

Al-Asad, King Husayn Hold Talks in Damascus
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[Text] Damascus—His Majesty King Husayn and His Excellency Hafiz al-Asad, president of the Syrian Arab Republic, held a meeting at the presidential palace in Damascus this afternoon.

The meeting was attended by Prime Minister Zayd al-Rifa'i. It was attended on the Syrian side by Vice President 'Abd al-Halim Khaddam, Prime Minister Mahmud al-Zu'bi, and Foreign Minister Faruq al-Shar'.

King Husayn arrived in Damascus at noon today on a working visit to Syria. During his stay, he will hold talks with President Hafiz al-Asad within the framework of continuous coordination and consultation between the two sister countries and in light of the united Arab stand entrenched by the recent historic Arab summit in Amman.

His majesty and President al-Asad will discuss the implementation of the resolutions of the reconciliation and accord summit to achieve the higher Arab interests.

President Hafiz al-Asad led those who received his majesty at Damascus International Airport. His majesty was also received by Vice Presidents 'Abd al-Halim Khaddam and Dr Muhammad Zuhayr Mashariqah, Prime Minister Mahmud al-Zu'bi, Foreign Minister Faruq al-Shar', other ministers, and Jordan's Ambassador in Damascus 'Ali Khurays.

After shaking hands with those who received him, his majesty and President Hafiz al-Asad left the airport in an official motorcade to the presidential palace.

Upon departure from Amman, his majesty was seen off by Crown Prince Hasan, Chief Chamberlain Prince Ra'd ibn Zayd, the Armed Forces commander in chief, Royal Court senior officials, and the Syrian ambassador in Amman.

Prime Minister Zayd al-Rifa'i accompanied his majesty.

'Closed Meeting' Held

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[Text] His Majesty King Husayn, monarch of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, arrived in Damascus at noon today. President Hafiz al-Asad led those who received him at the airport. He was also received by Vice Presidents 'Abd al-Halim Khaddam and Dr Muhammad Zuhayr Mashariqah, Prime Minister Mahmud al-Zu'bi, and Foreign Minister Faruq al-Shar'.

After greeting the deputy prime ministers, the ministers, and the Jordanian Embassy staff in Damascus, his majesty and the president left in an official motorcade to the presidential palace.

His majesty and the president held a meeting which was attended by Vice President 'Abd al-Halim Khaddam, Prime Minister Mahmud al-Zu'bi, Foreign Minister Faruq al-Shar', and Jordan's Prime Minister Zayd al-Rifa'i.

At 1330 today, the president and His Majesty King Husayn held a closed meeting.

Al-Zu'bi, Al-Rifa'i Hold 'Closed Meeting'

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[Text] Prime Minister Mahmud al-Zu'bi and Jordanian Prime Minister Zayd al-Rifa'i held a closed meeting at the Prime Ministry at 1400 GMT. During this meeting, they discussed the steps being taken to develop bilateral relations and reinforce the march of cooperation, particularly in terms of reinforcing and activating the functions of joint companies. They also discussed issues related to developing cooperation between the two sister countries.

At 1445 today at the Prime Ministry, the two sides exchanged the ratification documents of the agreement for exploiting the Al-Yarmuk River signed between the two countries in Amman on 3 September 1987.

Ethiopian Official Arrives on 3-Day Visit

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[Text] Damascus—Amanuel Michael, Political Bureau member of the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Ethiopia and People's Democratic Republic of Ethiopia deputy State Council chairman, arrived in Damascus yesterday evening heading an official delegation on a 3-day visit to Syria. Vice President 'Abd al-Halim Khaddam and Foreign Minister Faruq al-Shar' led those who welcomed him at the airport.

Received by Al-Asad

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[Text] At 1330 today, President Hafiz al-Asad received Amanuel Michael, Political Bureau member of the Workers Party of Ethiopia and deputy chairman of the People's Democratic Republic of Ethiopia [PDRE] State Council, and his accompanying delegation.