

In Brief

AMIR CONDOLES SAUDI KING

**KUWAIT:** His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah sent a cable of condolences to Saudi King Salman bin Abdulaziz on the death of two Saudi airmen in a helicopter crash in Yemen Monday. His Highness the Amir extended deepest condolences for the passing away of a flight Lieutenant and a flying officer while during their duty, and praised to Allah the Almighty to bestow his blessing upon them. — KUNA



SPEAKER COMMENDS AMIR'S SPEECH

**KUWAIT:** Parliament Speaker Marzouq Al-Ghanem commended His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah's speech before the 27th Arab Summit, held in the Mauritanian capital, Nouakchott, on Monday. His Highness the Amir's speech reflected the international security situation, threats against the worlds topped by terrorism, Ghanem said in a press release. He commended the Amir's announcement that Kuwait would be hosting a conference on education in Somalia, and another on the Israeli violations against Palestinian children. — KUNA



MINISTER MEETS KUNA OFFICIALS

**KUWAIT:** Minister of Information, Minister of State for Youth Affairs Sheikh Salman Sabah Al-Salem Al-Humoud Al-Sabah met yesterday with Board Chairman and General Director General of Kuwait News Agency (KUNA) Sheikh Mubarak Al-Duaj Al-Ibrahim Al-Sabah and board members of the national news network. The Ministry of Information puts its resources at KUNA's disposal 'for the sake of realizing the planned objectives' in the national media sector, the minister pledged during the meeting. — KUNA



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of the day



KUWAIT: A pair of Bulbul birds taking shelter from the scorching heat in Kuwait. — KUNA photo

KAF MARKS 25TH ANNIVERSARY, HONORS CONTEST WINNERS

**WASHINGTON:** The Kuwait-America Foundation (KAF) has marked its 25th anniversary and held a prize-giving ceremony for 50 winners of the 'Do the Write Thing' Challenge Program (DtWT). The ceremony, held Monday evening, was attended by Kuwait's Ambassador to the United States Sheikh Salem Al-Abdullah Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, KAF Chairman and former education minister Hassan Al-Ibrahim, KAF Deputy Chairman Fawzi Al-Sultan.

ticket to Washington where KAF will organize meeting for the students with congress and senate members as well as judges in the Supreme Court.

The 'Do the Write Thing' Challenge Program (DtWT) is a unique education program designed to give middle school students an outlet to communicate in classroom discussions and written form how violence impacts their daily lives.

In addition to exposing the causes and impact of violence, students are asked to identify what they will do to address these problems. By emphasizing personal responsibility, the challenge ultimately seeks to empower young people to reduce violence in their communities.

**Valuable program**  
Recognized by educators, juvenile

courts and police forces as a valuable program, the challenge works with students in more than 30 communities. Since its inception, it is estimated that nearly 1.6 million students have participated in the 'Do the Write Thing' Challenge.

More than 675,000 of these students have accepted the challenge by making a written personal commitment not to engage in violence and by preparing writings on the causes of and solutions to youth violence. Their words have motivated thousands of adults across the country to volunteer their services to the program.

Meanwhile, Ibrahim asked Kuwaiti people to show more support to KAF and its activities to cement relations between Kuwaiti and American people. The Kuwait-America Foundation (KAF) was established in May 1991 in Washington, DC as a charitable organization. Its mission, inspired by Kuwait's liberation by Allied Coalition forces in the Gulf War, is to express gratitude for American sacrifice during the Gulf War and strengthen ties among the peoples of the two countries.

Since its beginning, KAF has acted as the catalyst for a wide range of events and programs. However, it has particularly focused its resources on education, cultural exchange and programs for youth and disadvantaged persons. All KAF events and programs communicate the sincere desire of the people of Kuwait to have a lasting and strong relationship at a grass-roots level with the United States. — KUNA



WASHINGTON: Kuwaiti Ambassador to the United States Sheikh Salem Al-Abdullah Al-Jaber Al-Sabah speaks during the ceremony. — KUNA



Ambassador to the United States Sheikh Salem Al-Abdullah Al-Jaber Al-Sabah honors a winner.



KRCS DELIVERS RELIEF AID TO DISPLACED IRAQI FAMILIES

**ANBAR/IRBIL:** A new batch of relief aid has been delivered to displaced Iraqi families in Anbar, Kuwait Red Crescent Society (KRCS) announced yesterday. KRCS' Chairman Dr Hilal Al-Sayer said that some 5564 food baskets have been distributed to displaced families in camps scattered across Anbar, adding that the aid aims to mitigate the misery of families.

Moreover, Sayer asserted that KRCS would remain steadfast in its aid of these displaced families, irrespective of their locations. He thanked His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah in his efforts to alleviate the suffering of needy people around the world. According to government data, more than two million displaced families are languishing in camps across the region.

Meanwhile, Kuwait General Consulate in Irbil has overseen distribution of a new dispatch of relief supplies, provided by KRCS, to displaced Iraqi families in Kurdistan. Musaed Al-Klaib, the charge d'affaires of the General Consulate, said in a statement yesterday that the diplomatic mission supervised delivery of clothes to the relocated Iraqi families that had fled Ninawa and Salah-Eddine governorates, noting that it was heading His Highness the Amir's guidelines, the UN-designated Humanitarian Leader, for aiding the violence affected Iraqis.

Yusef Al-Mearaj, head of the KRCS field team, said the batch was the eighth to be given by Kuwait to those in need in Kurdistan. The KRCS had already handed over relief supplies to displaced families in Al-Sulaimaniah, Al-Anbar, Al-Fallujah and Salah-Eddine. The State of Kuwait started its humanitarian campaign in Iraq last year, where 80,000 food parcels were handed over to the displaced people in Kurdistan. Since start of this year, 45,000 food packages had been provided to the needy in several Iraqi Kurdish regions. — KUNA

