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The three allies convene in Beijing to discuss JCPOA, sanctions, and West's threats

China, Russia Affirm Iran's

Peaceful Nuclear Program

Chinese Foreign Minister Wag Yi, Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Sergey Ryabkov, and Iranian Deputy Foreign Minister Kazeem Gharibabadi attend a meeting regarding the Iranian nuclear issue at Diaoyutai State Guest House on March 14, 2025 in Beijing.

## From the mountains of Saada to the Red Sea... a force reshaping the equations of conflict

#### By Najah Mohammed Ali

LONDON - Once again, Ansarallah proves itself to be an influential force that cannot be ignored in creating a new map for the region, whether in the Yemeni scene or within the framework of the Resistance Axis that has redrawn the equations of conflict in the region.

What was previously viewed as a local rebellion movement with a tribal or sectarian character has now become a military and political force capable of imposing a new reality that transcends Yemen's borders to affect regional and international security equations. These transformations did not come out of nowhere but are a natural result of a long path of conflict and adaptation to pressures, and the strategic development that enabled Ansarallah to transform from a besieged group in the mountains of Saada to a major regional player capable of threatening international navigation routes and striking sensitive targets thousands of kilometers away, employing all of this in favor of the Palestinian cause.

## "More than a human can bear"

#### By Wesam Bahrani

TEHRAN – The UN has found that the Israeli occupation regime committed "genocidal acts" in Gaza, including ongoing attacks on women's healthcare.

A 49-page report has concluded that Israeli occupation forces have also used sexual violence as a weapon of war to "dominate and destroy the Palestinian people"

Critics argue that despite mounting evidence from international bodies of genocidal acts committed by the Israeli regime in Gaza, many regional and international politicians or media outlets are misinforming their audiences by refusing to cover the story.

According to the report from the UN Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East al-Quds (Jerusalem), Israeli occupation forces have increasingly used sexual, reproductive, and other forms of genderbased violence against Palestinians.

# Why is Israeli normalization with Lebanon a distant dream?

#### By Sondoss Al Asaad

BEIRUT — Settlement, peace, normalization, and other terms in the imperialist lexicon are a continuation of the soft war aimed at further realizing Israel's expansionist ambitions by undermining the resistance front and engaging it in internal conflicts.

On Wednesday, Hebrew Channel 12 quoted an "exceptional statement" by an Israeli political source who claimed that "the discussions with Lebanon are part of a broad and comprehensive plan."

He added, "The policy of the Prime Minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, has already changed the Middle East, and we want to continue the momentum and reach normalization with Lebanon."

Hinting at imposing Israel's conditions after its war, the source claimed, "Just as Lebanon has demands regarding the borders, we also have demands. We will address these matters," i.e. normalization.

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## Iranian-made HPV, flu vaccines to be manufactured in Indonesia

TEHRAN –The human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine (the virus that usually causes cervical cancer in women) and the recombinant influenza vaccine are projected to be produced in Indonesia, an official with the vice-presidency for science, technology, and knowledge-based economy has said.

Biofarma, an Indonesian vaccine manufacturer, produces different vaccines at government expense. However, they have not developed these two vaccines. The vaccines will be made there, and we would get a share of the sales market, Mehr news agency quoted Mostafa Qanei as saying.

Given Indonesia's population of around 300 million, ▶ Page 7



## MAPNA delivers 3,000hp freight locomotives

TEHRAN – A special ceremony was held for delivering the last 3,000 horsepower locomotive manufactured by MAPNA Locomotive Engineering and Manufacturing Company to Mobarakeh Steel Company.

According to a contract signed between MAPNA and Mobarakeh, 50 freight locomotives should have been delivered, the last of which was transferred on Thursday.

The chief executive of the Iranian Rail Equipment Manufacturing Company has said the country exports rail parts and equipment to Europe.

Morteza Mollanejad said the company has held negotiations with Iraq, Turkey, Cuba, Poland, and Afghanistan for exporting rail parts and equipment to these countries.

# Iran summons E3 envoys over 'provocative' closeddoor UN security council session

TEHRAN - Tehran has summoned the ambassadors of the United Kingdom, France, and Germany to express strong opposition to their role in convening a recent United Nations Security Council meeting on Iran's nuclear program.

The meeting, which took place on March 12, was noted by Iranian officials as an unjustified and provocative act orchestrated in collaboration with the United States.

The closed-door meeting on Tehran's nuclear program, initiated by the UK, France and German at Washington's request, came a few days after the IAEA Board of Governors made its observations about Iran's nuclear issue.

Mohammad Hassan Nejad Pirkouhi, Director-General for International Peace and Security at Iran's Foreign Ministry, met with the envoys—representing France, Germany, and the UK's chargé d'affaires in the absence of its ambassador.

He criticized the three European nations' "irresponsible" alignment with U.S. policies, reiterating Iran's stance that the meeting lacked any legal or technical basis. ▶ Page 2

## 'Portraying a war with Iran as low-cost is Israeli deception:' Leader's advisor

TEHRAN – Ali Larijani, an advisor to the Leader of the Islamic Revolution, Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei, emphasized that American officials must choose between engaging respectfully with Iran on the basis of shared economic interests or succumbing to the Israeli regime's deception by mistakenly perceiving conflict with Iran as low-cost.

Speaking at a ceremony in Tehran on Thursday, Larijani referred to the contradictory positions of U.S. officials, remarking, "Those who raise the banner of peace cannot simultaneously issue threats, as threats are incompatible with tranquility. Western officials speak of human rights and equality, but history reveals how they treated their colonies."

He emphasized that Tehran bases its decisions on fair and rational behavior. "While the Iranian nation cherishes peace, it remains unwavering in defending its own interests," he added. > Page 2

# Iranian economy grows 3.7% in 9 months: CBI

Tehran - The Governor of the Central Bank of Iran (CBI) announced that the country's economy has experienced a 3.7 percent growth in the first nine months of the current Iranian year (March 20 - December, 20 2024), IRNA reported.

Mohammadreza Farzin, referring to the stable and consistent economic growth of the country, said: "The economy of the country experienced a 3.7 percent growth in the first nine months of the current year, which is a suitable and acceptable growth rate compared to the global average and the regional countries."

Farzin compared Iran's economic growth rate to other countries, saying: "China and India remain the main engines of global economic growth, while European countries have had low growth rates for years. Iran's 3.7 percent economic growth rate, compared to regional countries like Turkey (2.8 percent), Saudi Arabia (1.4 percent), Pakistan (2.5 percent), Iraq (1.4 percent), and the average growth rate of the Middle East and Central Asia (2.4 percent), is relatively good and acceptable." Page 4