Secretary-General Hassan Nasrallah's speech on Wednesday night, in which he ratcheted up tensions with Israel, has raised fresh fears in Lebanon over possible escalations with its southern neighbor.

The speech came amid indirect Lebanese–Israeli talks over the demarcation of the maritime border between the two countries, and follows the downing of three drones flown by Hezbollah towards the Karish gas field by the Israel Defense Forces earlier this month.



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## [Egyptian envoy, Malta's PM hold talks](#)

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CAIRO: Egyptian Ambassador Khaled Anis met with Malta's prime minister to deliver an invitation to participate in the UN Climate Change Conference in Sharm El-Sheikh in November. Dr. Robert Abela expressed his gratitude for the invitation.

During their meeting, Anis reviewed Egypt's vision for the conference, from commitments to implementation.

He also reviewed aspects of Egyptian-Maltese cooperation, including recent meetings on energy, water, air travel, trade and investment.



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## [Qatar Airways, Etihad, Emirates ranked among world's 20 best airlines for 2022](#)

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LONDON: AirlineRatings, an aviation safety and product rating agency, has named three Gulf long-haul carriers among the world's 20 best airlines in its 2022 rankings.

Qatar Airways took the top spot for the second year in a row, with the UAE's Etihad Airways and Emirates in third and 16th places, respectively. Air New Zealand took second place.

To make the top 20, airlines must have a seven-star safety rating and demonstrate leadership in innovation for passenger comfort.



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