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### SAUDI ARABIA-U.S.

#### **King Abdullah receives former U.S. President Jimmy Carter**

King Abdullah received former U.S. President Jimmy Carter at the Royal Court in Riyadh on October 20. During the meeting, they discussed a wide range of issues. The session was also attended by Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal; Chief of General Intelligence Prince Miqren bin Abdulaziz; and Saudi Ambassador to the United States Adel bin Ahmed Al-Jubeir. Former President Carter also met with Minister of Finance Dr. Ibrahim Al-Assaf at the headquarters of the Saudi Fund for Development (SFD) to discuss ways of enhancing cooperation between the SFD and the Carter Center, a nonprofit organization based in Atlanta, Georgia.

#### **Embassy welcomes Saudi academic and business delegations**

A luncheon was hosted at the Saudi Embassy in Washington on October 22 in honor of Saudi university professors participating in the U.S. State Department's International Visitor Leadership Program. The visiting group was received by Deputy Chief of Mission Khaled Alanagri on behalf of Ambassador Al-Jubeir.

Later that evening, Ambassador Al-Jubeir hosted a farewell reception at the Embassy to honor participants of the Arab & American Business Fellowship Program (AABF). Launched in 2007, the program is a joint effort between the National U.S. Arab Chamber of Commerce (NUSACC), the U.S. Center for Citizen Diplomacy, Business for Diplomatic Action and Young Arab Leaders. "Fostering business to business relationships is a critical part of building a foundation of mutual understanding for the future generation of Arab and American business communities," said Ambassador Al-Jubeir. This year's program included 12 fellows from the U.S. and 16 fellows from the Arab world, including Saudi Arabia.

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#### **Second Breast Cancer Conference held in Jeddah**

The Princess Nourah Oncology Center, an affiliate of the National Guard's King Abdulaziz Medical City, in cooperation with Detroit University, organized the "Second International Conference on Breast Cancer" in Jeddah October 20. More

than 200 specialists from the U.S., Germany, Jordan, Egypt and the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) states participated in the event.

The conference is part of the Kingdom's International Breast Cancer Awareness Month and Breast Cancer Risk Campaign.

## FOREIGN AID

### **Crown Prince sponsors 205 disabled Yemeni pilgrims**

Crown Prince Sultan will invite 205 disabled Yemenis to perform the Hajj pilgrimage this year at his own expense. The initiative was praised on October 23 by Prince Sultan bin Salman bin Abdulaziz, the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Disabled Children Association, who noted the Crown Prince's long-running interest in the issue of disability.

### **Kingdom continues emergency airlift to Niger**

As part of the Kingdom's ongoing effort to provide humanitarian aid to flood victims in Niger, a Saudi relief plane arrived at Niamey Airport on October 20. The plane was loaded with 114 tons of blankets, foodstuffs and medical supplies. Another Saudi plane followed on October 23, carrying 65 tons of foodstuffs and electrical appliances. The humanitarian aid is being delivered as part of a larger airlift and will be provided to victims of torrential rainfall and flooding in the city of Agadez.

### **Saudi disaster aid arrives in Burkina Faso**

A Saudi relief plane arrived in Burkina Faso on October 25 carrying 96 ton of relief supplies, including tents, blankets and foodstuffs. King Abdullah has ordered that a total of 180 tons of aid be delivered to Burkina Faso, which has recently been struck by heavy rains.

