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THREATENS 'DECISIVE RESPONSE' TO ANY STRIKES BY UNITED STATES

TEHRAN

Iran will respond to any attack from the United States, Iranian Revolutionary Guards' chief Hossein Salami said yesterday, as Washington weighs its response to the killing of American servicemen at a military base in Jordan.

"Sometime, our enemies raise the threat and nowadays we hear some threats in between words by American officials," Revolutionary Guard commander Gen. Hossein Salami, said yesterday. "We tell them that you have experienced us and we know each other. We do not leave any threat without an answer."

"We are not after war, but we have no fear of war," he added, according to IRNA.

In January 2020, the Revolutionary Guards targeted the Ain Al Asad US base in Iraq following a US drone strike in Baghdad that killed Qassem Soleimani, the commander of the elite Quds Force of Iran's Revolutionary Guards.

Iran's envoy to the United Nations, Amir Saeid Iravani, also warned yesterday that Tehran would respond decisively to any attack on its territory, its interests, or Iranian nationals outside its borders.

The comments from Iranian officials come a day after Unit-

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ed States President Joe Biden announced he has decided how to respond to a drone attack by Iran-aligned Iraqi groups that killed US service members in Jordan, without elaborating.

Iran has denied any links to the attack and said it was not seeking an "expansion" of conflict in the Middle East.

Houthis continue strikes

Meanwhile, attacks by the Iranian-backed Houthi militants continue in the Red Sea, most recently targeting a US warship. The missile launched Tuesday night targeted the USS Gravely, an Arleigh Burke-class guided missile destroyer, the US military's Central Command said in a statement. No injuries or damage were reported.

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FIRST LOOK OF HINDU TEMPLE IN ABU DHABI REVEALED

Ahead of its opening by Indian PM Narendra Modi on February 14, the grandeur of the first Hindu temple in Abu Dhabi was unveiled yesterday. The temple's design celebrates traditional Indian architecture and values of tolerance. **SEE ALSO P2**

Dubai launches three-month visa for medics

Health care providers can now tap into overseas expertise

DUBAI
BY FAISAL MASUDI
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The Dubai Health Authority (DHA) has launched the 'Permit to Practise' initiative aimed at establishing a flexible environment for medical professionals in the emirate.

The initiative was rolled out at the Arab Health Congress and Exhibition in Dubai, which concludes today.

The move aims to enable health care facilities in the emirate to fulfil their demand for health care professionals and access medical expertise in specialised fields through the issuance of temporary permits for practising the profession.

Moreover, it integrates these capabilities into the continuous education process by in-

volving them in medical conferences organised by Dubai and the UAE as a whole.

One-day process

Dr Marwan Al Mulla explained the simple process of obtaining the Permit to Practise which can be acquired within a day and remains valid for up to three months.

This period enables health care professionals to work with various facilities, acquaint themselves with the regulations and standards pertaining

to practice within the emirate, and undertake the process of applying for a professional license.

Emphasising the accessibility of this permit, Dr Al Mulla highlighted the seamless application procedure facilitated through the electronic system 'Sheryan', wherein the submission is carried out through the account of the medical director of the licensed health care facility. Professionals cannot directly apply for this service.



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