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WINNERS ANNOUNCED
2006/1426H KING FAISAL INTERNATIONAL PRIZE
FOR
SERVICE TO ISLAM

Riyadh, 22 Dhu Al-Qa'dah - 24 December 2005, HRH Crown Prince Sultan bin Abdul Aziz, Deputy Premier, Minister of Defense and Aviation and Inspector General announced the winners of the King Faisal International Prize.

The Prize for Service to Islam has been awarded jointly to:

H.E. Shaikh Salih A. Husayyin (Saudi Arabia)
President of the Affairs of Al-Masjid Al-Haram and Al-Masjid An-Nabawii

and

Shaikh Yusuf J.M. Al-Hidji (Kuwait)
President of the International Islamic Charitable Organization

Shaikh Al-Husayyin has been awarded the Prize in recognition of his prominent role in preaching the principles of righteousness, philanthropy, and particularly moderation and tolerance. Apart from promoting those and other principles of Islamic Da’awa (Call), Shaikh Al-Husayyin is also a recognized researcher in Islamic economics, especially its ability to accommodate contemporary economic ideas. He is also an ardent supporter of education, serving on the Supreme Councils of five Saudi Universities.

Shaikh Al-Hidji is recognized for his distinguished contributions to Islamic Da’awa, education and philanthropy. He is a member of the Boards of Trustees of four Islamic universities in Africa and Asia and initiator of the College of Shariya (Islamic Law) at Kuwait University. He is also the founder or co-founder and chairman of several national and international charity and relief organizations, and founding president of the Kuwaiti Red Crescent Society.