

Press release: PM call with Sultan Qaboos of Oman: 6 July 2017

This afternoon the Prime Minister spoke to Sultan Qaboos bin Said al Said of Oman. The Prime Minister took the opportunity to wish Sultan Qaboos Eid Mubarak and the leaders discussed the importance of the UK and Oman's friendship and co-operation, particularly on defence issues.

They agreed to work together to deepen bilateral ties including through the UK's commitment to Oman's long-term economic stability, taking forward work on economic reforms following the Minister for the Middle East and Africa's recent visit to Muscat.

The Prime Minister and Sultan Qaboos spoke about the ongoing issues between Qatar and other Gulf states, agreeing on the importance of all sides de-escalating the tension through dialogue and engaging with Kuwaiti-led mediation efforts to restore GCC unity. They both stated that a resolution of the dispute was vital not just for Gulf security but also the stability of the wider region.