

Concern in Lebanon as mobile data rates surge

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BEIRUT: The adoption of new tariffs for phone services and subscriptions in Lebanon has caused concern.

Pricing will now follow the dollar exchange rate on the Sayrafa platform, which is about LBP25,200. Prices used to be calculated according to the official exchange rate of LBP1,515.

The tariff raise came into force on Friday.

People woke up on Friday to text messages sent by telecom operators calculating their balances according to the Sayrafa exchange rate, surprised by the value of their balance tumbling to below \$1.



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Thousands rally in Sudan day after 9 killed during protests

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CAIRO: Thousands took to the streets Friday in Sudan's capital, a day after nine people were killed in demonstrations against the country's ruling generals.

The United States and others in the international community condemned the violence in this East African nation, which has been rocked by near-weekly protests since an Oct. 25 coup upended its fragile transition to democracy. The rallies on Thursdays were the largest seen in months. Sudanese military authorities have met the protests with a deadly crackdown, which has so far killed 113 people, including 18 children.



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Briton jailed for fatal accident at Cyprus resort

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NICOSIA: A Cypriot court jailed a 25-year-old British tourist for one year on Friday after convicting him of the hit-and-run death of a Swedish mother in a holiday resort on the island.

The Famagusta district court also revoked the tourist's driving license for 18 months but authorities did not release his name.

The Briton was involved in the killing of Camilla-Christina Pamdahl, 46, who was on holiday with her five-year-old daughter, on May 4.

She was the victim of a fatal hit-and-run accident at a pedestrian crossing in the popular resort of Ayia Napa.



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[British government lobbying Iraq for archaeologist's release: FM Liz Truss](#)

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LONDON: The UK government is lobbying for the release of a British archaeologist imprisoned in Iraq, it was revealed on Thursday.

Jim Fitton was sentenced to 15 years in prison in June for attempting to smuggle artifacts out of the country, a crime that can also carry the death sentence.



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[Qatar provides \\$60m in support for Lebanese Army](#)

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BEIRUT: Qatar announced on Thursday it was providing \$60 million in support to the Lebanese Army in implementation of the GCC state's Emir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al-Thani's directives.

As reported by Qatar News Agency, the announcement came as Qatar's Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs and Chairman of Qatar Fund for

Development (QFFD) Sheikh Mohammed bin Abdulrahman Al-Thani was visiting Lebanon to attend the Arab Foreign Ministers Consultative Meeting.



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