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Oath of Office for National Assembly Members

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[Text] I swear by God Almighty that I shall be loyal to my homeland and to the Amir, that I shall honor the Constitution and the laws of the country, that I shall protect the freedom, interests, and possessions of the people, and that I shall carry out my duties with honesty and sincerity.

Breakdown of Election Results

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[Article by 'Urubah Barakat]

[Text] Kuwait—The Kuwaiti voters have had their say in the National Assembly elections, and interest has now shifted from following the names of candidates and winners to calculating the balance among the various trends and blocs whose representation in the Assembly has been decided by the voters.

But political observers are now poring over certain trends and blocs whose representation in the Assembly has been decided by the voters.

None among the major blocs—with the exception of the "Deputies' Bloc" (1985 deputies), whose most prominent figure is Ahmad al-Sa'dun—is represented by more than three deputies [as published]. Although there is a large number of opposition deputies among the independents, it is said that the government is willing to let some of the opposition parties be represented through appointments to cabinet posts. Certain sources say that among the persons likely to enter the government from among the opposition bloc are Dr. Nasir al-Sani', Mishari al-'Anjari, and 'Abd-al-Muhsin Jamal.

The opposition circles are certain that Ahmad al-Sa'dun is the candidate most likely to win the position of National Assembly speaker and that there is an implicit agreement on this matter. Meanwhile, observers believe that the cohesion of the opposition, which the circles believe numbers between 27 to 31 deputies, depends on the decision of the electors, who voted for candidates who offered favors to the voters had no bearing on the decision of the electors, who voted for candidates interested in major issues, despite the tempting offers the other candidates made, beginning with buying votes and ending with offers to exert influence on their behalf. The outcome of the elections has revealed certain facts with respect to the voters' awareness of the secrets of the election game and their skill at playing it. When the election campaign was officially launched, all of the alliance candidates announced that there would be no alliances among the opposition candidates, but there would be alliances among those belonging to the same trend. These were located in various electoral districts. But the election results have shown that strong, but secret, alliances were formed between candidates of different political trends. These alliances were not publicized in certain constituencies until election day in order to avoid conflict with the government candidates.

Uncovering the electoral cards was an election necessity aimed at stemming the rumors that have spread like fire. The strong candidates in the seven political groups and trends have forged an alliance among themselves regardless of their political and ideological affiliations in order...
to ensure winning the elections. This has actually happened in a number of constituencies in order to insure that the strong ones will enter the Assembly.

Some of the candidates of certain trends have skillfully played the election and candidacy game. Several persons from the same trend would stand as candidates in the same constituency, but they would concentrate on one particular candidate in order to ensure his success.

All of these facts confirm that the Kuwaiti people have emerged from the trauma of the war stronger than before and learned lessons they will never forget.

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Distribution of New National Assembly Members According to Political Groups

Opposition:

National Islamic Coalition (Shi'ites), three deputies: 'Adnan Sayyid 'Abd-al-Samad (first district), 'Abd al-Muhsein Yusuf Jamal (fifth district), Dr. Nasir Sarkhuhah (13th district)

Popular Islamic Grouping (Sunni), three deputies: Ahmad Ya'qub al-Baqir (fifth district), Jasim Muhammad al-'Awn (seventh district), Mufarrij Nahar al-Sahl al-Mutayri (19th district)

Islamic Constitutional Movement (Sunni), four deputies: Dr. Isma'il al-Shatti (eighth district), Dr. Nasir al-Sani' (ninth district), Mubarak Fahd al-Duwaylah (16th district), Jam'an Falih al-'Azmi (23d district)

Democratic Forum (leftist, Arab nationalist), two deputies: 'Abdallah al-Nibari (second district), Ahmad al-Khatib (ninth district)

Deputies Bloc (independent opposition/al-Sa'dun group), 10 deputies: Ya'qub Muhammad Hayati (first district), Hamad al-Ju'an (second district), Abdallah al-Rumi (fourth district), Mishari al-'Anjari (sixth district), Salih al-Fidalih (10th district), Ahmad al-Sa'dun (11th district), Muhammad Sulayman al-Marhsad (11th district), Salim al-Hammad (12th district), 'Abbas Munawir (15th district), Ahmad al-Shuray'an (19th district)

Constitutional Grouping, one deputy: Jasim al-Saqr (third district)

Independents: Ahmad al-Nassar (third district), 'Ali Ahmad al-Baghi (fourth district), Mishari al-'Usaymi (sixth district), 'Abd-al-'Aziz al-'Adasani (seventh district), Ahmad al-Rub'i (eighth district), Ahmad al-Kulayb (10th district), 'Abd al-Muhsein al-Mid'ij (12th district), Jamal al-Kandiri (13th district), Talal al-Sa'd (20th district)

Government Supporters

National Council members (government supporters), key figures, and tribal deputies.

National Council: Humud Nasir al-Jabri (14th district), Mubarak al-Khuraynij (16th district), Muhammad Khalaf Dahish al-Muhammal (17th district), Talal al-'Ayyar (20th district), Hadi al-'Ajami (22nd district), Turki al-'Azmi (24th district)

Tribal Groups: 'Ali Salim Abu-Hadidah (14th district), Muhammad Dayfallah Sharar (17th district), Ghannam al-Jumhur (15th district), 'Ayid 'Allush al-Mutayri (22nd district), Fahid al-Dahysan al-'Azmi (23rd district), 'Abdal- lah Rashid al-Hajiri (24th district), S'ad Bulayq al-'Azmi (25th district), Muslih Humayjan al-'Azmi (25th district)

Independents/al-'Ajman Branch: Khalid al-'Uduwah (21st district), Shari' al-'Ajami (21st district)

National Assembly Committees, Officers

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National Assembly Speaker: Ahmad 'Abd-al-'Aziz al-Sa'dun

Deputy Speaker: Salih Yusuf al-Fidalilh

Health, Social Affairs, and Labor Committee: Ahmad al-Kulayb, Dr. Ahmad al-Khatib, 'Ali Abu-Hadidah, Ahmad al-Baqir, Muhammad Dayfallah Sharar


Hostages, Missing Persons, and the Welfare of the Martyrs' Families Committee (interim committee): Ahmad al-Shuray'an; Mishari al-'Usaymi; Shari' al-'Ajmi; 'Abdallah al-Rumi; Mubarak al-Duwaylah, 'Abdallah al-Nibari, 'Abd-al-Muhsin Jamal

Foreign Affairs Committee: Jasim al-Saqr (chairman), 'Abd-al-Aziz al-'Adasani, Khalid al-'Adwah, Dr. Nasir al-Sani', Mubarak al-Khuraynij

Education, Culture, and Guidance Committee: Dr. Nasir Sarkhuh (chairman), Jamal al-Kandiri, 'Abdallah al-Nibari, Muhammad al-Marshad, Dr. 'Abd-al-Muhsein al-Mid'ij

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Petitions and Complaints Committee: Turki Muhammad al-'Azm (chairman), Hadi Hayif al-Hawilah (rapporteur)

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National Assembly Controller: 'Abdallah al-Hamad

National Assembly Secretary: Ahmad Ya'qub Baqir

Financial and Economic Committee: Dr. Isma'il al-Shatti, Dr. Nasir al-Sani', Ahmad al-Kulayb, Ahmad al-Nassar, Mubarak al-Duwaylah, 'Adnan Abd-al-Samad, Mufarraj Nahar al-Mutayri, Khalaf Dumaythir al-'Anzi, Fahd al-Lumay

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National Assembly Members Appointed to the Cabinet

Minister of Higher Education: Dr. Ahmad al-Rub'i

Minister of Oil: 'Ali al-Baghi
Minister of Trade: Dr. 'Abdallah al-Hajiri
Minister of Awqaf [Religious Endowments]: Jam'an al-Azmi
Minister of Social and Labor Affairs: Jasim Muhammad al-'Awn
Minister of Justice: Mishari al-'Anqari

Biographies of Ministers:
Dr. Ahmad al-Rub'i: Broke with Democratic Forum during campaign and became independent. Was born in 1949. Professor at Kuwait University.
'Ali al-Baghli: Was born in 1949. Inclined toward opposition. A well-known critic of government machinery in his articles written in AL-WATAN newspaper. This post is his first political position.

Mishari al-'Anqari: Was an independent member of 1985 Assembly. Joined the deputies block after dissolution of Assembly.
Jasim Muhammad al-'Awn: One of the leaders of the Popular Islamic Grouping (Salafis).
Dr. 'Abdallah al-Hajiri: Has a doctorate degree from the university of Um-al-Qara in Saudi Arabia. Was born in 1958 and is the youngest minister in the cabinet. Has religious inclinations.
Jum'an Falih al-'Azmi: Represented Islamic Constituational Movement (Muslim Brotherhood) in the elections. Was born in 1956. Was a preacher at a mosque.

Newly Elected National Assembly Members
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National Islamic Coalition
'Adnan Sayyid 'Abd-al-Samad
Electoral District: 1
Career: Member of the 1981 Parliament. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4
A cultured, politically moderate Shi'ite. Cairo University graduate. Was director of the minister of petroleum's office ('Abd-al-Muttalib al-Kazimi was then the minister). Brother of Ahmad 'Abd-al-Samad, former deputy minister of information. Former chairman of the Arab Sports Club. In his early 40's. His mother comes from al-Mazidi family. Was National Assembly member in 1981. London AL-SHARQ AL-AWSAT in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 1, 3, 5

'Abd-al-Muhsin Yusuf Jamal
Electoral District: 5
Date of Birth: 1940
Education: Bachelor of arts degree in education, 1972; master of arts degree in education from United States, 1980
Career: Teacher for 5 years; deputy headmaster.
Nasir 'Abd-al-'Aziz Hasan Sarkuh

**Electoral District:** 13

**Area:** Al-Rumaythiyah

**Candidate Number:** 2


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**Popular Islamic Grouping**

**Ahmad Ya’qub Baqir**

**Electoral District:** 5

**Areas:** Al-Qadisiyah, al-Mansuriyah

**Candidate Number:** 4


**Date of Birth:** 1952

**Education:** Master’s degree in pharmacology; bachelor of science in pharmacology, Alexandria University, Egypt, 1975

**Career:** Pharmacist since 1975. *London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic* 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

Jasim Muhammad al-'Awn

Electoral District: 7

Date of Birth: 1946


Mufarrij Nahar al-Sahl al-Mutayri

Electoral District: 19

Areas: Al-Jahra', al-Jadidah

Candidate Number: 2

Islamic Constitutional Movement

Jam'an Falih al-'Azmi

Electoral District: 23  
Area: al-Sabahiyah  
Candidate Number: 1  
Hobbies: reading, fishing.

Born 1956. Married. Head of the cultural department of the Administration of Mosques. Volunteer prayer leader and preacher. Teacher, House of the Koran. Graduate, Imam Muhammad Bin-Sa'ud Islamic University, Riyadh (Department of Sunnah and Sunnah Studies); Teacher's Institute; Reform Association.

Not previously nominated. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 1 Oct 92 pp 4-5

Date of Birth: 1956

Education: Bachelor of arts degree, Imam Muhammad Bin-Sa'ud University

Career: director of cultural department, Administration of Mosques; volunteer mosque imam. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

Born in 1956. Graduate of Imam Muhammad Bin-Sa'ud University in Riyadh. Head of the cultural division in the Administration of Mosques. An imam and a preacher. London AL-SHARQ AL-AWSAT in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 1, 3, 5

Mubarak Fahd al-Duwaylah

Electoral District: 16  
Areas: Al-'Umariyah, al-Rabiyah, al-Ruq'i, al-Andalus  
Candidate Number: 8  

Ran successfully in 1985, receiving 1,106 votes. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 1 Oct 92 pp 4-5

Date of Birth: 1954

Education: Bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering, 1976, United States

Career: Professor at Kuwait Institute of Technology, director of engineering consulting firm. Member of 1985 Assembly. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

Nasir Jasim al-Sani’

Electoral District: 9
Area: Al-Rawdah
Candidate Number: 8

Born in Kuwait in 1955. Married. Assistant deputy director of administrative development at the Civil Service Commission, 1988; deputy director of the Trade Institute, 1977-78; deputy director of scientific affairs at the Trade Institute, 1980; assistant director general of the Kuwait Finance House, 1986. Earned doctorate in administrative development in Britain in 1985. Official in charge of the information committee in Jeddah [during Iraqi invasion], member of the delegation to the Arab Maghreb, and member of the information delegation that visited most British cities during the crisis. In 1988, he, along with a group of international advisers, conducted a study of managers in the Gulf in which he discussed the characteristics of successful management in the region.

Has not run for election before. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 30 Sep 92 pp 4-5

Date of Birth: 1955
Education: Doctorate (administrative development, England, 1985)
Career: Assistant deputy for administrative development in the Department of Personnel. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4


Isma’il Khadir al-Shatti

Electoral District: 8
Areas: Hawalli, Maydan Hawalli, al-Nuqrah, Bayan, Mushrif.
Candidate Number: 13
Hobbies: Reading and writing poetry.

Born in Kuwait, 1950. Married. Chairman of the Applied Research Committee of the Public Applied Education Authority. Assistant professor at the Technological Studies College. Former dean of the Technological Studies College; assistant dean for academic affairs. Editor-in-chief of AL-MUJTAMA’ magazine. Has a doctorate in civil engineering, a master’s degree in industrial engineering, and a bachelor’s degree in chemical engineering. Member of the board of directors of the Social Reform Society and member of engineering, journalism, graduate, and teaching associations. Has command of English and French.

Has not run for election before. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 30 Sep 92 pp 4-5
Education: Doctorate (industrial engineering), England
Career: Associate professor (Faculty of Technological Studies); editor-in-chief AL-MUJTAMA’ weekly; member of the board of directors of Social Reform Society; Gulf-area general rapporteur of World Future International Society. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4
Kuwaiti Democratic Forum

Ahmad al-Khatib

Electoral District: 9

Date of Birth: 1926

Education: Physician


'Abdallah Muhammad 'Abd-al-Rahman al-Nibari

Electoral District: 2

Areas: Al-Murqab, 'Abdallah al-Salim suburb

Candidate Number: 11


Date of Birth: 1936

Education: Diploma in economics, Oxford University. Bachelor of science degree in economics, American University, 1961.

Career: A well-versed author in economic and petroleum issues.

Achievements: Member of parliament 1971, 1975. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

One of the most prominent leaders of the historical Arab Nationalist Movement in Kuwait. The official spokesman of the Free Democratic Forum. Born in 1936; 1961 law graduate of the American University. Has a degree in economics from Oxford University. Former member of the National Assembly in 1971 and 1975. A prominent economic and oil expert. London AL-SHARQ AL-AWSAT in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 1, 3, 5
Bloc of Independent Deputies

Mishari Jasim al-'Anjari

Electoral District: 6

Areas: Al-Fayha', al-Nuzhah.

Candidate Number: 5

Hobbies: Sports, participation in various tournaments, reading.


Date of Birth: 1945
Marital Status: Married
Education: Bachelor's degree in accounting
Career: Director of job classification and budget at the Personnel Office and deputy director of the Personnel Office since 1973
Achievements: Member of Kuwaiti Graduate Association; Kuwait representative to Alesco. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

Administrator, liberal, affable, and active. Was the first to establish the diwaniyahs that rejected the disbanding of the Assembly. Cairo University graduate in accounting. Worked in the employees personnel bureau with Hamad al-Ju'an. Born in 1945. Member of the Kuwaiti Alumni Association. Kuwait's representative at the executive council of the Arab League’s Organization for Administrative Sciences. London AL-SHARQ AL-AWSAT in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 1, 3, 5

Salih Yusuf al-Fidalah

Electoral District: 10

Areas: Al-'Udayliyah, al-Jabiriyah, al-Sirrah.

Candidate Number: 8


Ran for election in 1981 and received 423 votes. Ran again in 1985 and received 920 votes. Won both times. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 30 Sep 92 pp 4-5

Date of Birth: 1949
Education: Bachelor's degree in business, Cairo, 1976

Salim 'Abdallah al-Hamad

Electoral District: 12
Date of birth: 1934
Career: Member of three previous parliaments
Marital Status: Married  London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

Ya'qub Muhammad 'Ali Hasan Hayati

Electoral District: 1
Areas: Al-Sharq, al-Dasmih, al-Matabih, Disman, Banid al-Qar
Candidate Number: 1


Education: Doctorate in criminal law.
Career: Member of the 1985 Assembly. Assistant district attorney since 1971. London AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4


Hamad 'Abdallah al-Ju'an:

Electoral District: 2
Date of Birth: 1947
Marital Status: Married
Education: Law degree, Cairo University, 1970
Achievements: Participation in drafting the Kuwaiti Social Security Law. Member of 1985 Assembly. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

Muhammad Sulayman al-Marshad

Electoral District: 11
Date of Birth: 1932
Marital Status: Married
Education: Bachelor of arts degree, Kuwait University
Career: Member of 1985 and 1981 Assemblies London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4


'Abbas Habib Munawir

Electoral District: 15
Date of Birth: 1930
Career: Member of five previous parliaments. Member of the first council. Vice chairman of the Farmers Association. Editor-in-chief of AL-AYYAM newspaper. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4


'Abdallah Yusuf al-Rumi

Electoral District: 4
Date of Birth: 1949
Education: Bachelor's degree in law
Career: Lawyer since 1977-1986; member of 1985 Assembly; treasurer of Kuwait Bar Association
Marital Status: Single London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

Moderate, liberal, nationalist personality. Born in 1949; has a degree in law; worked as a lawyer from 1977 to 1986; treasurer of Kuwaiti Bar Association; entered the Assembly in 1985; bachelor. London AL-SHARQ AL-AWSAT in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 1, 3, 5
Ahmad 'Abd-al-'Aziz al-Sa'dun

Electoral District: 11

Date of Birth: 1932

Education: bachelor of arts degree, Kuwait University

Career: Assistant under-secretary of state, Ministry of Transportation; vice chairman of the Asian Athletic Committee; chairman of the Kuwaiti Soccer Federation; speaker of the 1985 Assembly; deputy speaker of the 1981 Assembly; member of the 1975 Assembly.

Marital Status: Married London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

Born in 1932. Politically and socially active personality; literature graduate from the University of Kuwait. Was assistant deputy minister at the Ministry of Communications; deputy chairman of the Kuwait Soccer Federation. National Assembly speaker in 1985; was deputy speaker in 1981. Entered the National Assembly in 1975. London AL-SHARQ AL-AWSAT in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 1, 3, 5

Ahmad Nassar al-Shuray'an

Electoral District 19

Areas: Al-Jahra', al-Jadidah, al-Sulaybiyah, Government Quarters

Candidate Number: 11

Hobbies: fishing, hunting, reading, and studying.

Born Kuwait, 1940. Married. Army officer, 1964; lieutenant colonel, Kuwaiti Army (retired); member, 1985 National Assembly; general secondary certificate, 1957; diploma, Staff College; diploma, English language, Beaconsfield, England.

Ran successfully in 1985, receiving 635 votes. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 1 Oct 92 pp 4-5

Date of Birth: 1940

Education: Military diploma; English Diploma, England

Career: Retired lieutenant colonel, member of 1985 Assembly

Marital Status: Married London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

An Islamic, conservative, moderate figure. Born in 1949; graduate of the University of Kuwait in political science. Was director general of al-Shuwaykh and al-Shamiyah cooperative society; member of the municipal council since 1986. London AL-SHARQ AL-AWSAT in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 1, 3, 5
Constitutional Grouping

Jasim Hamad al-Saqr

Electoral District: 3

Areas: Al-Qiblah, al-Shuwaykh, al-Shamiyah

Candidate Number: 5

Born in 1918; married. Received bachelor's degree in law in 1942. First Kuwaiti to graduate from a university. Chairman of the National Assembly Foreign Affairs Committee. Ran for election in 1981, got 462 votes and won. Ran again in 1985, got 586 votes but did not win. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 29 Sep 92 p 7

Date of Birth: 1918

Education: Law degree, 1942

Marital Status: Married

Achievements: First Kuwaiti to receive a university degree; member of 1981 Assembly. Chairman of Foreign Relations Committee.

A prominent political personality. Born in 1918; first Kuwaiti university graduate; obtained a law degree from Baghdad in 1942; lived in Iraq. He is the brother of 'Abd-al-'Aziz al-Saqr, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce. Father of Muhammad al-Saqr, publisher of AL-QABAS newspaper. Entered the National Assembly in 1981; was chairman of the Assembly's Foreign Affairs Committee. London AL-SHARQ AL-AWSAT in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 1, 3, 5

Independents

'Abd-al-'Aziz al-'Adasani

Electoral District: 7

Area: Kayfan

Candidate Number: 1

Hobbies: Reading and fishing


Has not run for election before. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 30 Sep 92 pp 4-5

Date of Birth: 1931

Career: secretary general, Organization of Arab Cities, since 1971; chairman of Municipal Council, 1974-84. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

'Ali Ahmad al-Baghli

Electoral District: 4
Date of Birth: 1949
Education: Master of arts degree in comparative law, Brinell University, United Kingdom, 1975; French and prelegal studies, France 1966; bachelor of arts degree in law, Kuwait University

London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

An independent Shi'ite personality. Born in 1949. Successful lawyer; graduate of the law school at Kuwait University. Has a master's degree in comparative law from Brinell University in Britain; studied law in France; was editorial writer for AL-WATAN newspaper. London AL-SHARQ AL-AWSAT in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 1, 3, 5

Jamal Ahmad al-Kandiri

Electoral District: 13
Area: Al-Rumaythiyah
Hobbies: sports.
Candidate Number: 9


Date of Birth: 1952
Education: Bachelor of arts degree in history, Kuwait University, 1974

Career: Teacher, deputy headmaster, headmaster, treasurer of Kuwaiti Teachers Association, member of Arab Teachers Union Executive Council. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

Born in 1952. A history graduate from Kuwait University. Taught at schools. Is currently secretary of the Kuwaiti Teachers' Association and a member of the executive council of the Arab Teachers Union. London AL-SHARQ AL-AWSAT in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 1, 3, 5
Ahmad Khalid al-Kulayb

**Electoral District:** 10  
**Areas:** Al-'Udayliyah, al-Jabiriyah, al-Sirrah  
**Candidate Number:** 14


**Date of Birth:** 1953  
**Education:** Bachelor of arts degree in social work, 1976  
**Marital Status:** Married. *London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic* 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4  
**Career:** Member, board of directors, General Organization for Social Security, since 1988; Director of employment department in al-'Ahmadi and al-Jahra' Governorates.


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'Abd-al-Muhsin al-Mid'ij

**Electoral District:** 12

**Date of Birth:** 1949

**Career:** Professor of history, Kuwait University; editor-in-chief, Faculty of Arts Chronicles; member of Arab Historian Association. *London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic* 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

Professor of history at Kuwait University. Born in 1949. Editor-in-chief of the yearbook of the arts faculty at the university; member of the Arab Historians Association. *London AL-SHARQ AL-AWSAT in Arabic* 7 Oct 92 pp 1, 3, 5

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Talal 'Uthman al-Sa'id

**Electoral District:** 20

**Career:** Retired National Guard captain; poet; founder of the al-Nabt Poets Society. *London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic* 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4
Ahmad Muhammad al-Nassar

Electoral District: 3
Date of Birth: 1949

Education: Bachelor of science degree in economics and political science, Kuwait University, 1974.

Marital Status: Married

Career: General manager of al-Shuwaykh and al-Shamiyah Cooperative Society, 1974; ration card officer, 1974-77; Member of Municipal Council, 1986.

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Ahmad 'Abdallah al-Rub'i

Electoral District: 8
Areas: Hawalli, Maydan Hawalli, al-Nuqrah, Bayan, Mushrif
Candidate Number: 9
Hobby: Astronomy

Born in Kuwait on 12 December 1949; married. University professor; 1985 National Assembly member; head of philosophy department, Kuwait University. Has a doctorate. Member of Journalists Association, Society of Graduates, and Faculty Association.

Ran for election in 1985 and won with 760 votes. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 30 Sep 92 pp 4-5

Date of Birth: 1949
Education: Doctorate in Islamic Philosophy
Career: Chairman of Department of Philosophy, Kuwait University.
Achievements: Member of 1985 Assembly. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

Liberal and nationalist politician and academic, One of the most prominent young people. Has a degree from Harvard University in the United States. Was member of previous Assembly. London AL-SHARQ AL-AWSAT in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 1, 3, 5

Mishari Muhammad al-'Usaymi

Electoral District: 6

Career: Lawyer; chairman of Kuwaiti Bar Association; founding member of Kuwaiti Association for the Defense of War Victims. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

Liberal, Arab nationalist lawyer. Chairman of Kuwaiti Bar Association and founding member of the Kuwaiti Association for the Defense of War Victims. London AL-SHARQ AL-AWSAT in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 1, 3, 5
National Council

Hadi Hayif al-'Ajmi

Electoral District: 22

Date of Birth: 1935

Marital Status: Married


Khalaf Dumaythir al-'Anzi

Electoral District: 18

Career: Member of two previous parliaments and National Council.

Talal Mubarak al-Ayyar

Electoral District: 20

Career: Member of the National Council.
Turki Muhammad al-'Azmi

Electoral District: 24
Area: Al-Fuhayhil
Candidate Number: 1


Rashid Salman al-Hubaydah

Electoral District: 18

Date of Birth: 1948

Education: High school diploma

Career: Member of the National Council. London AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

Humud Nasir al-Jabri

Electoral District: 14
Areas: Abraq Khaytan, Khaytan al-Jadidah
Candidate Number: 1


Date of Birth: 1942
Education: Teachers Training College

Career: Member of Kuwaiti Teachers Association; member of 1981 Assembly; teacher, assistant principal and principal of an elementary school. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4
Mubarak Nabil al-Khuraynij

Electoral District: 16
Date of Birth: 1948
Education: High school
Marital Status: Married
Career: Member of the National Council London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

Muhammad Khalaf Dahish al-Muhammal

Electoral District: 17
Date of Birth: 1952
Marital Status: Married.
Career: Vice president of Jalib al-Shuyukh Society; deputy director of general services department, Ministry of Health; member of National Council. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

Tribal Groups

'Ali Salim Abu-Hadidah

Electoral District: 14
Career: President of Cooperative Societies Association for many years. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4
Muslih Humayjan al-'Azmi

Electoral District: 25
Date of Birth: 1940
Marital Status: Married with 15 children.
Career: Member of National Council; worked for the Ministry of Interior; Vice chairman of Umm al-Hayman Cooperative Society. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

Sa’d Bulayq al-'Azmi

Electoral District: 25
Areas: Umm al-Hayman, al-Zawr, al-Wafrah
Candidate Number: 1
Hobbies: Gardening, travel.
Born 1946 in Kuwait; married. Retired; no offices or jobs held previously. Completed fourth year of middle school. No publications or papers. Member of al-Zawr Society.
Not previously nominated. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 1 Oct 92 pp 4-5

Education: High school
Marital Status: Married
Career: Former member of al-Zawr Cooperative Society; retired London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

Fah’d Duhaysan al-Mabi’ al-'Azmi

Electoral District: 23
Date of Birth: 1954
Education: Police diploma
Career: Head of drivers’ testing department, al-'Ahmadi Traffic Department. First-time member of Assembly. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4
'Abdallah Rashid al-Hajiri

Electoral District: 24
Areas: Al-Fuhayhil, al-Munqaf
Candidate Number: 8

Born 1958 in Kuwait; married. Professor, Kuwait University; lecturer, Commercial Institute. Overseer of joint stock companies, Ministry of Trade. Doctorate in Islamic economics, “Investments of Islamic Banks,” and applied studies; member, Supreme Consultative Committee for the Completion of the Application of Islamic Shari’a; consultant, House of Zakah [Islamic Almsgiving].

Not previously nominated. *London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI* in Arabic 1 Oct 92 pp 4-5

Date of Birth: 1958

Education: Doctorate, economics

Career: Professor at Kuwait University and Commercial Institute. Member of the Supreme Consultative Committee for the Completion of the Application of Islamic Shari’a. *London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI* in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

An Islamic academic. Born in 1958. Professor at Kuwait University. Has a doctorate in investment economics (investment in Islamic banks); member of the Supreme Consultative Committee for the Completion of the Implementation of Islamic Shari’a. *London AL-SHARQ AL-AWSAT* in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 1, 3, 5

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Ghannam 'Ali al-Jumhur

Electoral District: 15

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'Ayid 'Allush al-Mutayri

Electoral District: 22

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Muhammad Dayfallah Sharar

Electoral District: 17

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Independents (Al-'Ajman Branch)

Khalid al-'Uduwah

Electoral District: 21
Area: Al-Ahmadi
Candidate Number: 2

Born 1 January 1959 in Kuwait. Teaching assistant, Kuwait University, 1989; licentiate in Islamic law and advanced studies, al-Azhar University. Member, Teachers’ Association. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 2 Oct 92 p 4

Education: Bachelor of arts degree in Islamic law, Kuwait University, 1986.

Career: Junior staff member, Kuwait University; graduate student at al-Azhar University, Cairo; volunteer mosque imam and public orator. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4

Shari’ al-'Ajami

Electoral District: 21
Areas: Al-Ahmadi, Hadiyat, al-Fintass, Sabah al-Salim
Candidate Number: 6

Hobbies: writing, writing poetry, reading.


Not previously nominated. London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 1 Oct 92 pp 4-5

Date of Birth: 1958

Education: bachelor of arts degree in law and Islamic shari'a
Marital Status: Married.
Career: Public prosecutor, traffic court London SAWT AL-KUWAYT AL-DUWALI in Arabic 7 Oct 92 pp 3-4
Positions of Political Groups Described

[Text] After the liberation, the opposition was disappointed because the government did not make good on its promises as quickly as the opposition wanted. The government was hesitant to set a date for the elections. Then it said that elections would take place in October, 19 months after the liberation of Kuwait. The opposition thought that this was too long of a time. There was a dire need for the opposition to get back into the political arena and participate actively with the government in making the important political decisions, especially those related to security and strategic and military arrangements, rebuilding the country, economic conditions, and dealing with the wrongdoers. The government decided to proceed calmly because it did not want the Kuwaiti front to disintegrate after being united in the wake of the Iraqi invasion, occupation, and destruction, which led to the unification of all Kuwaitis, regardless of sects and social composition, to confront the common enemy, represented by Saddam Husayn's Iraq.

According to the opposition, the first setback was delaying the elections until October 1992. The second setback was the formation of the Cabinet and the restoration of most of the ministers to their previous posts. The opposition interpreted this action to mean that the government did not care for the opposition. This view was expressed in a statement issued by the opposition on 21 April 1991, in which it mentioned, as it did in a 31 March 1991 statement titled "A Futuristic Vision To Rebuild Kuwait," the demands of the seven opposition blocs after unification.

- Halting the violations of the Constitution, putting an end to suspending articles of the Constitution, and restoring political and press freedoms.
- Setting a date for parliamentary elections.
- Establishing a popular cabinet in which all of the political powers are represented in response to the requirements of the present era.
- Holding those responsible for the disaster accountable and not allowing them to relinquish their social responsibilities that resulted from their actions before and after the disaster faced by the nation.

The opposition did not succeed in persuading the government with these demands. Its optimism and demands became disappointments. The major portfolios in the Cabinet were distributed according to the well-established inheritance rules. The opposition accused the government of disregarding Article 56 of the Constitution, which was included in the explanatory notes regarding the importance of consultations before forming a cabinet. The opposition accused the government of confusing the situation and acting haphazardly, ignoring the demands of the Kuwaiti people, monopolizing the Cabinet, and rewarding the negligent. The new Cabinet was interpreted as a flagrant challenge to the people aimed at isolation and replacing them with an individual will.

The third setback was the government's rejection of the opposition by calling for the return of the National Council. This represented the last setback for the opposition, which was hoping for the council to be dissolved and for some of the traditional opposition elements to hold Cabinet positions in a new national government that would participate in making decisions.

The fourth setback was the refusal of the Ministry of the Interior in May 1992 to allow the opposition to organize a national conference to discuss important issues and to comment on the latest political, economic, and security issues related to the elections.

The Kuwaiti opposition united its forces and arrived with new names, but without new ideas. For the first time, the Kuwaiti opposition came under one umbrella, with seven alliances that could best be described as "new faces with old ideas." The following is a description of each of these seven alliances.

**National Islamic Coalition**

The National Islamic Coalition is one of the most important of the seven blocs. It is a coalition of three movements that have similar thoughts, goals, and objectives. The coalition consists of the following movements:

- The Cultural Society, which was dissolved by the Ministry of Social Affairs. It is a movement that nominated candidates for the 1981 and 1985 Assemblies. It is the only part of the coalition that has parliamentary experience.
- Al-Naqi Mosque Youth. This is a group of young, enthusiastic men who seek reform and balance in Kuwaiti society.
- Independent political members, including technocrats and liberal intellectuals.

It is expected that about 75 to 100 candidates, about 30 percent of the total number of candidates, will support the coalition. The total number of coalition supporters in the 25 districts is about 20,000 voters. In 1985, the coalition had three members in the Assembly, which was the smallest number for this coalition in the history of Kuwaiti parliamentary life.

**Popular Islamic Grouping**

The most important principle of this grouping is adherence to the Koran and the Sunna and enforcement of the Islamic shari'a. This coalition is known in Kuwait as the Salafi Grouping.

The grouping came into existence during the 1981 elections. It won two seats in both the 1981 and 1985 Assemblies. In the 1985 elections, their strongest candidate, Jasim al-'Awn, won in Kifan, and 'Ahmad Baqir won in al-Qadisiyah and al-Mansuriyah.
Islamic Constitutional Movement

This is a reform society known for its flexible positions, adopting reform from within and cooperating with the government to realize it. In the 1981 and 1985 Assemblies, it won three seats. [passage omitted] The movement is suffering from a identity crisis. The positions of the international Muslim Brotherhood and its support of Iraq have had a very negative effect during the elections. This is in addition to the fact that most of the prominent figures of the movement were not in Kuwait during the Iraqi occupation.

This movement could win the same number of seats it had in the previous Assembly (two seats), but it needs to coordinate and explain its positions and enter into a coalition with other blocs. Yet, it does not seem that the Salafi Movement and the Muslim Brotherhood will be able to coordinate because of unresolved disagreements.

Constitutional Grouping

Historically, this grouping has cooperated with the government. Its goals are moderate and clear and depend on political and economic reform. It is currently criticizing the government because it does not pay enough attention to reviving the devastated private sector. The Kuwaiti private sector is made up of Kuwaiti merchants who own businesses, real estate, and large companies. It also includes some of Kuwait's biggest families. They are represented in the Kuwait Chamber of Commerce and Industry, which is presided over by 'Abd-al-'Aziz Hamad al-Saqr. Since its inception, this grouping has had a strong presence in the Assembly, even if the number of seats differed. [passage omitted]

The results of the election of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry in 1992 had clear political effects. The Constitutional Grouping, under the leadership of 'Abd-al-'Aziz al-Saqr won 22 of the 24 seats on the council. This reflects the strength of the grouping and its opposition to the government, which is being accused of not concentrating on a private sector that is currently facing problems and that plays a marginal role in reconstructing Kuwait.

The overwhelming victory in the Chamber of Commerce and Industry elections should not lead us to assume that it will have the same success in the parliamentary elections in October. This is due to differences in the nature, voters, and quality of both elections.

Independents

This is a coalition that does not have clear features and is known for its liberal trend, which is concerned about the development of the Kuwaiti parliamentary experience. Most of its members are intellectuals, academic figures, and lawyers. They are strongly supported by the Democratic Forum. The platform of the Independent deputies does not include strong support for Arab unity and national ideas.

Kuwaiti Democratic Forum

This is the only coalition in the Kuwaiti political arena that has all the characteristics of a clear political party without opposition from the government. If is a very important development for the future Kuwaiti legislation on political parties. The Democratic Forum may have paved the way for the future establishment of political parties in Kuwait. It is a mixture of the National Coalition (Jasim al-Qitami group) and the Democratic Coalition (Ahmad al-Khatib group). It is also a mixture of the progressives and the nationals, who supplied the traditional opposition in Kuwait when the parliament was established. They also played important roles in the parliaments during the 1960's, 1970's, and 1980's. They have very clear views about political development, supervision of the government, foreign relations, and economic and investment issues. The groups that make up this forum have had at least seven members in most of the previous legislatures.

The forum suffers from these disagreements due to differences in opinion and trends within its ranks. There is a strong argument between two trends. One trend wants to work with the government, and the other wants to attack it and take an offensive attitude, especially with regard to government accountability and the opening of the "2 August" files. This is one of the major problems of the forum.

The second problem is that there is no new blood in the forum. The well-known figures are those that have been there since the 1950's and 1960's, such as Dr. Ahmad al-Khatib, Jasim al-Qitami, and Abdallah al-Nibari. There is no new leadership.

The third problem is connected with some statements made by prominent figures during the occupation and its stance on the war with Iraq. These statements may have had a negative effect on the forum and may affect the chances of some of its members in the coming elections. [passage omitted]

Al-Nibari stressed that the forum would support candidates in other districts, provided that their platforms include restoring the 1962 Constitution and working toward establishing democracy and the supremacy of law. [passage omitted]

Bloc of Independent Deputies

This is a coalition of former members of the 1985 Assembly. The bloc has about 20 members with previous parliamentary experience who are seeking reelection. The most prominent figures in this group are Ahmad al-Sa'dun, former Assembly speaker; his deputy, Salih al-Fidalah; Sa'd al-Tami; 'Ahmad al-Sharhan; and Faysal al-Sani'. [passage omitted]