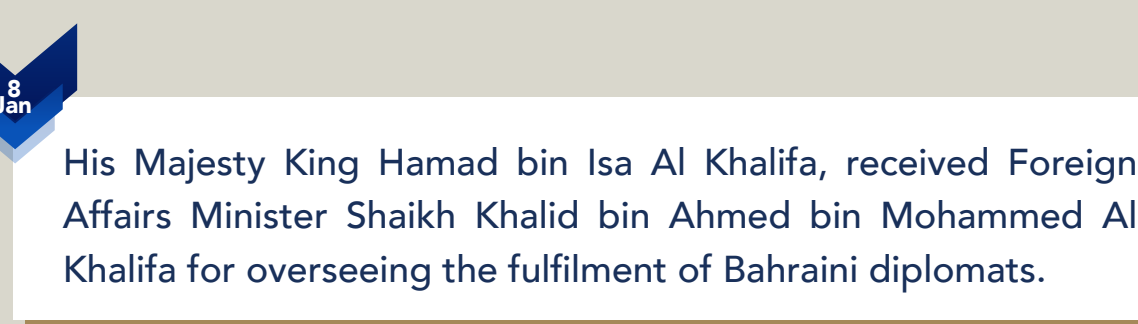
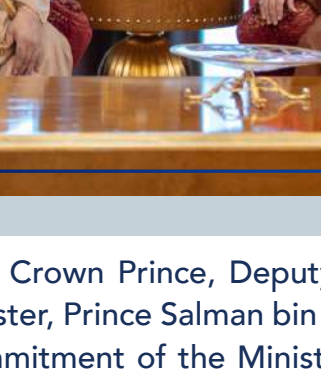


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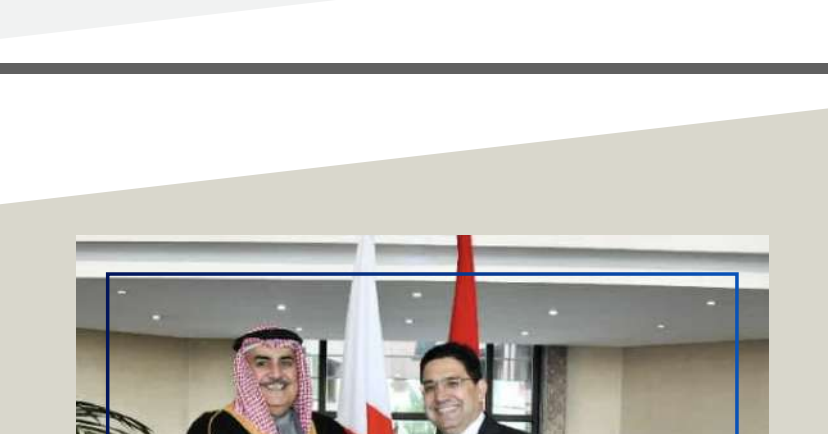


An armed soldier is crucial, but a soldier is also one who speaks, defends, and finds strength in wherever he can serve his country

Minister of Foreign Affairs  
Shaikh Khalid bin Ahmed bin Mohammed Al Khalifa



His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, received Foreign Affairs Minister Shaikh Khalid bin Ahmed bin Mohammed Al Khalifa for overseeing the fulfilment of Bahraini diplomats.



His Royal Highness the Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and First Deputy Prime Minister, Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa highlighted the dedication and commitment of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Shaikh Khaled bin Ahmed bin Mohamed Al Khalifa, to advancing the Kingdom's diplomatic agenda regionally and internationally, in line with the Kingdom's comprehensive development led by HM the King.



Minister of Foreign Affairs signs number of agreements and memorandum of understanding with friendly Republic of Seychelles



Minister of Foreign Affairs meets with Minister of Foreign Affairs, African Cooperation and Moroccans residing abroad in Rabat



12-11 يناير



HM the King receives Foreign Minister and the diplomatic corps members



The National Security Adviser, His Highness Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, a talk about "the strategic plan for national security"



Ministry of Foreign Affairs holds opening ceremony of Diplomatic Forum



Speech by the guest of honor, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of the brotherly Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Mr. Adel bin Ahmed Al-Jubeir.



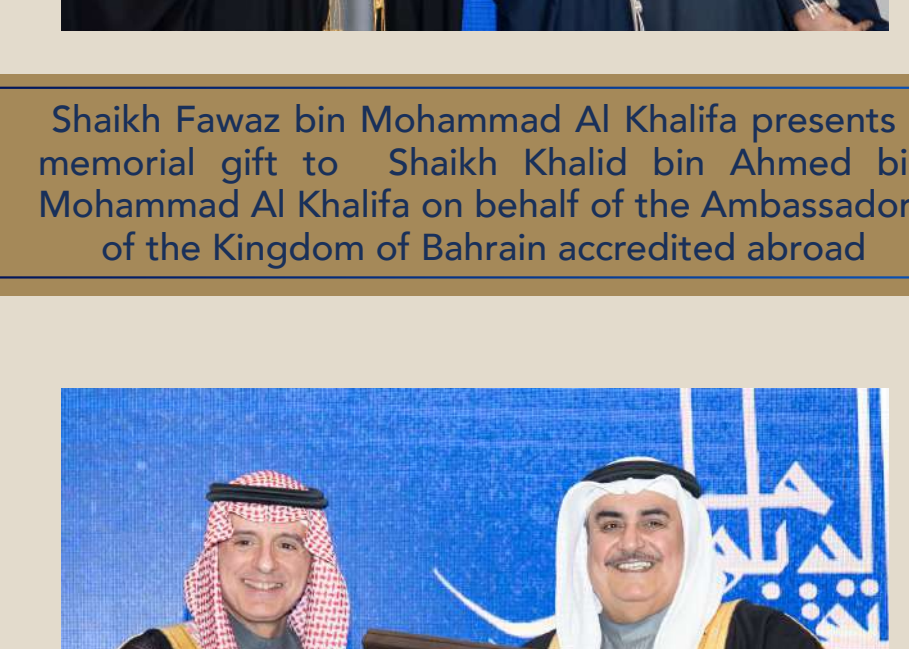
Opening of the works of the diplomatic forum by the Assistant Minister of Foreign Affairs



The Foreign Policy of the Kingdom of Bahrain Human Rights System (Assistant Foreign Minister)



Development Process (Undersecretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs)



Bahraini diplomacy in the service of national goals (Undersecretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for International Affairs)



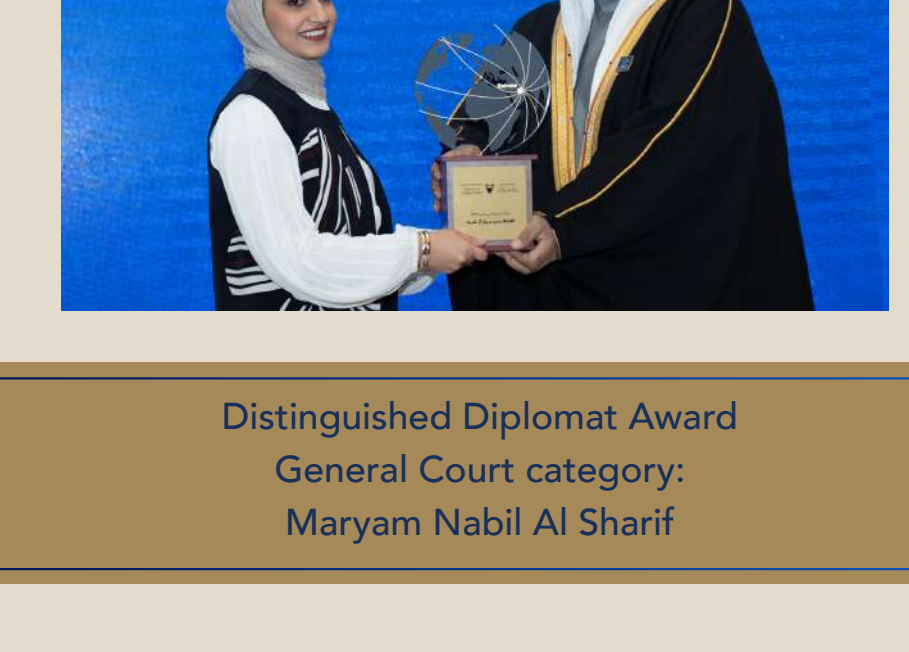
Shaikh Fawaz bin Mohammad Al Khalifa presents a memorial gift to Shaikh Khalid bin Ahmed bin Mohammad Al Khalifa on behalf of the Ambassadors of the Kingdom of Bahrain accredited abroad



Shaikh Khalid bin Ahmed bin Mohammad Al Khalifa presents a memorial gift to the Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Adel bin Ahmed Al-Jubeir.



Award for best practices in diplomatic representation: The Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Bahrain to the United Nations in New York



Award for best practices in diplomatic work: for Travel Safe Campaign



Administrative Leadership Award: The Embassy of the Kingdom of Bahrain to the Kingdom of Thailand



Distinguished Diplomat Award General Court category: Maryam Nabil Al Sharif



Distinguished Diplomat Award Category of Missions of the Kingdom of Bahrain Abroad: Mahmud Saeed Abdel-Aal From the Embassy of the Kingdom of Bahrain to Japan

# Stances



**2 January**

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Kingdom of Bahrain strongly condemns attempt to storm United States Embassy in Baghdad



**4 January**



Kingdom of Bahrain follows developments of events in brotherly Republic of Iraq and stresses need to de-escalate



**5 January**



Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Kingdom of Bahrain condemns decision of Republic of Turkey to send troops to State of Libya



**6 January**



Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Kingdom of Bahrain condemns terrorist attack against military base in Republic of Kenya

**16 January**



Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Kingdom of Bahrain condemns terrorist attack on military site in Republic of Niger



**20 January**



Kingdom of Bahrain welcomes final communique of Berlin Conference on Libya



**20 January**



Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Kingdom of Bahrain strongly condemns terrorist mosque attack in Marib, Republic of Yemen

**22 January**



Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Kingdom of Bahrain condemns terrorist attack in Sanmatenga province, Burkina Faso

**28 January**



MoFA affirms continuity of Bahrain's diplomatic mission in Beijing to provide full support to all citizens in People's Republic of China

**29 January**



Kingdom of Bahrain affirms its support for all efforts aimed at reaching a just and comprehensive solution to Palestinian issue

## Ministry News

**5 January**

Assistant Foreign Minister receives Head of European Union Delegation



**9 January**

National Committee for follow-up on Kingdom of Bahrain's commitment to all Security Council resolutions holds fifth meeting



**29 January**

Her Royal Highness Princess Sabeeka bint Ibrahim Al Khalifa, Wife of His Majesty the King and President of the Supreme Council for Women (SCW): The unlimited support of His Majesty the King enabled women to reach various leadership and diplomatic positions



**30 January**

MOFA Undersecretary meets Philippines' Chief of Presidential Protocol and Presidential Assistant on Foreign Affairs



## A Diplomatic Story



### C. B. Muthamma – The First Woman Diplomat of India

C.B. Muthamma was born in India in 1924. Muthamma completed her post-graduation in English Literature from Presidency College in Chennai before deciding to appear for the UPSC examinations. She performed brilliantly, becoming the first Indian woman to clear the UPSC examinations in 1948. She wanted to join the Indian Foreign Service but the board that interviewed her discouraged her from joining this 'not suitable for women' service.

However, Muthamma was determined to get her choice of service. She convincingly argued her case, stood her ground and joined the foreign services in 1949, becoming India's first IFS woman officer. She was posted as India's Ambassador to Hungary in 1970. She became the first woman from within the service to be appointed Ambassador. Later, she served as ambassador in Accra in Ghana, and afterwards she was made the Indian Ambassador to The Hague in the Netherlands.