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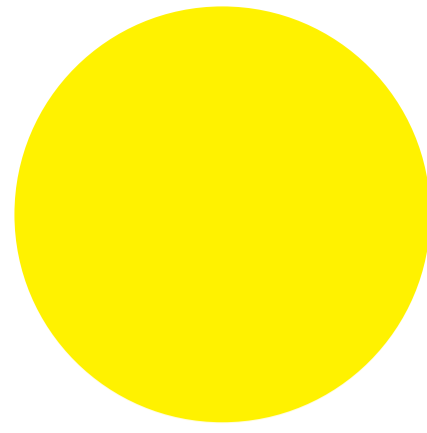
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Brazil's President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva (1), President of China Xi Jinping (2nd L), South African President Cyril Ramaphosa (C), Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi (2nd R) and Russia's Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov (R) pose for a family photo during the 2023 BRICS Summit in Johannesburg on August 23, 2023. GIANLUIGI GUERCIA/POOL/AFP



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Iran signals oil output boost as regional relations improve

Iran plans to raise oil production to near full capacity by the end of the summer, the country's oil minister said. Speaking to the Energy Committee in Iran's Parliament, Javad Owji stated that the country had boosted oil production by 50 percent over the last two years, and production is expected to increase to 3.4 million barrels a day (bpd), just below the capacity of 3.8 million bpd, The New Arab reported. According to the monitoring service TankerTrackers.com, Iran was able to ship 2.2 million bpd to 20 August, as reported by Bloomberg - a marked increase on the first



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seven months of 2023, in which Iran export over 1.5 million bpd in a single month. In addition to oil, Iran plans to increase its production capacity of natural gas by 500 million cubic meters per day (mcm/d), according to S&P global. Its current production standing is at one billion cubic meters per day.

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Qatar: Iran-US prisoner deal enters into force

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Qatar's Foreign Ministry spokesman Majed al-Ansari said that a prisoner deal recently reached between Iran and the United States has entered into force. During his weekly press briefing, the Qatari official said that Doha is still communicating with various parties to implement the agreement, which includes the release of prisoners from both sides and unfreezing of \$6 billion of Iranian funds in South Korea's banks. Al-Ansari noted that it is too early to talk about the location of the exchange of prisoners. "Such details will

be announced in due course" he said. White House national security adviser Jake Sullivan also said that the prisoner swap deal is "on track". Sullivan's comments on Tuesday marked a rare public expression of confidence from Washington that the prisoner swap would take place. "We believe that things are proceeding according to the understanding that we've reached with Iran," Sullivan told reporters during a conference call. "I don't have an exact timetable for you because there [are] steps that need to yet unfold. But we believe that that remains on track."

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