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In the Name of God, Most Gracious, Most Merciful,

Your Majesty the King,  
Your Royal Highness the Crown Prince,  
Your Royal Highness the Princes,  
Your Excellencies,

I am happy to introduce to you the winner of King Faisal International Prize in Arabic Literature Mr. Abd Assalam Haroun, while we are proud to award the Prize to his Majesty King Khaled, in recognition of his good efforts in the service of Islam and Muslims.

Mr. Haroun is a one of the pionners in modern Arabic Islamic thought, and a prominent person in modern Arab culture, by whom people are guided in the path of search in the heritage of our noble Umma(nation) and the preservation of this heritage. With his renowned efforts in this field, he became a school by itself, and the noble work that he produced for people from the books authored by our ancient ancestors, are a proof of that. For he took them out of oblivion to become bright in front of the modern generations, and they reached about more than 115 books and letters.

In addition, he contributed with original scholarly research and valuable input in different scientific journals, and became the leader of the modern generation. He is one of the researchers in the great Arab heritage, in addition to being an academic university professor, and an excellent researcher and editor.

The committee decided to award him the King Faisal International Prize for Arabic Literature this year in recognition of his status, and as a crowning for his good efforts, and an acknowledgement of his influence In literary life, from works in Language , Grammar, prose, poetry, and anything that connects with the past of our glorious nation (Umma).

Wa ssalamu alaykom wa rahmatu llahi wa barakato