**Riyadh, 18 Jan. 1991:** The Selection Committee of the 1991 King Faisal International Prize for Arabic Literature (Topic: Children Fiction) has announced today that it has awarded the Prize jointly to: Mr. Ahmed M. Najeeb (Egypt); Mr. Abdel Al-Tawwab Yousef (Egypt); and Mr. Ali Abdel Al-Qadir Al-Siqilli (Morocco).

Mr. Najeeb is one of the most prominent Arab writers in children fiction. He authored over 200 books for children, one of which sold more than 9 million copies. His writings combine talent to profound knowledge about the psychological and emotional needs of children and their linguistic and mental limits.

Mr. Yousef is likewise a giant writer in children literature. He is a prolific writer who has authored around 600 books and tales written for children, of which more than 20 million copies were distributed.

Mr. Al-Siqilli, on the other hand, is an outstanding educator, poet and writer of children literature. He uses poetry as a medium for writing tales and rural plays for children. His writings incorporate fascinating limericks and ballads tailored for children of different ages, stimulating their imagination and providing them with life experiences.