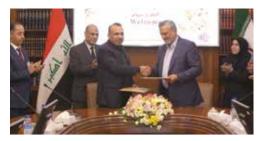


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# Muslims strongly condemn new desecration of Qur'an in Sweden

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They wish to extinguish the light of Allah with their mouths, but Allah will perfect His light, even though the unbelievers may detest it.

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/omen raise copies of Muslims' holv book. Our'an

as they participate in a demonstration against the desecration of the book in Sweden, in Beirut, Lebanon, on July 21, 2023. UBRAHIM AMRO/AFP



Shahrud, a heaven for nature lovers





Iran crowned FS champion for clean sweep of Asian U20 wrestling titles



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# Iran karatekas bag five medals at Asia C'ships on first day

### Sports Desk

Iranian karate athletes snatched two gold medals at the 2023 AKF Senior Championships currently taking place in Malaysia.

On the opening day of the competition, Behnam Dehqanzadeh clinched the first gold for Iran's team in the Senior Kumite Male -55kg category. His victory came after a hard-fought battle, defeating Jordan's Omar Shaqrah with a score of 6-4 in the final.

Prior to cruising to the final, Dehqanzadeh showcased his prowess by defeating opponents from Turkmenistan, Sri Lanka, and Malaysia

in earlier rounds. Adding to Iran's success, Atousa Golshadnezhad also stood tall as she secured a gold medal in the Senior Kumite Female -61kg division. She outclassed her Emirati opponent Sarah Alameri with a convincing 3-0 victory, earning the title of Asia's champion in her category. Iran's karate contingent continued to shine, with Amir Mehdizadeh earning a bronze medal in the Senior Kumite Male -67kg category. Meanwhile, Fatemeh Sadeqi in the Kata Female and Abolfazl Shahrjerdi in the Kata Male secured their places on the podium, finishing third in their respective events.

## Iran raps US for blocking its bid to host maritime event

### International Desk

Iran's Foreign Ministry spokesman Nasser Kanaani strongly condemned the US move to prevent Iran from hosting an international maritime event in October, saying that Washington once again revealed its arrogant and colonial nature. Iran had proposed to host a shipping event in Tehran in late October this year, in conjunction with an annual maritime day hosted by the UN's International Maritime Organization (IMO), which was accepted in 2015 by the IMO's Executive Council. However, Iran's offer to host the event was rejected after a proposal led by the US to rescind the bid was approved in a vote at the UN shipping agency's council on Thursday.

Kanaani said that the US move showed that Washington recognizes no limits in politically abusing the United Nations' technical and specialized agencies. The Iranian official denounced the US for ignoring the majority vote of the IMO member states.

The US, in a working paper seen by Reuters and submitted to the IMO's Council, which is meeting this week, proposed rescinding the decision. It alleged in the paper, which was co-sponsored by Britain, that "Iran has seized, or attempted to seize, commercial vessels with no pretext, warning or prior justification."