

THE ABDUL LATIF JAMEEL GROUP

The ALJ business was established in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia almost 60 years ago. The head company, ALJ Co. Ltd., was formed in 1980. Since then it has grown into an internationally diversified group, with operations in the United Kingdom, Monaco, Morocco, Algeria, Egypt, Sudan, Syria, China and Japan. Its core businesses are in the automobile and financial services industries. Other sectors where the group has significant interests are Hotels, Consumer Electronics, Real Estate, Media Communication, and a JV Denso air-conditioning manufacturing operation in Saudi Arabia.

From the days of its founder, the late Abdul Latif Jameel, the group has always had a philosophy of returning to the society in which it operates a portion of what it has earned. The establishment of a Rehabilitation Centre in Jeddah, was a significant milestone, as it signalled the beginning of large scale involvement and leadership of the ALJ group in the field of social and community work.

In recent years, the group has accelerated its activities in this field, and embarked on arguably the largest community project in Saudi Arabia, with a fund of USD 30 million dedicated to vocational training for young Saudis. This includes creating opportunities for them to become entrepreneurs of small business enterprises, upgrading and modernising the Red Crescent services, and creating opportunities for women to learn new skills so they can contribute positively to the economic progress of the kingdom. This initiative is the first of its kind, and is setting the standards for others in the business community to follow.

For more information about the group, please visit their website at www.alj.com

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