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Praise be to Allah, the Most Gracious and Most Merciful, and Peace and prayers be upon His Prophet, Muhammad, Seal of the Prophets and Messengers, and upon his family and followers.

Your Royal Highness Prince Sultan Ibn Abdul Aziz,
Your Royal Highnesses,
Your Excellencies,
Distinguished Guests,
Your Royal Highness,

I intend not to expend much of our distinguished winners' time, as each of them has a word to say, and my speech will, therefore, be but quick flashes.

Your Royal Highness,

One's name often symbolizes one's qualities. Allah has given you the sultan and power, and made you a sultan of virtue, of benevolence and of sagacity. He made you loved by the virtuous, feared by the mischievous and followed by the reverent. May Allah reward and help you and may He bestow upon you the topmost of glory.

Distinguished Winners,

In the name of humanity and brotherhood: thank you, as you have been and remain to be a source of pride for your scholastic achievements and a glimpse of light and inspiration in arts and literature. You tried, persevered, reached and gained reward, and by so doing, gave this wonderful evening a splendid aroma and an exhilarating fragrance.

Distinguished Guests,

If this place is not wide enough, plenty of space avails for you in our hearts. Let me welcome you to this gathering of elites and scholars, under the auspices of a most faithful patron.

May Allah bless you.