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## MAYOR OF CHICAGO RICHARD DALEY VISITS THE ANCIENT CITY OF PETRA

After meeting and having dinner with His Majesty King Abdullah II in Aqaba, The Mayor of Chicago Richard J. Daley, on an official visit to Jordan, headed to Petra to visit the world famous archeological wonder. It was a royal arrival for the Mayor, his wife and daughter provided by the King aboard a Jordanian army helicopter.

It was a day for history. The Mayor of one of the biggest cities visiting one of the oldest cities. Impressed by the majesty of the site, the Mayor, astonished of what he saw, said: "What we saw here could be viewed as a lesson to all of us, we still learn from these civilizations". "It's breathtaking, amazing...it does take your breath away". the Mayor' wife added, while standing in from of the Treasury, the temple carved in the cliff.

The purpose of the Chicago delegation's trip is mainly about security but also aims to expand the ties between Chicago and Amman and to share the best of both countries.

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## JORDAN TO HOST SECOND NOBEL PRIZE LAUREATES CONFERENCE AT PETRA

**Petra, Jordan and New York, NY :** The King Abdullah II Fund for Development and the Elie Wiesel Foundation for Humanity are inviting Nobel Laureates and other prominent leaders from the political, economical and social world to gather in Petra, Jordan once again on June 20-21, 2006 to support human development in many parts of the world, and seek out ways and means to provide opportunities still missing for many, secure stability and safeguard hopes and chances of peace around the globe.

His Majesty King Abdullah II of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan said, "We all

share a responsibility to act -- to address the inequalities, asymmetries and threats to peace that abound. For more than 100 years, Nobel Laureates have represented excellence in the pursuit of humanity's advancement, and Elie Wiesel and I have invited this distinguished group along with a number of leaders from different disciplines to convene once again in Petra and carry this promise of generations forward."

Elie Wiesel, founder of the Elie Wiesel Foundation for Humanity and the 1986 recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize said: "It is both humbling and awe-inspiring to work among fellow Nobel Laureates, leaders and His Majesty King Abdullah II to explore the most critical problems of our time."

Prospective attendees include world-renowned media leaders, moderators, Nobel Laureates from all six disciplines (Peace, Economics, Literature, Physics, Chemistry, and, Physiology and Medicine), distinguishers from the private and public sectors as well as the civil society.

Numerous events and conferences of global breadth have taken place in Jordan, which has become a regular host for this kind of meetings. The World Economic Forum in 2005, the Arab League Summit -to name a few- also took place in Amman.

### **NEW AIRBUS 321 JOINS RJ FLEET**

The Royal Jordanian fleet was expanded by a new Airbus 321 joining last Wednesday, fulfilling the company's plan in replacing short and medium haul airbus crafts with new ones.

In fact, this is the fourth of six airplanes set to join the RJ fleet, the remaining two to be added during the coming few months. In an attempt to globally promote the Jordanian cities, the newly acquired aircrafts are named after cities like Amman, Aqaba and Irbid; Salt being the name of the fourth aircraft which just joined the RJ fleet

### **OLYMPIC COUNCIL OF ASIA REGIONAL FORUM HELD IN AQABA**

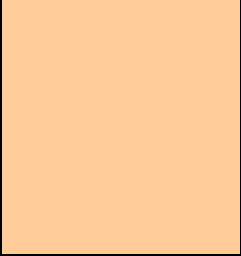
According to a statement from the Jordan Olympic Committee (JOC), Sports leaders from across Asia will meet in Aqaba on May 4-5 for the OCA Regional Forum for West Asian National Olympic Committees (NOC).

Presidents and secretary generals from 14 NOCs along with representatives from the International Olympic Committee will participate in a series of meetings and presentations on the latest progress reports for the 2006 – 2007 Olympic Games as well as the latest anti-doping updates.

HRH Prince Feisal, president of JOC said: "Sport is a great way of bringing people together and we are looking forward to welcoming our friends from across the region and beyond to Jordan."

" ... we bid to become a centre for sporting excellence and administration. I am sure that this will be the first of many international sporting conferences ..." he added.

The attendees will have the opportunity to visit the historical sites of Petra and



Wadi Rum.

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