

Saudi military women allowed to work at passport sections

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Manama: Saudi Arabia has appointed 30 young military women at the passport sections at its land borders with Bahrain and Qatar.

The unprecedented decision to have military women holding the rank of soldiers at the passports sections of King Fahad Causeway and Salwa border point is a new landmark for Saudi women.

Saudi Arabia's passport directorate had hired women both on a full time and on a part time basis to check women's identities and to help with services, but they were all civilians, Arriyadh daily reported on Thursday.

The 25-kilometre King Fahad Causeway links Saudi Arabia with Bahrain since 1986 and is used by thousands of cars every day.

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