

[UK pulls diplomats and families out of Sudan](#)

LONDON: British armed forces have evacuated UK embassy staff and their families from Sudan, Prime Minister Rishi Sunak said Sunday, as fighting raged between rival Sudanese generals.

“UK armed forces have completed a complex and rapid evacuation of British diplomats and their families from Sudan, amid a significant escalation in violence and threats to embassy staff,” Sunak tweeted.

The prime minister said the government was “continuing to pursue every avenue to end the bloodshed in Sudan and ensure the safety of British nationals remaining in the country.”

[Over 400 Egyptian citizens evacuated from Sudan](#)

LONDON: Over 400 Egyptian citizens were successfully evacuated from Sudan on Sunday as fighting continued to rage in the country.

The 436 citizens crossed into Egypt via land and the country continues to secure evacuations to ensure the safe and sound return of Egyptians to their country, the spokesperson for the foreign ministry Ahmed Abu Zeid said.

An Iraqi citizen was killed in the fighting on Sunday, according to Iraq’s state news agency, as foreign governments evacuated diplomats, staff and others trapped in Sudan.

[Jordanian MP arrested by Israeli authorities for alleged weapon smuggling](#)

AMMAN: Israel has arrested Jordanian MP Imad Odwan for allegedly trying to smuggle weapons and gold into the occupied West Bank.

Reports circulated on social media said that Israeli authorities foiled an attempt to smuggle the items at the King Hussein Bridge (Allenby) border

crossing.

Algerian president to visit France in June

ALGIERS: Algerian President Abdelmadjid Tebboune will visit France in June, his office said Sunday, weeks after a diplomatic spat over a French-Algerian activist.

The visit had initially been due to take place in May, but was pushed back to June following a phone call between Tebboune and his French counterpart Emmanuel Macron, the Algerian presidency said.

During those talks, Tebboune and Macron discussed “ways of bolstering bilateral relations” between the two countries and the upcoming visit due to take place in the second half of June.

Qatar prioritizes sustainable development at ECOSOC forum

DOHA: “We look forward to holding the Sustainable Development Goals Summit next September, and we see it as a unique and important milestone in our collective efforts,” Sheikha Alya Ahmed bin Saif Al-Thani, Qatar’s permanent representative to the UN, said during the Economic and Social Council Forum on Financing for Development Follow-up 2023.

She highlighted Qatar’s continued efforts to offer help and conduct development initiatives to benefit millions of people worldwide during the meeting, Qatar News Agency reported on Sunday.