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Coalition Intercepts Houthi Missiles Aimed at Riyadh and Drones in the East

- The Saudi-led coalition said on Sunday, November 15, 2026 that it had intercepted two Houthi ballistic missiles launched towards Riyadh and three drones in Saudi Arabia's Eastern Province, Reuters reported. — Reuters
- There were no immediate reports of casualties or damage in the initial reporting of the interceptions, Reuters reported. — Reuters
- The Houthis had not claimed responsibility for the launches in the reporting available when the coalition statement was published, Reuters reported. — Reuters
- Reuters reported on November 14, 2026 that President Donald Trump has told senior advisers he may hold off on attacking Iran if the United States faces no new provocations from Tehran or the Iran-backed Houthis in Yemen. — Reuters

Government Forces Withdraw Near Bab el-Mandeb, Leaving Houthis in Control

- Yemeni forces fighting for the internationally recognised Saudi-backed government said on Sunday, November 15, 2026 that they were withdrawing from Dhubab Airport and the area overlooking the Bab el-Mandeb Strait, west of Taiz Governorate, redeploying toward Aden, Reuters reported. — Reuters
- The withdrawal leaves the Iran-aligned Houthis in control of the Bab el-Mandeb area, Reuters reported. — Reuters
- The Bab el-Mandeb Strait, overlooked from the Dhubab area, is the chokepoint linking the Red Sea to the Gulf of Aden on the shipping route to the Suez Canal. — Reuters

Iraq's Prime Minister Dismisses Nine Senior Officers Over Jurf al-Nasr Breach

- Iraqi Prime Minister Mohammed Shia al-Sudani dismissed nine senior military officers on Sunday, November 15, 2026 over a security breach at the Jurf al-Nasr military site south of Baghdad, Al Jazeera reported. — Al Jazeera
- The prime minister's media office said several officers were referred for investigation and legal proceedings, and that committees were formed to review the performance of units stationed at sensitive military sites, Al Jazeera reported. — Al Jazeera
- Jurf al-Nasr hosts Iraqi security forces and factions linked to the Popular Mobilisation Forces, the state-sponsored umbrella that includes Iran-backed armed groups, Al Jazeera reported. — Al Jazeera

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