

[UAE 'Sultan of Space' grapples with Ramadan fast on ISS](#)

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DUBAI: The second Emirati to journey into space, martial arts enthusiast Sultan AlNeyadi, weighed up Thursday performing Ramadan in orbit – and promised to pack his jiu-jitsu suit for the ride.

AlNeyadi, 41, dubbed the “Sultan of Space” by his alma mater, will blast off on February 26 for the International Space Station (ISS) aboard a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket.

During his six months in orbit – a record time for any Arab astronaut – AlNeyadi said he would like to observe the holy month of Ramadan, when Muslims typically fast from dawn to sunset.



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New insights into ancient Egyptian embalming

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CAIRO: Researchers have unlocked the secrets of the mummification process used in ancient Egypt, the Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities said.

A team of researchers from Ludwig Maximilian and Tübingen universities in Germany, in cooperation with the National Research Center in Cairo, set out to study materials used by ancient Egyptian embalmers.

Specialists analyzed organic remains found inside pottery pots discovered in a mummification workshop unearthed by the Egyptian-German archaeological mission led by Ramadan Badri in Saqqara in 2018.



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Yemenis elated as 5 Taiz policewomen handed key security roles

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AL-MUKALLA: Five Yemeni policewomen were appointed to key security posts for

the first time in the southern Yemeni city of Taiz, sparking excitement among gender equality advocates and the media.

The five were given roles at sites and police stations in the Taiz Security Department as part of a security overhaul that saw the appointment of 12 new security heads, said local officials.

The appointments were intended to empower women in security roles as part of a push to end the disorder and lawlessness that has plagued Taiz for years.



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[Egypt officials: Hospital fire in Cairo kills 3, injures 32](#)

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CAIRO: A fire broke out Wednesday at a hospital in the Egyptian capital of Cairo, killing at least three people and injuring at least 32 others, health authorities said.

The Health Ministry said the fire took place at the Noor Mohammadi hospital

in eastern Cairo's Matariya neighborhood. The facility is run by a charity. The ministry said in a statement that flames broke out at the hospital's radiology department without elaborating on what caused it. Provincial authorities said firefighters were able to put out the blaze.



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[Militants kill eight soldiers in northwest Syria: monitor](#)

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BEIRUT: Eight Syrian soldiers were killed in the country's northwest on Wednesday in an attack carried out by the Hayat Tahrir Al-Sham militant group, a war monitor reported.

"HTS fired shells and rockets at a Syrian military post, killing eight soldiers near Kafr Ruma in Idlib province," the Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said.

HTS is headed by ex-members of Syria's former Al-Qaeda franchise. Syrian state media did not immediately report the attack.



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