



**STATEMENT  
OF THE STATE OF KUWAIT  
DELIVRED BY  
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PRIME MINISTER**

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Your Excellency, President of the General Assembly  
Your Excellency, Secretary General of the United Nations  
Your Highnesses, Excellencies Heads of Delegations,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

## **THE PEACE, MERCY AND BLESSINGS OF ALLAH BE UPON YOU**

It pleases me at the outset to congratulate Your Excellency personally, and to congratulate your friendly country Hungary, on your election as President of the 77<sup>th</sup> Session of the United Nations General Assembly, and to assure you of our total support in everything that would facilitate the discharge of your tasks.

On this occasion, I also would like to express our sincerest gratitude for the efforts of your predecessor, His Excellency Mr. Abdullah Shahid, on assuming the tasks of the presidency of the previous session.

I am also pleased in this occasion to pay tribute to the great and appreciated efforts exerted by His Excellency, the Secretary General, in leading this inveterate Organization under sensitive and delicate circumstances our world is witnessing, basing his work on achieving the lofty message of the United Nations, armed with the provisions of its Charter, centered around the maintenance of international peace and security.

### **Mr. President;**

The historic path of the workings of the United Nations, over the course of almost eight decades, will lead us to arrive at key facts, that this Organization was faced with changing events of formidable challenges and chronic crises the world has encountered.

And whereas the multiplicity and diversity of the kinds of challenges and dangers that humanity faces, starting from the spread of deadly epidemics, the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, the growing phenomenon of terrorism, in addition to the threats related to natural disasters, climate change, poverty, and the rise in the frequency of caveats of food insecurity, require international cooperation; away from the logic of unilateral solutions. This is where this Organization had the most prominent role in dealing with all emergency and chronic risks, which came through the initiative of its Secretary General, entitled, "Our Common Agenda", supportive of achieving the goals of sustainable development according to more comprehensive foundations, that take into account addressing the sets of obstacles, and puts forward innovative scalable solutions to chart a clearer future. In this regard,

we renew the adherence of the State of Kuwait to the international multilateral system, and to the principle and aims of the Charter of the United Nations, in what guarantees the realization of the lofty message of this Organization, in serving the entire humanity,



fostering the logic of mediation and preventive diplomacy, to spare future generations from the scourge of wars and conflicts.

**Mr. President;**

The world is watching with great interest the accelerating developments in the situation in Ukraine, and its related complexities, whose effects and repercussions on security and stability have become tangible. Here we affirm our principled and firm position of adhering to the principles of international law and of the United Nations Charter, which reject the use of force, or the threat of the use of force, or even waving such a threat to resolve conflicts between countries. We emphasize the importance of adhering to the principles enshrined in the Charter, and in this regard, the State of Kuwait supports all UN endeavors and all other international efforts to de-escalate and cease-fire, in order to find a peaceful solution to this crisis, because the experiences of contemporary history have proven that peace, and its related mechanisms of mediation and dialogue, was and still is the optimum choice for resolving conflicts, no matter how long they last.

**Mr. President;**

The Question of Palestine occupies a central and pivotal role in our Arab and Muslim worlds. Tensions and instability shall remain prevalent in our region, unless the proud Palestinian people obtain all their legitimate rights, and Israel, the occupation authority ceases its continuous violations of international humanitarian law. Here we emphasize the need to expend efforts to re-launch the negotiations within a fixed time frame, in order to achieve a just and comprehensive peace, according to the references of the peace process, the resolutions of international legitimacy, and the Arab Peace Initiative, that would end the Israeli occupation, and the establishment of an independent Palestinian State, with East Jerusalem as its capital, along the borders prior to 4 June 1967.

**Mr. President;**

The absence of unanimity and international will from one side, and the frequency of external intervention, on the other, were a major reason, for the continuation of the Syrian crisis that entered its twelfth year, reflecting one of the ugliest images of human suffering. Here we renew our firm position, that there is no military solution to this crisis, and stress the need for action to reach a political settlement, in accordance with relevant Security Council resolutions, particularly resolution 2254 (2015), and in what realizes the hopes and aspirations of the brotherly Syrian people.

In the context of the crisis in the brotherly Yemen, we renew our welcome of the truce agreement between the Yemeni sides, and emphasize the need to execute all of its provisions. We commend the efforts of the Special Envoy of the Secretary General for Yemen, in strengthening compliance with the truce, which came about under the auspices of the United Nations, and within the context of the peace initiative announced by the sisterly Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in March 2021, to end this crisis, and reach a comprehensive political solution based on the three agreed upon references, which are



the Initiative of the GCC and its implementation mechanism, the outcomes of the National Dialogue, and the resolutions of the Security Council, particularly resolution 2216.

At that same regional level, and proceeding from basic premises related to the rules of good neighborliness, contained in the Charter of the United Nations, we renew our call to the Islamic Republic of Iran to take serious trust-building measures, to start a dialogue built upon the respect of the sovereignty of states, and non-intervention in their internal affairs, as well to reduce tensions in the Gulf region, and preserve the safety, security and freedom of navigation from any threats.

**Mr. President;**

The State of Kuwait is approaching the celebration of its 60th Anniversary of joining the United Nations, through which it lived and interacted with numerous experiences and stations the world have witnessed , most outstanding of them was the experience of the invasion and liberation of my country, which also became a success story for this Organization, in its strict implementation of the resolutions of international legitimacy, on top of which were the relevant outputs of the Security Council and the General Assembly. This has increased the belief in the inevitability of multilateral international action, and the importance of its activation, in what corresponds to achieving the ambitions and aspirations in a world where security, stability and prosperity prevail, and where the voice of the peoples is the main compass.

Kuwait is living its democratic wedding represented in the in the parliamentary elections of the National Assembly, and based on lofty and clear directions from the political leadership, the Government has provided all the means and harnessed all the possibilities available to all senior officials in official authorities, and directed them to sense the needs of the citizens and endeavor to resolve all obstacles within the framework of the law. This emanated of the belief that any effort for development will not have a payoff or the expected feasibility, in the absence of the involvement of the citizen and listening to his voice. This is in line with our multilateral vision envisaged to create a new Kuwait in the year 2035.

**Mr. President;**

In the coming month of November, our Arab region will witness a world sporting event, represented by the FIFA World Cup, organized by sisterly State of Qatar, which is in pace with the economic and cultural renaissance it is witnessing, and confirms its ability to host such major tournaments. We wish them exceptional success, being the first Arab and Muslim country to host such an international competition.

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