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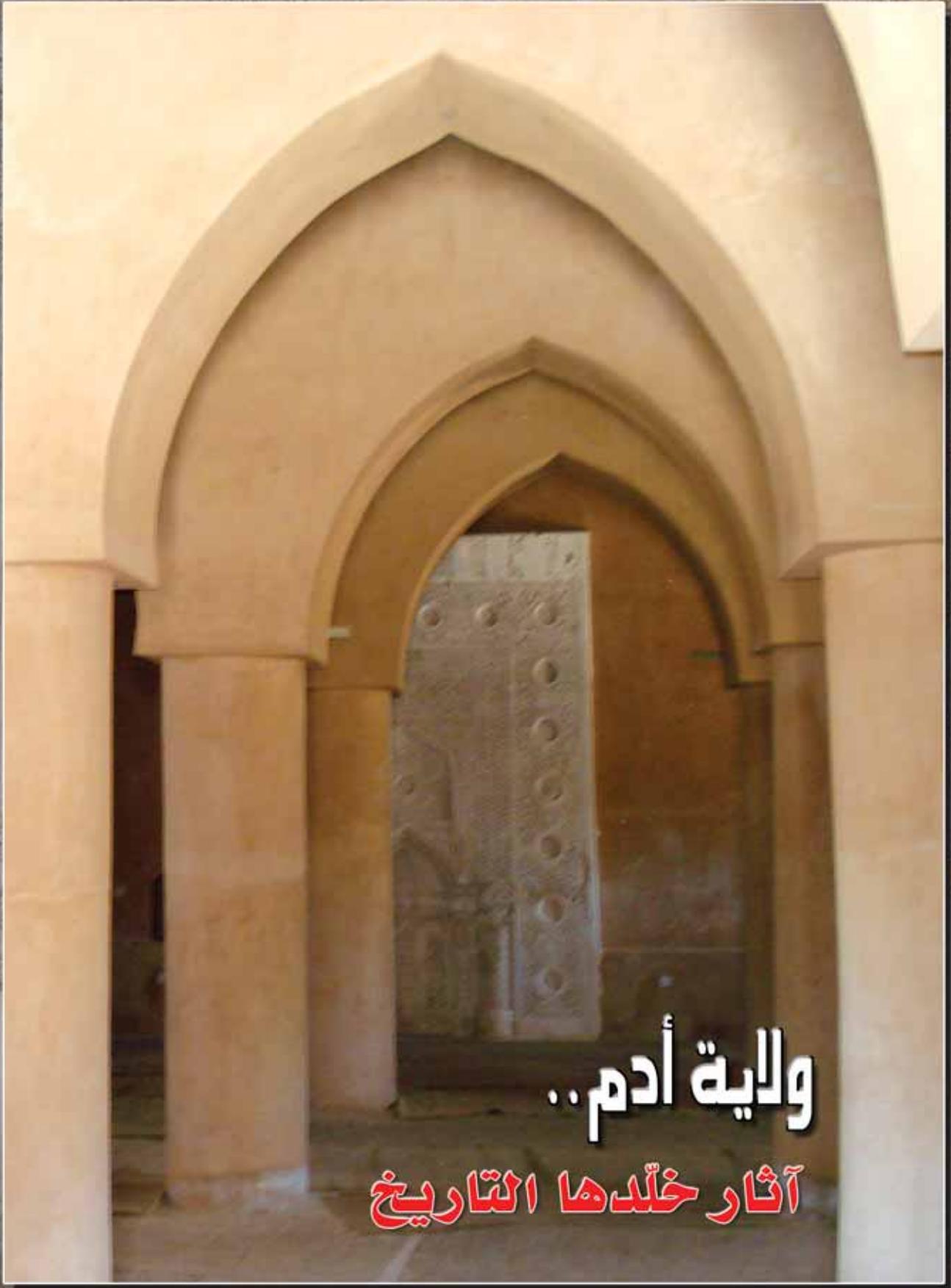


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Bahraini Police Team Received



His Excellency Lt. General Malik bin Sulaiman Al Ma'amari, Inspector General of Police and Customs received on August 14 Colonel Zuhair Rashid Salim Al Aisa, Director of King Fahad Bridge Police at the Kingdom of Bahrain and his accompanying

delegation. They reviewed various aspects of cooperation between the two countries and matters of joint concern. The meeting which was attended by a number of senior Royal Oman Police officers took place at the ROP Headquarters, Qurum. ■



Yemeni Border Delegation Received

His Excellency Lt. General Malik bin Sulaiman Al Ma'amari, Inspector General of Police and Customs received on September 4 at his office in Qurum Major General Moahmmed bin Abdullah Al Qusi, Undersecretary for General Security Sector at the Ministry of Interior of Yemen, and his accompanying delegation who took part in the 9th meeting of the `Omani-Yemeni bor-

der authorities. They exchanged cordial talk and views on matters of common interest, especially with regard to security.

Major General Salim bin Musallam Qatan, Assistant `Inspector General of Police and Customs and senior ROP officers attended the meeting ■



Inspector General Meets Indian Minister

His Excellency Lt. General Malik bin Sulaiman Al-Ma'mary, Inspector General of Police and Customs met on 27/10/2007 at the ROP Headquarters His Excellency Vayalar Ravi, Minister of Overseas Indian Affairs and his accompanying delegation who were on a visit to the Sultanate.

They discussed the status of the Indian community in the Sultanate, matters in relation to their residence permits, means of facilitating

the investors' travels between the two countries as well as the condition of Indian prisoners in Oman. His Excellency the minister thanked the Omani government authorities concerned for the care they accord to the Indian community, and expressed his delight for the visit to the Sultanate.

A number of ROP officers attended the meeting ■

Advanced Course for Bahrain Police Band Concluded



His Excellency Lt. General Malik bin Sulaiman Al-Ma'mary, Inspector General of Police and Customs presided over on 11/9/2007 a graduation ceremony of members of the police band of the Kingdom of Bahrain, who attended an advanced training course at the Directorate of Police Music.

In the ceremony, attended by Colonel

Mubarak bin Najm Al Najm, Leader of the Bahrain Police Music Band, the participants played some pieces by bagpipers and joint players. His Excellency the Inspector General handed over certificates to the graduates, and at the conclusion, he exchanged commemorative gifts with Colonel Mubarak bin Najm Al-Najm ■



10th Meeting of Omani Saudi Border Authorities



The 10th meeting of the top border authorities in the Sultanate of Oman and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia was held at Grand Hyatt Muscat on 11/11/2007. A number of matters on fostering cooperation in security of borders between the two countries were discussed and appropriate decisions taken.

Major General Salim bin Musalam bin Qatan, Assistant Inspector General of Police and Customs, headed the Sultanate's side at the meeting, while the Saudi side was headed by His Excellency talal bin Muhsin Al-Anqawi, Director General of the Coast Guard, Saudi Arabia.



Japanese Police Officers Received

A number of Japanese police officers arrived in the Sultanate of Oman on 21 Oct. 2007 on a one-and-a-half month visit during which they attended an Arabic language course and acquainted themselves with the culture of Oman.

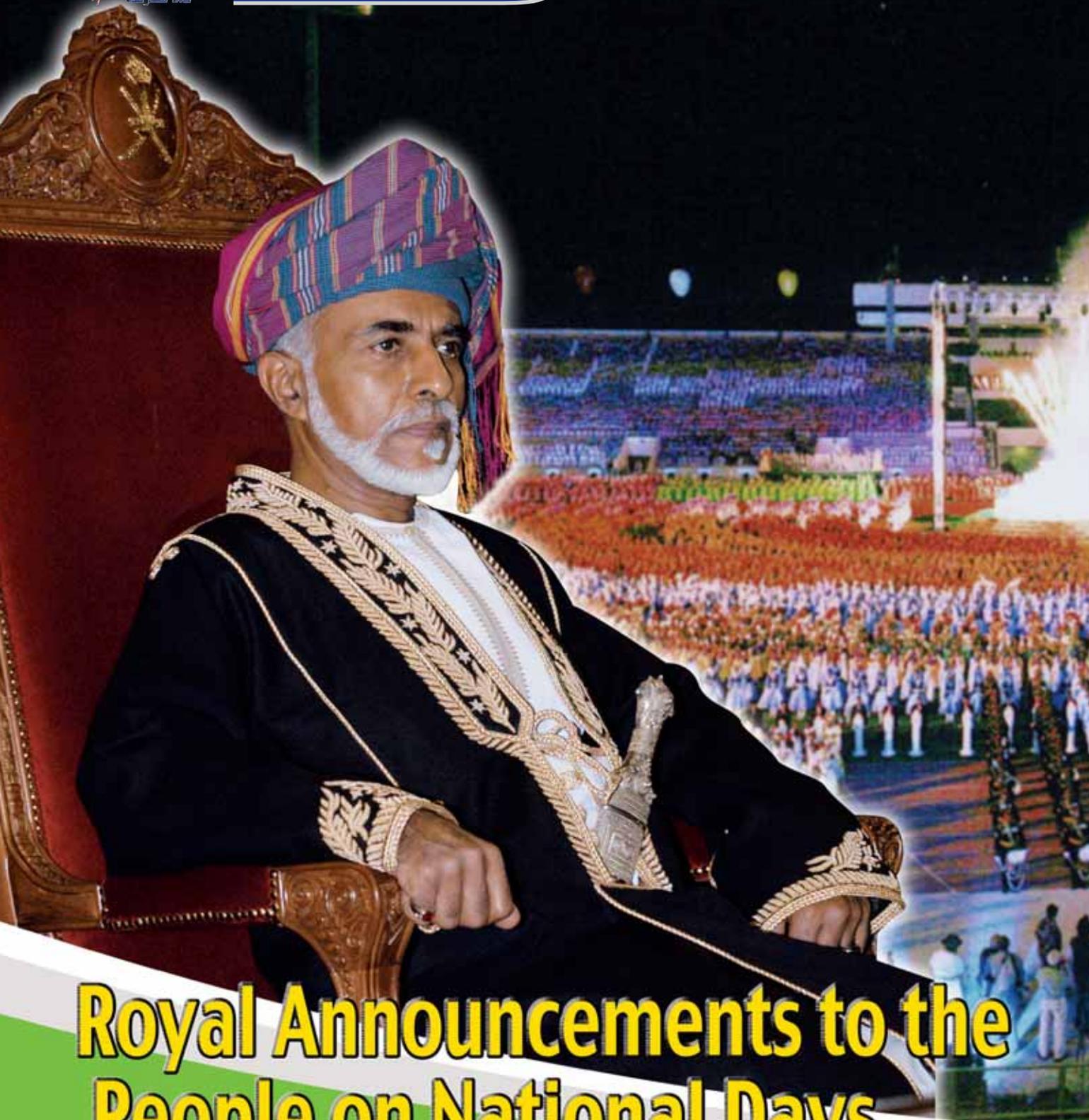
Within their programme in Oman, His Excellency Lt. General Malik bin Sulaiman Al-Ma'mari, Inspector General of Police and

Customs received the officers at his office on 24/10/2007, exchanged with them cordial talk, and views on matters of common interest.

Major General Salem bin Musaallam Qatan, Assistant Inspector General of Police and Customs, and some senior police officers attended the meeting ■

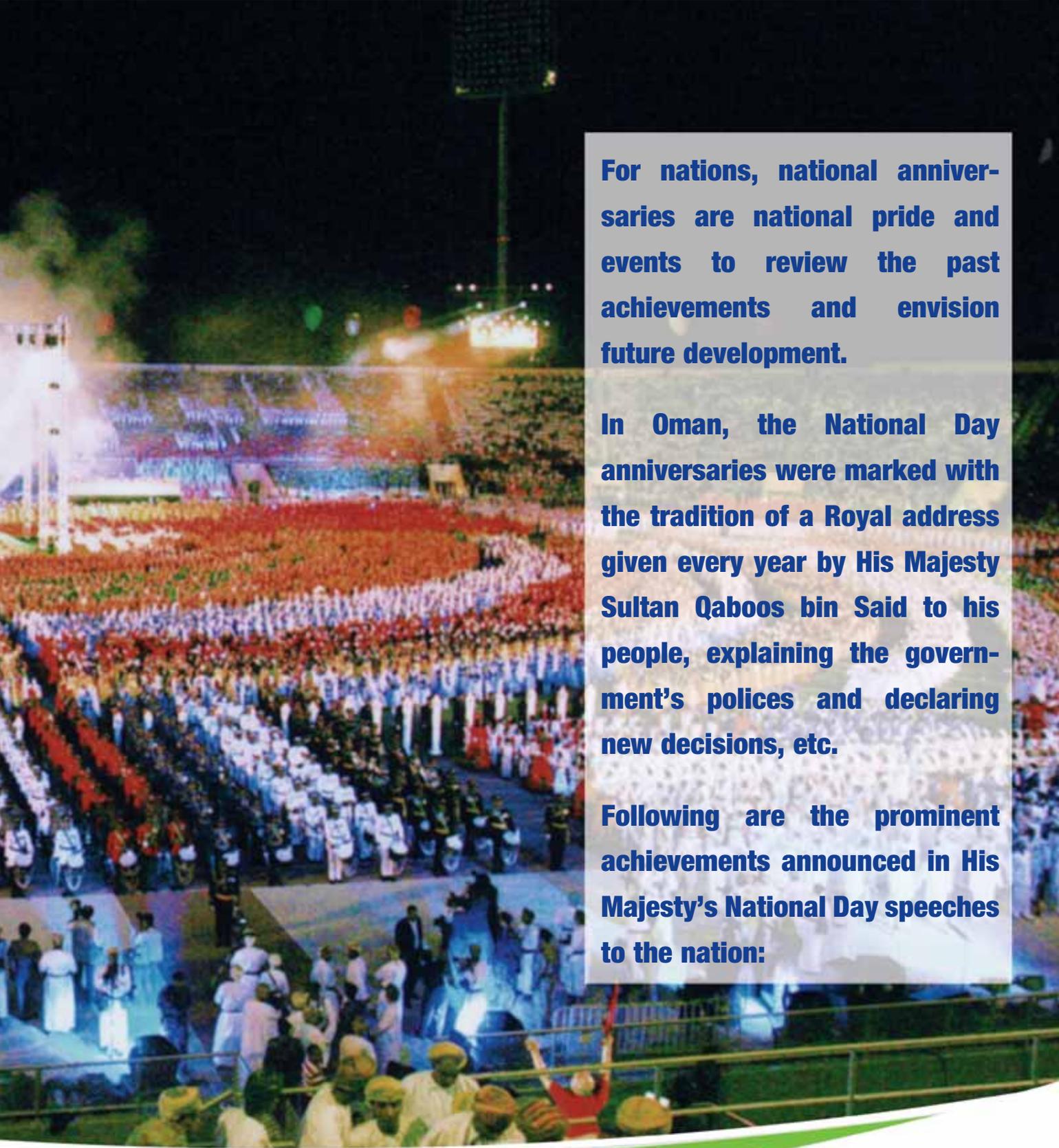


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Royal Announcements to the People on National Days

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For nations, national anniversaries are national pride and events to review the past achievements and envision future development.

In Oman, the National Day anniversaries were marked with the tradition of a Royal address given every year by His Majesty Sultan Qaboos bin Said to his people, explaining the government's policies and declaring new decisions, etc.

Following are the prominent achievements announced in His Majesty's National Day speeches to the nation:



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First National Day anniversary, 1971, His Majesty emphasized that the country would be built, and decent standard of living would be provided for everybody, but these goals would only be achieved by the people's participation in building the nation, in securing democratic and just rule within the local traditions and the realities of Oman and the Arab world.

National Day II, 1972: His Majesty emphasized that efforts would be concentrated in the first place on education. He declared the establishment of a supreme council for economy and development, the construction of Madinat Sultan Qaboos in Al-Khuwair, expansion of the government centres, establishment of municipalities in the main towns. His Majesty declared also that the Sultanate had become member of the International Civil Aviation Organization.

National Day III, 1973: His Majesty declared that work had been completed in the construction of the road from the Capital, Muscat to Sohar, and began in the construction of A'Seeb-Nizwa road, and in the improvement of the road linking the Dhofar Governorate with the north. He announced two agreements, one for Muscat-Muttrah road, and the other for the establishment of a cement factory. He declared also the inauguration of the Central Laboratory of the General Development Organization.

National Day IV, 1974: The anniversary coincided with the opening of Port Sultan Qaboos. His Majesty declared the establishment of a higher council for economic development, the implementation of some road projects including Bid Bid – Sur, Al-Musanna' - Al-Rustaq, Sohar-Al-Buraimi, and Nizwa roads.

National Day V, 1975: His Majesty mentioned the extension of the coloured TV transmission to cover the Southern Region. He emphasized the ongoing process of opening of schools, hospitals, and construction of roads, etc.

National Day VI, 1976: His Majesty declared that Orders of Merit would be granted in National Day anniversaries for those who achieved good services to the country. He advised his people, after the victory over the outlaws, to be aware and not be drifted by false temptations, to fight troubles of all forms, and save efforts for the development of the country.

National Day VII, 1977: His Majesty declared the approval of a study for the construction of a large sports complex. He commended the Sultan Armed Forces for their great efforts to ease the effects of the cyclone that hit the Sultanate at that time.







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National Day VIII, 1978: His Majesty called for Arab unity, and said that differences of opinion did not cause problems between the Arab leaders. He emphasized the Sultanate's support for all peaceful initiatives.

National Day IX, 1979: His Majesty stressed the importance of Hurmuz Passes and pledged to defend the right of all peaceful ships to travel through the passes.

National Day X, 1980: His Majesty declared the establishment of Sultan Qaboos University, assigned a professional authority to expand the base of the consultancy body. He stressed the need to preserve Oman's cultural heritage and the works of the earlier thinkers and scholars.

National Day XI, 1981 (Salalah): His Majesty mentioned the beginning of the Second Development Plan, and the opening of the Consultancy Council in the previous year.

National Day XII, 1982: His Majesty declared the laying of the foundation stone of the Sultan Qaboos University, the establishment of a complete sports town, a supreme council of youth. He declared next year an Omani youth year, and the next National Day ceremonies would be dedicated to youth. His Majesty stressed the need to diversify the sources of national income and not to depend on oil only, emphasized the government's endeavour to set up development plans that were flexible enough to absorb international economic shocks.

National Day XIII, 1983: His Majesty vowed to give the Omani youth special care, boost their morale, upgrade their standards in order to be able to bear responsibilities, safeguard the country's dignity and independence on firm bases of Islamic values and Omani traditions.

National Day XIV, 1984: His Majesty called for ending the Iraqi-Iranian war urging the two parties to sit for negotiations. He called on the peoples and governments of the world to exert efforts for prevailing



peace all over the world.

National Day XV, 1985: The event coincided with the convening of the 6th Session of the Arab Gulf Cooperation Council (AGCC) in Oman. His Majesty commended the Council's important role and



remarkable progress. He emphasized the continued march of development and the need to focus on the agricultural, industrial and fishes sectors. He commended the Sultanate's experience in the process of consultation within the State Consultative Council.

National Day XVI, 1986: His Majesty urged for the diversifying the sources of income, respecting the occupations of the forefathers, and called the youth to join work in all fields.

National Day XVII, 1987: His Majesty said that he had issued a decision to establish an Omani fisheries company, declared the next year a year of agriculture, and mentioned the inauguration of the Royal Hospital.

National Day XVIII, 1988: His Majesty declared the next year another year of agriculture, and ordered the

government to study a project for the construction of model villages for fishermen in different regions of Oman. He said that an international consultant had been assigned to put the government's studies into a long-term national development plan for the agricultural, fish and animal sectors.

National Day XIX, 1989: His Majesty encouraged the youth to seek jobs in any field in the public and private sectors, and not to disdain to do any work.

National Day XX (Silver Jubilee), 1990: His Majesty declared that the next year would be a year of industry with emphasis on both traditional crafts and modern manufacturing. He declared the establishment of Majlis A'shoora (parliament) with representatives from all wilayats.

National Day XXI, 1991: His Majesty announced



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another year of industry. He urged the people to conserve water, and said that there was a plan to increase the country's water resources.

National Day XXII, 1992 (Sohar): His Majesty said he had instructed the government organizations concerned to develop the general, technical and occupational education polices to match the country's development. He declared the year 1993 a year of youth.

National Day XXIII, 1993: His Majesty declared the establishment of a higher institute of arts, and declared the year 1994 a year of the Omani culture, and the National Day would be celebrated in Nizwa.

National Day XXIV, 1994 (Nizwa): His Majesty declared that he had given instructions for a study to be carried out for the establishment of a college of Shari'a and law in Muscat and a higher judiciary institute in Nizwa. He urged for material and moral attention to the Omani culture.

National Day XXV, 1995: His Majesty called for continued efforts for the benefit of the country, development vision, definite comprehensive strategy of economic diversification. He urged also for the development of the human resources and various sources of income.

National Day XXVI, 1996 (Sur): His Majesty mentioned the implementation of the liquefied natural gas project, construction and management of an international container yard in Raysut, establishment of a state council beside the Majlis A'shoora. He mentioned the issuance of the State Basic Law, and declared that the next National Day would be celebrated in Salalah.

National Day XXVII, 1997 (Salalah): His Majesty stressed that the supremacy of law was the basis of governance in the state. He declared the year 1998 a year of the private sector.

National Day XXVIII, 1998: His Majesty stressed the importance of the private sector's contribution to the country's comprehensive development, the importance of cooperation between the government, private sector and individual citizens. He pointed out the establishment of the youth development project fund



to provide finance for young entrepreneurs. His Majesty declared that the next National Day would be celebrated in Wilayat Ibri.

National Day XXIX, 1999 (Ibri): His Majesty urged for the achievement of the strategic goals of the economic vision. He mentioned the implementation of



Sohar Port project, placed emphasis on the need to prepare a new strategy to develop the tourist sector. He declared the next National Day would be celebrated in Muscat.

National Day XXX, 2000: His Majesty commended the achievements of Oman's Renaissance throughout

the previous 30 years, and hailed the Sultan Armed Forces and security organizations for their protection of those achievements.

After 2000 no Royal address has been made in the National Day as His Majesty used to address the nation in the annual session of Oman's Council.



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Food For Thought

- Tiber is the river which flows through Rome.
- Cheetah is the fastest mammal on earth (110 Km per hour).
- Hamilton is the capital of Bermuda.
- River Severn is the longest river in Britain.
- William the Conquer was the King of England from 1066-1087.
- The Olympic Games were first televised in 1956.
- The Magna Carta was signed by King John in 1215.
- Ostrich is the world's largest bird
- Xenophobia is the fear of strangers.
- The Declaration of Independence in the USA was written by Thomas Jefferson.

Riddles

- How many letters are in the alphabet? There are 11 letters in "THE ALPHABET".
- I'm sometimes white, although sometimes I'm black. I take you there, But never bring you back. What am I? I'm a Hearse.
- Why can't Kevin Laroche, who is now living in Canada, not be buried in the USA? Because he is still alive!

What does it stand for?

- ECG stands for Electro Cardiogram.
- ER stands for emergency Room
- HIV stands for Human Immunodeficiency Virus
- OD stands for Overdose.
- TB stands for Tuberculosis.
- IBS stands for Irritable Bowel Syndrome.
- MPD stands for Multiple Personality Disorder.
- BP stands for Blood Pressure.
- MPM stands for Beats per Minute.
- ad lib stands for as much as needed

Fount of Wisdom

- Age doesn't always bring wisdom. Sometimes age comes alone.
- Always remember you're unique. Just like everyone else.
- An optimist thinks that this is the best possible world. A pessimist fears that this is true.
- As long as there are tests, there will be prayer in public schools.
- Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it.
- If you tell the truth, you don't have to remember anything.
- Money can't buy happiness, but it sure makes misery easy to live with.

Jokes:

- A lawyer defending a man accused of burglary tried this creative defense:

"My client merely inserted his arm into the window and removed a few trifling articles. His arm is not himself, and I fail to see how you can punish the whole individual for an offense committed by his limb."

"Well put," the judge replied. "Using your logic, I sentence the defendant's arm to one year's imprisonment. He can accompany it or not, as he chooses."

The defendant smiled. And, with his lawyer's assistance, he detached his artificial limb, laid it on the bench and walked out.

- A site foreman had ten very lazy men working for him, so one day he decided to trick them into doing some work for a change. "I've got a really easy job today for the laziest one among you," he announced. "Will the laziest man please put his hand up?"

Nine hands went up.

"Why didn't you put your hand up?" he asked the tenth man.

"Too much trouble," came the reply.

- A first grade teacher collected well-known proverbs. She gave each kid in the class the first half of the proverb, and asked them to fill in the rest. Here's what the kids came up with:

1. Better to be safe than... punch a 5th grader.
2. Strike while the... bug is close.
3. It's always darkest before... daylight savings time.
4. Never underestimate the power of... termites.
5. You can lead a horse to water but... how?
6. Don't bite the hand that... looks dirty.
7. No news is... impossible.
8. A miss is as good as a... Mr.
9. You can't teach an old dog... math.
10. If you lie down with dogs, you... will stink in the morning.

- A scientist gets on a train to go to New York. His cabin also has a poor farmer in it. To pass the time the scientist decides to play a game with the guy.

"I will ask you a question and if you get it wrong, you have to pay me 1 dollar. Then you ask me a question, and if I get it wrong, you get 10 dollars. You ask me a question first." The farmer thinks for a while.

"I know. What has three legs, takes 10 hours to climb up a palm tree, and 10 seconds to get back down?" The scientist is confused and thinks long and hard about the question. Finally, the train ride is coming to an end. As it pulls into the station, the scientist takes out 10 dollars and gives it to the farmer.

"I don't know. What has 3 legs, takes 10 hours to get up a palm tree and 10 seconds to get back down?" The farmer takes the 10 dollars and puts it into his pocket. He then takes out 1 dollar and hands it to the scientist.

"I don't know."

- As a pre-med student at Washington University in St. Louis, I had to take a difficult class in physics. One day our professor was discussing a particularly complicated concept. A student rudely interrupted to ask, "Why do we have to learn this stuff?"

"To save lives." The professor responded quickly and continued the lecture.

A few minutes later, the same student spoke up again. "So how does physics save lives?" he persisted.

"It usually keeps the idiots like you out of medical school," replied the professor.

- English language is hard to learn:

- 1) The bandage was wound around the wound.
- 2) The farm was used to produce produce.
- 3) The dump was so full that it had to refuse more refuse.
- 4) We must polish the Polish furniture.
- 5) He could lead if he would get the lead out.
- 6) The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert.
- 7) Since there is no time like the present, he thought it was time to present the present.
- 8) A bass was painted on the head of the bass drum.
- 9) When shot at, the dove dove into the bushes.
- 10) I did not object to the object.