Speech by Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques,
King Fahad Ibn Abdulaziz Al-Saud
Laureate of King Faisal International Prize for the Service to Islam
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In the Name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful,

This evening, I have been delighted to discharge my mission in this country and to perform what I am supposed to do as an official. I am not alone to bear the burdens of responsibility, as such burdens should be borne by all Muslims, in general, and the Saudi Citizens, in particular, as they are blessed to serve the Two Holy Mosques.

This prize, which I will pride myself for, is also reminiscent of a great figure whose achievements would be scrolled in golden letters, that is, the late King Faisal who is too well-known to be introduced here. I have been honored with the service of this country during King Faisal’s reign. In reality, King Faisal was but part of the Reign of the Founding Father, King Abd Al-Aziz, a great leader within a group of great men who did their best to serve the Islam, Muslims and this country. This Nation prides itself with adherence to the pure Islamic Creed which it will value, cherish and sustain for generations to come for as long as God permits.

Finally, I wish to thank those who established this Foundation to embrace charity works that are well noted by HRH Prince Khalid. I wish them all every success in this life and the hereafter.

And I thank you all.