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# Alghanim Industries celebrates National and Liberation Days

## At its company headquarters in Al-Hamra Tower



A picture taken from the celebrations in Al-Hamra Tower.



KUWAIT: A group photo of Alghanim Industries employees with Omar Alghanim.

**KUWAIT:** Alghanim Industries, one of the largest private companies in the region, celebrated Kuwait's National and Liberation days with its employees at the company headquarters in Al-Hamra Tower recently.

The employee event was attended by the CEO of Alghanim Industries, Omar Kutayba Alghanim, as well as the company's senior management. As part of the festivities, the event featured local singer Emad Al-Khalifa who played traditional national music for the attendees. Costa Coffee, an Alghanim Industries partner company, served national day themed food and beverages, and a photo booth studio was installed to enable colleagues to capture memorable moments together.

Speaking on the occasion, Omar K Alghanim, said: "When we celebrate our National Day we take the time to celebrate Kuwait's rich culture, history and heritage. We ask ourselves, 'what makes our country great?' I believe the answer to that is simple. Its people. And that is why, for me, these celebrations are an opportunity to celebrate what makes our company great too. Our peo-

ple. Every person, in every team of our business helped to make 2017 a year of exciting announcements, new partnerships and continued growth for Alghanim Industries. We are going from strength to strength because of their commitment and excellence."

“ Kuwait is made great by its people ”

He went on to say, "So today, I'm celebrating all my colleagues, in every team, in every branch of our business. I want them to know that it is clear - the success of our business is absolutely and indisputably because of their hard work." In the Kuwaiti National and

Liberation Days spirit, Alghanim Industries decorated its headquarters with a large 3-storey Kuwaiti flag hung in the head office's atrium. Kuwaiti flag pins and themed items were also distributed to employees as part of the event. Every year, as part of the National and Liberation Days employee event, the company also hosts an annual photography competition, open to all colleagues, which involves sharing patriotic images that visually represent Kuwait, Alghanim Industries and its brands.

Alghanim Industries holds engaging employee activities on a regular basis, including blood drives which the company organizes in collaboration with the Kuwait Central Blood Bank (KCBB), Breast Cancer Awareness campaigns, and charity runs and marathons in which the company pays the registration fees for its employees who are interested in joining, in addition to celebrating national holidays in the company.



Omar Alghanim greets employees.

## Zain participates in responsibility forum

**KUWAIT:** Zain, a pioneer in mobile telecommunications in Kuwait, participated in the 'responsibility and accountability' forum, which was organized recently by the National Assembly in presence of the assembly's Secretary General Allam Al-Kandari.

Zain was represented at the forum by Corporate Communications and Relations Executive Director Waleed Al-Khashti, who participated in several discussions alongside a group of leaders, experts, and specialists from both public and private sectors that focused on the principle of job responsibility and its relation to the development of the establishment, as well as the effects of administrative accountability on the job performance.

Khashti presented Zain's pioneering experience in providing distinguished work environment besides exhibiting high efficiency. Furthermore, Khashti highlighted the importance of vision, mission and values in developing the establishment. Zain's participation reflects the spirit of cooperation between public and private sectors, which is realized through participating in the development of competent manpower in various establishments and state departments. In this regard, Khashti reiterated that Zain appreciates the state's efforts in concentrating on the importance of national labor's role in all sectors.

The forum was directed towards officials and supervisors of the National Assembly's secretariat general, who par-



**KUWAIT:** National Assembly's Secretary General Allam Al-Kandari (left) honors Zain's Corporate Communications and Relations Executive Director Waleed Al-Khashti.

ticipated in the event in order to exchange expertise and develop their level of performance. Discussions focused on the role of higher administration in boosting human capabilities, in addition to the importance of implementing the principle of job responsibility and comparing its methods in the public and private sectors.

Zain considers itself a major partner of the society especially in developmental initiatives that add to national resources, as it believes in the capabilities of young national manpower, and offers job opportunities to them out of its belief in investing in the development of national manpower. It also gives priority for national labor in its future plans, and adheres to its social mission and the responsibility it has in this regard, which is why it is keen on performing its social role parallel to its commercial activity.

## Interior Ministry launches elite tournament

By Hanan Al-Saadoun

**KUWAIT:** The Interior Ministry launched yesterday activities of the annual elite tournament under the patronage and presence of Undersecretary Lt Gen Mahmoud Al-Dousary at the special security forces ranges. The Kuwait Army and National Guard are also participating in the event, which will conclude on Feb 22, 2018. Dousary conveyed greetings of Deputy Premier and Interior Minister Sheikh Khaled Al-Jarrah Al-Sabah, and lauded the efforts exerted by special forces men. He



**KUWAIT:** Interior Ministry Undersecretary Lt Gen Mahmoud Al-Dousary speaks during the inauguration of the annual elite tournament yesterday.

said the Interior Ministry continues to develop its personnel's performance and enhances their skills to carry out the missions they are asked to do.

## Gulf Bank, Scientific Center present special national celebration

**KUWAIT:** Gulf Bank is proud to be partnering with the Scientific Center, Kuwait's premier science and educational organization, as part of its National and Liberation day celebrations to deliver an exciting educational show which honors Kuwait's seafaring history.

The show entitled 'Besharat Fateh El-Khair' takes place at the Dhow Harbor of the Scientific Center. The show tells the tale of Fateh El-Khair, which is the only surviving Kuwaiti sailing ship from the pre-oil era.

The show opened on Monday, 12 February, and the seven-minute show will run on daily basis, between 6 and 9 pm, and 6 and 10pm on Fridays, from now until 13 March 2018.

The special opening night event included live music, speeches, and dinner, in addition to the actual show. The event was attended by representatives of both Gulf Bank and Scientific Center senior management, VIPs, and government officials.

Commenting on the collaboration with Scientific Center, Laila Al-Qatami, Assistant General Manager of Corporate Communications at Gulf Bank, said: "We are glad to be working with the Scientific Center to hold the Dhow Harbor show 'Besharat Fateh El-Khair' during the month of February, when Kuwait is celebrating its National and Liberation days. Gulf Bank places great importance on education and cultural initiatives as part of its corporate social responsibility program and this show highlights Fateh El-Khair and tells the story of Kuwait's seafaring traditions, a vital part of our country's history. We thank the Scientific Center and the Kuwait Foundation for the Advancement of Sciences for the work they do on behalf of our country."

Explaining the objective behind this initiative, Rana Al-Nibari, General Manager of the Scientific Center, said: "The Scientific Center



Dr Yacoub Al Haji, Dhow Historian and Specialist, speaks during the opening ceremony.



The Scientific Center honors Gulf Bank.



has been hosting Fateh El-Khair ship for many years to give visitors an insight into Kuwaiti heritage. We wanted to bring its story to life during the national celebrations, by hosting these daily shows for the public. It is a deep sailing ship that took 60 days to build with 18 carpenters working around the clock at a cost of 17,000 rupees. Thank you to Gulf Bank for partnering with us to make this educational and fun show happen."

Gulf Bank proudly supports education and cultural initiatives, as such the Bank has been sponsoring to the 29th Memorial Journey for

Pearl Diving, for eight consecutive years. The journey is organized each year by the Committee of the Marine Heritage of the Kuwait Sea Sport Club, under the Patronage of His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah to ensure the younger generations understand the hardships face by our ancestors. Additionally, last year the Bank developed educational workshops with Al-Sadu Society entitled 'Fun with Textiles' that teaches children skills in crafts and textile art techniques while also preserving Kuwait's Sadu traditions and heritage.



**KUWAIT:** Salma Al-Hajjaj, General Manager of Human Resources and Laila Al-Qatami, Assistant General Manager of Corporate Communications at Gulf Bank, are pictured among the Scientific Center's representatives and VIPs.