

Obama says US, Saudis want inclusive government in Yemen

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON
 Hosting Saudi Arabia's new monarch for the first time, President Barack Obama said Friday that the U.S. shares King Salman's desire for an inclusive government in Yemen that can relieve that impoverished Arab country's humanitarian crisis. Their talks also addressed the Iran nuclear deal, a source of lingering tension in the U.S.-Saudi relationship.

Since March, the U.S. has been supporting a Saudi-led intervention against Yemen's Iran-aided Shiite rebels, who have chased the country's U.S.-recognized president into exile. But the Obama administration is concerned about the conflict's rising death toll that is now in the thousands, while aid groups lament their inability to provide life-saving support to all Yemenis in need.

"We share concerns about Yemen and the need to restore a function government that is inclusive and that can relieve the humanitarian situation there," Obama told reporters who were allowed into the Oval Office for brief comments from both leaders. The meeting, Obama noted, was taking place at a "challenging time in world affairs, particularly in the Middle East."

On Friday, 22 members of the United Arab Emirates' military were killed while fighting the rebels known as the Houthis, the official news agency WAM said. It was believed to be the country's highest number of military casualties since its founding in 1971. Pro-government Yemeni security officials said the troops were killed when a Houthi missile hit a weapons storage depot.

Beyond Yemen, Saudi Arabia wants the U.S. to increase support for Syrian rebels fighting the Islamic State and seeking to topple President Bashar Assad's embattled government after four-and-a-half years of civil war. And the Saudis want assurances from the U.S. that the Iran nuclear deal comes with a broader effort to counter Iran's destabilizing activities in the

region.

Four years after Obama demanded Assad's ouster, the Syrian leader remains in power through significant help from Iran. The U.S. has largely abandoned efforts to uproot the Iranian-backed militia Hezbollah from its dominant position in Lebanon. Washington has struggled to limit Tehran's influence in Shiite-dominated Iraq. Despite the Saudi intervention in Yemen, the Houthis maintain their hold over much of the country.

The visit of King Salman, who ascended the throne in January, is forcing the administration to address these concerns. Secretary of State John Kerry said this week that the U.S. was working with its Arab allies in the Persian Gulf on a ballistic missile defence system, special operations training and large-scale military exercises.

The Iran nuclear deal will provide Iran hundreds of billions of dollars in relief from international sanctions in exchange for a decade of constraints on the country's nuclear program. Congress will soon consider a resolution of disapproval of the final package reached in July, but Senate Democrats have enough votes to prevent the Republican-led measure's success.

The White House later issued a statement saying that the Saudi ruler had "expressed his support" for the nuclear deal.

King Salman, in brief remarks through an interpreter, characterized his visit as symbolic of the deep ties between the allies.

"I'm happy to come to a friendly country to meet a friend," he said. "We want to work together for world peace."

Ben Rhodes, a deputy national security adviser, said Iran is in such a deep economic hole that the government will likely use much of its initial windfall to boost the economy. The defence budget of U.S. allies in the Gulf is eight times that of Iran and no amount of sanctions relief can close that gap, he said.

Hundreds march to border in Hungary's migrant crisis

The Associated Press

BICSKE, Hungary
 Hundreds of migrants, stymied by Hungarian authorities who had halted trains to Germany, began a final march toward freedom Friday, breaking away from police and heading on foot for the western border.

In a bid to ease the crisis, the Hungarian government said in a surprise announcement Friday night it was dispatching buses to take hundreds of the marchers to the border with Austria. It was not clear what their fate would be there.

With people streaming in long lines along highways from a Budapest train station and one near a migrant reception centre in the northern town of Bicske, the buses would be used because "transportation safety can't be put at risk," said Janos Lazar, chief of staff to the prime minister.

"A migration crisis is shaking Hungary," Lazar said, blaming Germany's "contradictory communications" and the European Union for the crisis.

There was no answer whether Austria will let the migrants in. Lazar said Hungary had asked Austria to clarify its position on the migrants but had not yet received an answer.

The buses will take passengers to the main Hegyeshalom crossing with Austria, although it's not clear if they will trust authorities and get on the buses. Some were tricked earlier in the week to get on a train that did not go to Austria.

"This is a opportunity," Lazar said. "The immigrants have to decide whether they want to take advantage of it. We are taking this step so Hungary's transportation is not paralyzed during the next 24 hours."

The asylum-seekers — many from Syria, Iraq and Afghanistan — had already made dangerous treks in scorching heat, under barbed wire on Hungary's southern frontier and faced the hostility

of some locals along the way. Their first stop will be Austria, on Hungary's western border, though most hope to eventually reach Germany.

Hungarian authorities had refused to let them board trains to the west, and they balked at going to processing centres for migrants, fearing they would then be forced to live in Hungary.

Under European law, refugees are supposed to seek asylum in the first European Union country that they enter. But most of them see limited economic opportunities and a less-welcoming atmosphere in Hungary than in Germany, Sweden and other Western nations.

Earlier Friday, Parliament tightened its immigration rules, approving the creation of transit zones on the border with Serbia where migrants would be kept until asylum requests were decided within eight days. Migrants would have limited chance to appeal those decisions.

UN Libya envoy sees progress in Geneva talks

The Associated Press

BERLIN

The United Nations' Libya envoy says there has been progress in two days of talks with Libya's rival factions and he's hopeful of a deal soon on a national unity government.

Envoy Bernardino Leon wants a deal by Sept. 20. He said Friday in Geneva "we really have a chance to reach a final agreement in the coming days" but cautioned that "the last mile is the most difficult one."

Libya is divided between an Islamist-backed government in Tripoli and the internationally recognized government in Tobruk.

Leon has been trying to get the parties to present candidates for prime minister and two deputies to lead a unity government. He said he has names from the Tobruk government and hopes to get Tripoli's proposals for another meeting likely next Wednesday.



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GAS, ELECTRIC, WIND ENERGY RATES SET FOR SEPTEMBER

Medicine Hat, AB – The City of Medicine Hat has set its September energy commodity rates.

Natural Gas
 The September natural gas commodity rate of \$3.10 per gigajoule (GJ), up from \$2.83 in August, for all customers is based on the average of the monthly gas charges set by Alberta gas distribution (pipes) owners and Gas Alberta Inc.

(per gigajoule)	September 2015
Alta Gas Utilities	\$2.959
Direct Energy Regulated Services North	\$3.358
Direct Energy Regulated Services South	\$3.071
Gas Alberta Inc.	\$3.000
City of Medicine Hat Rate (based on the average)	\$3.10

Electricity

The September electricity rate of \$0.0536 per kilowatt hour, down from \$0.0690 per kilowatt hour in August, for Residential, Farm, Small and Medium Commercial, Unmetered Services and Rental Lighting, is based on the average of the monthly electric energy charges set by Alberta electric distribution (wires) owners as established in accordance with the provisions of the Alberta Regulated Rate Option (RRO) Regulation (AR 262/2005), with the following exceptions:

- RRO electric energy charges set by Rural Electrification Associations (REAs) that own electric distribution systems in rural Alberta; and
- RRO electric energy charges set for customer classes described as anything other than "Residential" or "Commercial"

September 2015 (per kilowatt hour)	Residential	Commercial (Small / Medium)
Direct Energy Regulated – ATCO Electric Area	\$0.05577	\$0.05575
Enmax – Calgary	\$0.05407	\$0.05407
Enmax – Cardston	\$0.05230	\$0.05230
Enmax – Crownsnest Pass	\$0.05230	\$0.05230
Enmax – Fort MacLeod	\$0.05230	\$0.05230
Enmax – Ponoka	\$0.05335	\$0.05335
Enmax – Red Deer	\$0.05367	\$0.05367
Epcor – Edmonton	\$0.05387	\$0.05387
Epcor – FortisAlberta	\$0.05234	\$0.05305
City of Lethbridge	\$0.05539	\$0.05539
City of Medicine Hat Rate (based on the average)	\$0.0536	

The September default electricity rate for Large Commercial, Industrial and Street Lighting customers is based on the monthly average Alberta Power Pool price as established and published by the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) plus \$0.02 per kilowatt hour. The rate for August was \$0.0542 per kilowatt hour.

Fixed Energy Commodity Price Options

The Electric Utility offers a fixed electricity commodity price for Residential, Farm, Small and Medium Commercial customers. The fixed price for 2015 is \$0.0968 per kilowatt hour (kWh). The Gas Utility offers a fixed natural gas commodity price for all rate class customers. The fixed price for 2015 is \$5.37 per gigajoule (GJ).

Going Green Charge

Customers also have a "Going Green" surcharge on their bill. This surcharge is for renewable energy purchased for residential, farm, small and medium commercial customers. The Going Green surcharge is calculated monthly to recover costs incurred to purchase renewable energy.

The Going Green surcharge for September is \$0.0050 per kilowatt hour.

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SOLID WASTE COLLECTION

COLLECTION DAY CHANGES

There will be no solid waste collection on Monday September 7, 2015 due to the Labour Day Holiday. Residential waste zone collection will advance as follows:

DATE	CITY ZONE
Monday, September 7	No Collection
Tuesday, September 8	Zone 4
Wednesday, September 9	Zone 5
Thursday, September 10	Zone 1
Friday, September 11	Zone 2

Refer to medicinehat.ca/eu, download the My-Waste App, or contact Customer Service at 403-529-8176 for more information.

CART COLLECTION

- Household waste and yard waste are separate collections and collection times vary.
- Carts must be out by 7 a.m. on your collection day to ensure service.
- Make sure carts are accessible with 3 ft. (1 m) clearance on all sides.
- Ensure cart lids are closed to avoid litter or collection problems.
- Yard waste material in plastic bags WILL NOT be collected.

RETURN CARTS TO PRIVATE PROPERTY (AND OFF OF ROADWAYS, SIDEWALKS, BACK LANES, ETC.) WITHIN 24 HOURS OF COLLECTION TO PREVENT THEFT OR DAMAGE TO YOUR CART.

DEVELOPMENT PERMITS APPROVED AUGUST 27 TO SEPTEMBER 2, 2015 PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

RESIDENTIAL

- 112 Rosedale Drive SE** (Lot 99, Block 3, Plan 7611036) Permit No. DP12845. With Conditions. Garage (Existing Oversized Playhouse).
- 4934 Southlands Drive SE** (Lot 5, Block 7, Plan 0612243) Permit No. DP12848. With Conditions. Detached Garage.
- 216 Ranchview Way NE** (Lot 33, Block 16, Plan 0910426) Permit No. DP12850. With Conditions. Single Detached House.
- 49 Somerset Bay SE** (Lot 11, Block 7, Plan 0715106) Permit No. DP12851. With Conditions. Single Detached House Including Front Yard Setback And Driveway Depth Variances.
- 1407 24 Street SE** (Lot 4, Block 2, Plan 5976JK) Permit No. DP12853. With Conditions. Front Residential Addition.
- 235 Stratton Road SE** (Lot 35, Block 12, Plan 1111043) Permit No. DP12856. With Conditions. Single Detached House Including Front Setback And Driveway Depth Variances.
- 209 Somerside Road SE** (Lot 16, Block 12, Plan 1012845) Permit No. DP12858. With Conditions. Above Ground Swimming Pool
- 359 6 Street SE** (Lot 8, Block 3, Plan 1132M) Permit No. DP12860. With Conditions. Detached Garage.

COMMERCIAL

- 767 6 Street SW** (Lot 10, 30, Block 2, Plan 154JK, 4349GS) Permit No. DP12846. With Conditions. One Fascia Sign

HOME OCCUPATION

- 205 Markwood Drive SE** (Lot 13, Block 3, Plan 7410139) Permit No. DP12808. Office Use Only. With Conditions. Photography.
- 19 Northlands Lane NE** (Lot -, Block 99, Plan 0612912) Permit No. DP12809. Office Use Only. With Conditions. Photography.
- 49 Rossmere Way SE** (Lot 172, Block 18, Plan 7811299) Permit No. DP12810. Office Use Only. With Conditions. General Business License (Closed Captioning Subcontractor) – Address Change.
- 2114 Upland Drive SE** (Lot 33, Block 4, Plan 0810056) Permit No. DP12811. Office With Storage on Site. With Conditions. Distribution/Sales (Wellness Jewelry).
- 4 – 459 Ross Glen Drive SE** (Lot 14, Block 9, Plan 7611036) Permit No. DP12816. Office With Storage on Site. With Conditions. Crafts.
- 93 Somerset Mews SE** (Lot 20, Block 7, Plan 0715106) Permit No. DP12818. Office With Storage on Site. With Conditions. General Contractor/Project Manager – Address Change.
- 901 Bullivant Crescent SW** (Lot 14, Block 16, Plan 2379G0) Permit No. DP12821. Office Use Only. With Conditions. Plumbing/Gasfitting/Heating – Address Change.
- 123 Robinson Drive SE** (Lot 4, Block 36, Plan 8211521) Permit No. DP12822. Office Use Only. With Conditions. Bookkeeping – Address Change.
- 4 – 65 2 Street SE** (Lot 10, Block 52, Plan 61685) Permit No. DP12823. Office With Storage on Site. With Conditions. General Contractor/Project Manager.
- 769 Taylor Road SE** (Lot 35, Block 51, Plan 9111959) Permit No. DP12824. Office With Storage on Site. With Conditions. General Contractor/Project Manager.
- 5 Sundown Bay SW** (Lot 55, Block 21, Plan 0410307) Permit No. DP12826. Office With Storage on Site. With Conditions. Electrician – Address Change.

A person claiming to be affected by a decision of the Development Officer or the Municipal Planning Commission may appeal to the Medicine Hat Subdivision and Development Appeal Board by completing and submitting to the City Clerk Department, the required Notice of Appeal form within fourteen (14) days of this publication. Notice of Appeal forms are available from the City Clerk Department, Second Floor, City Hall or on the City's website at www.medicinehat.ca

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