



KUWAIT: His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah meets with leader of the Islamic Supreme Council of Iraq Sayyed Ammar Al-Hakim. — Amiri Diwan and KUNA photos



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# AMIR MEETS LEADER OF IRAQ'S ISLAMIC SUPREME COUNCIL

## CROWN PRINCE AFFIRMS KUWAIT'S COMMITMENT TO IRAQI UNITY

**KUWAIT:** His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah received at Bayan Palace yesterday leader of the Islamic Supreme Council of Iraq Sayyed Ammar Al-Hakim and the accompanying delegation. The meeting was attended by Deputy Minister of the Amiri Diwan Affairs Sheikh Ali Jarrah Al-Sabah.

Later yesterday, His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah received Hakim, and the two discussed the latest developments in Iraq as His Highness expressed optimism during the holy Muslim month of Ramadan that the efforts of the Iraqi leadership and other factions would contribute to the stability of Iraq. He also believed these efforts would do much to wipe out terror and help achieve national reconciliation.

Sheikh Nawaf went on to affirm Kuwait's commitment to Iraq's unity and its efforts to regain security and stability, achieve the aspirations of its people and regain its role in the region. The encounter was attended by Amiri Diwan advisor Mohammad Abdullah Abulhassan, Crown Prince's Diwan head of ceremonies and protocol Sheikh Mubarak Sabah Al-Salem Al-Humoud Al-Sabah and the Iraqi Ambassador to Kuwait. National Assembly Speaker Marzouq Al-Ghanem and His



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Highness the Prime Minister Sheikh Jaber Al-Mubarak Al-Hamad Al-Sabah also received Hakim and his delegation.

In other news, His Highness the Amir received First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs Sheikh Sabah Al-

Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Sabah as well as visiting Secretary General of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) Dr Yousef A Al-Othaimen. Sheikh Sabah Al-Khaled later held talks with Othaimen which discussed the latest regional and international developments



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and the OIC's upcoming agenda. Furthermore, His Highness the Amir received a written letter from Brazilian President Michel Temer focusing on bolstering ties on all possible domains.

The letter was handed by Brazilian Ambassador to Kuwait Norton de Andrade

Mello Rapesta to Deputy Minister of the Amiri Diwan Affairs Sheikh Ali Jarrah Al-Sabah. Separately, His Highness the Crown Prince met National Security Apparatus (NSA) Chairman Sheikh Thamer Ali Sabah Al-Salem Al-Sabah. — KUNA



# EXHIBITION MARKS 2ND ANNIVERSARY OF IMAM SADEQ MOSQUE TERROR ATTACK



**KUWAIT:** An exhibition opened yesterday to mark the anniversary of the terror attack which hit the Imam Al-Sadeq Mosque two years ago on the ninth day of Ramadan. The exhibition contained photos documenting the heinous terror attack, images of people who have fallen, as well as the visits carried out by senior officials to the site of the bombing.

The photo exhibition also put on display the damage caused by the attack as well as the funeral ceremony and prayers held in the Grand Mosque. — KUNA



# KUWAIT REMEMBERS AL-SADEQ MOSQUE SUICIDE BOMBING



KUWAIT: Deputy Minister of Amiri Diwan Affairs Sheikh Ali Jarrah Al-Sabah speaks during the ceremony. — KUNA photos



Businessman Jawad Bukhamseen speaks during the ceremony.



Former assistant undersecretary of the Ministry of the Interior for public security affairs Abdulfattah Al-Ali

**KUWAIT:** Kuwaitis of all walks of life remembered the deadly terrorist attack on worshippers at Imam Al-Sadeq Mosque two years ago. As they commemorate those who lost their lives in the terrorist attack, Kuwaitis never forget that the tragic incident was as a symbol of the strength of their social fabric.

A ceremony was held Sunday and attended by Deputy Minister of Amiri Diwan Affairs Sheikh Ali Jarrah Al-Sabah to mark the second anniversary of the incident. They emphasized that His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah's visit to the mosque after the attack was a relief to families and relatives of the victims.

"The second anniversary of the incident reminds us about the unforgettable stances of His Highness the Amir and noble Kuwaiti people who stood firm against those who wanted evil for their country," former minister of public works and former minister of state for municipal affairs Fadhel Safar said. He called on Kuwaiti people to stay as united as they were at the time of the incident.

Businessman Jawad Bukhamseen said that Kuwaitis' reaction to the incident gave the most remarkable examples of the heroic stand against those who sought to create chaos and instigate



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sedition. He recalled His Highness the Amir's wise reaction and notably his immediate presence at the scene. He reemphasized the importance of unity and solidarity among Kuwaiti people.

Last year, His Highness the Amir was keen to attend the reopening of Imam Al-Sadeq Mosque after renovation and to pray in it, he said, adding that the assault's anniversary has become a symbol of Kuwait's unity.

In his turn, head of Al-Baghlhi charity Ibrahim Al-Baghlhi echoed the same view. The incident of Imam Al-Sadeq Mosque is a symbol of national unity as it brought together all segments of society, he said. He went on to say that this day has embodied the national unity in words and deeds. Meanwhile, former assistant undersecretary of the Ministry of the Interior for public security affairs Abdulfattah Al-Ali said the tragic incident embodied the solidarity and unity among people of Kuwait. He stressed that the unity among all Kuwaitis is the driver of development in all fields.

Ali said that the incident brought together the Kuwaitis and proved their original strong unity in the face of adversities. He noted that this unity has foiled the malicious schemes of those who wanted evil for the country.



Mohammad Al-Khawaja, the son of martyr Jassem Al-Khawaja

Ahmad Al-Rifai, the son of the martyr Abdulhamid Al-Rifai, said that the anniversary of the bombing of Al-Sadeq Mosque has become a symbol of Kuwaitis' unity and solidarity to defend their country. Al-Rifai said that His Highness the Amir's visit to the site of the explosion was a gesture of humanity and fatherhood.

Mohammad Al-Khawaja, the son of martyr Jassem Al-Khawaja, said that the terrorist attack has showed Kuwait as one united family. He said that His Highness the Amir's speech following the incident had touched the hearts of families and relatives of the victims.

Hussein Abu Zaid, one of the victims of Al-Sadeq Mosque, said was wounded in the bombing and received treatment at the hospital for 15 days. Abu Zaid expressed gratitude to His Highness the Amir describing him as the father of all Kuwaitis. His Highness the Amir's words were a cure for the wounds of the victims, he said, adding that he will teach his children and grandchildren His Highness' speech after the incident. A Saudi suicide bomber blew himself up at the Imam Al-Sadeq Mosque in Kuwait City on June 26, 2015, corresponding with the ninth day of Ramadan, killing 26 worshippers and wounding 227 others. — KUNA