

SADEQ MOSQUE ATTACK MARTYRS' FAMILIES COMMEND AMIR'S VISIT



KUWAIT: His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah arrives to the Imam Al-Sadeq mosque.—Amiri Diwan photos

(From Left) Amiri Diwan Advisor Mohammad Abu Al-Hassan, Deputy Prime Minister and Interior Minister Sheikh Mohammad Al-Khaled Al-Sabah, His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah and His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah lead worshippers during prayers.

KUWAIT: Imam Al-Sadeq mosque attack martyrs' families yesterday touted His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah's visit to the renovated mosque as reflecting national unity between the ruler and the ruled. In separate remarks to Kuwait TV and KUNA, they voiced thanks and appreciation to His Highness the Amir for his visit to the mosque which embodied the firm and historical bond between the leadership and people.

Abdulhameed Al-Refai, highly commended His Highness the Amir's initiative and the government's care, hailing His Highness the Amir as "the kind father" who always patronizes such occasions. He recalled the fact that His Highness the Amir went immediately to the site of the mosque blast was a "spontaneous behavior" that was by everyone in the country. His Highness the Amir's directives and initiatives following the mosque bombing, including the holding of the mourning service at the Grand Mosque, have boosted

national fabric and encouraged everyone in the country to condemn terrorism openly, he added.

Yusuf Al-Hader, son of the martyr Mohammad Al-Hader, expressed belief that the coincidence of the reopening of the Imam Al-Sadeq Mosque with the first anniversary of the terrorist act undoubtedly reflects the heed and care the wise leadership gives to people.

Naif Al-Faili, the martyr Ali Al-Fail's son, said His Highness the Amir's visit to the renovated mosque is a significant day for

the martyrs' families. His Highness the Amir's immediate presence in the site of the mosque bombing had granted the martyrs' families full confidence in the political leadership's great support to them, he added.

Mohammad Al-Khawaja, the martyr Dr Jassem Al-Khawaja's son, said His Highness the Amir has supported the martyrs' families since the terrorist incident took place in June 2015. Ali Al-Sheikh, son of the martyr Hussein Al-Sheikh, expressed sincere thanks and appreciation to His Highness

the Amir for his visit to the mosque as a great paternal gesture.

Waleed Buhamad, son of the martyr Taher Buhamad, said all the martyrs' families were impressed by His Highness the Amir's initiative yesterday. He thanked His Highness the Amir, His Highness the Crown Prince, Kuwaiti government and people for sympathizing with them during this tragedy. A terrorist blast had hit Imam Al-Sadeq Mosque in Kuwait City on June 26, which left 26 worshippers dead and 227 others wounded.—KUNA



His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah signs the guestbook, as Kuwaiti businessman Jawad BuKhamseen looks on.



His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah signs the guestbook.



His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah smiles after signing the guestbook.



His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah speaks with Kuwaiti businessman Jawad BuKhamseen outside the mosque.



His Highness the Amir is greeted at the mosque.



A relative of one of the martyrs' greets His Highness the Amir.

AMIR EXPRESSES SORROW TO PRESIDENT OBAMA ON DEADLY SHOOTING SPREE

KUWAIT: His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah has cabled US President Barack Obama expressing condolences on death of citizens in shooting rampage in Orlando, Florida. His Highness the Amir affirmed State of Kuwait condemnation of this terrorist act; rejected by all human values and doctrines, targeting "the innocent and security of the friendly country." Their Highnesses the Crown Prince and Premier, respectively Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah and Sheikh Jaber Al-Mubarak Al-Hamad Al-Sabah, addressed identical cables to President Obama. Meanwhile, National Assembly Speaker Marzouq Ali Al-Ghanem has cabled Chairman of US Congress Paul Ryan and chief of the Senate Mitch McConnell expressing deep condolences victims who had fallen in the shooting spree in Orlando. The Parliament Speaker of the State of Kuwait affirmed in the two cables,

"our strong condemnation of this ugly terrorist attack that is rebuffed by all religions and doctrines." He stressed on full solidarity with the American people against any act intended to undermine security and stability of the United States of America.

In other news, His Highness the Amir sent a cable of condolences Monday to UAE President Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al-Nahyan. His Highness the Amir expressed his deepest condolences and sympathy over the death of two military pilots when their aircraft crashed while on mission as part of the Saudi-led coalition "Restoration of Hope." His Highness also prayed to Allah Almighty to bestow his mercy and forgiveness upon the deceased, place him in his heaven, and grant their families with patience and solace. His Highness the Crown Prince and His Highness the Prime Minister sent similar cables to the UAE President. — KUNA

JORDANIAN KING WRAPS UP RAMADAN VISIT TO KUWAIT

KUWAIT: King Abdullah II of Jordan, along with his accompanying delegation, on Monday wrapped up a brotherly visit to the State of Kuwait during which he expressed greetings to His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah on the Holy Month of Ramadan. The King and the Jordanian officials were seen off at the airport by His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, National Assembly Speaker Marzouq Ali Al-Ghanem, His Highness the Prime Minister Sheikh Jaber Al-Mubarak Al-Hamad Al-Sabah, First Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al-Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Sabah and Deputy Premier and Defense Minister Sheikh Khaled Al-Jarrah Al-Sabah. — KUNA



KUWAIT: King Abdullah II of Jordan is seen off by His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah at the airport. — Amiri Diwan photo