



**Speech of His Highness Sheikh Nasser Al-Mohammad
Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah on the visit of the Rector of the
University of Geneva to the State of Kuwait**

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His Excellency the Rector of the University of Geneva,
Their Excellencies the Ambassadors,
Ladies and gentlemen,

It is my pleasure to welcome our dear guest Mr. Yves Charles Flückiger, Rector of the University of Geneva and his accompanying delegation who are visiting Kuwait as part of the mutual visits between Kuwaiti and Swiss officials, to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the diplomatic relations between Kuwait and Switzerland. This anniversary is an opportunity for us to strengthen all forms of cooperation between Kuwait and Switzerland. We hope that the visit of the Rector to Kuwait will contribute to the promotion of more cultural, scientific and educational cooperation, especially that the University of Geneva has a prestigious place in the history of universities in Europe. Personally, I cherish the years I spent at the University of Geneva during my studies. These years have laid the foundation for my thinking and my lifestyle. From this university's antiquity I acquired the originality, from its intellectual and cultural diversity I acquired modernity, from its strict programs I acquired the seriousness, from its high ranked teachers I acquired the subtlety, from its classrooms, its library, its research and its studies I acquired a wealth of knowledge, and from its administrative body I learnt discipline and precision. My relationship with this prestigious university has continued since then and my last visit was on November 25, 2016 when I was awarded the "Médaille de la Reconnaissance", which is for me a pride that I will cherish throughout all my life.

Ladies and gentlemen,

I would like to thank you all, and welcome again the Rector of the University of Geneva and his delegation, as the guests of Kuwait. I wish



them a successful visit, and I salute all the efforts aiming to strengthen the relations between our two countries.

Thank you.