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**His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah presents Kuwait's medal with medallion of excellency degree to Interior Ministry's Undersecretary Lieutenant General Sulaiman Al-Fahad.**



**His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah presents Kuwait's medal with medallion of first class to Interior Ministry's Assistant Undersecretary for State Security Affairs Major General Essam Al-Naham.**

## AMIR AWARDS INTERIOR MINISTER, OFFICIALS FOR VIGILANT EFFORTS

**KUWAIT:** His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah received yesterday Deputy Prime Minister and Interior Minister Sheikh Mohammad Al-Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Sabah, along with Ministry's top officials. His Highness the Amir granted Sheikh Mohammad Al-Khaled Kuwait's medal of the first class, and the Ministry's Undersecretary Lieutenant General Sulaiman Fahad Al-Fahad Kuwait's medal with medallion of excellency degree, and Ministry's Assistant Undersecretary for State Security Affairs Major General Essam Salem Al-Naham Kuwait's medal with medallion of first class, in recognition

to the distinguished efforts they exerted in serving the security and stability of the country.

His Highness the Amir applauded the efforts of the Ministry's officials and their bravery, efficiency and dedication which played a key role in the investigations which led to the arresting the criminals responsible for the explosion that targeted Al-Imam Al-Sadiq Mosque. His Highness the Amir praised the role of all security officers in the county in protecting the security of Kuwait and maintaining its safety and stability. The meeting was attended by Deputy Minister of Amiri Diwan Affairs Sheikh Ali Jarrah Al-Sabah.

**Dear confidence**  
Sheikh Mohammad Al-Khaled and the ministry's top officials expressed gratitude to His Highness the Amir for honoring them. During the meeting, Sheikh Mohammad Al-Khaled said that Kuwait's medal of first class granted to him by His Highness the Amir is in fact honoring to the entire ministry's staff, even retired ones, who were all guided by his directives. Meanwhile, the Lt Gen Fahad thanked His Highness the Amir for the "dear confidence." Fahad reiterated readiness to exert harder efforts and make all sacrifices to maintain security and safety of Kuwait and the

Kuwaiti people. Major General Naham also thanked His Highness the Amir for the honoring.

### Amir conveys Eid greetings

In other news, the Amiri Diwan conveyed yesterday Eid Al-Fitr greetings from His Highness the Amir to the citizens and residents of Kuwait.

The Amiri Diwan also sent warm Eid greetings to His the Amir, His Highness the Crown Prince and His Highness the Prime minister. The Diwan also wished happy Eid to all Arab and Islamic nations. — KUNA

## AMIR HOPES IRAN'S DEAL WOULD BOOST REGIONAL SECURITY, STABILITY

**KUWAIT:** His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah hoped Iran's nuclear agreement with the P5+1 group contributed to boosting regional security and stability, and push forward development in the countries of the area.

This came in cables sent by His Highness the Amir to Iranian President Hassan Rouhani and Supreme leader of the Iranian Revolution Ali Khamenei to congratulate them on the conclusion of this "historic" agreement, which was signed by the parties in Vienna, Austria, Tuesday. He hoped the agreement, which would scale back Iran's enrichment capabilities in return of lifting of sanctions, would push development in the region towards further progress and prosperity for peoples.

His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah sent

cables to Rouhani and Khamenei to congratulate them on the agreement. His Highness the Prime Minister Sheikh Jaber Mubarak Al-Hamad Al-Sabah sent similar cables. His Highness the Amir also congratulated leaders of the P5+1 countries' leaders and UN chief Ban Ki-moon on Iran's nuclear agreement. His Highness the Amir sent cables to Presidents of France Francois Hollande, the US Barack Obama, China's Xi Jinping and Russia's Vladimir Putin, British Prime Minister David Cameron, German Chancellor Angela Merkel and Ban, hoping the agreement would boost regional security and stability.

The State of Kuwait had welcomed the nuclear agreement that was signed by Iran and the P5+1 group, hoping that it will ease tension and boost confidence-building measures between the international

community and Iran, thus bolster regional and international security and stability, a foreign ministry source told KUNA in a statement.

### Historic deal

National Assembly Speaker Marzouq Al-Ghanem expressed hope that the deal contributes to boosting security and stability in the region, and directs Tehran's focus on its own development. Hailing all sides involved on the "historic deal," he stressed the importance of dialogue on solving global and regional affairs in preserving security and stability, particularly in the Middle East.

He also expressed appreciation of the efforts pursued by all sides in reaching the deal, acknowledging Iran's right to nuclear energy for peaceful means and the interna-

tional community's assurances in this regard. Mirroring these views, Deputy Speaker Mubarak Al-Khuraimej said he hopes the deal does much to keep the danger of nuclear weapons far from the region and acts as a key for cooperation between Iran and Gulf states, without intervention in the affairs of one another. He called on Iran to improve its relations with the countries of the region for the greater benefit of all. The Kuwaiti lawmaker went on to urge the monitoring of the deal's implementation.

Iran and the P5+1 group (the five permanent UN Security Council (UNSC) members plus Germany) signed a comprehensive nuclear agreement following 17 days of hectic marathon negotiations. The agreement will scale back Iran's uranium enrichment capabilities in return of lifting of sanctions. — KUNA

## LEADERSHIP SUPPORTS PRIVATE MEDIA POLICIES: INFO MINISTER

**KUWAIT:** Minister of Information and State Minister for Youth Sheikh Salman Sabah Salem Al-Humoud Al-Sabah said that the political leadership spares no efforts in supporting private media in the written, audio or visual scales.

This support comes according to the leadership's belief in the important patriotic role of the private media; he said at a function held to announce newly-approved private newspaper licenses. The event was

attended by Director General and Chairman of Kuwait News Agency (KUNA) Sheikh Mubarak Al-Duaij Al-Sabah, Ministry Undersecretary Tareq Al-Mizrim and KUNA Deputy Director General for Editorial Saad Al-Ali. They work hand in hand with their government counterparts in maintaining Kuwait's national unity and coherence, he added.

He went on to applaud the conscious role towards regional and global threats assumed by the media

in the face of the deadly terrorist attack on Kuwait's Imam Al-Sadiq Mosque.

The media, during this time and more than any other, are required to work together to impede attempts to affect Kuwait's national unity, and to shield the minds of youth from fundamentalism, extremism, hatred and terrorism, he said. About the soon-to-be enforced e-media bill, he urged the public to look at it as a law that deals with criminal behavior. — KUNA



**KUWAIT:** Information Minister Sheikh Salman Al-Humoud Al-Sabah speaks at the event. — KUNA

## CROWN PRINCE PRAYS UNGUARDED AMONG CITIZENS



By A Saleh

**KUWAIT:** His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah was seen performing the late night prayers unguarded in the back lines among ordinary worshippers. This was a scene that truly reflects HH the Crown Prince and the Al-Sabah family's humbleness, especially since after the prayers, His Highness was obliging when citizens gathered around him to shake hands and to take photos with him.

## KNPC QUASHES REPORTS ON SHUAIBA REFINERY CAPACITY

**KUWAIT:** The Shuaiba Refinery is operating with its full capacity, 200,000 barrels per day, Kuwait National Petroleum Company (KNPC) Spokesman Khaled Al-Asousi said yesterday. Asousi quashed reports on a decrease in the capacity of the refinery, located within the Shuaiba Industrial Area boundaries. He said that refining capacity of Shuaiba hit 200,002 barrels daily during the first quarter of 2015, he noted.

According to the KNPC spokesman, all the units at the Shuaiba Refinery are operating in line with the set plans and programs. They only stop for maintenance, and when this happens production is transferred to other units to avoid possible losses. Asousi said that the seasonal report on the refinery showed excellent performance, noting that work at the KNPC and affiliate refineries is conducted with transparency. He urged the media to verify information prior to publication. — KUNA



### KUWAIT VOICES



## MY FATHER ENCOURAGED ME TO REACH MY GOALS

By Faten Omar

**T**his Ramadan, Kuwait Times wants to shift the conversation to the ordinary folks that make up the majority of this country. By listening to their stories and recognizing their humanity, we can remind ourselves and hopefully our readers of the ties that bind us all together as a species.

A woman of passion, twenty-two year old Budoor Al-Bostah is a girl who will die doing the work that she loves. Budoor is obsessed with the media world and hopes to be famous one day. Kuwait Times interviewed Budoor to discover the story behind the unusual and huge love to hard work.

**Kuwait Times (KT): What is the happiest moment from your childhood?**

**Bostah:** My happiest moment was when I saw a toy's ad at Spacetoon Channel and my father bought it for me.

**KT: How is life different from how you imagined it would be?**

**Bostah:** Ten years ago, I thought life would be easier than how it is now. Before, my father would give and buy me anything I want and he made my life easier so I thought it would remain that way. I had no idea that you must work hard to get the things you want and you have to be patient to get it.

**KT: Tell me about someone who had a great effect on your life.**

**Bostah:** Of course my father, my father always supports me and when he criticizes me he would talk to me in a good way for me to understand. He also encouraged me to reach my goals.

**KT: If you could be someone or something, who or what would you be, and why?**

**Bostah:** I want to be a candle, because it lights the dark and gives warmth to people. No one understands how amazing it is.

## JOURNEY OF HOPE BOAT TO BE DISPLAYED AT MARINE MUSEUM

**KUWAIT:** The Journey of Hope boat, which had cruised seas of the globe trumpeting plight of the mentally challenged, will end up at the marine museum to stand there as an eternal landmark of Kuwait's humanitarian efforts.

The iconic boat will be registered at the National Council for Culture, Arts and Literature Faisal Mohammad Al-Hajji, the chief secretary of the Journey of Hope campaign said in a statement yesterday, adding that it would be transported from Mohammad Al-Ahmad Marine Base to the Marine Museum, located on the Arab Gulf Road. He pointed out the coordination with Minister of Information, Minister of State for Youth Affairs and Chairman of the National Council, who gave instructions to place the boat just outside the museum, with information about the global journey inside the museum building.

The boat will be easily visible for people and visitors of the country and will be an iconic memorial site of the journey that had been launched under sponsorship of "the Humanitarian Leader," His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, with government and grass-root support. The boat will be situated at its new site after Eid Al-Fitr. It had sailed back to Kuwait on December 1, 2014, completing a seven-month global journey that included 46 ports and 20 states. — KUNA

## PALESTINIAN ENVOY DENIES ABBAS-IRAN PRESS REPORTS

**KUWAIT:** The Palestinian Ambassador to Kuwait Rami Tahboub yesterday denied media reports published Tuesday, July 14, under the title "Abbas Plans Improving Relations with Iran Amidst GCC Dissatisfaction."



**Palestinian ambassador Rami Tahboub**

Ambassador Tahboub stressed that the policy and attitude followed by Palestine fully comply with the Arab consensus and that Palestine has unquestionable strong brotherly relations with all Arab countries, including Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) states. He added that Palestine's relations with other countries around the world were built on mutual respect and interregional relations and laws.

Moreover, Tahboub underlined that the Arab world was the main concern for the Palestinian leadership under President Mahmoud Abbas as well as to end the Israeli occupation and to declare the Palestinian State with holy Jerusalem as its capital.