The recent cyber-attacks that affected many countries around the globe made me think about the future of cyberspace, cyber war and for homeland security. Now serious can it reach in the future? One of the worst affected by the recent attacks was the stock market in the UK. The stock market caused a lot of chaos for doctors, hospita, and patients. That's how Godbolt said it was, but it was for a few days, of course, other firms worked hard and recovered well.

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Work permits

The parliamentary budgets and final state-ment committee stressed that Minister of Social Affairs And Labor and Minister of Economic Affairs Hind Al-Sabeeh had not kept her promises on issuing the charters and regulations of issuing work permits and assessing the needed labor. The committee added that according to the finance ministry's statistics, expats working in Kuwait (including the govern-ment and the private sectors) formed 83 percent of the total workforce, while citizens are only 17 percent.

Municipal Council Chairman Muhalhel Al-Khaled said that during its legal tenure of three and a half years, the council has accomplished many projects including contributing to solving the housing problem by reserva-ting more land to be used by the housing authority in building over 27,000 housing units so far. Al-Khaled said the council will hold an ordinary meeting today to review a letter from the council’s secretary general Yousef Al-Sheikh about the secretariat’s general agenda.
CUMCUBER PRICES UP TO 300%

By Nawara Fatouhous

KUWAIT: Last month, Kuwait Times started a campaign to investigate the price changes of some basic commodities. Starting a month prior to Ramadan, the weekly campaign runs through June 2017.

This survey compares the price per kilo of five different kinds of commodities sold in the local market, whose prices were being monitored and reported daily for the last month prior to Ramadan.

During Ramadan, this year we also added eggs, milk and frozen chickens to the earlier list of milked meat, chicken, tomatoes, lemons and cucumbers.

Comparing the price registered two weeks ago with the prices registered this week, we noticed a significant increase in the prices of consumer goods, by almost 300 percent. Meanwhile, the price of tomatoes increased by the double. Kuwait Times is monitoring the prices of these items in local markets on a daily basis to help you in your objectives of purchasing Ramadan-related goods.

Working hours

Question: Is it true that working hours per week are 40 hours and work hours per month are 160 hours? Is it true that working hours per day are 6 hours and work hours per month are 96 hours?

Answer: As mentioned above, the daily work time is 6 hours per day and 36 hours per week. Each worker is entitled to a double remuneration and an additional day off during any of the above mentioned holidays.

• Gregorian New Year: 1 day
• National Day: 1 day
• Isra’ and Mi'raj day: 1 day

In the event where the worker is required to work on any of the above mentioned holidays, he shall be entitled to a double remuneration and an additional day off.

By Attorney Fajer

Question: My boss just told me that I will be working on Eid and was not entitled to the public holiday. He told me that the Eid Al-Fitr holiday is not considered public. What can I do to get my holiday back?

Answer: The Eid Al-Fitr holiday is considered public.

Question: I moved to Kuwait recently and was not aware that there is a strict daily working hour and not the weekly working hours.

Answer: The Ministry of Interior divides the working week into six days a week and not five, even during Ramadan. However, it did not specify the number of these working hours. It mandated that during any of the above mentioned holidays, the worker is entitled to a double remuneration and an additional day off.

By Attorney Fajer

If you have any legal questions, please email Ask@FajerTheLawyer.com

POLICE ARRESTS CITIZEN WHO ATTACKED COPS

COP KILLER SENTENCED: AL-FALI DEPORTED

By Hanan Al-Saoodoun, Waleed Al-Gaazi and agencies

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Each of us can contribute to making Kuwait a better place for all of us to live. In our daily deeds and actions, we can, if we choose to look, opportunities for improving Kuwait’s environment. From not littering on the streets, to choosing to be kind and helpful to others, each individual here can have a positive impact on the society as a whole. Kuwait Times wants to know what you can do.

Jerry Lopez is 54 years of age from Cebu, Philippines. He works as a Mechanical Engineer, and has spent the past 24 years outside of his home country. He has three grown-up children.

“As an engineer, I would like be of help to Kuwait by doing my work diligently and share my expertise with junior engineers. I also work as a lecturer and trainer,” he said when asked how he as an expat can contribute to make this country a better place. “If I share the knowledge I have, it can go further beyond my expectations. I am not selfish and love to share the skills I have. I can contribute greatly to this nation if I set a good example to other expatriates residing in Kuwait by adhering to governmental rules and regulations, being friendly with the locals and sharing my knowledge and skills with them to make them responsible citizens, and accept and respect all kinds of people. As an expat engineer, I am also active and participate in the work of any organization providing services to the community, particularly in promoting camaraderie among locals and other expatriates with a common goal of making Kuwait a safe and peaceful place to live.”

This photo shows some workers standing outside one of the gates of the Kuwait Wall in 1946. Kuwait was in a state of economic recession at the time as a result of the declining pearl diving profession due to the discovery of artificial pearls. The activity of trade coming from the Arabian Peninsula declined as a consequence as well.

A female citizen reported that an unidentified woman stole her daughter’s golden bracelets while she was shopping in Kuwait. A search is on for a citizen who bought an expensive watch for KD 6,400, but paid for it with a dud check. KUWAIT: A female citizen filed a complaint against a friend saying that she had borrowed KD 3,200 from her, and in return kept her jewelry, which is much more expensive, with her until she paid her back. She added that when she returned the money, her friend claimed that the jewelry was stolen. A case was filed and further investigations are in progress to identify the woman.

Investigation
A wide scale investigation is currently in progress to find out how a suspect who was arrested for forging permits, three months ago, managed to forge the permit and use it to steal这种情况。这意味着如果你注册了一个同样的车牌，你可能会被罚款。因此，建议你不要在同一个地方注册多个车牌。
WASHINGTON: Donald Trump, just back from his first foreign trip, is facing a wave of controversy that has the agenda for his young administration. The latest blow came late Friday when Jared Kushner – arguably Trump’s closest white house aide – was ordered to resign as a top campaign strategist, frustrated over his White House staff and considering overhauling his White House staff and cabinet. Kushner does not plan to change job.

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NEWCOMER MACRON MAKES MARK – WITH TRUMP WORLD

French president cement status as new global player

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- MACRON, last year's victorious French presidential election candidate, was re-elected this year with a landslide victory.
- He has made significant changes to France's economy and foreign policy, including reducing the budget deficit and improving relations with the EU and US.
- Macron's popularity has grown, with many French citizens feeling optimistic about the future of their country.
- However, some critics have accused him of being too close to corporate interests and not doing enough to help the less fortunate.

For more information, please visit the Macron government website or contact the French embassy in your country.
**WASHINGTON POST:** John F. Kennedy - young, heroic, charismatic - embodied the overarching promise of possibility of 20th century America, until an assassin’s bullet ended his life in November 1963. The youngest son of a wealthy family, Kennedy was 43 years of age and at the peak of his political powers when he was gunned down by Lee Harvey Oswald, a young man who was obsessed with communism.

Kennedy’s vision for the New Frontier was cut short, but his legacy endures. "It was just a magic time," said the late Robert F. Kennedy, who served as his attorney general. "It was the beginning of a new era." Kennedy was a master of public relations, able to turn even his failures into victories. He transformed the Democratic party and made it relevant to a new generation of voters.

Kennedy’s legacy is still felt today, with his name invoked in every election cycle. His ideals of social justice and civil rights continue to inspire leaders in the Democratic party. His legacy is a reminder of the power of a charismatic leader to change the course of history.

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HONG KONG: From its sailing trimmings and race courses to its legal system and ubiquitous con tractions, it is not surprising to see Singaporean eyes on Hong Kong. But almost 20 years since the territory was handed back to China under a deal that made it semi-autonomous, colonial echoes have become a symbol of divide. The old Hong Kong flag, embossed with the Union Jack and dragon, has won a nightly parade with Chinese friends and rivals alike, in a divided city that has been left with the task of making peace. The former British colony’s 1987 constitution imposes limits on marriage that is under martial law. “They say after 60 days...” — AFP

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SELECTIVE MEMORY

British Prime Minister Boris Johnson said British soldiers “will not listen to others.” The Supreme Court, contradicting a government statement released recently, said that there is no more war warrant needed for the mining company. Also left behind was an open-air mine dump, which now means that the mine directors are held criminally liable. The company has started working to open 200,000 acres of land under the same conditions. The 1987 constitution imposes limits on marriage that is under martial law. “They say after 60 days...” — AFP

No redundancy pay

The newly appointed unemployees did not know any redundancy pay because of a dispute between two mine operators - DRD Gold and losses. The mine director at the mine dump, which now means that the mine directors are held criminally liable. The mine owner, Sibanye Gold, is seeking new management onto the hope that there could be an agreement. It was ceded the Kowloon peninsula in 1860 as a part of the Chinese press. Activists were beaten by police and public order officials, who point out that democ ratic reforms are rarely in an era of poverty and contemporary conditions and customs of the Chinese press. Activists were beaten by police and public order officials, who point out that democratic reforms are rarely in an era of poverty and contemporary conditions and customs of the Chinese press. Activists were beaten by police and public order officials, who point out that democratic reforms are rarely in an era of poverty and contemporary conditions and customs of the Chinese press. 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Gulf Group Co.
Kuwait
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Sales Executive (Heavy Equipment) - Al Baitain Group
Kuwait
You will be responsible for maintaining contacts with all clients in the market area to ensure high levels of client satisfaction, creating pricing analysis and specification analysis of all vehicles in the market, selling consultatively and making recommendations to prospects and clients of the various solutions the company offers to their business, etc.

HR Manager
Al Bawardi Group
KSA
You will be responsible for developing and administering various human resource plans and procedures for all company personnel, planning, organizing, and controlling activities of the department, participating in developing departmental objectives, etc.

Marketing Intern
Nihalani Events Management
UAE
You will be responsible for assisting with the preparation and delivery of marketing and sales reports and analyzing competitor marketing and sales materials both online and offline, creating social media strategies and schedules, and provide support to our social media efforts, etc.

Regulatory Affairs Assistant
International Medical Co. Qatar
You will be responsible for assisting in assigned regulatory affairs projects and regulatory database maintenance, ensuring the appropriate licensing, marketing, and legal compliance of pharmaceutical and medical products in order to control the safety and efficacy of products.
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**COLOMBO: Emergency teams rushed food and water yesterday to half a million Sri Lankans displaced by the island’s worst flood- ing for more than a decade, as the death toll climbed to 151. Government spokesmen said last night at least 300,000 people were in immediate need of relief aid, at least 400,000 were displaced and 220,000 were destroyed. The authorities have warned of potential landslides and flooding in affected districts.**

**RATHSUNA TRAIL: Indian Kashmiri villagers carry the body of rebel com- mander Sabzar Ahmad Bhat during his funeral near Srinagar yesterday. —AFP**

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- The floods and landslides in the south and west of the island were the worst for 14 years.
- With friends and relatives.
- Homes on hillsides were buried under torrents.
- More than 100 people - most badly affected workers - have been rescued from villages since 24th for gold smugling at the country’s three international airports, police said.８

**BAKTHA: Bangladesh customs office yesterday seized 954 grams of gold, valued at $20,000, from a Bangladeshi citizen at Chittagong airport carrying some surprising excess baggage. Under questioning, the 37-year-old admitted he had a dozen chunks of stone-sized gold tablets hidden in the wig of a woman holding scales had been in place for less than six months when authorities removed it early Friday for less than six months when authorities removed it early Friday for less than six months when authorities removed it early Friday for less than six months when authorities removed it early Friday for less than six months when authorities removed it early Friday for less than six months when authorities removed it early Friday for less than six months when authorities removed it early Friday for less than six months when authorities removed it early Friday for less than six months when authorities removed it early Friday for less than six months when authorities removed it early Friday for less than six months when authorities removed it early Friday for less than six months when authorities removed it early Friday.
The video featuring Emmetop star Hassan Al-Jasir has recently gathered nearly two million views on Zain’s YouTube page and more than 4,000 shares on Facebook. It features images from bombings across the region claimed by Al-Qaeda or the Islamic State group. But it is on a positive note with footage of a happy wedding and cheerful children dressed in white.

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MODI’S COW SLAUGHTER BAN TO BE CHALLENGED

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MANCHESTER POLICE MAKE NEW ARREST; BOMBER’S NETWORK STILL AT LARGE

MANCHESTER: A British minister said yesterday members of suicide bomber Salman Abedi’s network could still be a threat.

Hence, it is now increasingly becoming necessary to use more surgical airstrikes to clear the city and to bring this rebellion to a quicker end. “

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HYUNDAI MULLS CHINA BRANDING REBOOT AFTER MISSILE ROW

By Hyunsoo Jin and John Spengler

Bucking a anti-Korean sentiment in its biggest market and losing ground to local automakers, Hyundai is planning a China Reboot 2020 after a long-term strategy review. The South Korean carmaker, the world’s sixth-largest, had stunned China in May by unveiling plans to build a stand-alone Genesis marque, a new premium marque, to counter increasing pressure from premium rivals.

The Genesis plan is a major commitment by Hyundai, which has struggled in China, where its sales have fallen for five straight years. Hyundai started selling in China in 2002 but was overtaken by local brands like Geely, Chery and Great Wall, which had a head start.

The Genesis brand, Hyundai’s third brand launch in three years after its premium Genesis crossover and Upscale Stinger, would be introduced in China in September. The brand will include the Genesis G70 sedan and two SUVs under the premium marque by 2020.

This is a significant commitment because it is the first time Hyundai has tied a single European official.

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CHICAGO: China's Feng Shanshan fired six birdies and a bogey in Saturday's second round to grab a one-shot lead into the final round of the LPGA's Volvik Championship in Michigan.

Feng, 15-under par through 54 holes, took a three-stroke advantage over Canadian Alena Sharp, who fired a second-round 67 to match her opening 66.

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HIGHLANDERS TO LOSE THREE KEY PLAYERS AGAINST CRUSADERS IN SUPER SLOTH

In a blow for the Highlanders, who were struggling to break through the Crusaders in the South Island derby, three key players were forced to leave the field with minor injuries.

The Crusaders’ free-wheeling win stretched their winning streak to a season-high six games as they moved into second place behind the Highlanders in the all-conquering New Zealand conference.

The Highlanders supplanted the Chiefs, who slipped down to third place after a 19-10 win over the Southern Kings in South Africa last weekend.

The Crusaders look set to finish top of the Australian conference with two fixtures remaining to secure the bonus-point lead at the top of the all-conquering South Island derby.

The Crusaders remain second in the New Zealand standings, but they face the in-form Otago Highlanders in an enticing clash next weekend.

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Cricketers: Sarfraz Ahmed pours the new ball

ENGLAND hope Champions Trophy provides elusive title

LONDON: In 42 years of trying England have won a major final only once, the World Twenty20 trophy in 2010, and are well aware of the pressure now expected. "England, whose only major title is the one-day World Cup, is a real strength, but it's one-match stuff," said coach Russell Domingo. "We need to see how fast we can get into winning situations before we can get comfortable with our ambitions."

Engage: England are in better form.

In 1990, the year that the Pakistan team was established, cricket was a popular pastime among the British public. However, over the years, the popularity of the sport has declined. The cricket team has faced criticism for its poor performance in recent years, and many fans have lost interest in the sport. The government has tried to address this issue by investing in the development of the sport and by promoting it to new audiences. Despite these efforts, it remains to be seen whether cricket will once again become a popular sport in England.

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NEW DELHI: With the World Twenty20 just a few days away, England captain Eoin Morgan said his team would try to "enjoy" their cricket as they aim to defend their Champions Trophy crown against the backdrop of a row over money with the International Cricket Council. "The team are determined to keep the hunger for success burning," Morgan said. "We are sure the Manchester fans will be up for it."

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Farah, Bowler and Baker win at Prefontaine Classic

EUGENE: Mo Farah pounded his chest after crossing the finish line on a US track for perhaps the first time in a long time as a000 people crossed the finish in Eugene on Saturday. — AP

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Barcelona win Copa del Rey in Luis Enrique's last game

Barcelona have won the Copa del Rey for the 29th time after a 3-1 victory over Angers in the French Cup final at the Stade de France.

Luis Enrique capped his three-year stint with the club by leading them to their third straight copa and first since 2004. It also means Bordeaux, who came sixth in the league, are left out of next season's Europa League, with Paris already qualifying as domestic Cup specialists since 2004 and have won their last 32 domestic Cup ties.

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PARIS: Czech Republic’s Petra Kvitova serves the ball to US Julia Boserup during their qualification round match at the French Open yesterday. Before the game, the fastest serves reached a 111 mph mark, breaking Boserup’s new record of 100 mph she set against Tatjana Maria of Germany. After breaking the record, Boserup received a round of applause from the audience.

PETRA KITTOVA

Winning the match, Kvitova now prepares for the first round of the main draw. She said, “I’m really happy with the match, and I’m ready for the next round.”

PETRA KITTOVA VS JULIA BOSERUP

The match was a close one, with both players showcasing their skills. Kvitova managed to secure the first set with a 6-4 win, followed by a 6-2 victory in the second set, securing her place in the main draw.

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NEW YORK: In this Friday, Nov 13, 2015, file photo, the American flag flies above the Wall Street entrance to the New York Stock Exchange. —All Photos

TOBY: People stand in front of an electronic stock board of a securities firm.

UNITED STATES

Target Transforms

KUWAIT: As all oil prices this week at the S&P 500 and Dow Jones producers agreed to extend the production cut back to May.

Even though this was widely expected, sources, the transportation agreement between the major producers ended up weaker than expected. The market believes the agreement is fragile as there was no one leading the talks, and there was no clear plan on how to monitor the production cut, or how to resolve any disputes.

Nevertheless, it keeps some optimists open for cuts being extended beyond the additional months, should prices drop significantly. Long story short; as all held in biggest loss in three weeks. Following the meeting, Saudi Arabia Energy Minister Tariq Aliram said the cuts are unlikely to be extended. The market believes it is also unlikely to be extended. The market believes this is also likely to lead to a decrease in the third quarter, with prices falling to the five-year average next year.

Moreover, according to Russia’s Energy Minister Alexander Novak, producers have now more tools to further support prices if needed. Back in the US, the 2015 budget plan indicated that the US oil company would be able to cut crude production by 25% in the next few years. This would result in a noticeable decrease in the US oil production, which will be possible, according to his statement, “in the event of a well-functioning market and a stable price.”

India’s Energy Minister Pradip Birla said that if the oil prices fall to the 50s a barrel, India’s fertilizer sector is likely to face a significant decline in its production. The market believes this is also likely to lead to a decrease in the third quarter, with prices falling to the five-year average next year.

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The rating agency elaborated by say- ing it expects the financial strength of the world’s second largest economy to stay away in the coming years in growth and debt levels continue to increase. The one-month discount rate on issuers ratings, to 1.12 from 1.44, as the Chinese government grapples with the challenges of rising financial stress financing severing from years of undisturbed financial support.

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UK sales figures

Sales out of the UK continue to deficit a negative first quarter for the UK. The November new car sales chart showed Prime Minister May's lead over the opposition was narrowed from five points, the election race the closest since May, and put pressure on the economy. This week’s British retail balance for the month of December was revealed to be up by 0.2%.

The soft readings come at a time when other key indicators are missing their estimates, raising concerns that inflation, consumer spending and housing market trends are starting to show signs of slowing. The downgrading of the overall economic data in the third quarter of the year. In response to the weaker data, investors have started pricing in a more dovish Bank of England as the slow- down in UK activity becomes more visible, and see room for further ster- ling weakening.

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Speaking to 3,500 industrial workers at the company, the pope said the real question of the world is: “Who will work for whom?” He added that the economic system that “valorizes individualism” and “the accumulation of wealth” at the expense of others must be questioned. The pope called for a new economic system that “puts the common good before the private interest”, and that “values human dignity and the common good above the accumulation of goods”.

WASHINGTON: Advocates for minority, low-income and working-class families expressed concern about a proposed budget that answers the question: how will the government spend its money? 

"What the hell do they want to spend the budget year beginning Oct. 1? I generally makes only a few cuts in certain programs, including Medicaid, the Children's Health Insurance Program and Social Security's disability program.

"Here's the reality: Many poor black families and Native American and indigenous families are devastated by policies of the White House and Congress. Policy by policy, year by year, the Trump administration has cut the budget and the budget has cut the country on track for a healthy economy. "We're not going to measure compliance by the amount of money that is spent, but by the number of people that we help," House Speaker Paul Ryan said.

"Federal policy has a major role to play in providing health care to millions of uninsured people, and the Trump administration's budget would slash Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program. The budget would also reduce funding for millions of poor families and the elderly by the amount of money that we spend, but by the number of people that we help." Ryan said.

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Crude oil bounces Crude oil prices bounced back from a sharp drop the day before. Benchmark US crude rose 90 cents, or 1.8 percent, to $49.80 a barrel in New York. Brent crude, the international standard, added 69 cents, or 1.3 percent, to $52.15 a barrel in London. On Thursday a group of 24 nations including the OPEC countries agreed to a nine-month extension of a cut in oil production. But energy companies, which have lagged the market dramatically this year, hardly budged. The S&P 500’s energy company index is down 12 percent in 2017 while the broader S&P 500 is up almost 8 percent.

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With cloud computing services expected to experience a growth rate of more than 17% by 2024, according to Gartner, Inc., it’s never been more important to understand the challenges that come with protecting data and ensuring that your organization can maintain compliance. In this article, we will explore how organizations can proactively approach cloud security and the challenges they may face.

Top 10 Tips on Keeping Your Cloud Openings Secure

1. Utilize multi-factor authentication (MFA) whenever possible.
2. Use a combination of strong, unique passwords for each cloud service.
3. Regularly change your passwords and enable auto-login.
4. Keep your cloud services up-to-date and patched.
5. Limit access rights and permissions.
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9. Ensure compliance with industry regulations and standards.
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BANFF, Canada: People stroll through the town of Banff inside Banff National Park. — AFP photo

TRUMP TELLS ‘CONFIDENTS’: WE WILL LEAVE PARIS CLIMATE ACCORD

WASHINGTON, DC: President Donald Trump has told his top “confidants” that he would like to leave the Paris climate accord, US media reports said on Saturday, as two French newspapers on Saturday cited three sources with direct knowledge. On Saturday, Trump said in a Twitter post made on Saturday that he was considering making a decision on the accord after the Group of Seven (G7) summit in Italy at the end of June. The White House did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

A source who has been in contact with people involved in the decision told Reuters a couple of meetings were planned with key staff members involved in the decision told Reuters a couple of meetings were planned with key staff members involved in the decision told Reuters about the possibility of Trump making a decision after the summit in Italy. On Saturday, Trump said in a tweet he would consider making a decision after the G7 summit.

The source said Trump may have left the accord during his visit to Banff, Alberta.

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The study’s senior author Teresa Liu-Ambrose told Reuters Health in an email.

“It’s worth noting that in our study, reduced blood pressure (secondary outcome) was associated with improved cognition,” Liu-Ambrose said. Additional analyses also revealed that exercise may have a direct impact on the brain, she said.

“Moreover, as mentioned earlier, aerobic exercise is very effective in reducing vascular risk factors associated with VCI, such as high blood pressure,” the study’s senior author Teresa Liu-Ambrose told Reuters Health in an email.

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HOMESTEAD: A general view of the Turkey Point Nuclear Reactor Building in Homestead, Florida.

WHY NUCLEAR COULD BECOME THE NEXT 'FOSSIL' FUEL

HOMESTEAD, United States: A gray dinosaur statue outside south Florida’s largest power plant is meant to symbolize two decommissioned fossil fuel reactors, but it also could be seen to represent a nuclear industry crumbling under mounting costs. Almost a decade ago, Turkey Point was aiming to become one of the country’s largest nuclear plants. Florida Power and Light had argued that such expansion was needed to maintain diverse energy sources and to supply Florida’s booming population for years to come, while routing nuclear as a干净 source of energy.

But now, just three reactors are in operation—one natural gas and two nuclear reactors, built in the 1970s. And plans to build two more nuclear reactors—first announced in 2009—are essentially on hold for at least four years, according to filings with the state’s Public Service Commission. “Right now our only focus is on getting all the approvals we need,” company spokesman Peter Robbins said. “We are not buying construction materials.”

Westinghouse bankruptcy

Earlier this year, the bankruptcy of Westinghouse, builder of the AP1000 reactor—the model scheduled for use at plants in South Carolina and Georgia as well as Turkey Point—rattled the industry. Both projects are now years behind schedule and billions of dollars over budget. “We are very closely monitoring the two new nuclear projects going on,” Robbins said.

The Southern Alliance for Clean Energy estimates that construction on Turkey Point has been delayed until 2028 at the earliest, with costs expected to balloon to over $20 billion. FPL has refused to publicly revise its projections at Turkey Point, for now. “We don’t think there is value in coming up with a new cost or schedule until those reactors are closer to completion,” Robbins said.

Controversial project

The project has been controversial from the start, and casts the spotlight on wider concerns about nuclear power. Critics have pointed to the rising seas from climate change, risks of storm surge, radioactive waste and threats to drinking water and wildlife at the site, nestled near Everglades National Park, as reasons to stop nuclear expansion. Complaints have also centered on the difficulty of evacuating the densely populated area around the plant in case of emergency. Miami-Dade County is home to 2.6 million people.

“Investing tens of billions of dollars on a power plant that will be underwater one day, along with the highly radioactive waste it will produce, makes no sense,” said fishing captain Dan Kipnis, one of the activists who is fighting to stop the project. Legal challenges to the plant’s planned expansion began in 2010, and continued this month with a hearing before the Atomic Safety Board.

Over the course of the two-day hearing, environmental scientists and lawyers wrangled over whether the porous limestone in Florida could really contain wastewater injected underground, without allowing toxic chemicals to seep upward into drinking water. Currently, Turkey Point’s two nuclear reactors use a series of cooling canals to treat wastewater. These canals were confirmed last year to be leaking into a nearby national park, after a radioactive isotope, tritium, was found at up to 215 times the normal levels in the waters of Biscayne Bay. The three-judge safety board panel is expected to rule by year’s end on whether an operating license should be granted by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).

Time never came

Throughout Florida, FPL is expanding its solar installations, and is shuttering coal plants. Its energy mix is 70 percent natural gas, 17 percent nuclear, with the rest divided between solar, oil and coal. Meanwhile, the ever-declining cost of natural gas is making nuclear less attractive every day, analysts say. “Most people think Turkey Point will never get built,” said Mark Cooper, senior research fellow at the Institute for Energy and the Environment, Vermont. “They couldn’t do it in the ‘80s and they can’t do it today,” Cooper said. “Nuclear power is a technology whose time never came.”

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HOMESTEAD: Juan Madruga, left, and Pehter Rodriguez, right, of Florida Power and Light work on the Turkey Point Nuclear Reactor in Homestead, Florida.
Leading UAE-based business group, Regency, launched the 43rd branch of its flagship store, Grand Hypermarket in Mahboula, block 2, on Wednesday. Sheikh Dawood Salman Al-Sabah inaugurated the branch at a ceremony attended by top-level government officials, leading business figures, in addition to Jassem Mohammad Khama Al-Shah (Chairma General Manager, Kuwait), Dr. Anwar Ameen (Regency Group Managing Director), Alia Al-Mohd (Regency Group Executive Director), Ayobu Kachery (Regional Manager, Mohammed Suneer (CEO), Thahseer Ali; Abbas Khan (General Manager, Dubai region), and other management representatives.

As part of the inaugural offer, the new outlet has announced huge discounts, in addition to the special offers that have been planned at all the other outlets during Ramadan. The grand opening event saw a huge turnout of guests, who braved the sandstorm and the unfriendly weather to attend it. Grand Hypermarket has a strong reputation in the market for providing a wide range of products including food stuffs, world-class electronic appliances, home appliances, home, health and beauty items for affordable prices. As part of its regional expansion plans, the Regency group will be launching branches of Grand Hyper, Grand Supermarket and Grand Fresh in the UAE, Oman and Qatar. In Kuwait, a new Grand Hypermarket will soon be opened in Mahboula, near Express Bakery on block 1.

The Sultan Center held an opening ceremony on May 25, 2017 to celebrate the opening of its thirty-ninth store in Kuwait at the Boulevard Mall located in the heart of Salmiya. The opening was held under the attendance of TSC management, suppliers, customer and media representatives.

With over 35 years of experience and expertise in the retail industry, TSC continues to pave the way for customers to enjoy a unique shopping experience.

The new TSC store features a vast variety of groceries, consumer goods, fresh fruits and vegetables both local and international, a full-service meat seafood counter featuring an abundant variety of meat cuts and the freshest seafood varieties, a deli counter featuring local favorites, cheeses, cold cuts, salads and a variety of drinks. To serve customers in a more personalized manner, there is an in-store bakery where customers can select from a range of freshly baked artisan breads, croissants, croissants, cakes and pastries, including a coffee bar where customers can either sit back relax and enjoy a cup of freshly brewed coffee or take it on the go. The upper level of the store showcases a collection of home center, houseware, linen, outdoor, stationery, health and beauty products.

Commenting on the new opening, Mr Abdelsalam Bdeir, CEO said: "We are pleased to announce the opening of The Boulevard Center, and we look forward to offering the neighborhood community a inspiring new shopping destination. We are committed to providing our customers with quality, variety, freshness, services and value. Customers who visit TSC Boulevard will enjoy low prices and shocking promotions across the store, in a great shopping experience."

The store staff is highly trained and ready to assist all customers. A ample parking and carry-out services are available and the store is easily accessible from 5th Ring Road and the Arabian Gulf Street. The store is open 24 hours daily. The Ramadan, discover what awaits you at TSC Boulevard, your family shopping destination.
As part of its leading role as an Islamic financial institution and an active member within the local community, Kuwait International Bank (KIB) announced the launch of its Ramadan campaign, under the title “You are the heroes of our story.” The campaign comprises a series of community-based activities, including sports, social and religious activities, set to take place throughout the Holy Month of Ramadan.

“Every year, we are committed to carrying out a diverse and comprehensive program of community-based initiatives during Ramadan, targeting our customers, our staff and their families,” said Nawaf Najia, Manager of the Corporate Communications Unit at the Bank. “This year, our campaign is entitled “You are the heroes of our story”, and it includes a series of television ads which showcase KIB’s continuous commitment to giving back to the community over the past ten years, since our transformation to a full-fledged Islamic bank.

This commitment to giving has enabled KIB to stand out and carve a special place for itself within the banking sector, as it has allowed us to always remain close to our customers and the Kuwait community at large. Najia further added that KIB has always focused on supporting youth and sports activities during Ramadan. This year, the Bank will be sponsoring the late Jassim Al-Sharhan Ramadan annual football tournament and the Al-Qattan tournament, and will be participating with a team of notable international and local athletes in Al-Roudan Tournament.

The Bank will also be organizing its annual football tournament for its own employees. In addition to sports-focused activities, throughout Ramadan KIB will be carrying out a diverse program of community initiatives, which seeks to embrace and preserve the long-held local traditions and customs of the Holy Month, which have been passed down from generation to generation. In addition to upholding local traditions such as the distribution of Girgian and the annual Ghabqah held for KIB employees, a team of KIB employees will be spearheading a number of social initiatives, such as organizing iftar meals for those in need and visiting hospitals and various community centers. Furthermore, KIB is organizing several religious seminars for its staff in Ramadan. The seminars will be conducted by Chairman of the Fatwa and Shariah Supervisory Board, Sheikh Dr. Khalid Mathkour Al-Mathkour, and Deputy Chairman of Fatwa and Shariah Supervisory Board, Sheikh Mustafa Sayed Hassan Al-Zalzalah. The Board will also be supervising the annual Ramadan Quran Memorization Competition, held for KIB employees and customers, and their children.

Najia concluded his statement by stressing the important role KIB plays within the local community, particularly during the Holy Month of Ramadan. The Bank continues its ongoing commitment towards supporting different segments within the local community through organizing and participating in various humanitarian, religious and community-based activities and initiatives.
Ariana Grande's fans 'sticking together' after tragedy

Ariana Grande's fans are 'sticking together' following the terrorist attack at her concert. Twenty-three people died and more than 100 were injured. Writing in The Daily Telegraph, Gary Numan says that fans of pop artist Grande are united in a way never seen before. Numan, who is a fan of Grande, says that the concert was "a joyous event" and that the attack is "a tragedy for all of us".

Peter Andre slowly working script

Peter Andre is slowly working on his new film, "The Shoes of the Fisherman". The actor has said that he is "loving the process" and is "excited" about the project. "It's a really good film, it's got a great cast and it's got a really good story," he said.

Harry Styles 'adopted' by Mick Fleetwood

Harry Styles has been "adopted" by Mick Fleetwood. The former Fleetwood Mac drummer has said that he is "thrilled" to have the One Direction star in his life. "It's lovely to have someone like Harry around," Fleetwood said.

Gary Numan's miserable songs

Gary Numan's new album is being described as "miserable". "I think it's a bit of a downer," Numan said.

Pattinson ditches British accent for roles

Robert Pattinson has ditched his British accent in order to land roles. "I wanted to get rid of the accent," he said. "It's not a problem for me, I just think it's better for the role." Pattinson recently played a British secret agent in the film "The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo".

Kasabian chosen to hang out with Cypress Hill

Kasabian has chosen to hang out with Cypress Hill. The band have been invited to perform with the West Coast hip hop group. "We're really looking forward to it," said Kasabian frontman Tom Meighan.

Paris Jackson praises Emma Watson

Paris Jackson has praised Emma Watson for her role in the TV series "The Crown". "I love watching her on screen," Jackson said. "She's such a talented actress and she's really bringing Emma to life."
Dewan Tatum can’t live without eyelash curlers

By Huntington Tatum

Oscar-nominated actor and two-time Tony Award winner, Patrick Stewart has revealed that he can’t take two days off every two weeks, at the Harrods’ opening night of the flagship store’s summer cocktail evening.

While it may seem like an excessive amount of work, for Stewart, it’s a necessity to recharge his batteries. Speaking previously about his decision, he explained: “It’s been a hard year, and it’s a tough decision for me, but I have to take time out of my busy schedule to focus on my mental health and personal development. I have to find a balance between work and rest.”

Snyder support for Snyder

The future of the Snyder family is uncertain, as the director and his wife, Deborah Snyder, have announced that they will be taking a step back from their project, “Justice League.” The decision was made after the tragic loss of their daughter, Autumn, who died from cancer at the age of 36.

The Snyder family has faced immense grief and loss in recent years, but they remain committed to their craft and their passion for storytelling. At the news conference announcing their decision, Warner Bros. CEO Kevin Feige stated: “We are heartbroken by this news, but we fully support Zack and Deborah’s decision to take a step back from their project.”

Priyanka Chopra regrets wearing hair extensions

The 36-year-old actress and dancer has admitted to feeling insecure about her preferred styles. She explained: “I’ve always been really particular about my hair, and I’ve never been comfortable with wearing extensions.”

When asked what she would change about her modeling career, she said: “I wish I had been brave enough to experiment with different hair colors and styles.”

Rihanna supports young fashion designers

The “Work” hitmaker has partnered with the Fashion Briefcase to support young fashion designers. She explained: “I love supporting talent and giving them the opportunity to showcase their work.”

Armadura Group and BAQA bring urban edge to Kuwait fashion scene

The Egbert urban fashion concept BAQA has expanded to Kuwait, with a flagship store opening in the capital city. The Turkish urban brand flag will open its doors to its first store in the Arab region, as part of a strategy to expand its global footprint. The store will feature the latest in fashion, with a focus on streetwear and casualwear. The opening is expected to bring a fresh and edgy vibe to the Kuwaiti market, as the brand has gained popularity in the region for its unique and fashionable designs.
A movie director Jean-Luc Godard’s fall from grace into a performance. Colin Farrell seduces the women around him, including Nicole of a 1971 movie with Clint Eastwood, wounded Union soldier ry American Civil War-set battle-of-the-sexes thriller. A remake children living parallel lives in the 1920s and 1970s drew tears southern France. — AP/AFP photos

...give the kids nightmares.

F from the tale of a mysterious beast to a migrant who finds he can levitate after being on a bender, these young men want to have their cake and eat it too, according to Wonderstruck’s penchant for baroque historical narratives. Told in two threads, one in 1927 in New York and the other in 1977 in Paris, the film runs an astonishing 3 hours and 46 minutes.

The Mysterious Stories

Andre Sandler has won some of the best reviews of his career for his role in Wonderstruck’s story about a New York life who family is dealing to uncover their own. The actor has already won a special award for Tartuffe at the 2016 Cannes. (AP Photo/Eric Jamison)

“Total Recall” 2012: Partially-sighted photographer was praised for its insight and directness. The actor was called the “most respected and influential French actor of his generation” by the French Film Academy. (AP Photo/Joel Ryan)

The Killing of a Sacred Deer

Nicolas Winding Refn has directed a twisted tale of vengeance with a twist ending that left the audience speechless. The actor first rose to fame with his 2011 film Drive, an American neo-noir crime thriller, and has since directed several films that mix elements of psychological horror and noir. (AP Photo/Valerie Macon, File)
Zainab Moussa Al-Ali: Manifesting masks inspired by the Khaliji burqa

By Sahar Moussa

Zainab Moussa Al-Ali is a 34-year-old Kuwaiti jewelry designer. She holds a diploma in computer programming, but her love for handicrafts since childhood led her practice crochet at the age of 11, as well as other handicrafts. In 2013, she learnt the art of manufacturing accessories using special wires on social network sites and by communicating with specialists of this art.

Alli has participated in many exhibitions including A Group of Talents Exhibition, 1000 Projects Exhibition, Al-Kout Complex Exhibition, Ramadaniat Exhibition and lately at Kuwait International Fashion Week 2017. In an exclusive interview with Kuwait Times, Ali had a lot to share and express about her art.

KT: Tell us about your art?
Ali: I create my artworks from copper wires plated with gold and silver using special tools. Precious and semi-precious stones and glass and crystal without using any type of adhesives, welding or fire.

KT: When did you start practicing this kind of art?
Ali: I have practiced crochet since the age of eleven and love handicrafts. I began manufacturing accessories using special wires in 2013.

KT: How did you learn about this art?
Ali: Through social network sites, I communicated with specialists in this field in Britain and learned from them remotely. I asked them to provide me with books and CDs.

KT: Where do you get your inspiration from?
Ali: By reviewing images of masterpieces by specialists in this field and creating new and creative ideas from my imagination.

KT: You collaborated with Kuwaiti designer Rasha Al-Wazzan during the Kuwaiti International Fashion Week 2017. Tell us more about your experience?
Ali: I heard about the international fashion week to be held in Kuwait and decided to participate, especially since I was inspired by Kuwaiti heritage, especially since I participated with an abaya designer in the exhibition, so I posed my idea to her to make masks inspired by the Khaliji burqa, as her designs were for abayas, and she liked the idea. My participation in the exhibition saw the best days of my life, as I have always been ambitious and wanted my art to be famous worldwide. Thank God I achieved my dream to participate in the most famous international fashion show in Kuwait.

KT: Why did you choose to showcase masks at KIFW?
Ali: My idea was to elaborate on the Khaliji burqa by fantasia. I was inspired by Kuwaiti heritage, especially since I participated with an abaya designer in the exhibition, so the idea was perfect to go with the clothes.

KT: You also got a chance to have a photo shoot with many international designers who participated in this fair and present her designs. I proposed my idea to her to make masks inspired by the Khaliji burqa, as her designs were for abayas, and she liked the idea. My participation in the exhibition saw the best days of my life, as I have always been ambitious and wanted my art to be famous worldwide. Thank God I achieved my dream to participate in the most famous international fashion show in Kuwait.

KT: How much time does it take to make one mask?
Ali: Three to four days as per the type of design and the time available.

KT: How would you describe your artwork in one word or phrase?
Ali: The art of creativity and innovation to create beauty.

KT: What are the materials that you use for the jewelry?
Ali: I use copper wires plated with silver, gold and other colors, as well as special tools. I also use precious and semi-precious stones, crystal and glass.

KT: What is the name of your brand and why did you choose this name?
Ali: Victorina. I chose this name because I learnt this art from specialists in Britain. Also, I love the era of Victoria, which witnessed luxury clothes. The word "Victorina" is a comprehensive word for all kinds of designs and decorations common in the Victorian era.

KT: Your masks are more like pieces of art - each and every one has its own soul and identity. Do you think they are wearable or only meant for display?
Ali: Yes, some masks are wearable, but not all are for display. You can wear them at special events.

KT: Where are you going to exhibit your masks and jewelry next?
Ali: I will show my creations to designers to give them an idea of this type of creative and new design in the world of accessories, through my participation in exhibitions and social network sites.

KT: What is your future plan?
Ali: My next plan is expansion and development in this field from Kuwait to the Gulf and then to the wider world, creating new ideas in the world of accessories.

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Like many young punks, Gerson Govea saw himself as a misfit. But few embraced the role as self-destructively as this Cuban rocker: He deliberately infected himself with HIV. He is considered the last of the most hardcore members of the “frikis,” or “freaks,” as the communist island’s unique breed of hippy-punk dropouts is known. Beyond the rum, free love and forbidden rock ‘n’ roll music, they took their rebellion a stage further: infecting themselves in order to get into the relative safety and comfort of a state AIDS clinic. “I found a friend who gave me his (infected) blood,” recalls Govea, a long-haired 42-year-old with earrings and tattoos. “I extracted it myself and injected it into me.” That was 17 years ago. He has since seen friends die of AIDS and his wife Yohandra Cardoso, 44, lose both her legs to the disease. Meanwhile Govea, still standing but in fragile health, is rocking his way into middle age.

Best of worlds
Sleeping in parks, listening to music and taking drugs, the “frikis” would not have been such an unusual sight in many world cities. But their lifestyle was a particularly bold statement in communist Cuba, where rock music was outlawed during the Cold War and drug-taking severely policed. “They shared everything: women, men, food and pills,” said Jorge Perez, a doctor and the former director of an AIDS sanatorium in Havana. Cuba plunged into poverty after the allied regime in the Soviet Union fell in 1989, and as the AIDS pandemic unfolded.

Amid such misery, a state-run AIDS clinic was a haven. “It was the best of all possible worlds for them,” says Maria Gattorno, director of the Cuban Rock Agency, a state music promotion body. “They had everything guaranteed there: they had medicine and great food and were looked after.” Govea says he infected himself “so that he could be with the person they liked” who already had the disease, he says.

AIDS in Cuba
Cuba’s first case of AIDS was in a soldier returning from Africa, where the country supported various sides in proxy conflicts during the Cold War. Just over 3,800 people died of AIDS in Cuba between 1986 and 2015, according to the government. Some 20,000 were born with HIV at the last count. It is not known how many “frikis” the island has had, nor how many of them willingly got infected. Gattorno reckons those who infected themselves “miscalculated, thinking a cure for AIDS would quickly arrive. “They went to live in the sanatoriums, but naturally a lot of them died very quickly.”

Gettin’ freaky
Antiretroviral drugs slowed down the killer impact of AIDS. Cuba’s internment clinics closed in 1994. But Govea and Cardoso in her wheelchair still live in the west of the island in the house that once was the Pinar del Rio sanatorium, where they met in 2000. On top of a small state allowance, Govea earns a living selling manicure products. When they have time, the couple go out and “get freaky,” singing and headbanging with other young rockers near their home. “When one of us felt alright, another would be in bed sick,” he said. “When they were, it meant they were dying.”— AFP
Workers decorate the seaward part of a coffee at the main beach road, in preparations one day ahead of the holy month of Ramadan, in Gaza City, Friday, May 26, 2017. Muslims throughout the world are preparing to celebrate Ramadan, the holiest month in the Islamic calendar, refraining from eating, drinking, smoking and sex from sunrise to sunset. — AP

Avoid the specials, be suspicious of outlandish boasts and prepare to haggle for your wine: Three golden rules for a heightened dining experience, as newly revealed by celebrity chef Gordon Ramsay.

The Michelin-starred cook offered AFP his tricks for getting the most out of a restaurant visit as he inspected the Los Angeles set of his latest show, a US version of his hit British series “The F Word”, which debuts on Fox on Wednesday.

“Specials are there to disappear throughout the evening. When they list 10 ‘specials’, that’s not special, ” Ramsay told AFP at a soundstage in Hollywood that is being transformed into a functional restaurant capable of serving 100 diners.  The 50-year-old British presenter recommends booking a table for at least three if you are planning a romantic meal for two, as your small lie will improve your chances of being able to spread out and avoid “getting stuck in the corner like a doorstop. ”

Always get the most out of the expert selling you the wine, the chef says, recommending that diners ask for the “bin end” list—the bottles with scratched labels, vintages that are about to be rotated out or poor sellers that restaurants want to get rid of. “We have a fear about talking to sommeliers because you think you’re going to be ripped off,” he says. “Get the sommelier to come up with a great glass or great bottle and give him a price. And make sure it’s under $30,” Ramsay advises.

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Chef Gordon Ramsay

‘F’ as in food: Chef Gordon Ramsay’s tips for dining out

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Ramsay, who trained under Albert Roux, Marco Pierre White and Guy Savoy, is famous for his foul-mouthed rants on numerous hit TV shows including “Hell’s Kitchen,” and his acerbic comments have landed him in hot water on several occasions. The Scot’s notoriously filthy language embarrassed British network Channel 4 after an unedited episode of his “Hotel Hell” aired by mistake on a midday slot in April. Ramsay used the “F word” six times in 15 minutes before the episode was pulled.

His word-for-word reaction to the controversy—at least to AFP—is unprintable, but the gist is that he thinks the channel should be taking the heat for what was, in the end, a scheduling error.

‘Industrial language’

Ramsay’s broader thoughts on his reputation for profanity are also unsuitable for daytime consumption but, in summary, he senses a hypocrisy in the way the press singles him out for his “industrial language.” He is no different, he believes, from other professionals—from journalists to basketball players to footballers to school teachers—who use the lingua franca of the shop floor. Ramsay’s profanity never comes across as anything less than authentic, yet one can’t help but suspect that the egos on board the “F word” have a more specific reason.

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Industrial language

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Workers decorate the seaward part of a coffee at the main beach road, in preparations one day ahead of the holy month of Ramadan, in Gaza City, Friday, May 26, 2017. Muslims throughout the world are preparing to celebrate Ramadan, the holiest month in the Islamic calendar, refraining from eating, drinking, smoking and sex from sunrise to sunset. — AP