



Speech of His Highness Sheikh Nasser Al-Mohammad Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah at the lunch banquet held in honor of the abroad diplomatic missions heads on the occasion of their eighth conference

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In the Name of Allah the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful,
Peace be upon our beloved prophet Muhammad and his fellow companions

His Excellency Mr. Jassim Mohammed Abdul Mohsen Al-Kharafi,
President of the National Assembly from 1999 to 2012,

Their Excellencies the Sheikhs,

His Excellency Sheikh Sabah Al-Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Sabah, Vice-
Prime Minister by interim and Minister of Foreign Affairs,

Our brothers the Ministers,

Their Excellencies the Advisors in the Amiri Diwan, in Crown Prince
Diwan and in the Prime Minister's Diwan,

Their Excellencies the Governors,

Their Excellencies the Ambassadors and the Heads of the Diplomatic
Missions,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is my pleasure to meet you again on the occasion of your eighth conference. I'm always keen to meet you, you the loyal soldiers of Kuwait, because you are the front of Kuwait abroad. No matter how long your absence lasts, I know that each and every one of you holds Kuwait in his heart. And as I told you two years ago, I repeat and I welcome the graduates of Sabah Al-Ahmad University of diplomacy.

And when I say Sabah Al-Ahmad University of diplomacy, I mean what I say. We are proud of the decoration that His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad gave us when he was nominated at the United Nations as the leader of humanitarian work and when Kuwait was called



the center for humanitarian work. How proud I was when the Secretary General of the United Nations, Ban Ki-moon stood up and said his famous sentence: "The heart of Kuwait was bigger than crises, poverty and epidemics".

How can we not be proud in such a day?

I was looking at His Highness our beloved Amir and could see the glory of a leader. At the same time, I could see the modesty of the Kuwaiti citizen.

I was looking at Bu Nasser and could see the world's pride, and at the same time I could see the touch of a tender father.

His Highness stood up to declare to the world that one of the most essential pillars of the Kuwaiti foreign policy is preserving human life, and this is the spirit of our Islamic shari'a.

The loyalty of Sabah Al-Ahmad was demonstrated that day, when the architect of the Kuwaiti foreign policy since the creation of the Foreign Ministry, the Dean of foreign ministers in the world, stood up to refer in his speech to the initiatives of his brother and his colleague, the late Amir Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmad God bless his soul..

The loyalty of Sabah Al-Ahmad was also demonstrated that day, when he considered celebrating him, a celebration for the people of Kuwait and their long journey of benevolence.

The pride of Sabah Al-Ahmad of his past and heritage was demonstrated when he said that the charity values were inherent in the hearts of Kuwaitis since they used to struggle with the difficulties of life.

O people of Kuwait... May Allah reward you for your good deeds. If we extend

our hands today to help other peoples, while we are in a state of wealth that allows us to do so, our ancestors used to rush to help and do good deeds when they were in hardship.

O people of Kuwait... May Allah reward you for your good deeds, as you transformed your country lately into a beehive, by hosting three international donor conferences to support the humanitarian situation in Syria, not to mention the contributions of the Development Fund and the contributions of Kuwaiti charities associations and fundraising committees.

Whoever looks closely at our internal situations and circumstances will discover very soon the patience and the foresight of Sabah Al-Ahmad.



Whoever looks at with our regional situations will discover soon the wisdom of Sabah Al-Ahmad.

And whoever observes our international relations will discover soon the astuteness of Sabah Al-Ahmad.

O people of Kuwait... you are lucky to have an Amir like Sabah Al-Ahmad the man.

O people of Kuwait... May Allah reward you for your support to others, for your nobility, for your support to the oppressed and for the help you rush to offer for people in need.

I would like to point with pride and gratitude, the great role of His Highness the Crown Prince, Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, may God protect him, who considers you all as his sons, and this I know personally very well, as well as I know how proud His Highness is of you, of your efforts and of your dedication in the service of Kuwait and the people of Kuwait.

I would also like to pay tribute to the unlimited support provided by my brother and colleague, His Highness the Prime Minister Sheikh Jaber Al-Moubarak Al-Hamad Al-Sabah and his pride in you, as well as his role in overcoming all the difficulties that confront you.

I would like as well to mention the efforts of the Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister, Sheikh Sabah Al-Khalid Al-Sabah, your brother and colleague, this dedicated man who watches over your comfort. Our thanks go as well to all the employees of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, starting from our brother the Undersecretary and extending to all the employees.

God knows how happy I am to meet with you. I hope, God willing, we always meet while Kuwait moves from good to better under the directions of His Highness the Amir and His highness the Crown Prince.

Peace and blessings of Allah be upon you...