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MANAMA (AP) - State media in Bahrain says the king has ordered an end to the emergency rule imposed in mid-March to quell a wave of anti-government protests in the Gulf country.

Bahrain state TV said the state of emergency will end June 1 in line with a royal decree issued on Sunday.

The announcement comes as 21 opposition leaders and political activists have been charged with attempting to overthrow the Sunni monarchy in a special security court set up by the emergency rule.

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