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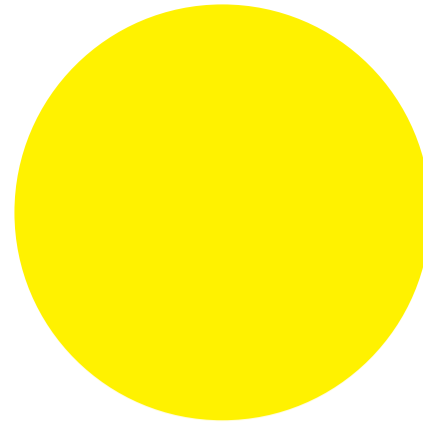
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Iran to welcome Vietnamese speaker



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The President of the National Assembly of Vietnam Vuong Dinh Hue leads a high-level parliamentary delegation on an official visit to Iran from August 8 to August 10 at the invitation of his Iranian counterpart, Mohammad Baqer Qalibaf. The visit of Speaker Hue to Iran holds significant impor-

tance as it coincides with the 50th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between Vietnam and Iran. It demonstrates Vietnam's regard and desire to strengthen relations with Iran, in particular, and with Middle Eastern countries, in general. Vuong Dinh Hue has held important positions within Vietnam's political system such as the minister of finance, head of the Economic Commission of the Communist Party of Vietnam's Central Committee, deputy prime minister, and secretary of the Hanoi Party Committee.

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Iran indigenizes parts manufacturing for pressure-boosting stations: IGTC

Economy Desk

Iran is self-sufficient in manufacturing 750 main parts of gas pressure-boosting stations, announced managing director of the Iranian Gas Transmission Company (IGTC). Speaking at a press conference on Saturday, Gholam-Abbas Hosseini pointed to new technology-based firms' cooperation with IGTC, adding that the country has also indigenized manufacturing two types of gas turbines, Shana reported. The IGTC is making the optimum use of homegrown equipment and products, underlined the IGTC head. According to the official,

the company is now using Iranian-made oil and air and gas filters. Stating that the country's gas transmission capacity is now at one billion cubic meters per day, Hosseini added that 50 percent of the repair operations have been completed, as the IGTC is preparing for stable gas transmission during winter days. "From the beginning of the current Iranian year (March 21) to August 1, a sum of 98 billion cubic meters of gas have been transferred to consumers, which indicates an increase of four billion cubic meters compared to the corresponding period of the preceding year."

Sri Lanka FM invites Iranian investors

Speaking at a joint press conference with his Iranian counterpart in Tehran on Saturday, Foreign Minister of Sri Lanka Ali Sabry said his country is eager to attract investment from Iran, praising Iran for its progress under the pressure of sanctions. Describing his country as the gateway to East Asia, Sabry said, "I invite the Iranian companies to pay attention to Sri Lanka. Two-thirds of growth in the future will happen in Asia. We call on your (Iranian) companies to make investments in our country (Sri Lanka)." "We want to have good relations with Iran. We are also keen to see more Iranians traveling to Sri Lan-



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ka," the foreign minister added, Tasnim wrote. For his part, Iranian Foreign Minister Hossein Amir-Abdollahian noted that Sri Lanka's role as the new chair of the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) would provide a suitable opportunity for Iran's cooperation with the other member states.