

UN rights investigator says EU aided and abetted abuse of migrants in Libya

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GENEVA: A member of the UN fact-finding mission to Libya investigating rights abuses said on Monday that European Union support for Libyan authorities that stop and detain migrants had “aided and abetted” the commission of rights violations against migrants.

“We’re not saying that the EU and its member states have committed these crimes. The point is that the support given has aided and abetted the commission of the crimes,” Chaloka Beyani said in a news conference while unveiling the mission’s report.



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If Tunisia is not helped, Muslim

Brotherhood may 'create instability': Italian FM

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ROME: The international community runs the risk of "having the Muslim Brotherhood create instability" in Tunisia if the country is not promptly granted "substantial financial help," Italian Foreign Minister Antonio Tajani said at a conference attended by Arab News.

"We can't afford the radicalization of the Mediterranean," he added, saying Tunisia is on the verge of "economic collapse," and negotiations for a loan of nearly \$1.9 billion from the International Monetary Fund have "stalled" over President Kais Saied's recent policies.



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Iraq changes electoral law, sparking

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BAGHDAD: Iraq's parliament voted Monday to restore electoral laws that were scrapped after 2019 anti-government demonstrations, sparking anger from independent lawmakers who see it benefiting larger parties. The law, which parliament said in a statement was "adopted" without detailing the votes, revives the electoral law of 2018 and sweeps away one of the gains of the mass protest movement which shook Iraq.



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[Israel's Netanyahu delays judicial overhaul after mass protests](#)

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JERUSALEM: Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu announced a delay in his judicial overhaul plan Monday, saying he wanted to give time to seek a compromise over the contentious package with his political opponents. Netanyahu made the announcement after two days of large protests against the plan.

"When there's an opportunity to avoid civil war through dialogue, I, as prime minister, am taking a timeout for dialogue," Netanyahu said in a nationally televised address.





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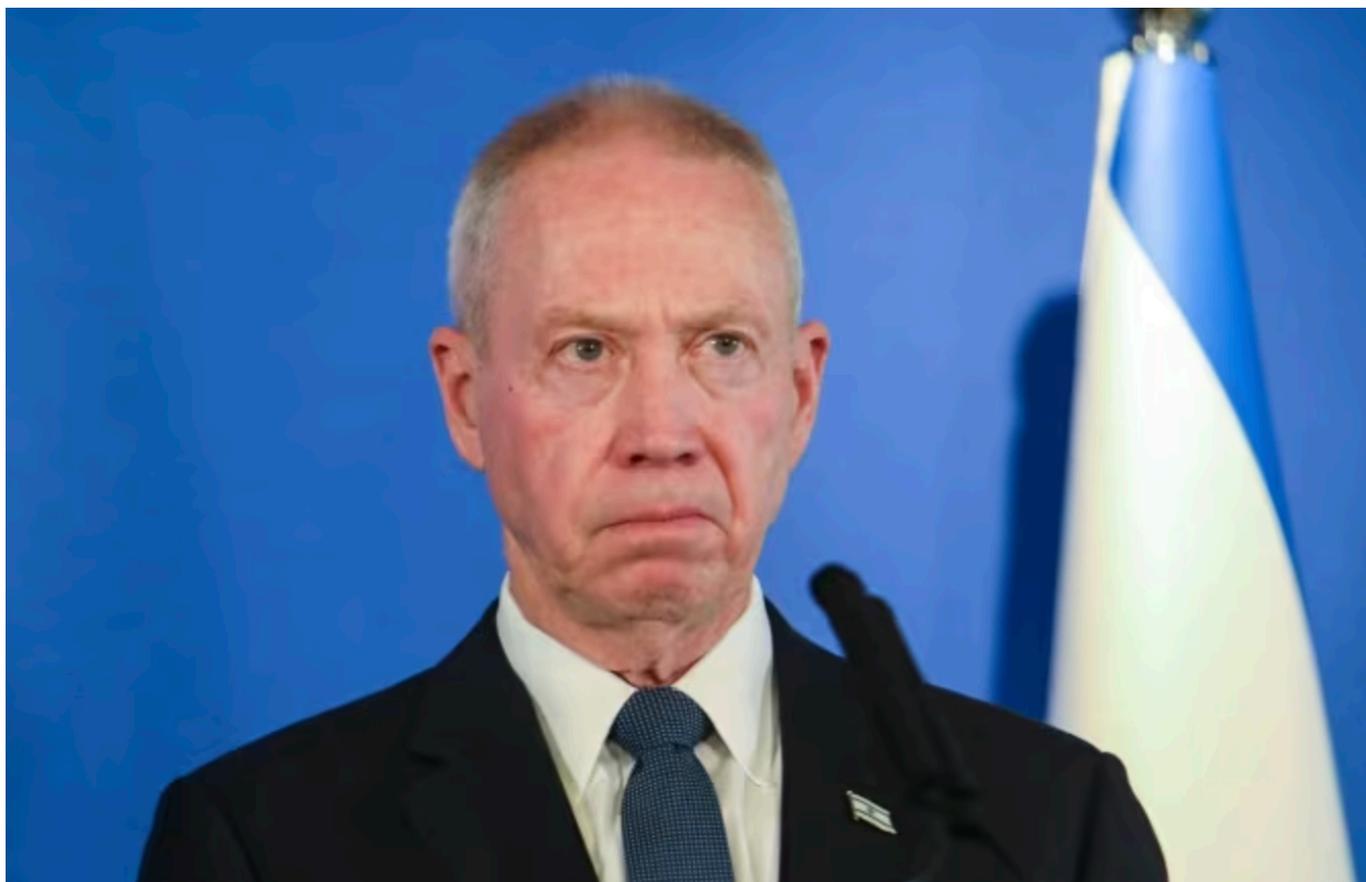
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[Israel's Netanyahu fires defense minister Yoav Gallant](#)

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JERUSALEM: Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu fired his defense minister on Sunday, a day after the former army general called for a halt to the planned overhaul of Israel's judiciary that has fiercely divided the country.

The move signals the prime minister will move ahead this week with plans for the overhaul, which has sparked widespread opposition. Tens of thousands of protesters have taken to the streets, military and business leaders have spoken out against it and leading allies of Israel have voiced concerns.



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