

Houthi captors torture abducted model in Sanaa prison

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AL-MUKALLA: The Iran-backed Houthis brutally tortured and placed abducted model Entesar Al-Hammadi in solitary confinement in Sanaa, government officials have warned.

The Houthis abducted the model and actress early last year after snatching her and a friend from a Sanaa street.

After her abduction, the militia tortured Al-Hammadi, subjected her to a virginity test and locked her alone in an isolated cell in the political security prison in Sanaa. She was then sentenced to five years' imprisonment on prostitution and drug charges.



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[Slain Al Jazeera reporter's family meets Blinken to 'demand justice for Shireen'](#)

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WASHINGTON: The family of slain Palestinian-American journalist Shireen Abu Akleh met US Secretary of State Antony Blinken on Tuesday to demand justice for the killing of the Al Jazeera reporter during an Israeli raid in the occupied West Bank.

US State Department spokesperson Ned Price told a regular news briefing that Blinken was meeting the family and would reiterate the need for accountability.



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[Mother of teenage protester slain by Iranian authorities to face 100 lashes](#)

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LONDON: The mother of a teenager killed by Iranian authorities during the country's fuel protests in 2019 is reportedly facing 100 lashes. Mahboubeh Ramezani, mother of Pejman Gholipour, was detained earlier this month, convicted for protesting the killing of her son, and is being held in Evin prison in Tehran, the UK's Daily Mail reported. Gholipour was fatally shot in the heart by security forces on Nov. 18, 2019, and was one of more than 300 people killed in the week-long protests, according to Amnesty International.



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[Qatar and UK discuss 2022 FIFA World Cup, strengthening media cooperation](#)

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DOHA: Qatar's adviser to the deputy prime minister and minister of foreign affairs, Dr. Majed bin Mohammed Al-Ansari, had a video call on Monday with the UK government spokesperson for the Middle East and North Africa, Rosie Dyas.

They discussed bilateral relations between the two countries, ways to improve media cooperation, the 2022 FIFA World Cup in Qatar, and the latest regional developments.

Al-Ansari said Qatar welcomed British fans to the football tournament, noting the country's readiness to organize a unique and safe event.



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[President's supporters welcome vote on Tunisia constitution](#)

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TUNIS: Its detractors say Tunisia's draft constitution will give President Kais Saied unchecked powers, but for voter Baya, that's a welcome break from the country's old political elite.

"They were in power for 10 years and did nothing. Let this man do his job!" the 54-year-old said after voting in a referendum on the charter on Monday.

"We believe in him and we'll support him until the end."



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