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AWARDS AND HONOURS ACCORDED TO HIS HIGHNESS THE AGA KHAN IV

”THE ETHICS OF ISLAM GUIDE ALL MY ACTIONS”
HIS HIGHNESS THE AGA KHAN IV -- JEUNE AFRIQUE INTERNATIONALE

ABOUT HIS HIGHNESS THE AGA KHAN

His Highness the Aga Khan became Imam (spiritual leader) of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims on July 11, 1957 at the age of 20, succeeding his grandfather, Sir Sultan Mahomed Shah Aga Khan. He is the 49th hereditary Imam of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims, and a direct descendant of the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) through his cousin and son-in-law, Ali, the first Imam, and his wife Fatima, the Prophet's daughter....

Like his grandfather Sir Sultan Mahomed Shah Aga Khan before him, the Aga Khan has, since assuming the office of Imam in 1957, been concerned about the well-being of all Muslims, particularly in the face of the challenges of rapid historical changes. Today, the Ismailis live in some 25 countries, mainly in West and Central Asia, Africa and the Middle East, as well as in North America and Western Europe....

The Aga Khan has emphasised the view of Islam as a thinking, spiritual faith: one that teaches compassion and tolerance and that upholds the dignity of man, Allah's noblest creation. In the Shia tradition of Islam, it is the mandate of the Imam of the time to safeguard the individual's right to personal intellectual search and to give practical expression to the ethical vision of society that the Islamic message inspires. Addressing as Chairman, the International Conference on the Example (Seerat) of the Prophet Muhammad in Karachi in 1976, the Aga Khan said that the wisdom of Allah's final Prophet in seeking new solutions for problems which could not be solved by traditional methods, provides the inspiration for Muslims to conceive a truly modern and dynamic society, without affecting the fundamental concepts of Islam.

During the course of history, the Ismailis have, under the guidance of their Imams, made major contributions to the growth of Islamic civilisation. The University of Al-Azhar and the Academy of Science, Dar al-Ilm, in Cairo and indeed the city of Cairo itself, exemplify their contributions to the cultural, religious and intellectual life of Muslims. Among the renowned philosophers, jurists, physicians, mathematicians, astronomers and scientists of the past who flourished under the patronage of Ismaili Imams are Qadi al-Numan, al-Kirmani, Ibn al-Haytham (al-Hazen), Nasir e-Khusraw and Nasir al-Din Tusi....

In recent generations, the Aga Khan's family has followed a tradition of service in international affairs. The Aga Khan's grandfather was President of the League of Nations and his father, Prince Aly Khan, was Pakistan's Ambassador to the United Nations. His uncle, Prince Sadruddin Aga Khan, was the United Nations' High Commissioner for Refugees, United Nations' Coordinator for assistance to Afghanistan and United Nations' Executive Delegate of Iraq-Turkey border areas.

The Aga Khan's brother, Prince Ayn, joined the United Nations Secretariat, Department of Economic and Social Affairs following his graduation from Harvard in 1965. Since 1968, Prince Ayn has been closely involved with the governance of the principal development institutions of the Imamat....

In consonance with this vision of Islam and a long-standing tradition of service to humanity, the Ismailis have elaborated a well-defined institutional framework to build capacity and improve the quality of life within the communities in which they live. Under the Aga Khan's leadership, this framework expanded and evolved into the Aga Khan Development Network, a group of institutions working to improve living conditions and opportunities in specific regions of the developing world. In every country, these institutions work for the common good of all citizens regardless of their origin or religion. Their individual mandates range from architecture, education and health to the promotion of private sector enterprise, the enhancement of non-government organisations and rural development....

Over the years, the Aga Khan has received numerous decorations, honorary degrees, and awards in recognition of the various dimensions of his work....

The title His Highness was granted by Her Majesty the Queen of Great Britain in 1957, and His Royal Highness by His Imperial Majesty the Shah of Iran in 1959.

-- Aga Khan Development Network

To review His Highness the Aga Khan's speeches visit: <http://www.akdn.org/speeches>
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Nov 30, 1967

PAKISTAN

Receives an *Honorary Doctorate of Law* from Peshawar University for his generosity and dedication towards all Muslims. (Photo: Ismailia Association for Pakistan - Social Network)



Nov 1, 1983

CANADA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by McGill University.

In his laudatory address, the Principal and Vice-chancellor says: *"The Aga Khan's personal position is unique in the world today... This man is a bridge between North and South, East and West. His leadership is beyond politics, beyond race, beyond religion. In a world torn by division, hostility, war and fear of nuclear holocaust, he is a shining beacon of inspiration and of hard-headed accomplishment in improving the lot of humankind, in elevating the quality of civilised life and in uplifting all peoples of the world to cherish the brotherhood of man."* (Photo simerg.com.)

Apr 7, 1982

NON-STATE ORGANISATION

Receives the Gold Mercury Ad Personam Award for his "outstanding role in promoting



Nov 25, 1986

MOROCCO

Decorated with the *Le Grand Cordon de Trone Cherifien* (Grand Cordon of Ouis Arch), Morocco's honour, by His Maje Hassan II of Morocco. (Photo: ismaili.n



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Oct 25, 1996

USA

Presented with the *Hadrian Award* of the *WW Fund* for 1996.

Michel David-Weill, co-chair for the ceremony award is "to recognise the profound achievement deep learning and vision," a man with "an extraordinary great power because of who he is."

David Rockefeller states, "His Highness the Aga Khan is a man of vision, intellect, and passion. I've had the pleasure of knowing him for almost forty years."

And Glenn D. Lowry, Director of The Museum of Modern Art, says: "In presenting His Highness the Aga Khan with the 1996 Hadrian Award, the World Monuments Fund recognizes a man who has devoted his life to preserving and improving our environment. He has done this with vision, passion, and dedication. The results are part of his legacy to the cultural world." (Photo simerg.com.)



Oct 4, 2005

SCOTLAND

Awarded the *Carnegie Medal for Philanthropy*. On presenting the medal the former President of Ireland says, "The Aga Khan's values of pluralism, multiculturalism, and strengthening civil society, are those we must all emulate." (Photo akdn.org.)



Oct 3, 2005

GERMANY

Presented with the *Die Quadriga Prize*, the *United We Care Award*, in recognition of His Highness the Aga Khan's life's work in helping people in the poorest regions of the world.

The President of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, delivers the laudatory address, praising the Aga Khan as a humanist, peace-builder, democrat, philanthropist and "esteemed ambassador between civilisations." He adds that: "While bringing people together, His Highness is striving not to diminish or remove cultural and religious differences, but to promote their acceptance and to work for a harmonious diversity. It is this belief in an inclusive world that makes him an inspirational leader of our time." (Photo simerg.com.)



Jun 6, 2005

CANADA

Invested as an *Honorary Companion of the Order of Canada*, Canada's highest formal civilian tribute. The citation states that, "His Highness the Aga Khan has devoted his life to protecting the environment and alleviating human suffering due to poverty."

Her Excellency the Right Honourable Adrienne Clarkson, Governor General of Canada, says of His Highness the Aga Khan: "I have been deeply impressed that you have been able to bring to everything you do, a generosity, importantly, a curiosity, an intelligence and above all, a deep compassion for other human beings." (Photo: Sgt. Eric Jolin.)



Sep 22, 1998

TAJKISTAN

Decorated with the *Order of Friendship*, Tajikistan's highest civilian award. (Photo simerg.com.)



May 20, 2006

GERMANY

Presented with the *Tolerance Award* from the Evangelical Academy of Tutz the Academy says, "[His Highness the Aga Khan] believes the pluralism, and valuing and protecting the diversity of cultures, nationalities and the world are essential for ensuring peace."

During his laudatory address, the German Minister of Foreign Affairs, says an exceptional man, we honour a huge friend of humankind, we honour a coun visionary and we honour a person building bridges between societies ... [who is a democratic progress, as someone wishing to bring about sustainable, pluralistic, A man who shows us a face of Islam that many of us do not know and sadly a do not want to know: an Islam that is open, tolerant and willing to engage in di Islam that is not in conflict with free, democratic and pluralistic societies." (Phot



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Dec 19, 2005

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Jul 11, 2007 to Dec 13, 2008

Seven countries issue stamps to commemorate the Golden Jubilee of His Highness the Aga Khan as 49th Imam of the Ismailis.

- PORTUGAL: 2 stamps (July 11, 2007)
- TANZANIA: 4 stamps and 1 "sheetlet" stamp (August 18, 2007)
- MOZAMBIQUE: 5 stamps (November 21, 2007)
- INDIA: 2 stamps (May 17, 2008)
- BANGLADESH: 4 stamps (September 16, 2008)
- UGANDA: 8 stamps (September 30, 2008)
- KENYA: 4 stamps (December 13, 2008)

Nov 21, 2006

UNITED KINGDOM

Winner of the 10th annual Peter O'Sullivan Award at the Savoy in London. The award recognizes a lifetime's contribution to the sport of horse racing.



Aug 13, 2007

KENYA

Awarded the Chief of the Order of the Golden Heart of Kenya, Kenya's highest medal of honour. On bestowing the award, His Excellency the President of Kenya notes that His Highness the Aga Khan has recorded an impressive and enduring legacy of service to the Ismaili community, Kenya, and the world at large, elaborating that, "[T]he achievements you have accomplished are an eloquent testimony of your dedication to your spiritual calling as well as selfless commitment to the well-being of mankind, irrespective of race or religion." (Photo akdn.org.)



Dec 1, 2007

UNITED KINGDOM

Named Personality of the Year by Apollo, the international magazine for collectors. The Editor notes that "the Aga Khan's vision for the future of our cities is firmly focussed on the repair and enhancement of existing buildings, something that urban planning visionaries in the developed world still neglect."



Jun 30, 2008

IRELAND

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Laws by the National University of Ireland. In his citation, John Hughes, President of the University, says:

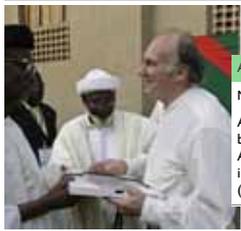
"His Highness is the first member of the Islamic community to be so honoured in the history of NUJ Maynooth ... [He] embodies the spirit of understanding, tolerance and ecumenism that should link the great religions of the world. For fifty years, he has been a voice of moderation and a voice of reason in promoting an Islam that embraces and indeed celebrates pluralism and diversity... Few people on this earth have contributed more to the promotion of tolerance than our guest of honour here today. Ladies and gentlemen, I present to you for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Laws, Honoris Causa, this inspiring leader, great humanitarian, statesman and man of learning and culture, His Highness Prince Karim Aga Khan IV." (Photo akdn.org.)

Jun 12, 2009

UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity by the University of Cambridge, the first Muslim to receive the distinction in the university's 800 year history. In his remarks, Tim Winter, the Academic Secretary in the Faculty of Divinity, says:

"The Honorary Doctorate of Divinity is awarded to individuals who have made a global impact through their religious leadership. I am delighted that His Highness the Aga Khan, whose charitable and spiritual leadership has a truly world-wide reach, and whose support for scholarship has impacted profoundly on Islamic Studies, should have been chosen for this well-deserved honour." (Photo akdn.org.)



Apr 24, 2008

MALI

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate by the University of Sankore, the African continent's most ancient institution of higher education. (Photo akdn.org.)

Jun 19, 2009

CANADA

Made an Honorary Citizen of Canada by unanimous approval of the House of Commons. His Highness the Aga Khan is only the fifth person to receive this honour.

The motion describes the Aga Khan as "a beacon of humanitarianism, pluralism and tolerance throughout the world." The Prime Minister of Canada adds that the Aga Khan is "a great partner and long-time friend of Canada, and a great benefactor to humanity." (Photo akdn.org.)

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Apr 11, 2008

USA

Presented with a key to Austin. (Photo akdn.org.)



Apr 23, 2008

MALI

Aug 12, 1957
ZANZIBAR
 Decorated with the *Brilliant Star of Zanzibar* by His Majesty the Sultan of Zanzibar. (Photo ismaili.net.)



Jul 26, 1957
UNITED KINGDOM
 Receives the title of *His Highness* from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II of Great Britain.

Oct 24, 1959
IRAN
 Receives the title of *His Royal Highness* from His Imperial Majesty the Shah of Iran.



Oct 27, 1960
PORTUGAL
 Decorated with the *Grand Cross of the Order of Infante D. Henrique* by the Portuguese Government in Goa.

Jan 13, 1962
SWITZERLAND
 Wins the *Roberts of Kandhar* challenge cup at Davos, Switzerland, the oldest challenge cup in the world for downhill ski racing.

Jul 11, 1957
 At the age of 20, Prince Karim Aga Khan inherits the Imamate of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims as their 49th Imam. (Photo simerg.com.)

1960
MAURITANIA
 Decorated with the rank of *Commandeur du Mérite Mauritanien* (Commander of the Order of Merit) by the Mauritanian Government.

Mar 17, 1962
ITALY
 Made an *Honorary Citizen* of the Town of Arzachena (Sardinia).

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Oct 22, 1957
NAIROBI, KENYA
 "[R]emember, above all how important it is to encourage and promote good relations among the different races who live here together.
 "Let me give you a practical example – behind, you can see the structure of a great new hospital which is almost completed. It will be one of the best equipped hospitals in East Africa. Half of it has been paid for by the Ismaili community and half by the government. It will be, like our schools, available to all races. I hope that this will be only one of many other ventures in which the spirit of partnership will always prevail."
 – His Highness the Aga Khan, Takht Nashini Ceremony

Oct 1, 1960
KARACHI, PAKISTAN
 "Throughout history, when the great empires broke up, whether it be the fall of the Roman or Byzantine empires, or of the Caliphate, you will find that the youth had lost its dynamism, its personality and its imagination."
 – His Highness the Aga Khan, Karachi University

Nov 24,
MANILLA, PHILIP
 "Let us, therefore, put our to the wheel and show the in which we live that v determined to become first citizens, nay leaders, not f futile glory of leadership help this country become a place in which to live and t that, even if we cannot rec fruit of our labour, our childn be born to brighter hori
 – His Highness the Aga Inauguration of the Min State Uni





Association for Pakistan, special brochure).

"No one that I know of can with greater justification claim to be a citizen of the world than the present Aga Khan and on that account alone he is qualified to look at world problems against the background of the grand tradition of humanistic culture that has been fostered by civility of ages. Whereas other leaders of men are functioning within the narrower framework of mere national ideals, he is privileged to see world problems form a supernational [sic] plane: he alone is endowed with 'global consciousness'.

"Does not the Holy Book admonish us to believe that the entirety of mankind has been created as though it were one indivisible self? And if that be true, must it not follow that one must believe in the spiritual unity of mankind? That, then, is the reason why what the Aga Khan says is so authentic and appeals to all those who love humanity and are concerned about its future welfare."

-- Allah Bukhsh K. Brohi in the preface to the special Convocation Address Brochure (Photo simerg.com.)



Aug 4, 1965

CÔTE D'IVOIRE

Made a Freeman of Abidjan, and presented with a key to the City. (Photo simerg.com.)

Aug 4, 1965

CÔTE D'IVOIRE

Decorated with the Grand Cross of the National Order (Grand Cross of the National Order), the Ivory Coast's highest order.

Mar 14, 1968

PAKISTAN

Inducted as an Honorary Member of the Pakistan Medical Association.

Jan 15, 1970

PAKISTAN

Decorated with the Nishan-i-Imtiaz (Sign of Excellence), Pakistan's third highest honour. (Photo ismaili.net.)



Nov 15, 1966

MALAGASY REPUBLIC

Presented with a key to Majunga. (Photo simerg.com.)

Nov 20, 1966

COMOROS

Decorated with the Grand Cross of the Order of the Green Crescent by the Government of Comoros.

Nov 15, 1966

MALAGASY REPUBLIC

Decorated with the Grand Cross of the National Order of Malagasy Republic, Madagascar's highest honour.

Feb 6, 1970

PAKISTAN

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by Sind University, Karachi "in recognition of the role that his Royal Highness and his ancestors have played in the world of Islam", "of his patronage of arts, education and learning, and in recognition of his love, sympathy, condescension and affability, his humanity and his generosity", and other contributions.

Praising His Highness the Aga Khan, the Vice-chancellor, Prof. Syed Ghulam Mustafa Shah, says, "In a short span of 12 years as Imam, His Royal Highness has shown that he is endowed with wisdom, versatility, sagacity and statesmanship which are characteristic of his noble and great family. In the fast-changing and kaleidoscopic conditions on the continents of Asia and Africa, His Royal Highness has not only guided the socio-economic activities of his own followers, but has also rendered immense material assistance in the economic development of new and young nations and thereby advanced the well-being, prosperity and stability of the people of those countries."

Aug 5, 1965

UPPER VOLTA

Decorated with the L'Ordre National de la Haute-Volta (Grand Cross of the National Order), Upper Volta's highest national title.

1967

IRAN

Decorated with the Nishan-i-Taj-i-Iran (Grand Cordon of the Order of the Crown of Iran).

Feb 1970

PAKISTAN

Invested as an Honorary Colonel of the 6th Lancers by the Pakistani Army.

Dec 8, 1977

ITALY

Decorated with the Order of the Knight of Cross, Italy's highest honour, normally reserved for heads of state, in recognition of His Highness Aga Khan's contributions to the development of Sardinia's economy and tourism. The Aga Khan was the first Muslim to receive the honour.

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KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"The tapestry of Islamic history is studded with jewels of civilisation; these jewels poured forth their light and beauty; great statesmen, great philosophers, great doctors, great astronomers; but these individuals, these precious stones were worked into a tapestry, whose dominant theme was Islam, and this theme remained dominant regardless of the swallowing up of foreign lands, foreign cultures, foreign languages and foreign people."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, Rotary Club

Mar 11, 1967

NAIROBI, KENYA

"[Industrial Promotion Services (IPS)] has taken more of my personal time and thought than practically every other business activity connected with developing countries. The heart of the matter is the idea which lies behind the whole concept of IPS -- the idea of partnership in progress."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, Opening of the Industrial Promotion Services (IPS) Building,

Jan 29, 1970

DACCA, PAKISTAN

"The range of activities IPS [Industrial Promotion Services] is prepared to engage in is very wide indeed. It has no rigid rules about the proportions of loan and equity investments which it makes. Finally, it is prepared -- and indeed, anxious -- to co-operate with other development institutions, both from the Government and the private sector....

"An example of IPS action will shortly be announced in East Africa where ... IPS has brought together several major airlines, an international hotel chain, and other important private interests, to form what will become the largest single tourist consortium in Africa, with a chain of hotels and game lodges stretching throughout Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda. IPS has done this with active participation of the World Bank through its subsidiary agency, the International Finance Corporation, and the development corporations of the three Governments involved. Thus local Government funds local private funds, as well as foreign capital and know-how have all been harnessed in one project to develop further one of the key sectors of the East African economies."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, IPS Luncheon

Mar 12, 1976

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"I have observed in the Western world a deeply changing pattern of human relations. The anchors of moral behaviour appear to have dragged to such depths that they no longer hold firm the ship of life: what was once wrong is now simply unconventional, and for the sake of individual freedom must be tolerated. What is tolerated soon becomes accepted. Contrarily, what was once right is now viewed as outdated, old fashioned and is often the target of ridicule....

"In seeking to define what our Islamic Society should be in times ahead, 50 and 100 and 200 years hence we should, I believe, be aware that the Muslims of this world cover such an amazing range of historical, ethnic and cultural backgrounds that a completely monolithic answer may not be found....

"The Holy Prophet's life gives us every fundamental guideline that we require to resolve the problem as successfully as our human minds and intellects can visualise. His example of integrity, loyalty, honesty, generosity both of means and of time, his solicitude for the poor, the weak and the sick, his steadfastness in friendship, his humility in success, his magnanimity in victory, his simplicity, his wisdom in conceiving new solutions for problems which could not be solved by traditional methods, without affecting the fundamental concepts of Islam, surely all these are foundations which, correctly understood and sincerely interpreted, must enable us to conceive what should be a truly modern and dynamic Islamic Society in the years ahead."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, Presidential Address at the International Seerat Conference

Nov 30, 1967

PESHAWAR, PAKISTAN

"The day we no longer have the time nor the faith to bow in prayer to Allah because the human soul ... is no longer of sufficient importance to us will be a sunless day of despair." "What has been called the permissive society where anything goes, nothing matters, nothing is sacred or private any more, is not a promising foundation for a brave and upright new world. This fearful chase after material ease must surely be tempered by peace of mind, by conscience, by moral values, which must be resuscitated."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, Peshawar University

Feb 6, 1970

HYDERABAD, PAKISTAN

"For five centuries, Muslim architecture led the world in concept, in design, in finish and even in structural ingenuity. Millions of non-Muslims every year visit Islamic monuments in the Middle East, in the Indo-Pakistan subcontinent, and in North Africa. And yet what is being done today to develop our own Islamic architecture of the twenty-first century? Practically nothing."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, University of Sind

economic co-operation, exchange of technologies and experience," and for "renewing social and economic progress."



Mar 16, 1983

PAKISTAN

Aga Khan Medical College is accorded the status of university.

On the occasion of accepting the Aga Khan University Charter, His Excellency the President of Pakistan says, "The valuable services rendered by the Aga Khan family are known not only to us, the people of Pakistan, but to the whole world," and "I can say with full confidence, that The Aga Khan University will prove itself to be a 'lighthouse', which will not only immortalise the great name of the Aga Khan, but also spread new light in Pakistan and the Islamic world – *Insha Allah*." (Photo ismaili.net.)

Nov 1985

PAKISTAN

Inducted as an Honorary Fellow of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Pakistan.



May 15, 1987

CANADA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by McMaster University (Hamilton).

The President of the University, Mr. Alvin Lu praises His Highness the Aga Khan's "sober responsible leadership in the advancement of the Third World; his promotion of education and the ideal of education; his major contribution to heal care in Pakistan and his involvement of McMaster University in that project; and his extraordinary efforts in bridging many and very diverse religions and cultures ... for which, he is unique in bridging, the underdeveloped and the highly developed worlds." (Photo simerg.com.)

Oct 24, 1980

PAKISTAN

Made an Honorary Citizen of Lahore, and presented with a key to the city.

Mar 23, 1983

PAKISTAN

Decorated with the Nishan-e-Pakistan, Pakistan's highest civil award.

The citation states: "The people and the Government of Pakistan have followed with profound admiration and interest the devotion and deep sense of commitment with which Your Highness has been engaged in promoting social and economic welfare activities of Pakistan, of the Islamic Ummah as a whole and indeed of the entire developing world. Your outstanding contributions to the furtherance of these worthy objectives constitute a fitting continuation of the noble traditions of service and humanism of your illustrious family."

Feb 15, 1981

PAKISTAN

Inducted as an Honorary Member of the Pakistan Medical Association, Sind Chapter.



Jul 1987

SPAIN

Awarded the Medalla de Or Superior de Colegios de Arquitectos by His Majesty I the Royal Palace, in recognition of His Highness the Aga Khan's restoration and conservation buildings and to the development of his profession. The Aga Khan is outside Spain to receive the

Feb 15, 1981

PAKISTAN

Presented with a key to Karachi.

Nov 2, 1982

SENEGAL

Decorated with the Grand Officier, L'Ordre National Du Lion (Grand Officer of the National Order of the Lion).

Apr 13, 1984

USA

Awarded the University of Virginia's Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation Medal in Architecture, the first time it has been awarded to a patron of architecture (as opposed to an architect).

The award citation states that: "The Aga Khan has become, in the best time honoured sense of the term, a patron of architectural culture, the most wide ranging, committed and culturally influential patron of our time. And the activities which bear his imprimatur are a model for the developing world and for the West as well... [T]ruly a man for all seasons and all countries ...". (Photo ismaili.net.)

Mar 7, 1981

KENYA

Made an Honorary Citizen of the Town of Kisumu.

Jul 11, 1982 - Jul 11, 1983

His Highness the Aga Khan's Silver Jubilee (25 years) as Imam of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims.

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Sep 28, 1978

ISTANBUL, TURKEY

"The Aga Khan [Architecture] Awards, the first of which will be granted in 1980, will be substantial: \$100,000 in each of five different categories for a potential total of \$500,000 every three years. Their purpose is to make a strong and continuing impact on the architectural profession, on decision makers and on public opinion everywhere...

"[T]he Award will not be confined to architects competing with designs for a succession of prestigious public monuments. We are concerned with the Islamic world and, above all, with the people of Islam... Secondly, the Awards will be open not only to designers, but also to the promoters and decision makers who generally employ them, to craftsmen and builders, to civil servants, and even to ordinary people who have shown initiative in improving their own habitats. A third feature is that they will go only to projects that have been tried and proven over a number of years. How many buildings have won acclaim at the time the ribbon was cut, only to be rejected as impractical and inconvenient by those who had to live or work in them? Heralding a venture which eventually proves unsatisfactory is a trap we fully intend to avoid. Finally, we do not seek anything less ambitious than true excellence in any architecture intended for the Islamic environment."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Aga Khan Award for Architecture Seminar

Mar 16, 1983

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"Muslim scholars reached pinnacles of achievement in astronomy, geography, physics, philosophy, mathematics and especially, in medicine. The great British scientist Isaac Newton remarked that if he was able to see further than his predecessors, it was because he stood on the shoulders of giants. Among those giants who made possible the scientific revolution in Europe were Ibn Sina, whose 'Canon of Medicine' was a standard text for five hundred years; al-Idrisi, the geographer, Ibn Rushd, the philosopher, and a host of other Muslim scientists who had produced the notion of specific gravity, refined Euclid's theories, perfected geometry, evolved trigonometry and algebra, and made modern mathematics possible by developing Indian numerals and the concept of the zero as a numeral of no place value...

"It is no exaggeration to say that the original Christian universities of Latin West, at Paris, Bologna and Oxford, indeed the whole European renaissance, received a vital influx of new knowledge from Islam – an influx from which the later western colleges and universities, including those of North Africa, were to benefit in turn...

"In Islamic belief, knowledge is two-fold. There is that revealed through the Holy Prophet (s.a.s.) and that which man discovers by virtue of his own intellect. Nor do these two involve any contradiction, provided man remembers that his own mind is itself the creation of God. Without this humility, no balance is possible. With it, there are no barriers. Indeed, one strength of Islam has always lain in its belief that creation is not static but continuous, that through scientific and other endeavours, God has opened and continues to open new windows for us to see the marvels of His creation."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, On the acceptance of the Charter of the Aga Khan University

Dec 1983

NEW YORK, USA

"I'm less hypnotised by [the United States'] material wealth than by its wealth of knowledge. This country today represents, without any doubt in my mind, the greatest intensity of human knowledge on the face of the earth. And that is an exhilarating thought, one perhaps not perceived by Americans as much as by non-Americans."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Life Magazine Interview

Nov 11, 1985

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"The relationship between the intellect of man and the physical world around us has always been of fundamental importance to me. How can a modern University respect and re-engage the relationship? ... I apprehend that in certain educational institutions respect for tradition has restricted access to the accomplishment of the past. However, Faith has never been restricted to one place or time since its revelation the fundamental concepts of revelation, constantly valid, and not petrified into period of man's history or confined to one area of the world. Islam is for all places and all time. This is its role for a modern Islamic University which can draw inspiration from the Faith and from the past in the opportunities of the future.

"The Holy Qur'an's encouragement to study nature the physical world around us gave the original impetus to scientific enquiry among Muslims. Exchanges of knowledge between institutions and nations and widening of man's intellectual horizons are essential Islamic concepts. The Faith urges freedom of intellectual enquiry and this freedom does not mean that knowledge will lose its spiritual dimension. That dimension is itself a field for intellectual enquiry. I can not illustrate interdependence of spiritual inspiration and learn that by recounting a dialogue between Ibn Sina, philosopher, and Abu Said Abu-Khyar, the Sufi Imam Ibn Sina remarked, 'Whatever I know, he sees.' To which Abu Said replied, 'Whatever I see, he knows.'"

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Aga Khan University Inauguration

Oct 26, 1988

ITALY

Decorated with the *Cavaliere del Lavoro* (Knight of Labour) in recognition of the major contribution His Highness the Aga Khan had made to the Italy's economy. The Aga Khan is the first Muslim to receive the honour. (Photo ismaili.net.)



May 26, 1996

USA

His Highness the Aga Khan delivers the Ba address at Brown University, (Providence), do so in its 232 year history. In his introduction University President Vartan Gregorian says



"[I]t is my great honour to introduce Brown's 2 speaker. His Highness Prince Karim Aga Khan Muslim baccalaureate speaker in Brown's history in the history of the entire Ivy League and all A He embodies the great ecumenical spirit that I monotheistic religions: Judaism, Christianity and

"He has affected the lives of millions. Indeed, while I was in Chicago, a driver from Pakistan, which I did not know I had one by the way – ir place of birth. When I said I was born in Iran, familiar with the Aga Khan. I said I was slightly Aga Khan. Then he said, 'Everything I have I o spiritual welfare, my business, everything.' And continued, 'He is coming to the United States. opportunity for me to thank him personally, to He then turned down the visor and showed m picture. Your Highness, I told him that when I : you on behalf of Fateh Ali Judhani and all the F the world. They are a legion and they are of a

"[An] inspiring leader, great humanitarian, stat learning and culture..." (Photo simerg.com.)

1991

FRANCE

Awarded the *Medaille d' Argent* (Silver Medal) of the *Academie d'Architecture* de France.

1991

UNITED KINGDOM

Inducted as an *Honorary Fellow* of the Royal Institute of British Architects.



Nov 30, 1993

UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Law* from the University of Wales by His Royal Highness Charles, Prince of Wales, the University's Chancellor, for patronage of education and academic research throughout the world.

The citation notes that the university pays tribute to "a great spiritual and humanitarian tradition" for his "work that has diminished poverty, unemployment and ignorance." It also notes that "his many institutions ... have transformed the quality of life of millions of people in the developing world of Africa and Asia," and have "a matchless record of creative endeavour among the poorer people of our world."

May 27, 1996

USA

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Law* by E (Providence). In his laudatory address, Uni Vartan Gregorian says:

"Your Highness, ... you have followed in family' tradition of service to your people and steward. emphasises compassion and tolerance and tha of all humanity. Following the noble example s grandfather, the previous Imam, you have ded international service..."

"In your life and work you have advanced the understanding of Islamic culture and improved Muslims and non-Muslims alike. Today we han and all Ismailis for your service to Islam and to

1992

USA

Inducted as an *Honorary Member* of the American Institute of Architects.

Oct 11, 1989

UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Literature in Education* from the University of London (Logan Hall) by Her Royal Highness, Princess Anne, Chancellor of the University.

His Highness the Aga Khan is cited as a "calm voice in troubled times, a world leader, uniquely placed to bridge the cultural differences dividing the East and West." (Photo simerg.com.)

Jun 1991

SPAIN

Named *Huesped de Honor De Granada* (Guest of Honour of Granada) at inauguration of the historic 14th Century Zafrá House.

Sep 21, 1992

UZBEKISTAN

Made an *Honorary Citizen* of Samarkand, and presented with a key to the city.

Nov 7, 1990

FRANCE

Decorated with the *Commander of the Legion of Honour* by the President of France for "a long continuity of eminent service rendered to humanity." Established by Napoleon Bonaparte in 1802, the medal is France's highest honour.

Nov 22, 1991

SPAIN

Decorated with the *Gran Cruz De Merito Civil* (Grand Cross of the Order of Civil Merit), one of Spain's most important civil decorations, by His Majesty King Juan Carlos of Spain.

May 11, 1994

USA

His Highness the Aga Khan delivers the commencement address at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Cambridge), the first Muslim to do so in its 130 year history.

Dec 17, 1996

PORTUGAL

Presented with a key to the city.

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May 21, 1990

LONDON, UK

"AKF and its partners have had some success in advocating the creation of an enabling environment in developing countries – an environment that will help the private sector, non-profit and for-profit, become more productive for the benefit of the larger community as a whole. But much remains to be done to mobilise local private resources for development. AKF organised the *Enabling Environment Conference* in Nairobi in 1986, supported by ODA, the World Bank and various private groups, both non-profit and for-profit. This led to a similar conference in Nigeria last year – evidence that some countries are beginning to look carefully at ways in which local private resources can finally be mobilised. The Kenyan Government is supportive of Aga Khan Foundation Kenya's plan to launch an endowment campaign next month in Nairobi. The endowment will help secure long-term support for innovative health and education interventions that contribute to the vitality of the voluntary sector in Kenya..."

"We must work to ensure that governments see the advantage to their peoples in establishing mechanisms to support strong private institutions that can contribute to the intellectual and social fabric of their country."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Address at the "Hands Across The World" Exhibition

Feb 6, 1992

LONDON, UK

"Experiences with the Aga Khan Health Services and Education Services show that ... principles of good governance apply to the voluntary sector as well as private enterprise. Health and education services are offered in areas where Ismailis reside but to all people in the area, regardless of religion. Depending on the site, the population served ranges from 97.5% non-Ismaili to 85% Ismaili. Regardless of the site, the services rely heavily on volunteers, from seasoned professionals to young people moved by the ethic of helping others. By building locally based institution with volunteer directors and professional staff, the Aga Khan Network will ensure that by 1995 – five years before the World Health Organisation's 'Health for all by the year 2000' – all Ismailis living in countries where the network operates will have access to primary health care. This includes all urban communities as well as the most isolated villages in Hunza and Chitral, Gujarat and Andhra Pradesh. Providing this access a has cost of one pound per person per year for Ismailis and non-Ismailis alike..."

"The Aga Khan Rural Support Programme now reaches nearly one million people scattered over an area the size of Ireland, dominated by the highest mountains in the world. It provides a package of social organisation and services to improve production and incomes... The village organisations are now reaching out to protect their environment, and to establish, and largely pay for schools and medical centres."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Royal Society for Asian Affairs

May 27, 1994

CAMBRIDGE, USA

"Education has been important to my family for a long time. My forefathers founded al-Azhar University in Cairo some 1000 years ago, at the time of the Fatimid Caliphate in Egypt. Discovery of knowledge was seen by those founders as an embodiment of religious faith, and faith as reinforced by knowledge of workings of the Creator's physical world. The form of universities has changed over those 1000 years, but that reciprocity between faith and knowledge remains a source of strength..."

"I shall talk today about encounters. Encounters. When two people meet. Or two particles. Or two cultures... In the encounters of people and cultures, much depends on the path that each has taken to that point. These are not stochastic processes. The subjects have histories. The encounter has complexity and rich dimensionality. The result of an encounter between two people or between two cultures is shaped by the assumptions of each, by their respective goals and – perhaps most directly relevant to a university – by the repertoire of responses that each has learned... If the encounter of the Muslim world, the West and the ex-Communist world takes account of the need for each to draw on its own strengths, to be consistent with its goals, to strive for a sustainable, improved outcome and to ensure a humane transition, then the encounter will have been as successful as it is important."

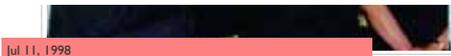
– His Highness the Aga Khan, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

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Jul 11, 1998

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Decorated by President Jorge Sampaio with the Grand Cross of the Order of Merit for "outstanding contribution to human understanding and to social and economic progress in different areas of the world." (Photo simerg.com.)



Jun 7, 2001

SWEDEN

Awarded the Archon Award from the International Nursing Honour Society, Sigma Theta Tau International, for "leadership in promoting global health and welfare and for his compassionate support of nursing research in developing countries." (Photo ismaili.net.)



Nov 28, 2000

USA

Panellist at the White House Conference on Culture and Diplomacy. (Photo simerg.com.)

2002

KYRGYZSTAN

Receives an Honorary Professorship at the University of Osh.

Awarded the National Building Museum's Vincent Scully Prize in recognition of contributions to promoting excellence in design, urban and rural revitalisation, and historic preservation. His Highness the Aga Khan's efforts, the Museum noted, have "helped bridge the gap of understanding between Western and Islamic cultures."

In introducing the Aga Khan, James Wolfensohn, President of the World Bank, says that during his 10 years at the bank "there is one person who stands out in my mind as an icon of not only thought and philosophy but of action... His work in health is legendary as is his work in education." "[T]here is one thing which distinguishes him ... [I]t is the extraordinary sense of humanity that he has. The great depth of real feeling for real people wherever they find themselves in society. He is a holy man. He is the leader of his faith. He's a man who represents the very best in Islam. Something that all too often we tend to forget these days [is] that Islam carries with it values and a culture from which we can all learn."

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Jun 18, 2004

CANADA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by the University of Toronto's Ontario Institute for Studies in Education in recognition of outstanding contributions to community service, higher education and philanthropy.

Jun 25, 2005

LEBANON

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters by the American University of Beirut. In its citation the University praises His Highness the Aga Khan as "an avid philanthropist standing at the head of a network of service institutions focused on the have-nots of the world, Muslim and non-Muslim alike."



Apr 7, 2005

NORWAY

Addresses the Nobel Institute at the invitation of the Government of Norway. (Photo akdn.org.)

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growth and the well-being of our you, your family, all human kind."

Oct 10, 1998

SPAIN

Presented with the Granada de Oro (Gold Medal of the City of Granada).

2001

FRANCE

Awarded an Insignia of Honour by the International Union of Architects.

2002

KAZAKHSTAN

Decorated with the State Award for Peace and Progress.

Dec 31, 2003

UNITED KINGDOM

Made a Knight Commander of the British Empire (KBE) by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II of Great Britain.

Mar 19, 2005

TANZANIA

Made an Honorary Citize of Dar es Salaam

Lisbon.

Oct 17, 1996

CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

"The communications revolution means either a growing 'homogenisation' that we know breeds its own hostile reactions, or we can search for a better course. We can hope that the spirit of the 21st century will be a spirit of Creative Encounter.... For the spirit of Creative Encounter will never become a dominant force in our world without the strong and effective leadership of the information media.

"How can the press best contribute to a spirit of Creative Encounter - here in Africa and around the world? One simple requirement towers above all others: the ability to respect that which is truly different, to understand that which we do not embrace... [I]t means much more than tolerance and forbearance... In truth, cultural sensitivity is something far more rigorous, something that requires a deep intellectual commitment. It requires a readiness to study and to learn across cultural barriers, an ability to see others as they see themselves. Cultural sensitivity is hard work....

"[I]t is the press which should lead the way - not just newspapers and broadcasting outlets, but also the news service and press agencies which serve them and the organisations which support them. For centuries, the press has cast itself as the champion of understanding and enlightenment. And yet, even as the press has become more international, it has often left a trail of misunderstanding in its wake. Confident that more information is a good thing in and of itself, the press has often focused too much on the quantity of what it can deliver, and too little on the quality of what it presents.

"But if the media have sometimes been part of the problem - amplifying the threatening aspects of globalization - then the media can also be part of the solution. If a careless or superficial press can exacerbate the clash of cultures, then a more sensitive and studious press can accomplish the opposite: The same media which serves to distort or discredit old cultures, can also be used to revalidate them, and to help explain them to others."

- His Highness the Aga Khan, Keynote Address at the Commonwealth Press Union Conference

Sep 7, 2002

AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS

"[It is] my conviction that the strengthening of institutions supporting pluralism is as critical for the welfare and progress of human society as are poverty alleviation and conflict prevention. In fact all three are intimately related... The actions to enhance pluralism have to be matched in the developing world by programmes to alleviate poverty because, left alone, poverty will provide a context for special interests to pursue their goals in aggressive terms....

"[D]evelopment is sustainable only if the beneficiaries become, in a gradual manner, the masters of the process. This means that initiatives cannot be contemplated exclusively in terms of economics, but rather as an integrated programme that encompasses social and cultural dimensions as well. Education and skills training, health and public services, conservation of cultural heritage, infrastructure development, urban planning and rehabilitation, rural development, water and energy management, environmental control, and even policy and legislative development are among the various aspects that must be taken into account."

- His Highness the Aga Khan, Prince Claus Fund's Conference on Culture and Development

Jan 30, 2002

TORONTO, CANADA

"[When] you look at what is considered general knowledge in the Western world and you say within the general knowledge of the Western world what does it know about the Islamic world? Is anything taught in secondary education? Does anybody know the names of the great philosophers, the scientists, the great theologians? Do they even know the names of the great civilisations? ... And it is very, very difficult for Muslim leaders to articulate positions against such a vacuum in knowledge."

- His Highness the Aga Khan, Globe and Mail Interview

Apr 15, 2003

NEW DELHI, INDIA

"Tolerance, openness and understanding towards other peoples' cultures, social structures, values and faiths are now essential to the very survival of an interdependent world. Pluralism is no longer simply an asset or a prerequisite for progress and development, it is vital to our existence."

- His Highness the Aga Khan, Ceremony to Inaugurate the Restored Humayun's Tomb Gardens

Sep 6, 2004

BERLIN, GERMANY

"I look at escalating tensions in the world, I am convinced more than ever that neither 'peaceful' nor 'productive' modern societies will ever be achieved by short term responses composed in the midst of crisis. What I will propose to you today is that there are fundamental issues that must be addressed persistently, and over the long term, if we are to achieve the desired outcomes."

- His Highness The Aga Khan Annual Conference of German Ambassadors

Feb 12, 200

EVORA, PORTUGAL

"How, in an increasingly cynical time, can we inspire people to a new set of aspirations - reaching beyond rampant materialism, the new relativism, self-serving individualism, and resurgent tribalism. The search for justice and security, the struggle for equality of opportunity, the quest for tolerance and harmony, the pursuit of human dignity - these are moral imperatives which we must work and think about on a daily basis.

"What I am calling for, in sum, is an ethical sensibility which can be shared across denominational lines and which can foster a universal moral outlook - His Highness the Aga Khan, University of Evora and Symposium

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Jun 15, 2006

EGYPT

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters* by the American University in Cairo. University President David Arnold says that His Highness the Aga Khan has "worked tirelessly throughout his life to better the lives of people around the world."

2, 2006

FUGAL

ded an *Honorary Doctorate* by the University of Évora, for "material piritual service to humanity," "the extraordinary work of economic, l, cultural and educational assistance" through AKDN, and "creating s and promoting dialogue between civilisations and cultures, namely en the East and the West."

ceremony presided over by His Excellency the President of ggal and other dignitaries, His Highness the Aga Khan is praised as eakably guided by the defence of human dignity that is available equally . without distinction as to ethnic, cultural or religious backgrounds" and n international personality of the highest importance."



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Jul 11, 2007 - Dec 13, 2008
His Highness the Aga Khan's Golden Jubilee (50 years) as Imam of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims.

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May 20, 2006
TUTZING, GERMANY
"When people speak these days, about an inevitable 'Clash of Civilisations' in our world, what they often mean, I fear, is an inevitable 'Clash of Religions.' But I would use different terminology altogether. The essential problem, as I see it, in relations between the Muslim world and the West is 'A Clash of Ignorance.' And what I would prescribe – as an essential first step – is a concentrated educational effort."
– His Highness the Aga Khan, Tutzing Evangelical Academy upon receiving the Tolerance Award

Jun 4, 2007
KABUL, AFGHANISTAN
"The term 'Enabling Environment' has two implications which I would underscore today. First, it reminds us that the conditions which enable progress can be extremely complex, that an entire 'environment' of interacting forces must come together if development is truly to take root – and to take off."
"Second – the term recognises that even the right environment is still only an enabling condition – not a sufficient one... In the end, human progress must grow out of the human heart and soul. The environment enables – but it is the human spirit, guided and supported by the Divine Will, which eventually triumphs."
"What a sound enabling environment must do is to create a favourable framework in which human creativity can flourish."
– His Highness the Aga Khan, The Enabling Environment Conference

Jul 4, 2007
AIGLEMONT, FRANCE
"[W]e need to establish an exact diagnosis of poverty, a concept which is still poorly understood... [W]e think [poverty] is comprised of a societal phenomenon, characterised by a lack of access characterised by a lack of access to protection, to security, to healthcare or to education."
– His Highness the Aga Khan, L'Express Interview

Elevated to the dignity of *Grand Cross of the National Order of Mali*, the Republic of Mali's highest award. (Photo akdn.org.)



Jun 5, 2008

USA

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Law* by Harvard University.

Jun 18, 2008

FRANCE

Inducted as *Foreign Associate Member* of the Kenzo Tange, chair of France's Académie des Beaux Arts.

Oct 29, 2008

KAZAKHSTAN

Decorated as *Honoured Educator of the Republic of Kazakhstan*.

2009

KYRGYZSTAN

Named *Personality of the Year* by the International Association for Spiritual Renewal ("Ruhaniat").

May 8, 2009

PORTUGAL

Inducted as *Foreign Member, Class of Humanities*, by Lisbon's Academy of Sciences.

May 28, 2009

FRANCE

Receives the titles *Grand Mécène* (Grand Patron) and *Grand Donateur* (Grand Donor) from the French Ministry of Culture.

Jun 9, 2009

CANADA

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Law* by the University of Alberta.

Dec 17, 2009

FRANCE

Awarded the *Prix de l'Entrepreneur philanthropique de l'année 2009* (Philanthropic Entrepreneur of the Year 2009 Award) by Le Nouvel Economiste.

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His Highness the Aga Khan became Imam (spiritual leader) on July 11, 1957 at the age of 20, succeeding his grandfather, the Aga Khan III. He is the 49th hereditary Imam of the Shia Ismaili community, a descendant of the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him), through his son, Ali, the first Imam, and his wife Fatima, the Prophet's daughter.

Like his grandfather Sir Sultan Mahomed Shah Aga Khan III, upon assuming the office of Imam in 1957, he has been particularly concerned with the challenges of rapid historical change, particularly in the face of the challenges of rapid historical change in some 25 countries, mainly in West and Central Asia, Africa, North America and Western Europe....

The Aga Khan has emphasised the view of Islam as a religion of compassion and tolerance and that upholds the dignity of the individual. In the Shia tradition of Islam, it is the mandate of the Imam to encourage the right to personal intellectual search and to give practical guidance to society that the Islamic message inspires. Addressing a Conference on the Example (Seerat) of the Prophet Muhammad, the Aga Khan said that the wisdom of Allah's final Prophet in setting up a truly modern and dynamic society, without affecting the

During the course of history, the Ismailis have, under the leadership of their Imams, made significant contributions to the growth of Islamic civilisation. The University of Science, Dar al-Ilm, in Cairo and indeed the city of Cairo, have been the cultural, religious and intellectual life of Muslims. An illustrious tradition of physicians, mathematicians, astronomers and scientists

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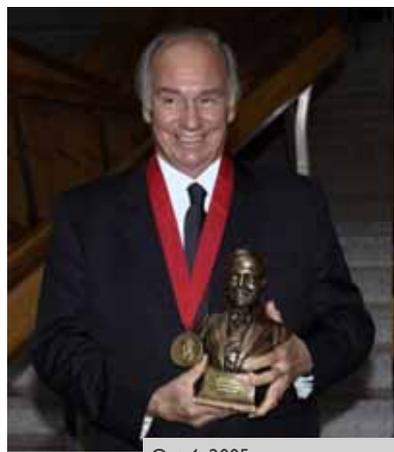


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Jul 11, 2007 to Dec 13, 2008

Seven countries issue stamps to commemorate the Gold Medal of His Highness the Aga Khan as 49th Imam of the Ismailis

- PORTUGAL: 2 stamps (July 11, 2007)
- TANZANIA: 4 stamps and 1 "sheetlet" stamp (August 1, 2007)
- MOZAMBIQUE: 5 stamps (November 21, 2007)
- INDIA: 2 stamps (May 17, 2008)
- BANGLADESH: 4 stamps (September 16, 2008)
- UGANDA: 8 stamps (September 30, 2008)
- KENYA: 4 stamps (December 13, 2008)



Oct 4, 2005

SCOTLAND

Awarded the Carnegie Medal for Philanthropy. On presenting the medal the former President of Ireland says, "The Aga Khan's values of pluralism, multiculturalism, and strengthening civil society, are those we must all emulate." (Photo akdn.org.)

Nov 21, 2006

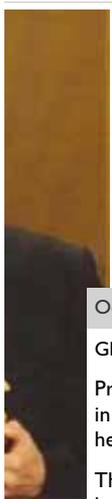
UNITED KINGDOM

Winner of the 10th annual Peter O'Sullivan Award at the Savoy in London. The award recognizes a lifetime's contribution to the sport of horse racing.

Aug 13, 2007

KENYA

Awarded the Chief of the Order of the Golden Heart of Kenya, highest medal of honour. On bestowing the award, His Exc President of Kenya notes that His Highness the Aga Khan I recorded an impressive and enduring legacy of service to the community, Kenya, and the world at large, elaborating that achievements you have accomplished are an eloquent testimony dedication to your spiritual calling as well as selfless commitment being of mankind, irrespective of race or religion." (Photo akdn.org.)



Oct 3, 2005

GERMANY

Presented with the Die Quadriga Prize, the United We Care Award, in recognition of His Highness the Aga Khan's life's work in helping people in the poorest regions of the world.

The President of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, delivers the laudatory address, praising the Aga Khan as a humanist, peace-builder, democrat, philanthropist and "esteemed ambassador between civilisations." He adds that: "While bringing people together, His Highness is striving not to diminish or remove cultural and religious differences, but to promote their acceptance and to work for a harmonious diversity. It is this belief in an inclusive world that makes him an inspirational leader of our time." (Photo simerg.com.)

Dec 1, 2007

UNITED KINGDOM

Named Personality of the Year by *Antiques* magazine for collectors. The Editor writes: "His Highness the Aga Khan is a vision for the future of our cities is of a new era of conservation and enhancement of existing buildings and planning visionaries in the developed world."



Jun 30, 2008

IRELAND

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Laws by the National University of Ireland. In his citation, John Hughes, President of the University, says:

"His Highness is the first member of the Islamic community to be so honoured in the history of NUI Maynooth ... [He] embodies the spirit of understanding, tolerance and ecumenism that should link the great religions of the world. For fifty years, he has been a voice of moderation and a voice of reason in promoting an Islam that embraces and indeed celebrates pluralism and diversity.... Few people on this earth have contributed more to the promotion of tolerance than our guest of honour here today. Ladies and gentlemen, I present to you for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Laws, Honoris Causa, this inspiring leader, great humanitarian, statesman and man of learning and culture, His Highness Prince Karim Aga Khan IV." (Photo akdn.org.)

Jun 6, 2005

CANADA

Awarded the Order of Canada, Canada's highest formal civilian tribute. The citation states that, "His Highness the Aga Khan has devoted his life to protecting the environment and alleviating human suffering due to poverty."

The Governor General of Canada, Adrienne Clarkson, says of His Highness the Aga Khan: "I have been deeply impressed that you have been able to bring to everything you do, a generosity, a curiosity, an intelligence and above all, a deep compassion for other human beings." (Photo: Sgt. Eric Jolin.)

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Jun 12, 2009

UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Divinity* by the University of Cambridge, the first Muslim to receive the distinction in the university's 800 year history. In his remarks, Tim Winter, the Academic Secretary in the Faculty of Divinity, says:

"The Honorary Doctorate of Divinity is awarded to individuals who have made a global impact through their religious leadership. I am delighted that His Highness the Aga Khan, whose charitable and spiritual leadership has a truly world-wide reach, and whose support for scholarship has impacted profoundly on Islamic Studies, should have been chosen for this well-deserved honour." (Photo akdn.org.)

patronage of Ismaili Imams are Qaadi al-Numan, al-Karr e-Khusraw and Nasir al-Din Tusi...

In recent generations, the Aga Khan's family has followed affairs. The Aga Khan's grandfather was President of Prince Aly Khan, was Pakistan's Ambassador to the United Nations' High Commissioner for assistance to Afghanistan and United Kingdom border areas.

The Aga Khan's brother, Prince Ameen, joined the United Nations Economic and Social Affairs following his graduation from Cambridge. Prince Ameen has been closely involved with the governance of the Imamate...

In consonance with this vision of Islam and a long-standing tradition, Ismailis have elaborated a well-defined institutional framework for the quality of life within the communities in which they live. This framework expanded and evolved into the Aga Khan Development Network, institutions working to improve living conditions and social and economic development in the developing world. In every country, these institutions work to improve education and health to the promotion of private sector development, government organisations and rural development...

Over the years, the Aga Khan has received numerous awards in recognition of the various dimensions of his work.

The title His Highness was granted by Her Majesty the Queen Elizabeth II in 1957. He was also His Royal Highness by His Imperial Majesty the Shah of Iran.

-- Aga Khan Development Network

To review His Highness the Aga Khan's speeches visit: [http://www.aka.gov.uk](#)

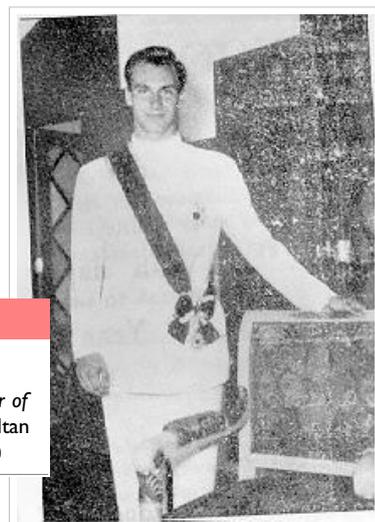
To learn more about the Aga Khan Development Network visit: [http://www.aka.gov.uk](#)

To learn more about the Ismaili community visit: [http://www.ismaili.net](#)

Aug 12, 1957

ZANZIBAR

Decorated with the *Brilliant Star of Zanzibar* by His Majesty the Sultan of Zanzibar. (Photo ismaili.net.)



Jul 26, 1957

UNITED KINGDOM

Receives the title of *His Highness* from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II of Great Britain.

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Aug 4, 1965

CÔTE D'IVOIRE

Made a Freeman of Abidjan, and
presented with a key to the City.
(Photo simerg.com.)

Aug 4, 1965

CÔTE D'IVOIRE

Decorated with the Grand
of the National Order (Grand
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Nov 30, 1967

PAKISTAN

Receives an *Honorary Doctorate of Law* from Peshawar University for his generosity and dedication towards all Muslims. (Photo: Ismailia Association for Pakistan, Special Brochure).

"No one that I know of can with greater justification claim to be a citizen of the world than the present Aga Khan and on that account alone he is qualified to look at world problems against the background of the grand tradition of humanistic culture that has been fostered by civility of ages. Whereas other leaders of men are functioning within the narrower framework of mere national ideals, he is privileged to see world problems form a supernational [sic] plane: he alone is endowed with 'global consciousness'.

"Does not the Holy Book admonish us to believe that the entirety of mankind has been created as though it were one indivisible self? And if that be true, must it not follow that one must believe in the spiritual unity of mankind? That, then, is the reason why what the Aga Khan says is so authentic and appeals to all those who love humanity and are concerned about its future welfare."

-- Allah Bukhsh K. Brohi in the preface to the special Convocation Address Brochure (Photo simerg.com.)



Jan 15, 1970

PAKISTAN

Decorated with the *Nishan-Ihtiaz* (Sign of Excellence), Pakistan's third highest honour. (Photo ismaili.net.)



Mar 14, 1968

PAKISTAN

Inducted as an *Honorary Member* of the Pakistan Medical Association.



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Nov 20, 1966

Feb 6, 1970



Nov 1, 1983

CANADA

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Law* McGill University.

In his laudatory address, the Principal chancellor says: *"The Aga Khan's personality is unique in the world today.... This man between North and South, East and West leadership is beyond politics, beyond race religion. In a world torn by division, hostility, fear of nuclear holocaust, he is a shining inspiration and of hard-headed accomplishment improving the lot of humankind, in elevating the quality of civilised life and in uplifting all parts of the world to cherish the brotherhood of man."* (Photo simerg.com.)

Apr 7, 1982

NON-STATE ORGANISATION

Receives the *Gold Mercury Ad Personam Award* for his "outstanding role in promoting economic co-operation, exchange of technologies and experience," and for "renewing social and economic progress."

Nov 1985

PAKISTAN

Inducted into the *Physic*



1984

USA

Awarded an *Institute Honorary* the American Institute of Physics

Mar 16, 1983

PAKISTAN

Aga Khan Medical College is accorded the status of university.

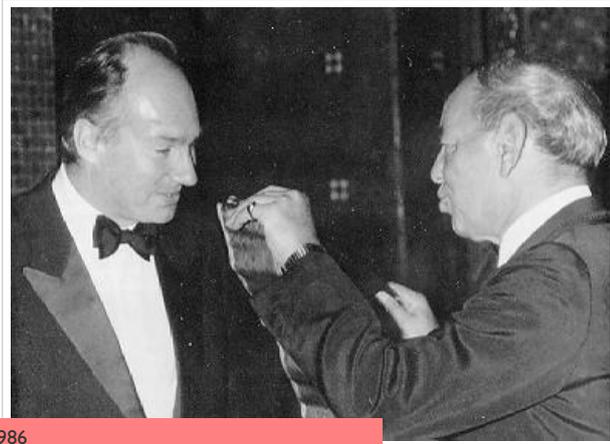
On the occasion of accepting the Aga Khan University Charter, Excellency the President of Pakistan says, *"The valuable services rendered by the Aga Khan family are known not only to us, the people of Pakistan but to the whole world,"* and *"I can say with full confidence, that The Aga Khan will prove itself to be a 'lighthouse', which will not only immortalise the name of the Aga Khan, but also spread new light in Pakistan and the world – Insha'Allah."* (Photo ismaili.net.)

Oct 24, 1980

PAKISTAN

Mar 23, 1983

PAKISTAN



Nov 25, 1986

MOROCCO

Decorated with the *Le Grand Cordon de l'Order du Trone Cherifen* (Grand Cordon of Ouissam-al Arch), Morocco's honour, by His Majesty King Hassan II of Morocco. (Photo: ismaili.net.)



Oct 26, 1988

ITALY

Decorated with the *Cavaliere del Lavoro* (Knight of Labour) in recognition of the major contribution His Highness the Aga Khan had made to the Italy's economy. The Aga Khan is the first Muslim to receive the honour. (Photo ismaili.net.)



May 15, 1987

CANADA

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Law* by McMaster University (Hamilton).

The President of the University, Mr. Alvin Lee, praises His Highness the Aga Khan's "sober and responsible leadership in the advancement of the Third World; his promotion of education and the ideal of education; his major contribution to health care in Pakistan and his involvement of McMaster University in that project; and his extraordinary efforts in bridging many and very diverse religions and cultures ... for which, he is unique in bridging the underdeveloped and the highly developed worlds." (Photo simerg.com.)



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Oct 25, 1996

USA

Presented with the *Hadrian Award* of the *W Fund* for 1996.

Michel David-Weill, co-chair for the ceremony award is "to recognise the profound achievement of deep learning and vision," a man with "an extraordinary great power because of who he is."

David Rockefeller states, "His Highness the Aga Khan is a man of vision, intellect, and passion. I've had the pleasure of knowing him for almost forty years."

And Glenn D. Lowry, Director of The Museum of Art, says: "In presenting His Highness the Aga Khan with the 1996 Hadrian Award, the World Monuments Fund recognizes a man who has devoted his life to preserving and improving our cultural environment. He has done this with vision, passion, and dedication. The results are part of his legacy to the cultural world." (Photo simerg.com.)



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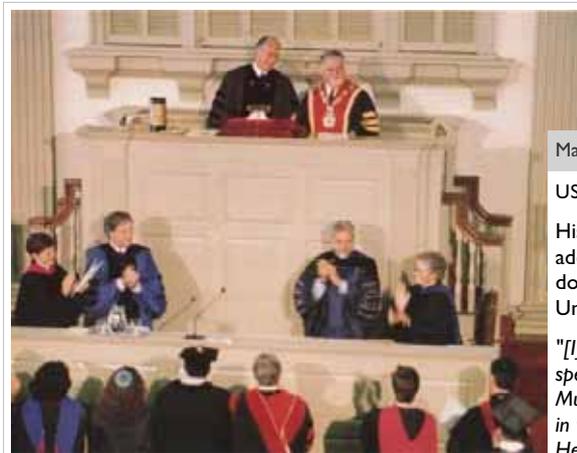
Awarded the *Medaille d'Argent* (Silver Medal) of the *Academie d'Architecture de France*.

1991

UNITED KINGDOM

Inducted as an *Honorary Fellow* of the *Royal Institute of British Architects*.

1992



May 26, 1996

USA

His Highness the Aga Khan delivers the *Baccalaureate Address* at *Brown University*, (Providence), Rhode Island, to do so in its 232 year history. In his introductory remarks, *University President Vartan Gregorian* says

"[I]t is my great honour to introduce *Brown's 232nd Baccalaureate speaker*. His Highness *Prince Karim Aga Khan IV*, a Muslim baccalaureate speaker in *Brown's history* in the history of the entire Ivy League and all American universities. He embodies the great ecumenical spirit that links all monotheistic religions: Judaism, Christianity and Islam."

"He has affected the lives of millions. Indeed, while I was in Chicago, a driver from Pakistan, who I did not know I had one by the way – in my place of birth. When I said I was born in Iran, he said he was familiar with the Aga Khan. I said I was slightly Muslim. He said, 'Everything I have I owe to the spiritual welfare, my business, everything.' And he continued, 'He is coming to the United States. It is an opportunity for me to thank him personally, to thank you. He then turned down the visor and showed me his picture. Your Highness, I told him that when I was born, you were on behalf of Fateh Ali Jadhani and all the Muslims of the world. They are a legion and they are of a great faith.'"

"[An] inspiring leader, great humanitarian, statesman, scholar, learning and culture..." (Photo simerg.com.)

Nov 30, 1993

UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Law* from the *University of Wales* by His Royal Highness *Charles, Prince of Wales*, the University's Chancellor, for his patronage of education and academic research throughout the world.

The citation notes that the university pays tribute to "a great spiritual and humanitarian tradition" for his "work that has diminished poverty, unemployment and ignorance." It also notes that "his many



Sep 22, 1998

TAJIKISTAN

Decorated with the *Order of Friendship*, Tajikistan's highest civilian award. (Photo simerg.com.)



Jan 25, 2005

USA

Awarded the National Build contributions to promoting historic preservation. His Hi "helped bridge the gap of und

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Jul 11, 1998

PORTUGAL

Decorated by President Jorge Sampaio with the *Grand Cross of the Order of Merit* for "outstanding contribution to human understanding and to social and economic progress in different areas of the world." (Photo simerg.com.)

Jun 18, 2004

CANADA

Awarded an H of Toronto's C recognition of service, higher



Jun 7, 2001

SWEDEN

Awarded the *Archon Award* from the International Nursing Honour Society, Sigma Theta Tau International, for "leadership in promoting global health and welfare and for his compassionate support of nursing research in developing countries." (Photo ismaili.net.)

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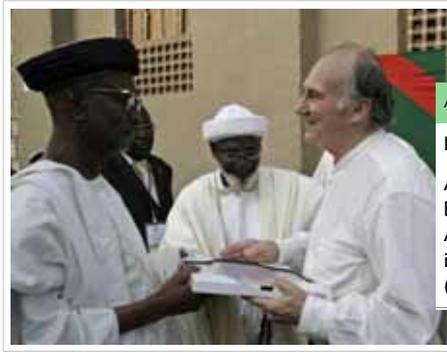


May 20, 2006

GERMANY

Presented with the Tolerance Award from the Evangelical Academy of Tutzing. In its award citation the Academy says, "[His Highness the Aga Khan] believes that respect for pluralism, and valuing and protecting the diversity of cultures, nationalities and religions around the world are essential for ensuring peace."

During his laudatory address, the German Minister of Foreign Affairs, says: "We honour an exceptional man, we honour a huge friend of humankind, we honour a courageous visionary and we honour a person building bridges between societies ... [who is a] fortress for democratic progress, as someone wishing to bring about sustainable, pluralistic, civil societies... A man who shows us a face of Islam that many of us do not know and sadly all too often we do not want to know: an Islam that is open, tolerant and willing to engage in dialogue. An Islam that is not in conflict with free, democratic and pluralistic societies." (Photo akdn.org.)



Apr 24, 2008

MALI

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate by the University of Sankore, the African continent's most ancient institution of higher education. (Photo akdn.org.)



Apr 11, 2008

USA

Presented with a key to A (Photo akdn.org.)



ling Museum's Vincent Scully Prize in recognition of excellence in design, urban and rural revitalisation, and ghnness the Aga Khan's efforts, the Museum noted, have erstanding between Western and Islamic cultures."

i, James Wolfensohn, President of the World Bank, says he bank "there is one person who stands out in my mind as d philosophy but of action.... His work in health is legendary as ere is one thing which distinguishes him ... [I]t is the ty that he has. The great depth of real feeling for real people in society. He is a holy man. He is the leader of his faith. He's y best in Islam. Something that all too often we tend to forget es with it values and a culture from which we can all learn."

Dec 19, 2005

PORTUGAL

Decorated with the Gra-Gruz de Cristo (Grand Cross of the Military Order of Christ), one of Portugal's highest honours, for outstanding service to the country.

Speaking of the work of the AKDN in Portugal, His Excellency the President of Portugal says: "A distinguishing feature of all these activities is the fact that they follow a coherent, enlightened strategy of sustainable development, perfected in many years of field experience, based on a commitment to people – to their intelligence, to their will and to their enterprising spirit – and designed to make the beneficiaries of these activities their owners and leaders."



Honorary Doctorate of Law by the University Ontario Institute for Studies in Education in outstanding contributions to community education and philanthropy.

Jun 25, 2005

LEBANON

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters by the American University of Beirut. In its citation the University praises His Highness the Aga Khan as "an avid philanthropist standing at the head of a network of service institutions focused on the have-nots of the world, Muslim and non-Muslim alike."

Jun 15, 2006

EGYPT

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters by the American University in Cairo. University President David Arnold says that His Highness the Aga Khan has "worked tirelessly throughout his life to better the lives of people around the world."



Feb 12, 2006

PORTUGAL

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate by the University of Évora, for "material and spiritual service to humanity," "the extraordinary work of economic,



Jun 19, 2009

CANADA

Made an *Honorary Citizen of Canada* by unanimous approval of the House of Commons. His Highness the Aga Khan is only the fifth person to receive this honour.

The motion describes the Aga Khan as "*a beacon of humanitarianism, pluralism and tolerance throughout the world.*" The Prime Minister of Canada adds that the Aga Khan is "*a great partner and long-time friend of Canada, and a great benefactor to humanity.*" (Photo akdn.org.)



Apr 23, 2008

MALI

Elevated to the dignity of *Grand Cross of the National Order of Mali*, the Republic of Mali's highest award. (Photo akdn.org.)

Jun 5, 2008

USA

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Law* by Harvard University.

Jun 18, 2008

FRANCE

Inducted as *Foreign Associate Member* of the Kenzo Tange, chair of France's Académie des Beaux Arts.

Oct 29, 2008

KAZAKHSTAN

Decorated as *Honoured Educator of the Republic of Kazakhstan*.

2009

KYRGYZSTAN

Named *Personality of the Year* by the International Association for Spiritual Renewal ("Ruhaniat").

May 8, 2009

RUSSIA

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Oct 24, 1959

IRAN

Receives the title of *His Royal Highness* from His Imperial Majesty the Shah of Iran

Oct 27, 1960

PORTUGAL

Decorated with the *Grand Order of Infante D. Henrique* Portuguese Government

Jul 11, 1957
At the age of 20, Prince Karim Aga Khan inherits the Imamate of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims as their 49th Imam. (Photo simerg.com.)

1960

MAURITANIA

Decorated with the rank of *Commandeur du Mérite Mauritanien* (Commander of Merit) by the Mauritanian Government

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Oct 22, 1957

NAIROBI, KENYA

"[R]emember, above all how important it is to encourage and promote good relations among the different races who live here together.

"Let me give you a practical example – behind, you can see the structure of a great new hospital which is almost completed. It will be one of the best equipped hospitals in East Africa. Half of it has been paid for by the Ismaili community and half by the government. It will be, like our schools, available to all races. I hope that this will be only one of many other ventures in which the spirit of partnership will always prevail."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Takht Nashini Ceremony



Nov 15, 1966

MALAGASY REPUBLIC

Presented with a key to Majunga.
(Photo simerg.com.)

Jan 13, 1962

SWITZERLAND

Wins the *Roberts of Kandhar* challenge cup at Davos, Switzerland, the oldest challenge cup in the world for downhill ski racing.

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ITALY

Made an *Honorary Citizen* of the Town of Arzachena (Sardinia).

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Aug 5, 1965

UPPER VOLTA

Decorated with the *L'Ordre National de la Haute-Volta* (Grand Cross of the National Order), Upper Volta's highest national title.

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Oct 1, 1960

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"Throughout history, when the great empires broke up, whether it be the fall of the Roman or Byzantine empires, or of the Caliphate, you will find that the youth had lost its dynamism, its personality and its imagination."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Karachi University

Nov 24, 1963

MANILLA, PHILIPPINES

"Let us, therefore, put our backs to the wheel and show the state in which we live that we are determined to become first class citizens, nay leaders, not for the futile glory of leadership but to help this country become a better place in which to live and ensure that, even if we cannot reap the fruit of our labour, our children will be born to brighter horizons."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Inauguration of the Mindanao State University

Dec 4, 1964

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"The tapestry of Islamic history is studded with jewels of civilisation; these jewels poured forth their light and beauty; great statesmen, great philosophers, great doctors, great astronomers; but these individuals, these precious stones were worked into a tapestry, whose dominant theme was Islam, and this theme remained dominant regardless of the swallowing up of foreign lands, foreign cultures, foreign languages and foreign people."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Rotary Club

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– His Highness the Aga Khan, Office of Industrial Services (IPS)

"The day we no longer have the time nor the faith to bow to the human soul ... is no longer of sufficient importance to despair." "What has been called the permissive society, nothing is sacred or private any more, is not a step towards an upright new world. This fearful chase after material progress by peace of mind, by conscience, by moral values"

– His Highness the Aga Khan

COMOROS

Decorated with the Grand Cross of the Order of the Green Crescent by the Government of Comoros.

Nov 15, 1966

MALAGASY REPUBLIC

Decorated with the Grand Cross of the National Order of Malagasy Republic, Madagascar's highest honour.

PAKISTAN

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by Sind University, Karachi "in recognition of the role that his Royal Highness and his ancestors have played in the world of Islam", "of his patronage of arts, education and learning, and in recognition of his love, sympathy, condescension and affability, his humanity and his generosity", and other contributions.

Praising His Highness the Aga Khan, the Vice-chancellor, Prof. Syed Ghulam Mustafa Shah, says, "In a short span of 12 years as Imam, His Royal Highness has shown that he is endowed with wisdom, versatility, sagacity and statesmanship which are characteristic of his noble and great family. In the fast-changing and kaleidoscopic conditions on the continents of Asia and Africa, His Royal Highness has not only guided the socio-economic activities of his own followers, but has also rendered immense material assistance in the economic development of new and young nations and thereby advanced the well-being, prosperity and stability of the people of those countries."

Dec 8, 1977

ITALY

Decorated with the Order of the Knight of the Cross, Italy's highest honour, normally reserved for heads of state, in recognition of His Highness the Aga Khan's contributions to the development of Sardinia's economy and tourism. The Aga Khan was the first Muslim to receive the honour.

Feb 1970

PAKISTAN

Invested as an Honorary Colonel of the 6th Lancers by the Pakistani Army.

Decorated with the Nishan-i-Taj-i-Iran (the highest Cordon of the Order of the Lion and Sun of Iran).

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Apr 11, 1967

COBI, KENYA

"The Industrial Promotion Services (IPS) has taken my personal thought that every other industrial activity is developing. The heart of the concept of IPS - partnership in progress."

His Highness the Aga Khan, IPS Building,

"The range of activities IPS [Industrial Promotion Services] is prepared to engage in is very wide indeed. It has no rigid rules about the proportions of loan and equity investments which it makes. Finally, it is prepared - and indeed, anxious - to co-operate with other development institutions, both from the Government and the private sector..."

"An example of IPS action will shortly be announced in East Africa where ... IPS has brought together several major airlines, an international hotel chain, and other important private interests, to form what will become the largest single tourist consortium in Africa, with a chain of hotels and game lodges stretching throughout Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda. IPS has done this with active participation of the World Bank through its subsidiary agency, the International Finance Corporation, and the development corporations of the three Governments involved. Thus local Government funds local private funds, as well as foreign capital and know-how have all been harnessed in one project to develop further one of the key sectors of the East African economies."

- His Highness the Aga Khan, IPS Luncheon

Jan 29, 1970

DACCA, PAKISTAN

Mar 12, 1976

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"I have observed in the Western world a deeply changing pattern of human relations. The anchors of moral behaviour appear to have dragged to such depths that they no longer hold firm the ship of life: what was once wrong is now simply unconventional, and for the sake of individual freedom must be tolerated. What is tolerated soon becomes accepted. Contrarily, what was once right is now viewed as outdated, old fashioned and is often the target of ridicule..."

"In seeking to define what our Islamic Society should be in times ahead, 50 and 100 and 200 years hence we should, I believe, be aware that the Muslims of this world cover such an amazing range of historical, ethnic and cultural backgrounds that a completely monolithic answer may not be found..."

"The Holy Prophet's life gives us every fundamental guideline that we require to resolve the problem as successfully as our human minds and intellects can visualise. His example of integrity, loyalty, honesty, generosity both of means and of time, his solicitude for the poor, the weak and the sick, his steadfastness in friendship, his humility in success, his magnanimity in victory, his simplicity, his wisdom in conceiving new solutions for problems which could not be solved by traditional methods, without affecting the fundamental concepts of Islam, surely all these are foundations which, correctly understood and sincerely interpreted, must enable us to conceive what should be a truly modern and dynamic Islamic Society in the years ahead."

- His Highness the Aga Khan, Presidential Address at the International Seerat Conference

Nov 30, 1967

PESHAWAR, PAKISTAN

"In prayer to Allah because the price to us will be a sunless day of eternity where anything goes, nothing promising foundation for a brave and easy must surely be tempered with wisdom, which must be resuscitated."

His Highness the Aga Khan, Peshawar University

Feb 6, 1970

HYDERABAD, PAKISTAN

"For five centuries, Muslim architecture led the world in concept, in design, in finish and even in structural ingenuity. Millions of non-Muslims every year visit Islamic monuments in the Middle East, in the Indo-Pakistan subcontinent, and in North Africa. And yet what is being done today to develop our own Islamic architecture of the twenty-first century? Practically nothing."

- His Highness the Aga Khan, University of Sind

Made an *Honorary Citizen of Lahore*, and presented with a key to the city.

Feb 15, 1981

PAKISTAN

Inducted as an *Honorary Member* of the Pakistan Medical Association, Sind Chapter.

Feb 15, 1981

PAKISTAN

Presented with a key to Karachi.

Mar 7, 1981

KENYA

Made an *Honorary Citizen* of the Town of Kisumu.

Decorated with the *Nishan-e-Pakistan*, Pakistan's highest civil award.

The citation states: "The people and the Government of Pakistan have with profound admiration and interest the devotion and deep sense of commitment with which Your Highness has been engaged in promoting and economic welfare activities of Pakistan, of the Islamic Ummah as and indeed of the entire developing world. Your outstanding contributions furtherance of these worthy objectives constitute a fitting continuation of noble traditions of service and humanism of your illustrious family."

Nov 2, 1982

SENEGAL

Decorated with the *Grand Officier, L'Ordre National Du Lion* (Grand Officer of the National Order of the Lion).

Apr 13, 1983

USA

Awarded the *Thomas Jefferson Award in Architecture* for activities which opposed the

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His Highness the Aga Khan's Silver Jubilee (25 years) as Imam of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims.

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"The Aga Khan [Architecture] Awards, the first of which will be granted in 1980, will be substantial: \$100,000 in each of five different categories for a potential total of \$500,000 every three years. Their purpose is to make a strong and continuing impact on the architectural profession, on decision makers and on public opinion everywhere....

"[T]he Award will not be confined to architects competing with designs for a succession of prestigious public monuments. We are concerned with the Islamic world and, above all, with the people of Islam.... Secondly, the Awards will be open not only to designers, but also to the promoters and decision makers who generally employ them, to craftsmen and builders, to civil servants, and even to ordinary people who have shown initiative in improving their own habitats. A third feature is that they will go only to projects that have been tried and proven over a number of years. How many buildings have won acclaim at the time the ribbon was cut, only to be rejected as impractical and inconvenient by those who had to live or work in them? Heralding a venture which eventually proves unsatisfactory is a trap we fully intend to avoid. Finally, we do not seek anything less ambitious than true excellence in any architecture intended for the Islamic environment."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Aga Khan Award for Architecture Seminar

Mar 16, 1983

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"Muslim scholars reached pinnacles of achievement in astronomy, geography, physics, philosophy, mathematics and especially, in medicine. The great British scientist Isaac Newton remarked that if he was able to see further than his predecessors, it was because he stood on the shoulders of giants. Among those giants who made possible the scientific revolution in Europe were Ibn Sina, whose 'Canon of Medicine' was a standard text for five hundred years; al-Idrisi, the geographer; Ibn Rushd, the philosopher, and a host of other Muslim scientists who had produced the notion of specific gravity, refined Euclid's theories, perfected geometry, evolved trigonometry and algebra, and made modern mathematics possible by developing Indian numerals and the concept of the zero as a numeral of no place value....

"It is no exaggeration to say that the original Christian universities of Latin West, at Paris, Bologna and Oxford, indeed the whole European renaissance, received a vital influx of new knowledge from Islam – an influx from which the later western colleges and universities, including those of North Africa, were to benefit in turn....

"In Islamic belief, knowledge is two-fold. There is that revealed through the Holy Prophet (s.a.s.) and that which man discovers by virtue of his own intellect. Nor do these two involve any contradiction, provided man remembers that his own mind is itself the creation of God. Without this humility, no balance is possible. With it, there are no barriers. Indeed, one strength of Islam has always lain in its belief that creation is not static but continuous, that through scientific and other endeavours, God has opened and continues to open new windows for us to see the marvels of His creation."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, On the acceptance of the Charter of the Aga Khan University

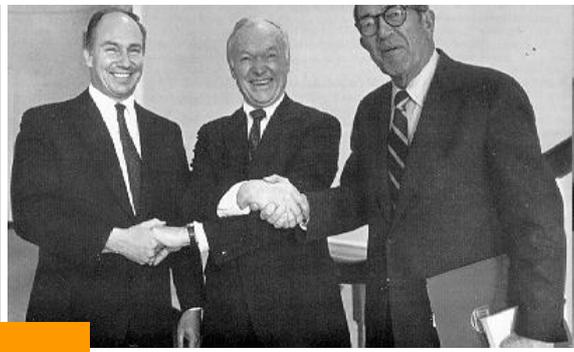
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NEW YORK, USA

"[I'm less hypnotized by the material wealth of knowledge represents, with mind, the greatest knowledge on the that is an exhilarating perhaps not perceived much as by non-Muslims] – His Highness the Aga Khan, Life Magazine Interview

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UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Literature in Education* from the University of London (Logan Hall) by Her Royal Highness, Princess Anne, Chancellor of the University.

His Highness the Aga Khan is cited as a "calm voice in troubled times, a world leader, uniquely placed to bridge the cultural differences dividing the East and West." (Photo simerg.com.)

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SPAIN

Awarded the *Medalla de Oro del Consejo Superior de Colegios de Arquitectos* (Gold Gold Medal of the Superior Council of Colleges of Architects) by His Majesty King Juan Carlos at the Royal Palace, in recognition of His Highness the Aga Khan's contribution to the restoration and conservation of historic buildings and to the development of the profession. The Aga Khan is the first recipient outside Spain to receive this honour.

Nov 7, 1990

FRANCE

Decorated with the *Commander of Honour* by the President of France *continuity of eminent service rendered to humanity.* Established by Napoleon in 1802, the medal is France's high

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KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"The relationship between the intellect of man and Faith has always been of fundamental importance to Muslims. How can a modern University respect and re-enforce that relationship? ... I apprehend that in certain educational institutions respect for tradition has restricted academic study to the accomplishment of the past. However, our Faith has never been restricted to one place or time. Ever since its revelation the fundamental concepts of Islam have been its universality and the fact that this is the last revelation, constantly valid, and not petrified into one period of man's history or confined to one area of the world. Islam is for all places and all time. This is why there is a role for a modern Islamic University which can draw inspiration from the Faith and from the past in addressing the opportunities of the future.

"The Holy Qu'ran's encouragement to study nature and the physical world around us gave the original impetus to scientific enquiry among Muslims. Exchanges of knowledge between institutions and nations and the widening of man's intellectual horizons are essentially Islamic concepts. The Faith urges freedom of intellectual enquiry and this freedom does not mean that knowledge will lose its spiritual dimension. That dimension is indeed itself a field for intellectual enquiry. I can not illustrate this interdependence of spiritual inspiration and learning better than by recounting a dialogue between Ibn Sina, the philosopher, and Abu Said Abu -Khyar, the Sufi mystic. Ibn Sina remarked, 'Whatever I know, he sees.' To which Abu Said replied, 'Whatever I see, he knows.'"

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Aga Khan University Inauguration

May 21, 1990

LONDON, UK

"AKF and its partners have had some success in advocating the creation of an enabling environment in developing countries – an environment that will help the private sector, non-profit and for-profit, become more productive for the benefit of the larger community as a whole. But much remains to be done to mobilise local private resources for development. AKF organised the *Enabling Environment Conference* in Nairobi in 1986, supported by ODA, the World Bank and various private groups, both non-profit and for-profit. This led to a similar conference in Nigeria last year – evidence that some countries are beginning to look carefully at ways in which local private resources can finally be mobilised. The Kenyan Government is supportive of Aga Khan Foundation Kenya's plan to launch an endowment campaign next month in Nairobi. The endowment will help secure long-term support for innovative health and education interventions that contribute to the vitality of the voluntary sector in Kenya....

"We must work to ensure that governments see the advantage to their peoples in establishing mechanisms to support strong private institutions that can contribute to the intellectual and social fabric of their country."

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Address at the "Hands Across The World" Exhibition

USA

Inducted as an *Honorary Member of the American Institute of Architects.*

institutions ... have transformed the quality of life of millions of people in the developing world of Africa and Asia," and have "a matchless record of creative endeavour among the poorer people of our world."

May 27, 1996

USA

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Law* by E (Providence). In his laudatory address, Univ Vartan Gregorian says:

"Your Highness, ... you have followed in family' tradition of service to your people and steward: emphasises compassion and tolerance and that of all humanity. Following the noble example se grandfather, the previous Imam, you have ded. international service...."

"In your life and work you have advanced the understanding of Islamic culture and improved Muslims and non-Muslims alike. Today we hon and all Ismailis for your service to Islam and to

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Sep 21, 1992

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Made an *Honorary Citizen of Samarkand*, and presented with a key to the city.

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Nov 22, 1991

SPAIN

Decorated with the *Gran Cruz De Merito Civil* (Grand Cross of the Order of Civil Merit), one of Spain's most important civil decorations, by His Majesty King Juan Carlos of Spain.

May 11, 1994

USA

His Highness the Aga Khan delivers the commencement address at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Cambridge), the first Muslim to do so in its 130 year history.

Dec 17, 1996

PORTUGAL

Presented with a key to

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Feb 6, 1992

LONDON, UK

"Experiences with the Aga Khan Health Services and Education Services show that ... principles of good governance apply to the voluntary sector as well as private enterprise. Health and education services are offered in areas where Ismailis reside but to all people in the area, regardless of religion. Depending on the site, the population served ranges from 97.5% non-Ismaili to 85% Ismaili. Regardless of the site, the services rely heavily on volunteers, from seasoned professionals to young people moved by the ethic of helping others. By building locally based institution with volunteer directors and professional staff, the Aga Khan Network will ensure that by 1995 – five years before the World Health Organisation's 'Health for all by the year 2000' – all Ismailis living in countries where the network operates will have access to primary health care. This includes all urban communities as well as the most isolated villages in Hunza and Chitral, Gujarat and Andhra Pradesh. Providing this access a has cost of one pound per person per year for Ismailis and non-Ismailis alike...."

"The Aga Khan Rural Support Programme now reaches nearly one million people scattered over an area the size of Ireland, dominated by the highest mountains in the world. It provides a package of social organisation and services to improve production and incomes.... The village organisations are now reaching out to protect their environment, and to establish, and largely pay for schools and medical centres."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Royal Society for Asian Affairs

May 27, 1994

CAMBRIDGE, USA

"Education has been important to my family for a long time. My forefathers founded al-Azhar University in Cairo some 1000 years ago, at the time of the Fatimid Caliphate in Egypt. Discovery of knowledge was seen by those founders as an embodiment of religious faith, and faith as reinforced by knowledge of workings of the Creator's physical world. The form of universities has changed over those 1000 years, but that reciprocity between faith and knowledge remains a source of strength...."

"I shall talk today about encounters. Encounters. When two people meet. Or two particles. Or two cultures.... In the encounters of people and cultures, much depends on the path that each has taken to that point. These are not stochastic processes. The subjects have histories. The encounter has complexity and rich dimensionality. The result of an encounter between two people or between two cultures is shaped by the assumptions of each, by their respective goals and – perhaps most directly relevant to a university – by the repertoire of responses that each has learned.... If the encounter of the Muslim world, the West and the ex-Communist world takes account of the need for each to draw on its own strengths, to be consistent with its goals, to strive for a sustainable, improved outcome and to ensure a humane transition, then the encounter will have been as successful as it is important."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

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Nov 28, 2000

USA

Panellist at the White House Conference on Culture and Diplomacy. (Photo simerg.com.)

2002

KYRGYZSTAN

Receives an *Honorary Professorship* at the University of Osh.

2003

MALI

Made an *Honorary Citizen* of th Islamic Ummah of Timbuktu.

Oct 10, 1998

SPAIN

Presented with the *Granada de Oro* (Gold Medal of the City of Granada).

2001

FRANCE

Awarded an *Insignia of Honour* by the International Union of Architects.

2002

KAZAKHSTAN

Decorated with the *State Award for Peace and Progress*.

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CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

"The communications revolution means either a growing 'homogenisation' that we know breeds its own hostile reactions, or we can search for a better course. We can hope that the spirit of the 21st century will be a spirit of Creative Encounter.... For the spirit of Creative Encounter will never become a dominant force in our world without the strong and effective leadership of the information media.

"How can the press best contribute to a spirit of Creative Encounter - here in Africa and around the world? One simple requirement towers above all others: the ability to respect that which is truly different, to understand that which we do not embrace.... [I]t means much more than tolerance and forbearance.... In truth, cultural sensitivity is something far more rigorous, something that requires a deep intellectual commitment. It requires a readiness to study and to learn across cultural barriers, an ability to see others as they see themselves. Cultural sensitivity is hard work....

"[I]t is the press which should lead the way - not just newspapers and broadcasting outlets, but also the news service and press agencies which serve them and the organisations which support them. For centuries, the press has cast itself as the champion of understanding and enlightenment. And yet, even as the press has become more international, it has often left a trail of misunderstanding in its wake. Confident that more information is a good thing in and of itself, the press has often focused too much on the quantity of what it can deliver, and too little on the quality of what it presents.

"But if the media have sometimes been part of the problem - amplifying the threatening aspects of globalization - then the media can also be part of the solution. If a careless or superficial press can exacerbate the clash of cultures, then a more sensitive and studious press can accomplish the opposite: The same media which serves to distort or discredit old cultures, can also be used to revalidate them, and to help explain them to others."

- His Highness the Aga Khan,
Keynote Address at the Commonwealth Press Union Conference

Sep 7, 2002

AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS

"[It is] my conviction that the strengthening of institutions supporting pluralism is as critical for the welfare and progress of human society as are poverty alleviation and conflict prevention. In fact all three are intimately related.... The actions to enhance pluralism have to be matched in the developing world by programmes to alleviate poverty because, left alone, poverty will provide a context for special interests to pursue their goals in aggressive terms....

"[D]evelopment is sustainable only if the beneficiaries become, in a gradual manner, the masters of the process. This means that initiatives cannot be contemplated exclusively in terms of economics, but rather as an integrated programme that encompasses social and cultural dimensions as well. Education and skills training, health and public services, conservation of cultural heritage, infrastructure development, urban planning and rehabilitation, rural development, water and energy management, environmental control, and even policy and legislative development are among the various aspects that must be taken into account."

- His Highness the Aga Khan,
Prince Claus Fund's Conference on Culture and Development

Jan 30, 2002

TORONTO, CANADA

"[When] you look at what is considered general knowledge in the Western world and you say within the general knowledge of the Western world what does it know about the Islamic world? Is anything taught in secondary education? Does anybody know the names of the great philosophers, the scientists, the great theologians? Do they even know the names of the great civilisations? ... And it is very, very difficult for Muslim leaders to articulate positions against such a vacuum in knowledge."

- His Highness the Aga Khan, Globe and Mail Interview



Apr 7, 2005

NORWAY

Addresses the Nobel Institute at the invitation of the Government of Norway. (Photo akdn.org.)

social, cultural and educational assistance" through AKDN, and "creating bonds and promoting dialogue between civilisations and cultures, namely between the East and the West."

In a ceremony presided over by His Excellency the President of Portugal and other dignitaries, His Highness the Aga Khan is praised as "unbreakably guided by the defence of human dignity that is available equally to all, without distinction as to ethnic, cultural or religious backgrounds" and as "an international personality of the highest importance."

Dec 8, 2003

BAHRAIN

Decorated with the Order of Bahrain (First Class) by His Majesty King Hamad of Bahrain.

Jun 6, 2005

CANADA

Presented with a key to Ottawa. (Photo akdn.org.)



Dec 31, 2003

UNITED KINGDOM

Made a Knight Commander of the British Empire (KBE) by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II of Great Britain.

Mar 19, 2005

TANZANIA

Made an Honorary Citizen of Dar es Salaam

Jul 11, 2007 - Dec 13, 2008

His Highness the Aga Khan's Golden Jubilee (50 years) as Imam of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims.

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Apr 15, 2003

NEW DELHI, INDIA

"Tolerance, openness and understanding towards other peoples' cultures, social structures, values and faiths are now essential to the very survival of an interdependent world. Pluralism is no longer simply an asset or a prerequisite for progress and development, it is vital to our existence."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Ceremony to Inaugurate the Restored Humayun's Tomb Gardens

Sep 6, 2004

BERLIN, GERMANY

"I look at escalating tensions in the world, I am convinced more than ever that neither 'peaceful' nor 'productive' modern societies will ever be achieved by short term responses composed in the midst of crisis. What I will propose to you today is that there are fundamental issues that must be addressed persistently, and over the long term, if we are to achieve the desired outcomes."

– His Highness The Aga Khan Annual Conference of German Ambassadors

May 20, 2006

TUTZING, GERMANY

"When people speak these days, about an inevitable 'Clash of Civilisations' in our world, what they often mean, I fear, is an inevitable 'Clash of Religions.' But I would use different terminology altogether. The essential problem, as I see it, in relations between the Muslim world and the West is 'A Clash of Ignorance.' And what I would prescribe – as an essential first step – is a concentrated educational effort."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Tutzing Evangelical Academy upon receiving the Tolerance Award

Jun 4, 2007

KABUL, AFGHANISTAN

"The term 'Enabling Environment' has two imps which I would underscore today. First, it remind the conditions which enable progress can be e complex, that an entire 'environment' of inter forces must come together if development is take root – and to take off."

"Second – the term recognises that even the environment is still only an enabling condition - sufficient one.... In the end, human progress r out of the human heart and soul. The environ enables – but it is the human spirit, guided an supported by the Divine Will, which eventually

"What a sound enabling environment must dc create a favourable framework in which huma can flourish."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, The Enabling Environment Conference

Feb 12, 2006

EVORA, PORTUGAL

"How, in an increasingly cynical time, can we inspire people to a new set of aspirations – reaching beyond rampant materialism, the new relativism, self-serving individualism, and resurgent tribalism. The search for justice and security, the struggle for equality of opportunity, the quest for tolerance and harmony, the pursuit of human dignity – these are moral imperatives which we must work and think about on a daily basis..."

"What I am calling for, in sum, is an ethical sensibility which can be shared across denominational lines and which can foster a universal moral outlook."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, University of Evora and Symposium

Jul 4, 2007

AIGLEMONT, FRANCE

"[W]e need to establish an exact diagnosis poverty, a concept which is still poorly unde [W]e think [poverty] is comprised of a socie phenomenon, characterised by a lack of ac characterised by a lack of access to protect security, to healthcare or to education."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, L'Express Int

PORTUGAL

Inducted as *Foreign Member, Class of Humanities*, by Lisbon's Academy of Sciences.

May 28, 2009

FRANCE

Receives the titles *Grand Mécène* (Grand Patron) and *Grand Donateur* (Grand Donor) from the French Ministry of Culture.

Jun 9, 2009

CANADA

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Law* by the University of Alberta.

Dec 17, 2009

FRANCE

Awarded the *Prix de l'Entrepreneur philanthropique de l'année 2009* (Philanthropic Entrepreneur of the Year 2009 Award) by *Le Nouvel Economiste*.

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Dec 17, 2009

PARIS, FRANCE

"The AKDN Foundation is an umbrella organisation which co-ordinates the activities of over 200 agencies and institutions that make up the network, employing a total of 70,000 paid staff and 100,000 volunteers. The network operates in 35 of the poorest countries in the world and is statutorily secular. This tableau is of course merely a momentary snapshot of a constantly evolving process, but its contours are clearly defined enough today for us to speak about goals, strategy and method. The goal is clear: the aim is to create or strengthen civil society in developing countries. This single goal, when it is achieved, is in fact necessary and sufficient to ensure peaceful and stable development over the long term, even when governance is problematic.

"As regards the strategy, civil society obviously cannot exist without apolitical and secular civil institutions, in particular social, cultural and economic ones. The essence of our development strategy is thus to create these where they are lacking or need to be reinforced....

"And now, turning to AKFED commercial enterprises, we're talking about approximately 150 companies in some 15 countries. They employ over 30,000 people and generate a turnover of two billion dollars. They indirectly provide a living for millions of people, in particular in the agribusiness sector. To give you an example, AKFED developed green bean farming in Kenya by providing 50,000 farmers with technical assistance and buying their produce for export to Europe. The company has 2,000 employees, turns a profit and indirectly provides a living for 500,000 people.

"Specific rules govern AKFED companies. I will discuss two of the essential ones. The first is that AKDN investments earmarked for AKFED projects should in most cases be made in the form of long-term equity participation.... The second is that AKFED's share of profits must be entirely reinvested in the group's projects. This is a fundamental feature of AKFED projects, the rule being that any return on investment should solely benefit the population of the country where it has been made."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, On the acceptance of the 2009 *Nouvel Economiste Philanthropic Entrepreneur of the Year Award*

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Oct 4, 2005

SCOTLAND

Awarded the Carnegie Medal for Philanthropy. On presenting the medal the former President of Ireland says, "The Aga Khan's values of pluralism, multiculturalism, and strengthening civil society, are those we must all emulate." (Photo akdn.org.)

Jul 11, 2007 to Dec 13, 2008

Seven countries issue stamps to commemorate the Golden Jubilee of His Highness the Aga Khan as 49th Imam of the Ismailis.

- PORTUGAL: 2 stamps (July 11, 2007)
- TANZANIA: 4 stamps and 1 "sheetlet" stamp (August 18, 2007)
- MOZAMBIQUE: 5 stamps (November 21, 2007)
- INDIA: 2 stamps (May 17, 2008)
- BANGLADESH: 4 stamps (September 16, 2008)
- UGANDA: 8 stamps (September 30, 2008)
- KENYA: 4 stamps (December 13, 2008)

Nov 21, 2006

UNITED KINGDOM

Winner of the 10th annual Peter O'Sullivan Award at the Savoy in London. The award recognizes a lifetime's contribution to the sport of horse racing.



Aug 13, 2007

KENYA

Awarded the Chief of the Order of the Golden Heart of Kenya, Kenya's highest medal of honour. On bestowing the award, His Excellency the President of Kenya notes that His Highness the Aga Khan has recorded an impressive and enduring legacy of service to the Ismaili community. Kenya, and the world at large, elaborating that, "[T]he achievements you have accomplished are an eloquent testimony of your dedication to your spiritual calling as well as selfless commitment to the well-being of mankind, irrespective of race or religion." (Photo akdn.org.)



Dec 1, 2007

UNITED KINGDOM

Named Personality of the Year by Abollo, the international



in the Die Quadriga Prize, the United We Care Award, of His Highness the Aga Khan's life's work in the poorest regions of the world.

t of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, delivers the press, praising the Aga Khan as a humanist, peace-loving philanthropist and "renowned ambassador

ations." He adds that: "While bringing people together, striving not to diminish or remove cultural and religious diversity. It is this belief in an inclusive world that makes tional leader of our time." (Photo simeing.com.)



Jun 30, 2008

IRELAND

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Laws by the National University of Ireland. In his citation, John Hughes, President of the University, says:

"His Highness is the first member of the Islamic community to be so honoured in the history of NUI Maynooth ... [He] embodies the spirit of understanding, tolerance and ecumenism that should link the great religions of the world. For fifty years, he has been a voice of moderation and a voice of reason in promoting an Islam that embraces and indeed celebrates pluralism and diversity... Few people on this earth have contributed more to the promotion of tolerance than our guest of honour here today. Ladies and gentlemen, I present to you for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Laws, Honoris Causa, this inspiring leader, great humanitarian, statesman and man of learning and culture, His Highness Prince Karim Aga Khan IV." (Photo akdn.org.)

ompanion of the Order of Canada, Canada's ute. The citation states that, "His Highness his life to protecting the environment and due to poverty."

Honourable Adrienne Clarkson, Governor of His Highness the Aga Khan: "I have been ave been able to bring to everything you do, a iriosity, an intelligence and above all, a deep in beings." (Photo: Sgt. Eric Jolin.)



Apr 24, 2008

MALI

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate by the University of Sankore, the African continent's most ancient institution of higher education. (Photo akdn.org.)

magazine for collectors. The Editor notes that "the Aga Khan's vision for the future of our cities is firmly focussed on the repair and enhancement of existing buildings, something that urban planning visionaries in the developed world still neglect."



Jun 12, 2009

UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity by the University of Cambridge, the first Muslim to receive the distinction in the university's 800 year history. In his remarks, Tim Winter, the Academic Secretary in the Faculty of Divinity, says:

"The Honorary Doctorate of Divinity is awarded to individuals who have made a global impact through their religious leadership. I am delighted that His Highness the Aga Khan, whose charitable and spiritual leadership has a truly world-wide reach, and whose support for scholarship has impacted profoundly on Islamic Studies, should have been chosen for this well-deserved honour." (Photo akdn.org.)



Jun 19, 2009

CANADA

Made an Honorary Citizen of Canada by unanimous approval of the House of Commons. His Highness the Aga Khan is only the fifth person to receive this honour.

The motion describes the Aga Khan as "a beacon of humanitarianism, pluralism and tolerance throughout the world." The Prime Minister of Canada adds that the Aga Khan is "a great partner and long-time friend of Canada, and a great benefactor to humanity." (Photo akdn.org.)

ne Tolerance Award from the Evangelical Academy of Tutzing. In its e Academy says, "[His Highness the Aga Khan] believes that respect for ing and protecting the diversity of cultures, nationalities and religions around ntial for ensuring peace."

ory address, the German Minister of Foreign Affairs, says: "We honour n, we honour a huge friend of humankind, we honour a courageous onour a person building bridges between societies ... [who is a] fortress for ss, as someone wishing to bring about sustainable, pluralistic, civil societies... us a face of Islam that many of us do not know and sadly all too often we ow: an Islam that is open, tolerant and willing to engage in dialogue. An i conflict with free, democratic and pluralistic societies." (Photo akdn.org.)



Apr 11, 2008

USA

Presented with a key to Austin. (Photo akdn.org.)

Dec 19, 2005

PORTUGAL



Apr 23, 2008

MALI



Elevated to the dignity of Grand Cross of the National Order of Mali, the Republic of Mali's highest award. (Photo akdn.org)

Jun 5, 2008
USA
Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by Harvard University.

Jun 18, 2008
FRANCE
Inducted as Foreign Associate Member of the Kenzo Tange, chair of France's Académie des Beaux Arts.

Oct 29, 2008
KAZAKHSTAN
Decorated as Honoured Educator of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

2009
KYRGYZSTAN
Named Personality of the Year by the International Association for Spiritual Renewal ("Ruhaniat").

May 8, 2009
PORTUGAL
Inducted as Foreign Member, Class of Humanities, by Lisbon's Academy of Sciences.

May 28, 2009
FRANCE
Receives the titles Grand Mécène (Grand Patron) and Grand Donateur (Grand Donor) from the French Ministry of Culture.

Jun 9, 2009
CANADA
Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by the University of Alberta.

Dec 17, 2009
FRANCE
Awarded the Prix de l'Entrepreneur philanthrope de

Decorated with the Gra-Gruz de Cristo (Grand Cross of the Military Order of Christ), one of Portugal's highest honours, for outstanding service to the country.

Speaking of the work of the AKDN in Portugal, His Excellency the President of Portugal says: "A distinguishing feature of all these activities is the fact that they follow a coherent, enlightened strategy of sustainable development, perfected in many years of field experience, based on a commitment to people – to their intelligence, to their will and to their enterprising spirit – and designed to make the beneficiaries of these activities their owners and leaders."

Jun 15, 2006
EGYPT

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters by the American University in Cairo. University President David Arnold says that His Highness the Aga Khan has "worked tirelessly throughout his life to better the lives of people around the world."

Feb 12, 2006
PORTUGAL

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate by the University of Évora, for "material and spiritual service to humanity," "the extraordinary work of economic, social, cultural and educational assistance" through AKDN, and "creating bonds and promoting dialogue between civilisations and cultures, namely between the East and the West."

In a ceremony presided over by His Excellency the President of Portugal and other dignitaries, His Highness the Aga Khan is praised as "unbreakably guided by the defence of human dignity that is available equally to all, without distinction as to ethnic, cultural or religious backgrounds" and as "an international personality of the highest importance."



Jun 6, 2005
CANADA
Presented with a key to Ottawa. (Photo akdn.org.)

Jun 25, 2005
LEBANON

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters by the American University of Beirut. In its citation the University praises His Highness the Aga Khan as "an avid philanthropist standing at the head of a network of service institutions focused on the have-nots of the world, Muslim and non-Muslim alike."



Apr 7, 2005
NORWAY
Addresses the Nobel Institute at the invitation of the Government of Norway. (Photo akdn.org.)

Awarded with the Order of Bahrain (ss) by His Majesty King of Bahrain.

Mar 19, 2005
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Sep 6, 2004
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"I look at escalating tensions in the world, I am convinced more than ever that neither 'peaceful' nor 'productive' modern societies will ever be achieved by short term responses composed in the midst of crisis. What I will propose to you today is that there are fundamental issues that must be addressed persistently, and over the long term, if we are to achieve the desired outcomes."
 -- His Highness The Aga Khan Annual Conference of German Ambassadors
- May 20, 2006**
TUTZING, GERMANY

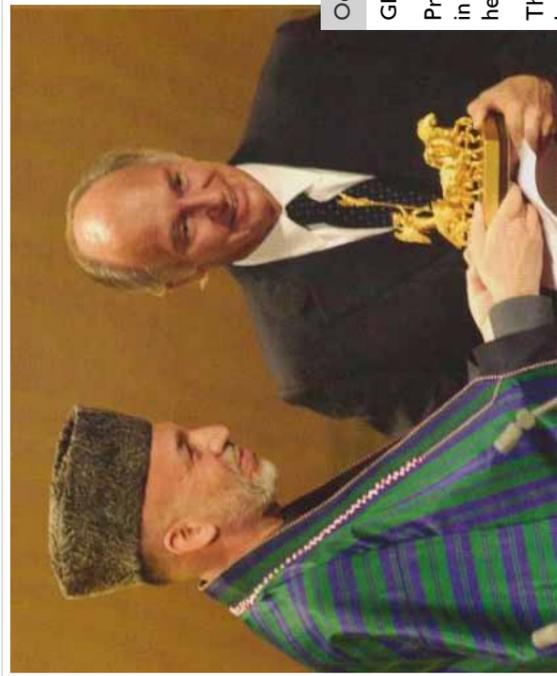
"When people speak these days, about an inevitable 'Clash of Civilisations' in our world, what they often mean, I fear, is an inevitable 'Clash of Religions.' But I would use different terminology altogether. The essential problem, as I see it, in relations between the Muslim world and the West is 'A Clash of Ignorance.' And what I would prescribe -- as an essential first step -- is a concentrated educational effort."
 -- His Highness the Aga Khan, Tutzing Evangelical Academy upon receiving the Tolerance Award
- Feb 12, 2006**
EVORA, PORTUGAL

increasingly cynical time, can we inspire people to a new set of reaching beyond rampant materialism, the new relativism, self-individualism, and resurgent tribalism. The search for justice and struggle for equality of opportunity, the quest for tolerance and pursuit of human dignity -- these are moral imperatives which we must work and think about on a daily basis....
 calling for, in sum, is an ethical sensibility which can be shared inational lines and which can foster a universal moral outlook."
 His Highness the Aga Khan, University of Evora and Symposium
- Jun 4, 2007**
KABUL, AFGHANISTAN

"The term 'Enabling Environment' has two implications which I would underscore today. First, it reminds us that the conditions which enable progress can be extremely complex, that an entire 'environment' of interacting forces must come together if development is truly to take root -- and to take off.
 "Second -- the term recognises that even the right environment is still only an enabling condition -- not a sufficient one.... In the end, human progress must grow out of the human heart and soul. The environment enables -- but it is the human spirit, guided and supported by the Divine Will, which eventually triumphs.
 "What a sound enabling environment must do is to create a favourable framework in which human creativity can flourish."
 -- His Highness the Aga Khan, The Enabling Environment Conference
- Jul 4, 2007**
AIGLEMONT, FRANCE

"[W]e need to establish an exact diagnosis of poverty, a concept which is still poorly understood... [W]e think [poverty] is comprised of a societal phenomenon, characterised by a lack of access characterised by a lack of access to protection, to security, to healthcare or to education."
 -- His Highness the Aga Khan, L'Express Interview
- Dec 17, 2009**
PARIS, FRANCE

"The AKDN Foundation is an umbrella organisation which co-ordinates the activities of over 200 agencies and institutions that make up the network, employing a total of 70,000 paid staff and 100,000 volunteers. The network operates in 35 of the poorest countries in the world and is statutorily secular. This tableau is of course merely a momentary snapshot of a constantly evolving process, but its contours are clearly defined enough today for us to speak about goals, strategy and method. The goal is clear: the aim is to create or strengthen civil society in developing countries. This single goal, when it is achieved, is in fact necessary and sufficient to ensure peaceful and stable development over the long term, even when governance is problematic.
 "As regards the strategy, civil society obviously cannot exist without apolitical and secular civil institutions, in particular social, cultural and economic ones. The essence of our development strategy is thus to create these where they are lacking or need to be reinforced....
 "And now, turning to AKFED commercial enterprises, we're talking about approximately 150 companies in some 15 countries. They employ over 30,000 people and generate a turnover of two billion dollars. They indirectly provide a living for millions of people, in particular in the agribusiness sector. To give you an example, AKFED developed green bean farming in Kenya by providing 50,000 farmers with technical assistance and buying their produce for export to Europe. The company has 2,000 employees, turns a profit and indirectly provides a living for 500,000 people.
 "Specific rules govern AKFED companies. I will discuss two of the essential ones. The first is that AKDN investments earmarked for AKFED projects should in most cases be made in the form of long-term equity participation.... The second is that AKFED's share of profits must be entirely reinvested in the group's projects. This is a fundamental feature of AKFED projects, the rule being that any return on investment should solely benefit the population of the country where it has been made."
 -- His Highness the Aga Khan, On the acceptance of the 2009 Nouvel Economiste Philanthropic Entrepreneur of the Year Award



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Presented with the Hadrian Award of the World Monument
Fund for 1996.

Michel David-Weill, co-chair for the ceremony, says the
award is "to recognise the profound achievements of a man of
deep learning and vision," a man with "an exalted position and
great power because of who he is."

David Rockefeller states, "His Highness the Aga Khan is a man
of vision, intellect, and passion. I've had the pleasure of knowing
him for almost forty years."

And Glenn D. Lowry, Director of The Museum of Modern
Art, says: "In presenting His Highness the Aga Khan with the
1996 Hadrian Award, the World Monuments Fund honours a man
who has devoted his life to preserving and improving our built
environment. He has done this with vision, passion, and intelligence.
The results are part of his legacy to the cultural heritage of our
world." (Photo simerg.com.)



Sep 22, 1998

TAJKIKISTAN

Decorated with the Order of Friendship, Tajikistan's
highest civilian award. (Photo simerg.com.)



May 20, 2006

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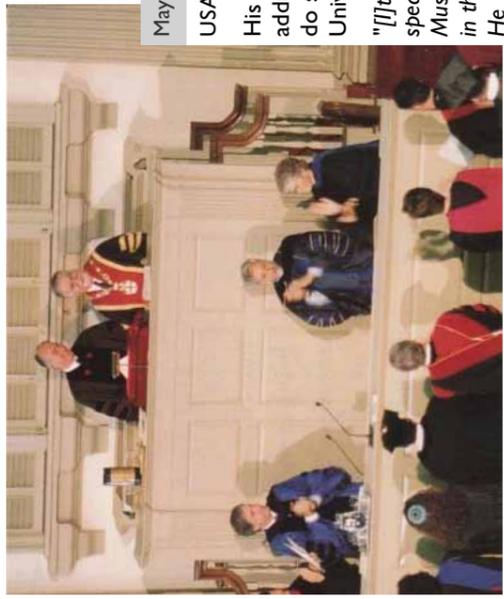
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UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law in the University of Wales by His Royal Highness Charles, Prince of Wales, the University's Chancellor, for his role in the development of education and academic research throughout the world.

A citation notes that the university is a tribute to "a great spiritual and humanitarian tradition" for his "work that diminished poverty, unemployment and ignorance." It also notes that "his many institutions ... have transformed the quality of life of millions of people in the developing world of Africa and Asia," and have "a timeless record of creative endeavour on behalf of the poorer people of our world."

Honorary Citizen of Samarkand, Uzbekistan

May 11, 1994

USA

Honorary Citizen of Samarkand, Uzbekistan

May 26, 1996

USA

Honorary Doctorate of Law by Brown University (Providence), the first Muslim to do so in its 232 year history. In his introductory remarks, University President Vartan Gregorian says:

"[I]t is my great honour to introduce Brown's 232nd baccalaureate speaker. His Highness Prince Karim Aga Khan IV is the first Muslim baccalaureate speaker in Brown's history and I dare to say in the history of the entire Ivy League and all American universities. He embodies the great ecumenical spirit that links the three great monotheistic religions: Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

"He has affected the lives of millions. Indeed, only ten days ago, while I was in Chicago, a driver from Pakistan, noting my accent – which I did not know I had one by the way – inquired about my place of birth. When I said I was born in Iran, he asked me if I was familiar with the Aga Khan. I said I was slightly familiar with the Aga Khan. Then he said, 'Everything I have I owe to him – my spiritual welfare, my business, everything.' 'And you know,' he continued, 'He is coming to the United States. I wish there was an opportunity for me to thank him personally, to thank my Imam!' He then turned down the visor and showed me the Aga Khan's picture. Your Highness, I told him that when I see you, I will thank you on behalf of Fateh Ali Judhani and all the Fateh Ali Judhanis of the world. They are a legion and they are of all faiths...."

"[An] inspiring leader, great humanitarian, statesman and man of learning and culture..." (Photo simerg.com.)

May 27, 1996

USA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by Brown University (Providence). In his laudatory address, University President Vartan Gregorian says:

"Your Highness, ... you have followed in family's centuries old tradition of service to your people and stewardship of a faith that emphasises compassion and tolerance and that upholds the dignity of all humanity. Following the noble example set by your grandfather, the previous Imam, you have dedicated yourself to international service...."

"In your life and work you have advanced the growth and understanding of Islamic culture and improved the well-being of Muslims and non-Muslims alike. Today we honour you, your family, and all Ismailis for your service to Islam and to all human kind."

May 11, 1994

USA

Honorary Citizen of Samarkand, Uzbekistan

Jul 11, 1998

PORTUGAL

Decorated by President Jorge Sampaio with the Grand Cross of the Order of Merit for "outstanding contribution to human understanding and to social and economic progress in different areas of the world." (Photo simerg.com.)



Jun 7, 2001

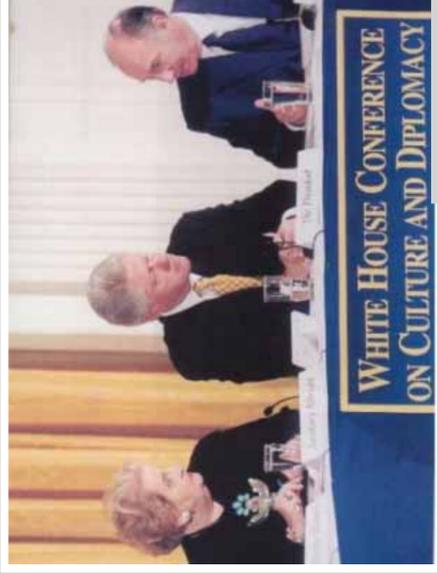
SWEDEN

Awarded the Archon Award from the International Nursing Honour Society, Sigma Theta Tau International, for "leadership in promoting global health and welfare and for his compassionate support of nursing research in developing countries." (Photo ismaili.net.)

2002

KYRGYZSTAN

Receives an Honorary Professorship at the University of Osh.



Nov 28, 2000

USA

Panelist at the White House Conference on Culture and Diplomacy. (Photo simerg.com.)

2001

FRANCE

Oct 10, 1998

SPAIN



Awarded the National Building Museum's Vincent Scully Award for "contributions to promoting excellence in design, historic preservation. His Highness the Aga Khan's work has helped bridge the gap of understanding between West and East."

In introducing the Aga Khan, James Wolfensohn, President of the World Bank, said "there is one person who is an icon of not only thought and philosophy but of action in his work in education." "[T]here is one thing which distinguishes him from other great leaders: wherever they find themselves in society. He is a holy man who represents the very best in Islam. Something that Islam carries with it values and a culture that is unique to the world."

Jun 18, 2004

CANADA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by the University of Toronto's Ontario Institute for Studies in Education for his "recognition of outstanding contribution to higher education and philanthropy."



Dec 8, 2000

BAHRAIN

Decorated with the Order of the Amir Hamad of Bahrain

2003

MALI

Made an Honorary Citizen of the Islamic Republic of Timbuktu.

Dec 31, 2003

UNITED KINGDOM

Made a Knight Commander of the Order of the British Empire

2002

KAZAKHSTAN

PORTUGAL
Presented with a key to Lisbon.

Presented with the Granada de Oro
(Gold Medal of the City of Granada).

Awarded an Insignia of Honour by the
International Union of Architects.

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May 27, 1994

CAMBRIDGE, USA

"Education has been important to my family for a long
time. My forefathers founded al-Azhar University in
Cairo some 1000 years ago, at the time of the Fatimid
Caliphate in Egypt. Discovery of knowledge was seen by
those founders as an embodiment of religious faith, and
faith as reinforced by knowledge of workings of the
Creator's physical world. The form of universities has
changed over those 1000 years, but that reciprocity
between faith and knowledge remains a source of
strength....

"I shall talk today about encounters. Encounters. When
two people meet. Or two particles. Or two cultures.... In
the encounters of people and cultures, much depends
on the path that each has taken to that point. These
are not stochastic processes. The subjects have
histories. The encounter has complexity and rich
dimensionality. The result of an encounter between two
people or between two cultures is shaped by the
assumptions of each, by their respective goals and –
perhaps most directly relevant to a university – by the
repertoire of responses that each has learned.... If the
encounter of the Muslim world, the West and the ex-
Communist world takes account of the need for each to
draw on its own strengths, to be consistent with its
goals, to strive for a sustainable, improved outcome and
to ensure a humane transition, then the encounter will
have been as successful as it is important."

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Oct 17, 1996

CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

"The communications revolution means either a growing
'homogenisation' that we know breeds its own hostile reactions, or we
can search for a better course. We can hope that the spirit of the
21st century will be a spirit of Creative Encounter.... For the spirit of
Creative Encounter will never become a dominant force in our world
without the strong and effective leadership of the information media.

"How can the press best contribute to a spirit of Creative Encounter -
here in Africa and around the world? One simple requirement towers
above all others: the ability to respect that which is truly different, to
understand that which we do not embrace.... [I]t means much more
than tolerance and forbearance.... In truth, cultural sensitivity is
something far more rigorous, something that requires a deep
intellectual commitment. It requires a readiness to study and to learn
across cultural barriers, an ability to see others as they see
themselves. Cultural sensitivity is hard work...."

"[I]t is the press which should lead the way – not just newspapers and
broadcasting outlets, but also the news service and press agencies
which serve them and the organisations which support them. For
centuries, the press has cast itself as the champion of understanding
and enlightenment. And yet, even as the press has become more
international, it has often left a trail of misunderstanding in its wake.
Confident that more information is a good thing in and of itself, the
press has often focused too much on the quantity of what it can
deliver, and too little on the quality of what it presents.

"But if the media have sometimes been part of the problem –
amplifying the threatening aspects of globalization – then the media
can also be part of the solution. If a careless or superficial press can
exacerbate the clash of cultures, then a more sensitive and studious
press can accomplish the opposite: The same media which serves to
distort or discredit old cultures, can also be used to revalidate them,
and to help explain them to others."

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Keynote Address at the Commonwealth Press Union Conference

Sep 7, 2002

AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS

"[It is] my conviction that the strengthening of institutions supporting pluralism is as
critical for the welfare and progress of human society as are poverty alleviation and
conflict prevention. In fact all three are intimately related.... The actions to enhance
pluralism have to be matched in the developing world by programmes to alleviate
poverty because, left alone, poverty will provide a context for special interests to
pursue their goals in aggressive terms...."

"[D]evelopment is sustainable only if the beneficiaries become, in a gradual manner,
the masters of the process. This means that initiatives cannot be contemplated
exclusively in terms of economics, but rather as an integrated programme that
encompasses social and cultural dimensions as well. Education and skills training,
health and public services, conservation of cultural heritage, infrastructure
development, urban planning and rehabilitation, rural development, water and
energy management, environmental control, and even policy and legislative
development are among the various aspects that must be taken into account."

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Prince Claus Fund's Conference on Culture and Development

Jan 30, 2002

TORONTO, CANADA

"[When] you look at what is considered general knowledge
in the Western world and you say within the general
knowledge of the Western world what does it know about
the Islamic world? Is anything taught in secondary
education? Does anybody know the names of the great
philosophers, the scientists, the great theologians? Do they
even know the names of the great civilisations? ... And it is
very, very difficult for Muslim leaders to articulate positions
against such a vacuum in knowledge."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Globe and Mail Interview

Apr 15, 2002

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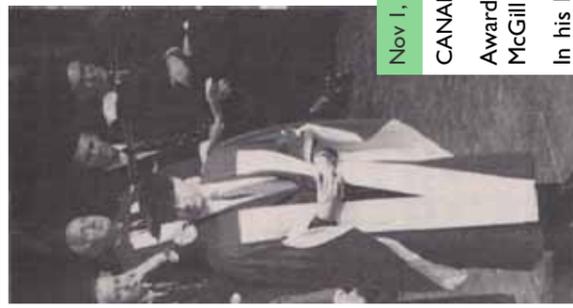
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Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by McGill University.

In his laudatory address, the Principal and Vice-chancellor says: "The Aga Khan's personal position is unique in the world today.... This man is a bridge between North and South, East and West. His leadership is beyond politics, beyond race, beyond religion. In a world torn by division, hostility, war and fear of nuclear holocaust, he is a shining beacon of inspiration and of hard-headed accomplishment in improving the lot of humankind, in elevating the quality of civilised life and in uplifting all peoples of the world to cherish the brotherhood of man." (Photo simerg.com.)

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Nov 25, 1986

MOROCCO

Decorated with the Le Grand Cordon de l'Order du Trone Cherifien (Grand Cordon of Ouissam-al Arch), Morocco's honour, by His Majesty King Hassan II of Morocco. (Photo: ismaili.net.)



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Nov 1985

PAKISTAN

Inducted as an *Honorary Fellow* of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Pakistan.



16, 1983

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Khan Medical College is accorded the status of university.

the occasion of accepting the Aga Khan University Charter, His Excellency the President of Pakistan says, "The valuable services rendered by Aga Khan family are known not only to us, the people of Pakistan, but to the whole world," and "I can say with full confidence, that The Aga Khan University prove itself to be a 'lighthouse', which will not only immortalise the great name of the Aga Khan, but also spread new light in Pakistan and the Islamic world—Insha'Allah." (Photo ismaili.net.)

23, 1983

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corated with the Nishan-e-Pakistan, Pakistan's highest civil award.

a citation states: "The people and the Government of Pakistan have followed a profound admiration and interest the devotion and deep sense of commitment with which Your Highness has been engaged in promoting social economic welfare activities of Pakistan, of the Islamic Ummah as a whole I indeed of the entire developing world. Your outstanding contributions to the heritage of these worthy objectives constitute a fitting continuation of the noble traditions of service and humanism of your illustrious family."

7, 1982

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corated with the Grand Officier, Ordre National Du Lion (Grand Officer of the National Order of the Lion).

Jul 11, 1982 - Jul 11, 1983

Lie Highness the Aga Khan's Silver



May 15, 1987

CANADA

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Law* by McMaster University (Hamilton).

The President of the University, Mr. Alvin Lee, praises His Highness the Aga Khan's "sober and responsible leadership in the advancement of the Third World; his promotion of education and the ideal of education; his major contribution to health care in Pakistan and his involvement of McMaster University in that project; and his extraordinary efforts in bridging many and very diverse religions and cultures ... for which, he is unique in bridging the underdeveloped and the highly developed worlds." (Photo simerg.com.)



Oct 26, 1988

ITALY

Decorated with the *Cavaliere del Lavoro* (Knight of Labour) in recognition of the major contribution His Highness the Aga Khan had made to the Italy's economy. The Aga Khan is the first Muslim to receive the honour. (Photo ismaili.net.)



Oct 11, 1989

UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Literature in Education* from the University of London (Logan Hall) by Her Royal Highness, Princess Anne, Chancellor of the University.

His Highness the Aga Khan is cited as a "calm voice in troubled times, a world leader, uniquely placed to bridge the cultural differences dividing the East and West." (Photo simerg.com.)

1991

FRANCE

Awarded the *Medaille d'Argent* (Silver Medal) of the *Academie d'Architecture* de France.

1991

UNITED KINGDOM

Inducted as an *Honorary Fellow* of the Royal Institute of British Architects.

1992

USA

Inducted as an *Honorary Member* of the American Institute of Architects.

Jun 1991

SPAIN

Named *Huesped de Honor De Granada* (Guest of Honour of Granada) at inauguration of the historic 14th Century *Zafra House*.

Sep 21, 1992

UZBEKISTAN

Made an *Honorary Member* and presented with the *Order of the Patriotic War*.

Nov 7, 1990

FRANCE

Decorated with the *Commander of the Legion of Honour* by the President of France for "a long and distinguished career in the field of architecture and the development of the

Nov 22, 1991

SPAIN

Decorated with the *Gran Cruz De Merito Civil* (Grand Cross of the Order of Civil Merit) one of Spain's most

This Highness the Aga Khan's Jubilee (25 years) as Imam of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims.

model for the developing world and for the West as well.... [T]ruly a man for all seasons and all countries ..." (Photo ismaili.net)

buildings and to the development of the profession. The Aga Khan is the first recipient outside Spain to receive this honour.

community of citizens services structure to humanity." Established by Napoleon Bonaparte in 1802, the medal is France's highest honour.

important civil decorations, by His Majesty King Juan Carlos of Spain.

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His Highness the Aga Khan, of the Aga Khan University

Dec 1983
NEW YORK, USA
"I'm less hypnotised by [the United States'] material wealth than by its wealth of knowledge. This country today represents, without any doubt in my mind, the greatest intensity of human knowledge on the face of the earth. And that is an exhilarating thought, one perhaps not perceived by Americans as much as by non-Americans."
-- His Highness the Aga Khan, Life Magazine Interview

Nov 11, 1985
KARACHI, PAKISTAN
"The relationship between the intellect of man and Faith has always been of fundamental importance to Muslims. How can a modern University respect and re-enforce that relationship? ... I apprehend that in certain educational institutions respect for tradition has restricted academic study to the accomplishment of the past. However, our Faith has never been restricted to one place or time. Ever since its revelation the fundamental concepts of Islam have been its universality and the fact that this is the last revelation, constantly valid, and not petrified into one period of man's history or confined to one area of the world. Islam is for all places and all time. This is why there is a role for a modern Islamic University which can draw inspiration from the Faith and from the past in addressing the opportunities of the future."
"The Holy Qu'ran's encouragement to study nature and the physical world around us gave the original impetus to scientific enquiry among Muslims. Exchanges of knowledge between institutions and nations and the widening of man's intellectual horizons are essentially Islamic concepts. The Faith urges freedom of intellectual enquiry and this freedom does not mean that knowledge will lose its spiritual dimension. That dimension is indeed itself a field for intellectual enquiry. I can not illustrate this interdependence of spiritual inspiration and learning better than by recounting a dialogue between Ibn Sina, the philosopher, and Abu Said Abu-Khyar, the Sufi mystic. Ibn Sina remarked, 'Whatever I know, he sees.' To which Abu Said replied, 'Whatever I see, he knows.'
-- His Highness the Aga Khan, Aga Khan University Inauguration

May 21, 1990
LONDON, UK
"AKF and its partners have had some success in advocating the creation of an enabling environment in the private sector, non-profit and for-profit, become more productive for the benefit of the larger community as a whole. But much remains to be done to mobilise local private resources for development. AKF organised the Enabling Environment Conference in Nairobi in 1986, supported by ODA, the World Bank and various private groups, both non-profit and for-profit. This led to a similar conference in Nigeria last year -- evidence that some countries are beginning to look carefully at ways in which local private resources can finally be mobilised. The Kenyan Government is supportive of Aga Khan Foundation Kenya's plan to launch an endowment campaign next month in Nairobi. The endowment will help secure long-term support for innovative health and education interventions that contribute to the vitality of the voluntary sector in Kenya....
"We must work to ensure that governments see the advantage to their peoples in establishing mechanisms to support strong private institutions that can contribute to the intellectual and social fabric of their country."
-- His Highness the Aga Khan, Address at the "Hands Across The World" Exhibition

Feb 6, 1992
LONDON, UK
"Experiences with the Aga Education Services show that governance apply to the private enterprise. Health offered in areas where health in the area, regardless of site, the population served, Ismaili to 85% Ismaili. Residents services rely heavily on professionals to young people helping others. By building volunteer directors and private Khan Network will ensure before the World Health by the year 2000" -- all Is where the network opera primary health care. This communities as well as the Hunza and Chitral, Gujarat. Providing this access a has person per year for Ismaili.
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"Does not the Holy Book admonish us to believe that the entirety of mankind has been created as though it were one indivisible self? And if that be true, must it not follow that one must believe in the spiritual unity of mankind? That, then, is the reason why what the Aga Khan says is so authentic and appeals to all those who love humanity and are concerned about its future welfare."

-- Allah Bukhsh K. Brohi in the preface to the special Convocation Address Brochure (Photo simerg.com.)

18 4, 1965

CÔTE D'IVOIRE

Decorated with the Grand Cross of the National Order (Grand Cross of the National Order), Ivory Coast's highest order.

Mar 14, 1968

PAKISTAN

Inducted as an Honorary Member of the Pakistan Medical Association.



Jan 15, 1970

PAKISTAN

Decorated with the Nishan-e-Imtiaz (Sign of Excellence), Pakistan's third highest honour. (Photo ismaili.net)

Nov 20, 1966

COMOROS

Decorated with the Grand Cross of the Order of the Green Crescent by the Government of Comoros.



REPUBLIC

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Nov 15, 1966

MALAGASY REPUBLIC

Decorated with the Grand Cross of the National Order of Malagasy Republic, Madagascar's highest honour.

1967

IRAN

Decorated with the Nishan-e-Traiki-Iran

Feb 1970

PAKISTAN

Decorated with the Order of the Knight of the Grand Cross, Italy's highest honour, normally reserved for heads of state, in recognition of His Highness the Aga Khan's contributions to the development of

Dec 8, 1977

ITALY

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Feb 15, 1981

PAKISTAN

Inducted as an Honorary Member of the Pakistan Medical Association, Sind Chapter.

Feb 15, 1981

PAKISTAN

Presented with a key to Karachi.

Mar 7, 1981

KENYA

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Mar 11, 1967

NAIROBI, KENYA

"[Industrial Promotion Services (IPS)] has taken more of my personal time and thought than practically every other business activity connected with developing countries. The heart of the matter is the idea which lies behind the whole concept of IPS – the idea of partnership in progress."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, Opening of the Industrial Promotion Services (IPS) Building.

Jan 29, 1970

DACCA, PAKISTAN

"The range of activities IPS [Industrial Promotion Services] is prepared to engage in is very wide indeed. It has no rigid rules about the proportions of loan and equity investments which it makes. Finally, it is prepared - and indeed, anxious - to co-operate with other development institutions, both from the Government and the private sector...."

"An example of IPS action will shortly be announced in East Africa where ... IPS has brought together several major airlines, an international hotel chain, and other important private interests, to form what will become the largest single tourist consortium in Africa, with a chain of hotels and game lodges stretching throughout Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda. IPS has done this with active participation of the World Bank through its subsidiary agency, the International Finance Corporation, and the development corporations of the three Governments involved. Thus local Government funds local private funds, as well as foreign capital and know-how have all been harnessed in one project to develop further one of the key sectors of the East African economies."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, IPS Luncheon

Nov 30, 1967

PESHAWAR, PAKISTAN

"In time nor the faith to bow in prayer to Allah because the anger of sufficient importance to us will be a sunless day of called the permissive society where anything goes, nothing private any more, is not a promising foundation for a brave fearful chase after material ease must surely be tempered conscience, by moral values, which must be resuscitated."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, Peshawar University

Feb 6, 1970

HYDERABAD, PAKISTAN

"For five centuries, Muslim architecture led the world in concept, in design, in finish and even in structural ingenuity. Millions of non-Muslims every year visit Islamic monuments in the Middle East, in the Indo-Pakistan subcontinent, and in North Africa. And yet what is being done today to develop our own Islamic architecture of the twenty-first century? Practically nothing."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, University of Sind

Mar 12, 1976

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"I have observed in the Western world a deeply changing pattern of human relations. The anchors of moral behaviour appear to have dragged to such depths that they no longer hold firm the ship of life: what was once wrong is now simply unconventional, and for the sake of individual freedom must be tolerated. What is tolerated soon becomes accepted. Contrarily, what was once right is now viewed as outdated, old fashioned and is often the target of ridicule...."

"In seeking to define what our Islamic Society should be in times ahead, 50 and 100 and 200 years hence we should, I believe, be aware that the Muslims of this world cover such an amazing range of historical, ethnic and cultural backgrounds that a completely monolithic answer may not be found...."

"The Holy Prophet's life gives us every fundamental guideline that we require to resolve the problem as successfully as our human minds and intellects can visualise. His example of integrity, loyalty, honesty, generosity both of means and of time, his solicitude for the poor, the weak and the sick, his steadfastness in friendship, his humility in success, his magnanimity in victory, his simplicity, his wisdom in conceiving new solutions for problems which could not be solved by traditional methods, without affecting the fundamental concepts of Islam, surely all these are foundations which, correctly understood and sincerely interpreted, must enable us to conceive what should be a truly modern and dynamic Islamic Society in the years ahead."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, Presidential Address at the International Seerat Conference

Sep 28, 1978

ISTANBUL, TURKEY

"The Aga Khan [Architecture] Awards, the first of which will be granted in 1980, will be substantial: \$100,000 in each of five different categories for a potential total of \$500,000 every three years. Their purpose is to make a strong and continuing impact on the architectural profession, on decision makers and on public opinion everywhere...."

"[T]he Award will not be confined to architects competing with designs for a succession of prestigious public monuments. We are concerned with the Islamic world and, above all, with the people of Islam.... Secondly, the Awards will be open not only to designers, but also to the promoters and decision makers who generally employ them, to craftsmen and builders, to civil servants, and even to ordinary people who have shown initiative in improving their own habitats. A third feature is that they will go only to projects that have been tried and proven over a number of years. How

many buildings have won acclaim at the time the ribbon was cut, only to be rejected as impractical and inconvenient by those who had to live or work in them? Heralding a venture which eventually proves unsatisfactory is a trap we fully intend to avoid. Finally, we do not seek anything less ambitious than true excellence in any architecture intended for the Islamic environment."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, Aga Khan Award for Architecture Seminar

"Muslim scholars reached the astronomy, geography, physics, philosophy, especially, in medicine. The Newton remarked that if he was a predecessor, it was because he was a giant. Among those giants who revolution in Europe were Ibn Sina, who was a standard text for five centuries; Ibn Rushd, the philosopher; Muslim scientists who had discovered gravity, refined Euclid's theories, trigonometry and algebra, and made possible by developing Indian numerals zero as a number."

"It is no exaggeration to say universities of Latin West, at indeed the whole European renaissance of new knowledge from Islam -- an western colleges and universities in Africa"

"In Islamic belief, knowledge revealed through the Holy Prophet man discovers by virtue of his own mind is itself the creation of no balance is possible. With it, the one strength of Islam has always lain is not static but continuous, that through endeavours, God has opened windows for us to see the world."

On the acceptance of the Charter of

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law, Ali, the first Imam, and his wife Fatima, the Prophet's daughter....

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Aug 12, 1957

ZANZIBAR

Decorated with the *Brilliant Star of Zanzibar* by His Majesty the Sultan of Zanzibar. (Photo ismaili.net.)



Aug 4, 1965

CÔTE D'IVOIRE

Made a *Freeman of Abidjan*, and presented with a key to the City. (Photo simerg.com.)

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Jul 26, 1957

UNITED KINGDOM

Receives the title of *His Highness* from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II of Great Britain.



Jul 11, 1957

At the age of 20, Prince Karim Aga Khan inherits the Imamate of the Shia Ismaili

Oct 24, 1959

IRAN

Receives the title of *His Royal Highness* from His Imperial Majesty the Shah of Iran.

Oct 27, 1960

PORTUGAL

Decorated with the *Grand Cross of the Order of Infante D. Henrique* by the Portuguese Government in Goa.

1960

MAURITANIA

Decorated with the rank of *Commandeur du*

Jan 13, 1962

SWITZERLAND

Wins the *Roberts of Kandhar* challenge cup at Davos, Switzerland, the oldest challenge cup in the world for downhill ski racing.

Mar 17, 1962

ITALY



Nov 15, 1966

MALAGASY REI

Presented with (Photo simerg.c

Aug 5, 1965

UPPER VOLTA

Decorated with the *l'Ordre National de la*

إسماعيليو المسلمون في أحياء مكة المكرمة
Ismaili Muslims as their 49th Imam.
(Photo simerg.com.)

ميريت موريتاني (Commander of the Order
of Merit) by the Mauritanian Government.

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Oct 22, 1957

NAIROBI, KENYA

"[R]emember, above all how important it is to encourage and promote good relations among the different races who live here together.

"Let me give you a practical example – behind, you can see the structure of a great new hospital which is almost completed. It will be one of the best equipped hospitals in East Africa. Half of it has been paid for by the Ismaili community and half by the government. It will be, like our schools, available to all races. I hope that this will be only one of many other ventures in which the spirit of partnership will always prevail."

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Takht Nashini Ceremony

Oct 1, 1960

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"Throughout history, when the great empires broke up, whether it be the fall of the Roman or Byzantine empires, or of the Caliphate, you will find that the youth had lost its dynamism, its personality and its imagination."

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Karachi University

Nov 24, 1963

MANILLA, PHILIPPINES

"Let us, therefore, put our backs to the wheel and show the state in which we live that we are determined to become first class citizens, nay leaders, not for the futile glory of leadership but to help this country become a better place in which to live and ensure that, even if we cannot reap the fruit of our labour, our children will be born to brighter horizons."

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Inauguration of the Mindanao State University

Dec 4, 1964

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"The tapestry of Islamic history is studded with jewels of civilisation; these jewels poured forth their light and beauty; great statesmen, great philosophers, great doctors, great astronomers but these individuals, the precious stones were woven into a tapestry, whose dominant theme was Islamic and this theme remains dominant regardless of the swallowing up of foreign lands, foreign cultures, foreign languages and foreign people."

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Rotary Club

"The day we no longer have the human soul ... is no longer despair." "What has been matters, nothing is sacred or profane and upright new world. This is a world by peace of mind, by

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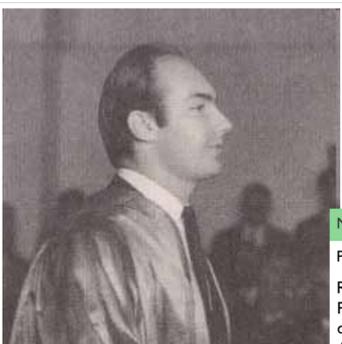
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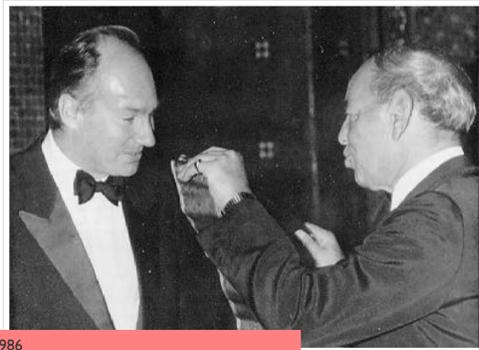


Nov 1, 1983

CANADA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by McGill University.

In his laudatory address, the Principal and Vice-chancellor says: "The Aga Khan's personal position is unique in the world today.... This man is a bridge between North and South, East and West. His leadership is beyond politics, beyond race, beyond religion. In a world torn by division, hostility, war and fear of nuclear holocaust, he is a shining beacon of inspiration and of hard-headed accomplishment in improving the lot of humankind, in elevating the quality of civilised life and in uplifting all peoples of the world to cherish the brotherhood of man." (Photo simerg.com.)



Nov 25, 1986

MOROCCO

Decorated with the Le Grand Cordon de l'Order du Trone Cherifien (Grand Cordon of Ouissam-al Arch), Morocco's honour, by His Majesty King Hassan II of Morocco. (Photo: ismaili.net.)





Oct 25, 1996

USA

Presented with the *Hadrian Award* of the World Monument Fund for 1996.

Michel David-Weill, co-chair for the ceremony, says the award is "to recognise the profound achievements of a man of deep learning and vision," a man with "an exalted position and great power because of who he is."

David Rockefeller states, "His Highness the Aga Khan is a man of vision, intellect, and passion. I've had the pleasure of knowing him for almost forty years."

And Glenn D. Lowry, Director of The Museum of Modern Art, says: "In presenting His Highness the Aga Khan with the 1996 Hadrian Award, the World Monuments Fund honours a man who has devoted his life to preserving and improving our built environment. He has done this with vision, passion, and intelligence. The results are part of his legacy to the cultural heritage of our world." (Photo simerg.com.)



Sep 22, 1998

TAJIKISTAN

Decorated with the *Order of Friendship*, Tajikistan's highest civilian award. (Photo simerg.com.)

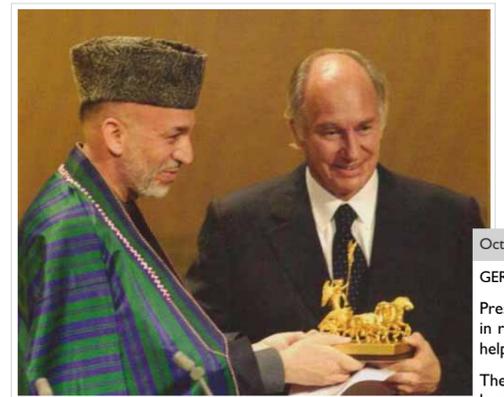


May 20, 2006

GERMANY

Presented with the award citation that pluralism, and values the world are essential

During his laudatory address, the President lauded the Aga Khan as an exceptional man, a visionary and a democratic progressive. A man who shows deep respect for the Islamic faith and who does not want to know Islam that is not in



Oct 3, 2005

GERMANY

Presented with the award in recognition of his work in helping people

The President lauded the Aga Khan as a builder, a democratic leader, and a man who has bridged the differences between civilizations. His Highness is a man of differences, but his harmonious diversity is an inspiration to all of us.



Jun 6, 2005

CANADA

Invested as an Honorary Companion of the Order of Canada, the highest formal civilian tribute in Canada, the Aga Khan has devoted his life to alleviating human suffering

Her Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor General of Canada, says she is deeply impressed that you have shown such generosity, importantly, a compassion for other humans

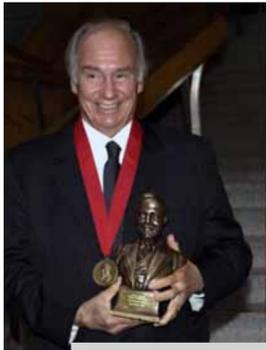
Jan 25, 2005

USA

Jul 11, 2007 to Dec 13, 2008

Seven countries issue stamps to commemorate the Golden Jubilee of His Highness the Aga Khan as 49th Imam of the Ismailis.

- PORTUGAL: 2 stamps (July 11, 2007)
- TANZANIA: 4 stamps and 1 "sheetlet" stamp (August 18, 2007)
- MOZAMBIQUE: 5 stamps (November 21, 2007)
- INDIA: 2 stamps (May 17, 2008)
- BANGLADESH: 4 stamps (September 16, 2008)
- UGANDA: 8 stamps (September 30, 2008)
- KENYA: 4 stamps (December 13, 2008)



Oct 4, 2005

SCOTLAND

Awarded the Carnegie Medal for Philanthropy. On presenting the medal the former President of Ireland says, "The Aga Khan's values of pluralism, multiculturalism, and strengthening civil society, are those we must all emulate." (Photo akdn.org.)

Nov 21, 2006

UNITED KINGDOM

Winner of the 10th annual Peter O'Sullivan Award at the Savoy in London. The award recognizes a lifetime's contribution to the sport of horse racing.



Aug 13, 2007

KENYA

Awarded the Chief of the Order of the Golden Heart of Kenya, Kenya's highest medal of honour. On bestowing the award, His Excellency the President of Kenya notes that His Highness the Aga Khan has recorded an impressive and enduring legacy of service to the Ismaili community, Kenya, and the world at large, elaborating that, "[T]he achievements you have accomplished are an eloquent testimony of your dedication to your spiritual calling as well as selfless commitment to the well-being of mankind, irrespective of race or religion." (Photo akdn.org.)

In the Die Quadriga Prize, the United We Care Award, and the Aga Khan's life's work in the poorest regions of the world.

In the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, delivers the press, praising the Aga Khan as a humanist, peace-creator, philanthropist and "esteemed ambassador of nations." He adds that: "While bringing people together, striving not to diminish or remove cultural and religious identity, it is this belief in an inclusive world that makes him a visionary leader of our time." (Photo simerg.com.)

Dec 1, 2007

UNITED KINGDOM

Named Personality of the Year by Apollo, the international magazine for collectors. The Editor notes that "the Aga Khan's vision for the future of our cities is firmly focussed on the repair and enhancement of existing buildings, something that urban planning visionaries in the developed world still neglect."



Jun 30, 2008

IRELAND

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Laws by the National University of Ireland. In his citation, John Hughes, President of the University, says:

"His Highness is the first member of the Islamic community to be so honoured in the history of NUI Maynooth ... [He] embodies the spirit of understanding, tolerance and ecumenism that should link the great religions of the world. For fifty years, he has been a voice of moderation and a voice of reason in promoting an Islam that embraces and indeed celebrates pluralism and diversity.... Few people on this earth have contributed more to the promotion of tolerance than our guest of honour here today. Ladies and gentlemen, I present to you for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Laws, Honoris Causa, this inspiring leader, great humanitarian, statesman and man of learning and culture, His Highness Prince Karim Aga Khan IV." (Photo akdn.org.)

Companion of the Order of Canada, Canada's highest honour. The citation states that, "His Highness's life to protecting the environment and due to poverty."

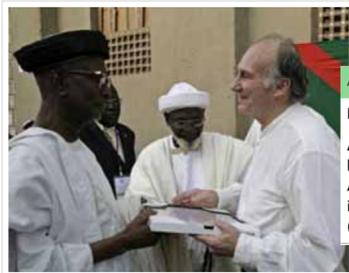
Honourable Adrienne Clarkson, Governor General of His Highness the Aga Khan: "I have been able to bring to everything you do, a curiosity, an intelligence and above all, a deep respect for all beings." (Photo: Sgt. Eric Jolin.)

Jun 12, 2009

UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity by the University of Cambridge, the first Muslim to receive the distinction in the university's 800 year history. In his remarks, Tim Winter, the Academic Secretary in the Faculty of Divinity, says:

"The Honorary Doctorate of Divinity is awarded to individuals who have made a global impact through their religious leadership. I am delighted that His Highness the Aga Khan, whose charitable and spiritual leadership has a truly world-wide reach, and whose support for scholarship has impacted profoundly on Islamic Studies, should have been chosen for this well-deserved honour." (Photo akdn.org.)



Apr 24, 2008

MALI

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate by the University of Sankore, the African continent's most ancient institution of higher education. (Photo akdn.org.)



Jun 19, 2009

CANADA

Made an Honorary Citizen of Canada by unanimous approval of the House of Commons. His Highness the Aga Khan is only the fifth person to receive this honour.

The motion describes the Aga Khan as "a beacon of humanitarianism, pluralism and tolerance throughout the world." The Prime Minister of Canada adds that the Aga Khan is "a great partner and long-time friend of Canada, and a great benefactor to humanity." (Photo akdn.org.)

re Tolerance Award from the Evangelical Academy of Tutzing. In its citation the Academy says, "[His Highness the Aga Khan] believes that respect for the diversity of cultures, nationalities and religions around the world is essential for ensuring peace."

In his address, the German Minister of Foreign Affairs, says: "We honour the Aga Khan, we honour a huge friend of humankind, we honour a courageous leader who honours a person building bridges between societies ... [who is a] fortress for the world, as someone wishing to bring about sustainable, pluralistic, civil societies... We honour a face of Islam that many of us do not know and sadly all too often we see: an Islam that is open, tolerant and willing to engage in dialogue. An Islam that is in conflict with free, democratic and pluralistic societies." (Photo akdn.org.)



Apr 11, 2008

USA

Presented with a key to Austin. (Photo akdn.org.)

Dec 19, 2005

PORTUGAL

Apr 23, 2008

MALI



Aug 12, 1957

ZANZIBAR

Decorated with the *Brilliant Star of Zanzibar* by His Majesty the Sultan of Zanzibar. (Photo ismaili.net.)



Jul 26, 1957

UNITED KINGDOM

Receives the title of *His Highness* from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II of Great Britain.



Oct 24, 1959

IRAN

Receives the title of *His Royal Highness* from His Imperial Majesty the Shah of Iran.

Oct 27, 1960

PORTUGAL

Decorated with the *Grand Cross of the Order of Infante D. Henrique* by the Portuguese Government in Goa.

Jan 13, 1962

SWITZERLAND

Wins the *Roberts of Kandhar* challenge cup at Davos, Switzerland, the oldest challenge cup in the world for downhill ski racing.



Nov 15, 1966

MALAGASY REPUBLIC

Presented with the *Grand Cross of the Nation*. (Photo simerg.com.)

Jul 11, 1957

At the age of 20, Prince Karim Aga Khan inherits the Imamate of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims as their 49th Imam. (Photo simerg.com.)

1960

MAURITANIA

Decorated with the rank of *Commandeur du Mérite Mauritanien* (Commander of the Order of Merit) by the Mauritanian Government.

Mar 17, 1962

ITALY

Made an *Honorary Citizen* of the Town of Arzachena (Sardinia).

Aug 5, 1965

UPPER VOLTA

Decorated with the *L'Ordre National de la Haute-Volta* (Grand Cross of the Nation Order), Upper Volta's highest national title.

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Oct 22, 1957

NAIROBI, KENYA

"[R]emember, above all how important it is to encourage and promote good relations among the different races who live here together.

"Let me give you a practical example – behind, you can see the structure of a great new hospital which is almost completed. It will be one of the best equipped hospitals in East Africa. Half of it has been paid for by the Ismaili community and half by the government. It will be, like our schools, available to all races. I hope that this will be only one of many other ventures in which the spirit of partnership will always prevail."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Takht Nashini Ceremony

Oct 1, 1960

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"Throughout history, when the great empires broke up, whether it be the fall of the Roman or Byzantine empires, or of the Caliphate, you will find that the youth had lost its dynamism, its personality and its imagination."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Karachi University

Nov 24, 1963

MANILLA, PHILIPPINES

"Let us, therefore, put our backs to the wheel and show the state in which we live that we are determined to become first class citizens, nay leaders, not for the futile glory of leadership but to help this country become a better place in which to live and ensure that, even if we cannot reap the fruit of our labour, our children will be born to brighter horizons."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Inauguration of the Mindanao State University

Dec 4, 1964

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"The tapestry of Islamic history is studded with jewels of civilisation; these jewels poured forth their light a beauty; great statesmen great philosophers, great doctors, great astronom but these individuals, the precious stones were we into a tapestry, whose dominant theme was Isl and this theme remained dominant regardless of swallowing up of foreign lands, foreign cultures, foreign languages and foreign people."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Rotary Club

"The day we no longer have the human soul ... is no loss to despair." "What has been matters, nothing is sacred or profane and upright new world. This is achieved by peace of mind, by



ASSOCIATION FOR PAKISTAN, SPECIAL BROCHURE.

"No one that I know of can with greater justification claim to be a citizen of the world than the present Aga Khan and on that account alone he is qualified to look at world problems against the background of the grand tradition of humanistic culture that has been fostered by civility of ages. Whereas other leaders of men are functioning within the narrower framework of mere national ideals, he is privileged to see world problems from a supernational [sic] plane: he alone is endowed with 'global consciousness'.

"Does not the Holy Book admonish us to believe that the entirety of mankind has been created as though it were one indivisible self? And if that be true, must it not follow that one must believe in the spiritual unity of mankind? That, then, is the reason why what the Aga Khan says is so authentic and appeals to all those who love humanity and are concerned about its future welfare."

-- Allah Bukhsh K. Brohi in the preface to the special Convocation Address Brochure (Photo simerg.com.)



Jan 15, 1970

PAKISTAN

Decorated with the *Nishan-i-Imtiaz* (Sign of Excellence), Pakistan's third highest honour. (Photo ismaili.net.)



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CÔTE D'IVOIRE

Decorated with the *Grand Cross of the National Order* (Grand Cross of the National Order), Ivory Coast's highest order.

Mar 14, 1968

PAKISTAN

Inducted as an *Honorary Member* of the Pakistan Medical Association.

Feb 6, 1970

PAKISTAN

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Law* by Sind University, Karachi "in recognition of the role that his Royal Highness and his ancestors have played in the world of Islam", "of his patronage of arts, education and learning, and in recognition of his love, sympathy, condescension and affability, his humanity and his generosity", and other contributions.

Praising His Highness the Aga Khan, the Vice-chancellor, Prof. Syed Ghulam Mustafa Shah, says, "In a short span of 12 years as Imam, His Royal Highness has shown that he is endowed with wisdom, versatility, sagacity and statesmanship which are characteristic of his noble and great family. In the fast-changing and kaleidoscopic conditions on the continents of Asia and Africa, His Royal Highness has not only guided the socio-economic activities of his own followers, but has also rendered immense material assistance in the economic development of new and young nations and thereby advanced the well-being, prosperity and stability of the people of those countries."

Oct 24, 1980

PAKISTAN

Made an *Honorary Citizen of Lahore*, and presented with a key to the city.

Feb 15, 1981

PAKISTAN

Inducted as an *Honorary Member* of the Pakistan Medical Association, Sind Chapter.

Feb 15, 1981

PAKISTAN

Presented with a key to Karachi.

Mar 7, 1981

KENYA

Made an *Honorary Citizen* of the Town of Kisumu.

Dec 8, 1977

ITALY

Decorated with the *Order of the Knight of the Grand Cross*, Italy's highest honour, normally reserved for heads of state, in recognition of His Highness the Aga Khan's contributions to the development of Sardinia's economy and tourism. The Aga Khan is the first Muslim to receive the honour.

Feb 1970

PAKISTAN

Invested as an *Honorary Colonel* of the 6th Lancers by the Pakistani Army.

1967

IRAN

Decorated with the *Nishan-i-Taj-i-Iran* (Grand Cordon of the Order of the Crown of Iran).

Nov 15, 1966

MALAGASY REPUBLIC

Decorated with the *Grand Cross of the National Order of Malagasy Republic*, Madagascar's highest honour.

Nov 20, 1966

COMOROS

Decorated with the *Grand Cross of the Order of the Green Crescent* by the Government of Comoros.

PUBLIC

Presented with a key to Majunga. (Photo simerg.com.)

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Mar 11, 1967

NAIROBI, KENYA

"[Industrial Promotion Services (IPS)] has taken more of my personal time and thought than practically every other business activity connected with developing countries. The heart of the matter is the idea which lies behind the whole concept of IPS - the idea of partnership in progress."

- His Highness the Aga Khan, Opening of the Industrial Promotion Services (IPS) Building.

Jan 29, 1970

DACCA, PAKISTAN

"The range of activities IPS [Industrial Promotion Services] is prepared to engage in is very wide indeed. It has no rigid rules about the proportions of loan and equity investments which it makes. Finally, it is prepared - and indeed, anxious - to co-operate with other development institutions, both from the Government and the private sector...."

"An example of IPS action will shortly be announced in East Africa where ... IPS has brought together several major airlines, an international hotel chain, and other important private interests, to form what will become the largest single tourist consortium in Africa, with a chain of hotels and game lodges stretching throughout Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda. IPS has done this with active participation of the World Bank through its subsidiary agency, the International Finance Corporation, and the development corporations of the three Governments involved. Thus local Government funds local private funds, as well as foreign capital and know-how have all been harnessed in one project to develop further one of the key sectors of the East African economies."

- His Highness the Aga Khan, IPS Luncheon

Mar 12, 1976

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"I have observed in the Western world a deeply changing pattern of human relations. The anchors of moral behaviour appear to have dragged to such depths that they no longer hold firm the ship of life: what was once wrong is now simply unconventional, and for the sake of individual freedom must be tolerated. What is tolerated soon becomes accepted. Contrarily, what was once right is now viewed as outdated, old fashioned and is often the target of ridicule...."

"In seeking to define what our Islamic Society should be in times ahead, 50 and 100 and 200 years hence we should, I believe, be aware that the Muslims of this world cover such an amazing range of historical, ethnic and cultural backgrounds that a completely monolithic answer may not be found...."

"The Holy Prophet's life gives us every fundamental guideline that we require to resolve the problem as successfully as our human minds and intellects can visualise. His example of integrity, loyalty, honesty, generosity both of means and of time, his solicitude for the poor, the weak and the sick, his steadfastness in friendship, his humility in success, his magnanimity in victory, his simplicity, his wisdom in conceiving new solutions for problems which could not be solved by traditional methods, without affecting the fundamental concepts of Islam, surely all these are foundations which, correctly understood and sincerely interpreted, must enable us to conceive what should be a truly modern and dynamic Islamic Society in the years ahead."

- His Highness the Aga Khan, Presidential Address at the International Seerat Conference

Sep 28, 1978

ISTANBUL, TURKEY

"The Aga Khan [Architecture] Awards, the first of which will be granted in 1980, will be substantial: \$100,000 in each of five different categories for a potential total of \$500,000 every three years. Their purpose is to make a strong and continuing impact on the architectural profession, on decision makers and on public opinion everywhere...."

"[T]he Award will not be confined to architects competing with designs for a succession of prestigious public monuments. We are concerned with the Islamic world and, above all, with the people of Islam.... Secondly, the Awards will be open not only to designers, but also to the promoters and decision makers who generally employ them, to craftsmen and builders, to civil servants, and even to ordinary people who have shown initiative in improving their own habitats. A third feature is that they will go only to projects that have been tried and proven over a number of years. How many buildings have won acclaim at the time the ribbon was cut, only to be rejected as impractical and inconvenient by those who had to live or work in them? Heralding a venture which eventually proves unsatisfactory is a trap we fully intend to avoid. Finally, we do not seek anything less ambitious than true excellence in any architecture intended for the Islamic environment."

- His Highness the Aga Khan, Aga Khan Award for Architecture Seminar

"Muslim scholars reached for astronomy, geography, physics, philosophy, especially, in medicine. The Newton remarked that if he was a predecessor, it was because he was a giant. Among those giants who revolution in Europe were Ibn Sina, a standard text for five centuries; Ibn Rushd, the philosopher; Muslim scientists who had profound gravity, refined Euclid's theories, trigonometry and algebra, and made possible by developing Indian numerals zero as a number."

"It is no exaggeration to say that universities of Latin West, at indeed the whole European renaissance of new knowledge from Islam - an inheritance of western colleges and universities in Africa."

"In Islamic belief, knowledge revealed through the Holy Prophet is discovered by virtue of his own mind is itself the creation of no balance is possible. With it, the one strength of Islam has always lain in its static but continuous, that through endeavours, God has opened windows for us to see the world."

- His Highness the Aga Khan, On the acceptance of the Charter of the Aga Khan Award for Architecture

Nov 30, 1967

PESHAWAR, PAKISTAN

"The time nor the faith to bow in prayer to Allah because the danger of sufficient importance to us will be a sunless day of called the permissive society where anything goes, nothing private any more, is not a promising foundation for a brave fearful chase after material ease must surely be resuscitated."

- His Highness the Aga Khan, Peshawar University

Feb 6, 1970

HYDERABAD, PAKISTAN

"For five centuries, Muslim architecture led the world in concept, in design, in finish and even in structural ingenuity. Millions of non-Muslims every year visit Islamic monuments in the Middle East, in the Indo-Pakistan subcontinent, and in North Africa. And yet what is being done today to develop our own Islamic architecture of the twenty-first century? Practically nothing."

- His Highness the Aga Khan, University of Sind

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16, 1983

PAKISTAN

Khan Medical College is accorded the status of university.

On the occasion of accepting the Aga Khan University Charter, His Excellency the President of Pakistan says, "The valuable services rendered by the Aga Khan family are known not only to us, the people of Pakistan, but to the whole world," and "I can say with full confidence, that The Aga Khan University prove itself to be a 'lighthouse', which will not only immortalise the great name of the Aga Khan, but also spread new light in Pakistan and the Islamic world – Insha'Allah." (Photo ismaili.net.)

23, 1983

PAKISTAN

Awarded with the Nishan-e-Pakistan, Pakistan's highest civil award.

The citation states: "The people and the Government of Pakistan have followed with profound admiration and interest the devotion and deep sense of commitment with which Your Highness has been engaged in promoting social and economic welfare activities of Pakistan, of the Islamic Ummah as a whole and indeed of the entire developing world. Your outstanding contributions to the achievement of these worthy objectives constitute a fitting continuation of the noble traditions of service and humanism of your illustrious family."

2, 1982

FRANCE

Awarded with the Grand Officier, Ordre National Du Lion (Grand Officer of the National Order of the Lion).

Jul 11, 1982 - Jul 11, 1983

His Highness the Aga Khan's Silver Jubilee (25 years) as Imam of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims.

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Mar 16, 1983

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"...innacles of achievement in philosophy, mathematics and great British scientist Isaac Newton able to see further than his contemporaries stood on the shoulders of giants made possible the scientific revolution whose 'Canon of Medicine' had endured for a hundred years; al-Idrisi, the cartographer, and a host of other luminaries lucidated the notion of specific projected geometry, evolved modern mathematics and the concept of the universal value of no place value..."

"...that the original Christian in Paris, Bologna and Oxford, once, received a vital influx of spiritual energy from which the later sciences, including those of North America, were to benefit in turn..."

"...the is two-fold. There is that which is the intellect. Nor do these two dimensions man remembers that his God. Without this humility, there are no barriers. Indeed, in its belief that creation through scientific and other means continues to open new worlds and marvels of His creation."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Address at the Aga Khan University

Dec 1983

NEW YORK, USA

"I'm less hypnotised by [the United States'] material wealth than by its wealth of knowledge. This country today represents, without any doubt in my mind, the greatest intensity of human knowledge on the face of the earth. And that is an exhilarating thought, one perhaps not perceived by Americans as much as by non-Americans."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Life Magazine Interview

Nov 11, 1985

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"The relationship between the intellect of man and Faith has always been of fundamental importance to Muslims. How can a modern University respect and re-enforce that relationship? ... I apprehend that in certain educational institutions respect for tradition has restricted academic study to the accomplishment of the past. However, our Faith has never been restricted to one place or time. Ever since its revelation the fundamental concepts of Islam have been its universality and the fact that this is the last revelation, constantly valid, and not petrified into one period of man's history or confined to one area of the world. Islam is for all places and all time. This is why there is a role for a modern Islamic University which can draw inspiration from the Faith and from the past in addressing the opportunities of the future."

"The Holy Qu'ran's encouragement to study nature and the physical world around us gave the original impetus to scientific enquiry among Muslims. Exchanges of knowledge between institutions and nations and the widening of man's intellectual horizons are essentially Islamic concepts. The Faith urges freedom of intellectual enquiry and this freedom does not mean that knowledge will lose its spiritual dimension. That dimension is indeed itself a field for intellectual enquiry. I can not illustrate this interdependence of spiritual inspiration and learning better than by recounting a dialogue between Ibn Sina, the philosopher, and Abu Said Abu-Khyar, the Sufi mystic. Ibn Sina remarked, 'Whatever I know, he sees.' To which Abu Said replied, 'Whatever I see, he knows.'"

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Address at the Aga Khan University Inauguration

May 21, 1990

LONDON, UK

"AKF and its partners have had some success in advocating the creation of an enabling environment in developing countries – an environment that will help the private sector, non-profit and for-profit, become more productive for the benefit of the larger community as a whole. But much remains to be done to mobilise local private resources for development. AKF organised the Enabling Environment Conference in Nairobi in 1986, supported by ODA, the World Bank and various private groups, both non-profit and for-profit. This led to a similar conference in Nigeria last year – evidence that some countries are beginning to look carefully at ways in which local private resources can finally be mobilised. The Kenyan Government is supportive of Aga Khan Foundation Kenya's plan to launch an endowment campaign next month in Nairobi. The endowment will help secure long-term support for innovative health and education interventions that contribute to the vitality of the voluntary sector in Kenya..."

"We must work to ensure that governments see the advantage to their peoples in establishing mechanisms to support strong private institutions that can contribute to the intellectual and social fabric of their country."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Address at the "Hands Across The World" Exhibition

Feb 6, 1992

LONDON, UK

"Experiences with the Aga Khan Education Services show that good governance apply to the private enterprise. Health care services rely heavily on volunteer directors and private Khan Network will ensure before the World Health by the year 2000 – all in the areas where health care is needed. This communities as well as the Hunza and Chitral, Gujarat. Providing this access a ha person per year for Ismaili..."

"The Aga Khan Rural Support reaches nearly one million people in the mountains in the world. Its organisation and services incomes... The village org out to protect their environment largely pay for schools and..."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Address at the Royal Society for Asian Affairs

Nov 1985

PAKISTAN

Inducted as an Honorary Fellow of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Pakistan.



May 15, 1987

CANADA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by McMaster University (Hamilton).

The President of the University, Mr. Alvin Lee, praises His Highness the Aga Khan's "sober and responsible leadership in the advancement of the Third World; his promotion of education and the ideal of education; his major contribution to health care in Pakistan and his involvement of McMaster University in that project; and his extraordinary efforts in bridging many and very diverse religions and cultures ... for which, he is unique in bridging the underdeveloped and the highly developed worlds." (Photo simerg.com.)

Oct 26, 1988

ITALY

Decorated with the Cavaliere del Lavoro (Knight of Labour) in recognition of the major contribution His Highness the Aga Khan had made to the Italy's economy. The Aga Khan is the first Muslim to receive the honour. (Photo ismaili.net.)



Oct 11, 1989

UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Literature in Education from the University of London (Logan Hall) by Her Royal Highness, Princess Anne, Chancellor of the University.

His Highness the Aga Khan is cited as a "calm voice in troubled times, a world leader, uniquely placed to bridge the cultural differences dividing the East and West." (Photo simerg.com.)

1991

FRANCE

Awarded the Medaille d'Argent (Silver Medal) of the Academie d'Architecture de France.

1991

UNITED KINGDOM

Inducted as an Honorary Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects.

1992

USA

Inducted as an Honorary Member of the American Institute of Architects.

Jun 1991

SPAIN

Named Huesped de Honor De Granada (Guest of Honour of Granada) at inauguration of the historic 14th Century Zafra House.

Sep 21, 1992

UZBEKISTAN

Made an Honorary Member and presentee

Nov 7, 1990

FRANCE

Decorated with the Commander of the Legion of Honour by the President of France for "a long continuity of eminent service rendered to humanity." Established by Napoleon Bonaparte in 1802, the medal is France's highest honour.

Nov 22, 1991

SPAIN

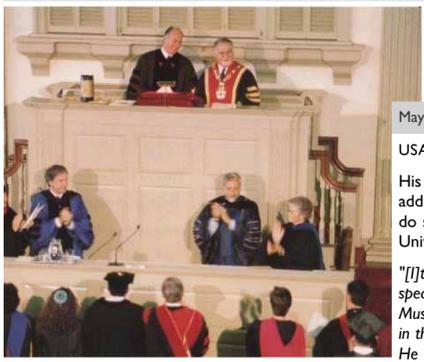
Decorated with the Gran Cruz De Merito Civil (Grand Cross of the Order of Civil Merit), one of Spain's most important civil decorations, by His Majesty King Juan Carlos of Spain.

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May 26, 1996

USA

His Highness the Aga Khan delivers the Baccalaureate address at Brown University, (Providence), the first Muslim to do so in its 232 year history. In his introductory remarks, University President Vartan Gregorian says:

"[I]t is my great honour to introduce Brown's 232nd baccalaureate speaker. His Highness Prince Karim Aga Khan IV is the first Muslim baccalaureate speaker in Brown's history and I dare to say in the history of the entire Ivy League and all American universities. He embodies the great ecumenical spirit that links the three great monotheistic religions: Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

"He has affected the lives of millions. Indeed, only ten days ago, while I was in Chicago, a driver from Pakistan, noting my accent - which I did not know I had one by the way - inquired about my place of birth. When I said I was born in Iran, he asked me if I was familiar with the Aga Khan. I said I was slightly familiar with the Aga Khan. Then he said, 'Everything I have I owe to him - my spiritual welfare, my business, everything.' And you know, he continued, 'He is coming to the United States. I wish there was an opportunity for me to thank him personally, to thank my Imam!' He then turned down the visor and showed me the Aga Khan's picture. Your Highness, I told him that when I see you, I will thank you on behalf of Fateh Ali Judhani and all the Fateh Ali Judhanis of the world. They are a legion and they are of all faiths...

"[An] inspiring leader, great humanitarian, statesman and man of learning and culture..." (Photo simerg.com.)

May 27, 1996

USA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by Brown University (Providence). In his laudatory address, University President Vartan Gregorian says:

"Your Highness, ... you have followed in family's centuries old tradition of service to your people and stewardship of a faith that emphasises compassion and tolerance and that upholds the dignity of all humanity. Following the noble example set by your grandfather, the previous Imam, you have dedicated yourself to international service...

"In your life and work you have advanced the growth and understanding of Islamic culture and improved the well-being of Muslims and non-Muslims alike. Today we honour you, your family, and all Ismailis for your service to Islam and to all human kind."

May 11, 1994

USA

His Highness the Aga Khan delivers the commencement address at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Cambridge), the first Muslim to do so in its 130 year history.

Dec 17, 1996

PORTUGAL

Presented with a key to Lisbon.

Oct 10, 1998

SPAIN

Presented with the *Granada de Oro* (Gold Medal of the City of Granada).

2001

FRANCE

Awarded an *Insignia of Honour* by the International Union of Architects.

2002

KAZAKHSTAN

Decorated with the State Award for Peace and Progress.

Dec 31, 2003

UNITED KINGDOM

Made a *Knight Commander* (KBE) by Her Elizabeth II of Great

Jul 11, 1998

PORTUGAL

Decorated by President Jorge Sampaio with the *Grand Cross of the Order of Merit* for "outstanding contribution to human understanding and to social and economic progress in different areas of the world." (Photo simerg.com.)



Jun 7, 2001

SWEDEN

Awarded the Archon Award from the International Nursing Honour Society, Sigma Theta Tau International, for "leadership in promoting global health and welfare and for his compassionate support of nursing research in developing countries." (Photo ismaili.net.)



Nov 28, 2000

USA

Panellist at the White House Conference on Culture and Diplomacy. (Photo simerg.com.)

2002

KYRGYZSTAN

Receives an Honorary Professorship at the University of Osh.

2003

MALI

Made an Honorary Citizen of the Islamic Ummah of Timbuktu.

Dec 8, 2003

BAHRAIN

Decorated (First Class) Hamad of

Jun 18, 2004

CANADA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law of Toronto's Ontario Institute for Studies in Education for recognition of outstanding contribution to service, higher education and philanthropy.



Apr 30, 1993

UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law from the University of Wales by His Royal Highness Charles, Prince of Wales, the University's Chancellor, for his role in the promotion of education and academic excellence throughout the world.

Citation notes that the university has honoured him with a "great spiritual and humanitarian tradition" for his "work that has diminished poverty, unemployment and ignorance." It also notes that "his many initiatives ... have transformed the quality of life of millions of people in the developing world of Africa and Asia," and have "a rich record of creative endeavour on the poorer people of our world."

Honorary Citizen of Samarkand, awarded with a key to the city.

Apr 15, 2003

INDIA

Made an Honorary Citizen of the Islamic Ummah of Samarkand.

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May 27, 1994

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His Highness the Aga Khan, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

"Education has been important to my family for a long time. My forefathers founded al-Azhar University in Cairo some 1000 years ago, at the time of the Fatimid Caliphate in Egypt. Discovery of knowledge was seen by those founders as an embodiment of religious faith, and faith as reinforced by knowledge of workings of the Creator's physical world. The form of universities has changed over those 1000 years, but that reciprocity between faith and knowledge remains a source of strength...

"I shall talk today about encounters. Encounters. When two people meet. Or two particles. Or two cultures... In the encounters of people and cultures, much depends on the path that each has taken to that point. These are not stochastic processes. The subjects have histories. The encounter has complexity and rich dimensionality. The result of an encounter between two people or between two cultures is shaped by the assumptions of each, by their respective goals and - perhaps most directly relevant to a university - by the repertoire of responses that each has learned... If the encounter of the Muslim world, the West and the ex-Communist world takes account of the need for each to draw on its own strengths, to be consistent with its goals, to strive for a sustainable, improved outcome and to ensure a humane transition, then the encounter will have been as successful as it is important."

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Oct 17, 1996

CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

"The communications revolution means either a growing 'homogenisation' that we know breeds its own hostile reactions, or we can search for a better course. We can hope that the spirit of the 21st century will be a spirit of Creative Encounter... For the spirit of Creative Encounter will never become a dominant force in our world without the strong and effective leadership of the information media.

"How can the press best contribute to a spirit of Creative Encounter - here in Africa and around the world? One simple requirement towers above all others: the ability to respect that which is truly different, to understand that which we do not embrace... [I]t means much more than tolerance and forbearance... In truth, cultural sensitivity is something far more rigorous, something that requires a deep intellectual commitment. It requires a readiness to study and to learn across cultural barriers, an ability to see others as they see themselves. Cultural sensitivity is hard work...."

"[I]t is the press which should lead the way - not just newspapers and broadcasting outlets, but also the news service and press agencies which serve them and the organisations which support them. For centuries, the press has cast itself as the champion of understanding and enlightenment. And yet, even as the press has become more international, it has often left a trail of misunderstanding in its wake. Confident that more information is a good thing in and of itself, the press has often focused too much on the quantity of what it can deliver, and too little on the quality of what it presents.

"But if the media have sometimes been part of the problem - amplifying the threatening aspects of globalization - then the media can also be part of the solution. If a careless or superficial press can exacerbate the clash of cultures, then a more sensitive and studious press can accomplish the opposite: The same media which serves to distort or discredit old cultures, can also be used to revalidate them, and to help explain them to others."

- His Highness the Aga Khan, Keynote Address at the Commonwealth Press Union Conference

Sep 7, 2002

AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS

"[I]t is my conviction that the strengthening of institutions supporting pluralism is as critical for the welfare and progress of human society as are poverty alleviation and conflict prevention. In fact all three are intimately related... The actions to enhance pluralism have to be matched in the developing world by programmes to alleviate poverty because, left alone, poverty will provide a context for special interests to pursue their goals in aggressive terms...."

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- His Highness the Aga Khan, Prince Claus Fund's Conference on Culture and Development

Jan 30, 2002

TORONTO, CANADA

"[When] you look at what is considered general knowledge in the Western world and you say within the general knowledge of the Western world what does it know about the Islamic world? Is anything taught in secondary education? Does anybody know the names of the great philosophers, the scientists, the great theologians? Do they even know the names of the great civilisations? ... And it is very, very difficult for Muslim leaders to articulate positions against such a vacuum in knowledge."

- His Highness the Aga Khan, Globe and Mail Interview

Apr 15, 2003

NEW DELHI, INDIA

"Tolerance, open understanding peoples' culture structures, values are now essential survival of an individual world. Pluralism simply an asset prerequisite for development, its existence."

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– His Highness The Aga Khan Annual Conference of German Ambassadors

Feb 12, 2006

EVORA, PORTUGAL

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His Highness the Aga Khan, University of Evora and Symposium

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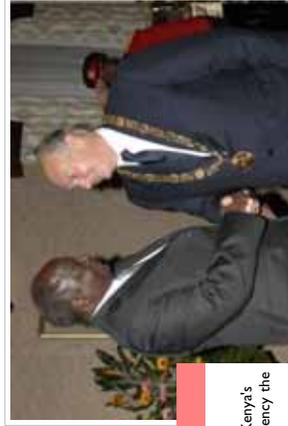
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KENYA

Awarded the Chief of the Order of the Golden Heart of Kenya, Kenya's highest medal of honour. On bestowing the award, His Excellency the President of Kenya notes that His Highness the Aga Khan has recorded an impressive and enduring legacy of service to the Ismaili community, Kenya, and the world at large, elaborating that, "[T]he achievements you have accomplished are an eloquent testimony of your dedication to your spiritual calling as well as selfless commitment to the well-being of mankind, irrespective of race or religion." (Photo akdn.org)



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Jun 30, 2008

IRELAND

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Laws by the National University of Ireland. In his citation, John Hughes, President of the University, says:

"His Highness is the first member of the Islamic community to be so honoured in the history of NUJ Maynooth ... [He] embodies the spirit of understanding, tolerance and ecumenism that should link the great religions of the world. For fifty years, he has been a voice of moderation and a voice of reason in promoting an Islam that embraces and indeed celebrates pluralism and diversity... Few people on this earth have contributed more to the promotion of tolerance than our guest of honour here today. Ladies and gentlemen, I present to you for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Laws, Honorary Causa, this inspiring leader, great humanitarian, statesman and man of learning and culture, His Highness Prince Karim Aga Khan IV." (Photo akdn.org)

Jun 12, 2009

UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity by the University of Cambridge, the first Muslim to receive the distinction in the university's 800 year history. In his remarks, Tim Winter, the Academic Secretary in the Faculty of Divinity, says:

"The Honorary Doctorate of Divinity is awarded to individuals who have made a global impact through their religious leadership. I am delighted that His Highness the Aga Khan, whose charitable and spiritual leadership has a truly world-wide reach, and whose support for scholarship has impacted profoundly on Islamic Studies, should have been chosen for this well-deserved honour." (Photo akdn.org)



Apr. 24, 2008

MALI

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate by the University of Sankore, the African continent's most ancient institution of higher education. (Photo akdn.org.)



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Oct. 4, 2005

SCOTLAND

Awarded the Carnegie Medal for Philanthropy. On presenting the former President of Ireland says Khan's values of pluralism, multilateral and strengthening civil society, are must all emulate." (Photo akhna)



Oct. 3, 2005

GERMANY

Presented with the Die Quadriga Prize, the United We Can in recognition of His Highness the Aga Khan's life's work helping people in the poorest regions of the world.

The President of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, de laudatory address, praising the Aga Khan as a humanist builder, democrat, philanthropist and "esteemed ambassador between civilizations." He adds that: "While bringing people His Highness is striving not to diminish or remove cultural differences, but to promote their acceptance and to work for harmonious diversity. It is this belief in an inclusive world that him an inspirational leader of our time." (Photo simerg.com)



Jun 6, 2005

CANADA

Invested as an Honorary Companion of the Order of Canada, Canada's highest formal civilian tribute. The citation states that: "His Highness the Aga Khan has devoted his life to protecting the environment and alleviating human suffering due to poverty."

Her Excellency the Right Honourable Adrienne Clarkson, Governor General of Canada, says of His Highness the Aga Khan: "I have been deeply impressed that you have been able to bring to everything you do, a generosity, importantly, a curiosity, an intelligence and above all, a deep compassion for other human beings." (Photo: Sgt. Eric Jolin)



Oct 25, 1996

USA

Presented with the *Hadrian Award of the World Monument Fund* for 1996.

Michel David-Weill, co-chair for the ceremony, says the award is "to recognise the profound achievements of a man of deep learning and vision," a man with "an excited position and great power because of who he is."

David Rockefeller states, "His Highness the Aga Khan is a man of vision, intellect, and passion. I've had the pleasure of knowing him for almost forty years."

And Glenn D. Lowry, Director of The Museum of Modern Art, says: "In presenting His Highness the Aga Khan with the 1996 Hadrian Award, the World Monuments Fund honours a man who has devoted his life to preserving and improving our built environment. He has done this with vision, passion, and intelligence. The results are part of his legacy to the cultural heritage of our world." (Photo simeerg.com).

May 26, 1996

USA

His Highness the Aga Khan delivers the Baccalaureate address at Brown University, (Providence), the first Muslim to do so in its 232 year history. In his introductory remarks, University President Vartan Gregorian says:

"[I]t is my great honour to introduce Brown's 232nd baccalaureate speaker. His Highness Prince Karim Aga Khan IV is the first Muslim baccalaureate speaker in Brown's history and I dare to say in the history of the entire Ivy League and all American universities. He embodies the great ecumenical spirit that links the three great monotheistic religions: Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

"He has affected the lives of millions. Indeed, only ten days ago, while I was in Chicago, a driver from Pakistan, noting my accent – which I did not know I had one by the way – inquired about my place of birth. When I said I was born in Iran, he asked me if I was familiar with the Aga Khan. I said I was slightly familiar with the Aga Khan. Then he said, 'Everything I have I owe to him – my spiritual welfare, my business, everything.' And you know, he continued, 'He is coming to the United States. I wish there was an opportunity for me to thank him personally, to thank my Imam!' He then turned down the year and showed me the Aga Khan's picture. Your Highness, I told him that when I see you, I will thank you on behalf of Faten Al-Judhani and all the Faten Al-Judhanis of the world. They are a legion and they are of all faiths...."

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Decorated with the *Order of Friendship*, Tajikistan's highest civilian award. (Photo simeerg.com).



Jul 11, 1998

PORTUGAL

Decorated by President Jorge Sampaio with the *Grand Cross of the Order of Merit* for "outstanding contribution to human understanding and to social and economic progress in different areas of the world." (Photo simeerg.com).



Jun 7, 2001

SWEDEN

Awarded the *Achran Award* from the International Nursing Honour Society, Sigma Theta Tau International, for "leadership in promoting global health and welfare and for his compassionate support of nursing research in developing countries." (Photo simeerg.com).



May 20, 2006

GERMANY

Presented with the *Tolerance Award* from the Evangelical Academy of Sciences, "His Highness the Aga Khan pluralism, and valuing and protecting the diversity of cultures, not the world are essential for ensuring peace."

During his laudatory address, the German Minister of Foreign Affairs, Dr. Frank-Walter Steinmeier, said: "Your Highness, we honour a huge friend of humankind, we honour an exceptional man. We honour a person building bridges between societies and nations. We honour a man who shows us a face of Islam that many of us do not know. We honour a man who shows us a face of Islam that is open, tolerant and willing to engage with the world. We honour a man who shows us a face of Islam that is not in conflict with free, democratic and pluralistic values."

Jan 25, 2005

USA

Awarded the National Building Museum's *Vincent Scully Prize* in recognition of contributions to promoting excellence in design, urban and rural revitalisation, and historic preservation. His Highness the Aga Khan's efforts, the Museum noted, have "helped bridge the gap of understanding between Western and Islamic cultures."

In introducing the Aga Khan, James Wolfensohn, President of the World Bank, says that during his 10 years at the bank "there is one person who stands out in my mind as an icon of not only thought and philosophy but of action... His work in health is legendary as is his work in education." "[T]here is one thing which distinguishes him ... [I]t is the extraordinary sense of humanity that he has. The great depth of real feeling for real people wherever they find themselves in society. He is a holy man. He is the leader of his faith. He's a man who represents the very best in Islam. Something that all too often we tend to forget these days [is] that Islam carries with it values and a culture from which we can all learn."

Jun 18, 2004

CANADA

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Law* by the University of Toronto's Ontario Institute for Studies in Education in recognition of outstanding contributions to community service, higher education and philanthropy.

Jun 25, 2005

LEBANON

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Honor* by the American University of Beirut. In its University prais: "His Highness the Aga Khan is a true leader of the head of a service institution the have-nots of the Muslim and non-Muslim world."



transformed the quality of life in the developing world, and have a great impact on the people of our world."

May 27, 1996
USA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by Brown University (Providence). In his laudatory address, University President Varian Gregorian says:

"Your Highness, ... you have followed in family's centuries old tradition of service to your people and stewardship of a faith that emphasizes compassion and tolerance and that upholds the dignity of all humanity. Following the noble example set by your grandfather, the previous Imam, you have dedicated yourself to international service..."

"In your life and work you have advanced the growth and understanding of Islamic culture and improved the wellbeing of Muslims and non-Muslims alike. Today we honour you, your family, and all Muslims for your service to Islam and to all human kind."

Samarakand, Sri Lanka

May 11, 1994

USA

His Highness the Aga Khan delivers the commencement address at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Cambridge), the first Muslim to do so in its 130 year history.



Nov 28, 2000

USA

Panelist at the White House Conference on Culture and Diplomacy. (Photo simerg.com)

2002

KYRGYZSTAN

Receives an Honorary Professorship at the University of Osh.



Apr 7, 2005

NORWAY

Addresses the Nobel Institute at the invitation of the Government of Norway. (Photo akdn.org)

2003

MALI

Made an Honorary Citizen of the Islamic Ummah of Timbuktu.

Dec 8, 2003

BAHRAIN

Decorated with the Order of Bahrain (First Class) by His Majesty King Hamad of Bahrain.

Jun 6

CAN

Presidential Award of Merit (Photo akdn.org)

2001

FRANCE

Awarded an insignia of Honour by the International Union of Architects.

2002

KAZAKHSTAN

Decorated with the State Award for Peace and Progress.

Dec 31, 2003

UNITED KINGDOM

Made a Knight, Commander of the British Empire (KBE) by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II of Great Britain.

Mar 19, 2004

TANZANI

Made an Honorary Citizen of Dar es Salaam

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May 27, 1994
CAMBRIDGE, USA

"Education has been important to my family for a long time. My forefathers founded al-Azhar University in Cairo some 1000 years ago, at the time of the Fatimid Caliphate in Egypt. Discovery of knowledge was seen by those founders as an embodiment of religious faith, and faith as reinforced by knowledge of workings of the Creator's physical world. The form of universities has changed over those 1000 years, but that reciprocity between faith and knowledge remains a source of strength..."

"I shall talk today about encounters. Encounters. When two people meet. Or two parities. Or two cultures... In the encounters of people and cultures, much depends on the path that each has taken to that point. These are not stochastic processes. The subjects have histories. The encounter has complexity and richness. The result of an encounter between two people or between two cultures is shaped by the assumptions of each, by their respective goals and perhaps most directly relevant to a university – by the repertoire of responses that each has learned... If the encounter of the Muslim world, the West and the ex-Communist world takes account of the need for each to draw on its own strengths, to be consistent with its goals, to strive for a sustainable, improved outcome and to ensure a humane transition, then the encounter will have been as successful as it is important."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Oct 17, 1996
CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

"The communications revolution means either a growing 'homogenisation' that we know breeds its own hostile reactions, or we can search for a better course. We can hope that the spirit of the 21st century will be a spirit of Creative Encounter... For the spirit of Creative Encounter will never become a dominant force in our world without the strong and effective leadership of the information media. "How can the press best contribute to a spirit of Creative Encounter here in Africa and around the world? One simple requirement towers above all others: the ability to respect that which is truly different, to understand that which we do not embrace... [I]t means much more than tolerance and forbearance... In such, cultural sensitivity is something far more rigorous, something that requires a deep intellectual commitment. It requires a readiness to study and to learn across cultural barriers, an ability to see others as they see themselves. Cultural sensitivity is hard work..."

"[I]t is the press which should lead the way – not just newspapers and broadcasting outlets, but also the news service and press agencies which serve them and the organisations which support them. For centuries, the press has cast itself as the champion of understanding and enlightenment. And yet, even as the press has become more international, it has often left a trail of misunderstanding in its wake. Confident that more information is a good thing in and of itself, the press has often focused too much on the quantity of what it can deliver, and too little on the quality of what it presents. "But if the media have sometimes been part of the problem – amplifying the threatening aspects of globalization – then the media can also be part of the solution. If a careless or superficial press can exacerbate the clash of cultures, then a more sensitive and studious press can accomplish the opposite: The same media which serves to distort or discredit old cultures, can also be used to revalidate them, and to help explain them to others."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Keynote Address at the Commonwealth Press Union Conference

Sep 7, 2002
AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS

"[I]t is my conviction that the strengthening of institutions supporting pluralism is as critical for the welfare and progress of human society as are poverty alleviation and conflict prevention. In fact all three are intimately related... The actions to enhance pluralism have to be matched in the developing world by programmes to alleviate poverty because, left alone, poverty will provide a context for special interests to pursue their goals in aggressive terms..."

"[D]evelopment is sustainable only if the beneficiaries become, in a gradual manner, the masters of the process. This means that initiatives cannot be contemplated exclusively in terms of economics, but rather as an integrated programme that encompasses social and cultural dimensions as well. Education and skills training, health and public services, conservation of cultural heritage, infrastructure development, urban planning and rehabilitation, rural development, water and energy management, environmental control, and even policy and legislative development are among the various aspects that must be taken into account."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Prince Claus Fund's Conference on Culture and Development

Apr 15, 2003
NEW DELHI, INDIA

"Tolerance, openness and understanding towards other peoples' cultures, social structures, values and faiths are now essential to the very survival of an interdependent world. Pluralism is no longer simply an asset or a prerequisite for progress and development, it is vital to our existence."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Ceremony to Inaugurate the Restored Humayun's Tomb Gardens

Sep 6, 2004
BERLIN, GERMANY

"I look at escalating terrorism in the world, I am convinced that never that neither nor 'productive' mode will ever be achieved. I term responses amidst of crisis. What I propose to you today there are fundamental must be addressed and over the long term to achieve the desired – His Highness The Aga Khan, Annual Conference of Ambassadors

Jan 30, 2002
TORONTO, CANADA

"[When] you look at what is considered general knowledge in the Western world and you say, within the general knowledge of the Western world what does it know about the Islamic world? Is anything taught in secondary education? Does anybody know the names of the great philosophers, the scientists, the great theologians? ... And it is even know the names of the great civilisations? ... And it is very, very difficult for Muslim leaders to articulate positions against such a vacuum in knowledge."

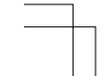
– His Highness the Aga Khan, Gkbe and Mail Interview

EVO

"How, in an increasingly cynical time, can we inspire people aspirations – reaching beyond rampant materialism, the new serving individualism, and resurgent tribalism. The search for harmony, the pursuit of equality of opportunity, the quest for harmony, the pursuit of human dignity – these are moral imperatives we must work and think about."

"What I am calling for, in sum, is an ethical sensibility which across denominational lines and which can foster a universality."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, University of Evora





Nov 1, 1983
CANADA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by McGill University.

In his laudatory address, the Principal and Vice-chancellor says: "The Aga Khan's personal position is unique in the world today... This man is a bridge between North and South, East and West. His leadership is beyond politics, beyond race, beyond religion. In a world torn by division, hostility, war and fear of nuclear holocaust, he is a shining beacon of inspiration and of hard-headed accomplishment in improving the lot of humankind, in elevating the quality of civilised life and in uplifting all peoples of the world to cherish the brotherhood of man." (Photo simerg.com)

ANSATION

Mercury Ad Personam standing role in promoting innovation, exchange of experience," and for economic progress."



Mar 16, 1983
PAKISTAN

Aga Khan Medical College is accorded the status of university.

On the occasion of accepting the Aga Khan University Charter, His Excellency the President of Pakistan says, "The valuable services rendered by the Aga Khan family are known not only to us, the people of Pakistan, but to the whole world," and "I can say with full confidence, that The Aga Khan University will prove itself to be a 'lighthouse', which will not only immortalise the great name of the Aga Khan, but also spread new light in Pakistan and the Islamic world - Insha'Allah." (Photo ismailnet.)

Mar 23, 1983
PAKISTAN



Nov 25, 1986
MOROCCO

Decorated with the Le Grand Cordon de l'Ordre du Trone Chérifien (Grand Cordon of Ouissam-sal Arch), Morocco's honour, by His Majesty King Hasan II of Morocco. (Photo: ismailnet.)



May 15, 1987
CANADA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by McMaster University (Hamilton).

The President of the University, Mr. Alvin Lee, praises His Highness the Aga Khan's "sober and responsible leadership in the advancement of the Third World; his promotion of education and the ideal of education; his major contribution to health care in Pakistan and his involvement of McMaster University in that project; and his extraordinary efforts in bridging many and very diverse religions and cultures ... for which, he is unique in bridging the underdeveloped and the highly developed worlds." (Photo simerg.com.)



Nov 30, 1993

UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an Honorary Fellowship from the University of Wales, the University of Wales, Aberystwyth, in recognition of his patronage of education and research through

The citation note pays tribute to "a humanitarian tradition has diminished poverty ignorance." It also



Oct 26, 1988
ITALY

Decorated with the Cavaliere del Lavoro (Knight of Labour) in recognition of the major contribution His Highness the Aga Khan had made to the Italy's economy. The Aga Khan is the first Muslim to receive the honour. (Photo ismailnet.)

1991

FRANCE

Awarded the Médaille d'Argent (Silver Medal) of the Académie d'Architecture de France.

1991

UNITED KINGDOM

Inducted as an Honorary Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects.



Oct 11, 1989



Decorated with the Nislan-e-Pakistan, Pakistan's highest civil award.

The citation states: "The people and the Government of Pakistan have followed with profound admiration and interest the devotion and deep sense of commitment with which Your Highness has been engaged in promoting social and economic welfare activities of Pakistan, of the Islamic Ummah as a whole and indeed of the entire developing world. Your outstanding contributions to the furtherance of these worthy objectives constitute a fitting continuation of the noble traditions of service and humanitarianism of your illustrious family."

Apr 13, 1964

USA

Awarded the University of Virginia's Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation Medal in Architecture, the first time it has been awarded to a patron of architecture (as opposed to an architect).

The award citation states that: "The Aga Khan has become, in the best time honoured sense of the term, a patron of architectural culture, the most wide ranging, committed and culturally influential patron of our time. And the activities which bear his imprimatur are a model for the developing world and for the West as well... [T]ruly a man for all seasons and all countries..." (Photo small.net.)



Jul 1967

SPAIN

Awarded the Medalla de Oro del Consejo Superior de Colegios de Arquitectos (Gold Gold Medal of the Superior Council of Colleges of Architects) by His Majesty King Juan Carlos at the Royal Palace, in recognition of His Highness the Aga Khan's contribution to the restoration and conservation of historic buildings and to the development of the profession. The Aga Khan is the first recipient outside Spain to receive this honour.

UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Literature in Education from the University of London (Logan Hall) by Her Royal Highness, Princess Anne, Chancellor of the University.

His Highness the Aga Khan is cited as a "calm voice in troubled times, a world leader, uniquely placed to bridge the cultural differences dividing the East and West." (Photo sinerg.com.)

Jun 1991

SPAIN

Named *Huésped de Honor de Granada* (Guest of Honour of Granada) at inauguration of the historic 14th Century Zafra House.

USA

Inducted as an Honorary Member of the American Institute of Architects.

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Sep 21, 1992

UZBEKISTAN

Made an Honorary Citizen of and presented with a key to

Nov 7, 1990

FRANCE

Decorated with the *Commander of the Legion of Honour* by the President of France for "a long continuity of eminent service rendered to humanity." Established by Napoleon Bonaparte in 1802, the medal is France's highest honour.

Nov 22, 1991

SPAIN

Decorated with the *Gran Cruz de Merito Civil* (Grand Cross of the Order of Civil Merit), one of Spain's most important civil decorations, by His Majesty King Juan Carlos of Spain.

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Mar 16, 1983

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

olars reached pinnacles of achievement in ply, physics, philosophy, mathematics and medicine. The great British scientist Isaac that if he was able to see further than his was because he stood on the shoulders of se giants who made possible the scientific ere Ibn Sina, whose 'Canon of Medicine' rd text for five hundred years; al-Diziri, the ushki, the philosopher, and a host of other is who had produced the notion of specific -id's theories, perfected geometry, evolved l algebra, and made modern mathematics ng Indian numerals and the concept of the zero as a numeral of no place value...

iggeration to say that the original Christian Latin West, at Paris, Bologna and Oxford, ropolitan renaissance, received a vital influ from Islam - an influx from which the later s and universities, including those of North Africa, were to benefit in turn...

belief, knowledge is two-fold. There is that in the Holy Prophet (s.a.s.) and that which rue of his own intellect. Nor do these two adition, provided man remembers that his the creation of God. Without this humility, ible. With it, there are no barriers. Indeed, n has always lain in its belief that creation nuous, that through scientific and other ad has opened and continues to open new for us to see the marvels of His creation."

- His Highness the Aga Khan,
- The Charter of the Aga Khan University

Nov 11, 1985

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"The relationship between the intellect of man and Faith has always been of fundamental importance to Muslims. How can a modern University respect and re-enforce that relationship? ... I apprehend that in certain educational institutions respect for tradition has restricted academic study to the accomplishment of the past. However, our Faith has never been restricted to one place or time. Ever since its revelation the fundamental concepts of Islam have been its universality and the fact that this is the last revelation, constantly valid, and not petrified into one period of man's history or confined to one area of the world. Islam is for all places and all time. This is why there is a role for a modern Islamic University which can draw inspiration from the Faith and from the past in addressing the opportunities of the future.

"The Holy Qur'an's encouragement to study nature and the physical world around us gave the original impetus to scientific enquiry among Muslims. Exchanges of knowledge between institutions and nations and the widening of man's intellectual horizons are essentially Islamic concepts. The Faith urges freedom of intellectual enquiry and this freedom does not mean that knowledge will lose its spiritual dimension. That dimension is indeed itself a field for intellectual enquiry. I can not illustrate this interdependence of spiritual inspiration and learning better than by recounting a dialogue between Ibn Sina, the philosopher, and Abu Saïd Abu-Khayr, the Sufi mystic. Ibn Sina remarked, "Whatever I know, he sees." To which Abu Saïd replied, "Whatever I see, he knows."

- His Highness the Aga Khan,
Aga Khan University Inauguration

May 21, 1990

LONDON, UK

"AKF and its partners have had some success in advocating the creation of an enabling environment in developing countries - an environment that will help the private sector, non-profit and for-profit, become more productive for the benefit of the larger community as a whole. But much remains to be done to mobilise local private resources for development. AKF organised the Enabling Environment Conference in Nairobi in 1986, supported by ODA, the World Bank and various private groups, both non-profit and for-profit. This led to a similar conference in Nigeria last year - evidence that some countries are beginning to look carefully at ways in which local private resources can finally be mobilised. The Kenyan Government is supportive of Aga Khan Foundation Kenya's plan to launch an endowment campaign next month in Nairobi. The endowment will help secure long-term support for innovative health and education interventions that contribute to the vitality of the voluntary sector in Kenya....

"We must work to ensure that governments see the advantage to their peoples in establishing mechanisms to support strong private institutions that can contribute to the intellectual and social fabric of their country."

- His Highness the Aga Khan,
Address at the "Hands Across The World" Exhibition

Feb 6, 1992

LONDON, UK

"Experiences with the Aga Khan Health Education Services show that ... principle governance apply to the voluntary sector private enterprise. Health and education offered in areas where Islamists reside but in the area, regardless of religion. Depeh site, the population served ranges from 1 Ismaili to 85% Ismaili. Regardless of the services rely heavily on volunteers, from professionals to young people moved by helping others. By building locally based volunteer directors and professional staff Khan Network will ensure that by 1995 before the World Health Organization's ' by the year 2000 - all Ismailis living in c where the network operates will have ac primary health care. This includes all urba communities as well as the most isolated Hunza and Chitral, Gujarat and Andhra I Providing this access a has cost of one p person per year for Ismailis and non-Islm

"The Aga Khan Rural Support Program reaches nearly one million people scattered area the size of Ireland, dominated by d mountains in the world. It provides a pac organisation and services to improve broo incomes... The village organisations are i out to protect their environment, and to largely pay for schools and medical cenra - His Highness the Aga Khan,
Royal Society for Asian Affairs

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Nov 30, 1967

PAKISTAN

Receives an *Honorary Doctorate of Law* from Peshawar University for his generosity and dedication towards all Muslims. (Photo: Ismailia Association for Pakistan, Special Brochure).

"No one that I know of can with greater justification claim to be a citizen of the world than the present Aga Khan and on that account alone he is qualified to look at world problems against the background of the grand tradition of humanistic culture that has been fostered by civility of ages. Whereas other leaders of men are functioning within the narrower framework of mere national ideals, he is privileged to see world problems from a supernational [sic] plane: he alone is endowed with 'global consciousness'.

"Does not the Holy Book admonish us to believe that the entirety of mankind has been created, as though it were one indivisible self. And if that be true, must it not follow that one must believe in the spiritual unity of mankind? That, then, is the reason why what the Aga Khan says is so authentic and appeals to all those who love humanity and are concerned about its future welfare."

-- Allah Bukhsh K. Brohi in the preface to the special Convocation Address Brochure (Photo simerg.com.)



Aug 4, 1965

CÔTE D'IVOIRE

Decorated with the *Grand Cross of the National Order* (Grand Cross of the National Order), the Ivory Coast's highest order.

Aug 4, 1965

CÔTE D'IVOIRE

Made a *Freeman of Abidjan*, and presented with a key to the City. (Photo simerg.com.)

Nov 20, 1966

Jan 15, 1970

PAKISTAN

Decorated with the *Nishan-e-Imtiaz* (Sign of Excellence), Pakistan's third highest honour. (Photo ismaili.net)



Apr 7, 1982

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Receives the Gok Award for his "out economic co-operation technologies and e "renewing social or



Oct 24, 1980

PAKISTAN

Feb 6, 1970



Nov 15, 1966

MALAGASY REPUBLIC
Presented with a key to Majunga.
(Photo sinmg.com)

COMOROS

Decorated with the Grand Cross of the Order of the Green Crescent by the Government of Comoros.

Nov 15, 1966

MALAGASY REPUBLIC
Decorated with the Grand Cross of the National Order of Malagasy Republic, Madagascar's highest honour.

Aug 5, 1965

UPPER VOLTA

Decorated with the L'Ordre National de la Haute-Volta (Grand Cross of the National Order), Upper Volta's highest national title.

1967

IRAN

Decorated with the Nishan-e-Taj-Iran (Grand Cordon of the Order of the Crown of Iran).

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PAKISTAN

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by Sind University, Karachi "in recognition of the role that his Royal Highness and his ancestors have played in the world of Islam", "of his patronage of arts, education and learning, and in recognition of his love, sympathy, condescension and affability, his humanity and his generosity", and other contributions.

Praising His Highness the Aga Khan, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Syed Ghulam Mustafa Shah, says, "In a short span of 12 years as Imam, His Royal Highness has shown that he is endowed with wisdom, versatility, sagacity and statesmanship which are characteristic of his noble and great family. In the fast-changing and kaleidoscopic conditions on the continents of Asia and Africa, His Royal Highness has not only guided the socio-economic activities of his own followers, but has also rendered immense material assistance in the economic development of new and young nations and thereby advanced the wellbeing, prosperity and stability of the people of those countries."

Dec 8, 1977

ITALY

Decorated with the Order of the Knight of the Grand Cross, Italy's highest honour, normally reserved for heads of state, in recognition of His Highness the Aga Khan's contributions to the development of Sardinia's economy and tourism. The Aga Khan is the first Muslim to receive the honour.

Feb 15, 1981

PAKISTAN

Inducted as an Honorary Member of the Pakistan Medical Association, Sind Chapter.

Feb 15, 1981

PAKISTAN

Presented with a key to Karachi.

Mar 7, 1981

KENYA

Made an Honorary Citizen of the Town of Kisumu.

PAKISTAN

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Jan 29, 1970

DACCA, PAKISTAN

"The range of activities IPS [Industrial Promotion Services] is prepared to engage in is very wide indeed. It has no rigid rules about the proportions of loan and equity investments which it makes. Finally, it is prepared - and indeed, anxious - to co-operate with other development institutions, both from the Government and the private sector..."

"An example of IPS action will shortly be announced in East Africa where ... IPS has brought together several major airlines, an international hotel chain, and other important private interests, to form what will become the largest single tourist consortium in Africa, with a chain of hotels and game lodges stretching throughout Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda. IPS has done this with active participation of the World Bank through its subsidiary agency, the International Finance Corporation, and the development corporations of the three Governments involved. Thus local Government funds local private funds, as well as foreign capital and know-how have all been harnessed in one project to develop further one of the key sectors of the East African economies."

— His Highness the Aga Khan, IPS Luncheon

Feb 6, 1970

HYDERABAD, PAKISTAN

"For five centuries, Muslim architecture led the world in concepts in design, in finish and even in structural ingenuity. Millions of non-Muslims every year visit Islamic monuments in the Middle East, in the Indo-Pakistan subcontinent, and in North Africa. And yet what is being done today to develop our own Islamic architecture of the twenty-first century? Practically nothing."

— His Highness the Aga Khan, University of Sind

Nov 30, 1967

PESHAWAR, PAKISTAN

"The day we no longer have the time nor the faith to bow in prayer to Allah because the human soul ... is no longer of sufficient importance to us will be a sunless day of despair." "What has been called the permissive society where anything goes, nothing matters, nothing is sacred or private any more, is not a promising foundation for a brave and upright new world. This fearful chase after material ease must surely be tempered by peace of mind, by conscience, by moral values, which must be resuscitated."

— His Highness the Aga Khan, Peshawar University

Dec 4, 1964

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"The tapestry of Islamic history is studied with jewels of civilisation; these jewels poured forth their light and beauty; great statesmen, great philosophers, great doctors, great astronomers; but these individuals, these precious stones were worked into a tapestry, whose dominant theme was Islam, and this theme remained dominant regardless of the swallowing up of foreign lands, foreign cultures, foreign languages and foreign people."

— His Highness the Aga Khan, Rotary Club

Mar 11, 1967

NAIROBI, KENYA

"[Industrial Promotion Services (IPS)] has taken more of my personal time and thought than practically every other business activity connected with developing countries. The heart of the matter is the idea which lies behind the whole concept of IPS - the idea of partnership in progress."

— His Highness the Aga Khan, Opening of the Industrial Promotion Services (IPS) Building

Sep 28, 1978

ISTANBUL, TURKEY

"The Aga Khan [Architecture] Awards, the first of which will be granted in 1980, will be substantial: \$100,000 in each of five different categories for a potential total of \$500,000 every three years. Their purpose is to make a strong and continuing impact on the architectural profession, on decision makers and on public opinion everywhere..."

"[T]he Award will not be confined to architects competing with designs for a succession of prestigious public monuments. We are concerned with the Islamic world and, above all, with the people of Islam... Secondly, the Awards will be open not only to designers, but also to the promoters and decision makers who generally employ them, to craftsmen and builders, to civil servants, and even to ordinary people who have shown initiative in improving their own habitats. A third feature is that they will go only to projects that have been tried and proven over a number of years. How many buildings have won acclaim at the time the ribbon was cut, only to be rejected as impractical and inconvenient by those who had to live or work in them? Heralding a venture which eventually proves unsatisfactory is a trap we fully intend to avoid. Finally, we do not seek anything less ambitious than true excellence in any architecture intended for the Islamic environment."

— His Highness the Aga Khan, Aga Khan Award for Architecture Seminar

Mar 12, 1976

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"I have observed in the Western world a deeply changing pattern of human relations. The anchors of moral behaviour appear to have dragged to such depths that they no longer hold firm the ship of life: what was once wrong is now simply unconventional, and for the sake of individual freedom must be tolerated. What is tolerated soon becomes accepted. Contrarily, what was once right is now viewed as outdated, old fashioned and is often the target of ridicule..."

"In seeking to define what our Islamic Society should be in times ahead, 50 and 100 and 200 years hence we should, I believe, be aware that the Muslims of this world cover such an amazing range of historical, ethnic and cultural backgrounds that a completely monolithic answer may not be found..."

"The Holy Prophet's life gives us every fundamental guideline that we require to resolve the problem as successfully as our human minds and intellects can visualise. His example of integrity, loyalty, honesty, generosity both of means and of time, his solicitude for the poor, the weak and the sick, his steadfastness in friendship, his humility in success, his magnanimity in victory, his simplicity, his wisdom in conceiving new solutions for problems which could not be solved by traditional methods, without affecting the fundamental concepts of Islam, surely all these are foundations which, correctly understood and sincerely interpreted, must enable us to conceive what should be a truly modern and dynamic Islamic Society in the years ahead."

— His Highness the Aga Khan, Presidential Address at the International Secret Conference

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”THE ETHICS OF ISLAM GUIDE ALL MY ACTIONS”
HIS HIGHNESS THE AGA KHAN IV -- JEUNE AFRIQUE INTERVIEW, 2011

His Highness the Aga Khan became Imam (spiritual leader) of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims on July 11, 1957 at the age of 20, succeeding his grandfather, Sir Sultan Mahomed Shah Aga Khan. He is the 49th hereditary Imam of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims, and a direct descendant of the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) through his cousin and son-in-law, Ali, the first Imam, and his wife Fatima, the Prophet's daughter....

Like his grandfather Sir Sultan Mahomed Shah Aga Khan before him, the Aga Khan has, since assuming the office of Imam in 1957, been concerned about the well-being of all Muslims, particularly in the face of the challenges of rapid historical changes. Today, the Ismailis live in some 25 countries, mainly in West and Central Asia, Africa and the Middle East, as well as in North America and Western Europe....

The Aga Khan has emphasised the view of Islam as a thinking, spiritual faith: one that teaches compassion and tolerance and that upholds the dignity of man, Allah's noblest creation. In the Shia tradition of Islam, it is the mandate of the Imam of the time to safeguard the individual's right to personal intellectual search and to give practical expression to the ethical vision of society that the Islamic message inspires. Addressing as Chairman, the International Conference on the Example (Seerat) of the Prophet Muhammad in Karachi in 1976, the Aga Khan said that the wisdom of Allah's final Prophet in seeking new solutions for problems which could not be solved by traditional methods, provides the inspiration for Muslims to conceive a truly modern and dynamic society, without affecting the fundamental concepts of Islam.

During the course of history, the Ismailis have, under the guidance of their Imams, made major contributions to the growth of Islamic civilisation. The University of Al-Azhar and the Academy of Science, Dar al-Ilm, in Cairo and indeed the city of Cairo itself, exemplify their contributions to the cultural, religious and intellectual life of Muslims. Among the renowned philosophers, jurists, physicians, mathematicians, astronomers and scientists of the past who flourished under the

AWARDS AND HONOURS

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TITLES AND STATE HONOURS

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patronage of Ismaili Imams are Qadi al-Numan, al-Kirmani, Ibn al-Haytham (al-Hazen), Nasir e-Khusraw and Nasir al-Din Tusi...

In recent generations, the Aga Khan's family has followed a tradition of service in international affairs. The Aga Khan's grandfather was President of the League of Nations and his father, Prince Aly Khan, was Pakistan's Ambassador to the United Nations. His uncle, Prince Sadruddin Aga Khan, was the United Nations' High Commissioner for Refugees, United Nations' Coordinator for assistance to Afghanistan and United Nations' Executive Delegate of Iraq-Turkey border areas.

The Aga Khan's brother, Prince Ayn, joined the United Nations Secretariat, Department of Economic and Social Affairs following his graduation from Harvard in 1965. Since 1968, Prince Ayn has been closely involved with the governance of the principal development institutions of the Imamat...

In consonance with this vision of Islam and a long-standing tradition of service to humanity, the Ismailis have elaborated a well-defined institutional framework to build capacity and improve the quality of life within the communities in which they live. Under the Aga Khan's leadership, this framework expanded and evolved into the Aga Khan Development Network, a group of institutions working to improve living conditions and opportunities in specific regions of the developing world. In every country, these institutions work for the common good of all citizens regardless of their origin or religion. Their individual mandates range from architecture, education and health to the promotion of private sector enterprise, the enhancement of non-government organisations and rural development...

Over the years, the Aga Khan has received numerous decorations, honorary degrees, and awards in recognition of the various dimensions of his work...

The title His Highness was granted by Her Majesty the Queen of Great Britain in 1957, and His Royal Highness by His Imperial Majesty the Shah of Iran in 1959.

-- Aga Khan Development Network

To review His Highness the Aga Khan's speeches visit: <http://www.akdn.org/speeches>
To learn more about the Aga Khan Development Network visit: <http://www.akdn.org>
To learn more about the Ismaili community visit: <http://www.theismaili.org>



Aug 12, 1957

ZANZIBAR

Decorated with the Brilliant Star of Zanzibar by His Majesty the Sultan of Zanzibar. (Photo Ismaili.net.)

Jul 26, 1957

UNITED KINGDOM

Receives the title of His Highness from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II of Great Britain.





Oct 24, 1959

IRAN

Receives the title of His Royal Highness from His Imperial Majesty the Shah of Iran.



Jul 11, 1957

At the age of 20, Prince Karim Aga Khan inherits the Imamate of the Shia Ismaili Muslims as their 49th Imam. (Photo sinerg.com.)

Jan 13, 1962

SWITZERLAND

Wins the Roberts of Kandhar challenge cup at Davos, Switzerland, the oldest challenge cup in the world for downhill ski racing.

Oct 27, 1960

PORTUGAL

Decorated with the Grand Cross of the Order of Infante D. Henrique by the Portuguese Government in Goa.

1960

MAURITANIA

Decorated with the rank of *Commandeur du Mérite Mauritanien* (Commander of the Order of Merit) by the Mauritanian Government.

Mar 17, 1962

ITALY

Made an Honorary Citizen of the Town of Arzachena (Sardinia).

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Oct 22, 1957

NAIROBI, KENYA

"Remember, above all how important it is to encourage and promote good relations among the different races who live here together.

"Let me give you a practical example – behind, you can see the structure of a great new hospital which is almost completed. It will be one of the best equipped hospitals in East Africa. Half of it has been paid for by the Ismaili community and half by the government. It will be, like our schools, available to all races. I hope that this will be only one of many other ventures in which the spirit of partnership will always prevail."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Takhr Nashim Ceremony

Oct 1, 1960

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"Throughout history, when the great empires broke up, whether it be the fall of the Roman or Byzantine empires, or of the Caliphate, you will find that the youth had lost its dynamism, its personality and its imagination."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Karachi University

Nov 24, 1963

MANILLA, PHILIPPINES

"Let us, therefore, put our backs to the wheel and show the state in which we live that we are determined to become first class citizens, not leaders, not for the futile glory of leadership but to help this country become a better place in which to live and ensure that, even if we cannot reap the fruit of our labour, our children will be born to brighter horizons."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Inauguration of the Mindanao State University

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Jul 11, 2007 to Dec 13, 2008

Seven countries issue stamps to commemorate the Golden Jubilee of His Highness the Aga Khan as 49th Imam of the Ismailis.

PORTUGAL: 2 stamps (July 11, 2007)
TANZANIA: 4 stamps and 1 "sheetlet" stamp (August 18, 2007)
MOZAMBIQUE: 5 stamps (November 21, 2007)
INDIA: 2 stamps (May 17, 2008)
BANGLADESH: 4 stamps (September 16, 2008)
UGANDA: 8 stamps (September 30, 2008)
KENYA: 4 stamps (December 13, 2008)

21, 2006

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ner of the 10th annual Peter O'Sullivan Award at Savoy in London. The award recognizes a me's contribution to the sport of horse racing.



Aug 13, 2007

KENYA

Awarded the Chief of the Order of the Golden Heart of Kenya, Kenya's highest medal of honour. On bestowing the award, His Excellency the President of Kenya notes that His Highness the Aga Khan has recorded an impressive and enduring legacy of service to the Ismaili community, Kenya, and the world at large, elaborating that, "[T]he achievements you have accomplished are an eloquent testimony of your

dedication to your spiritual calling as well as selfless commitment to the well-being of mankind, irrespective of race or religion." (Photo akdn.org.)



Dec 1, 2007

UNITED KINGDOM

Named *Personality of the Year* by Apollo, the international magazine for collectors. The Editor notes that "the Aga Khan's vision for the future of our cities is firmly focussed on the repair and enhancement of existing buildings, something that urban planning visionaries in the developed world still neglect."



Jun 12, 2009

UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Divinity* by the University of Cambridge, the first Muslim to receive the distinction in the university's 800 year history. In his remarks, Tim Winter, the Academic Secretary in the Faculty of Divinity, says:

"The *Honorary Doctorate of Divinity* is awarded to individuals who have made a global impact through their religious leadership. I am delighted that His Highness the Aga Khan, whose charitable and spiritual leadership has a truly world-wide reach, and whose support for scholarship has impacted profoundly on Islamic Studies, should have been chosen for this well-deserved honour." (Photo akdn.org.)

Honorary Doctorate of Laws by the National University of Education, John Hughes, President of the University, says:

the first member of the Islamic community to be so honored in the history of NUJ. Maynooth ... [He] embodies the spirit of tolerance and ecumenism that should link the great religions of the world. In fifty years, he has been a voice of moderation and a voice of reason. He is a man who has embraced and indeed celebrated the values of Islam. Few people on this earth have contributed more to the advancement of our guest of honour here today. Ladies and gentlemen, it is my honor to present to you the award of the Degree of Doctor of Laws to His Highness the Aga Khan IV. In the presence of His Highness the Aga Khan IV, this inspiring leader, great humanitarian, statesman and cultural figure, His Highness Prince Karim Aga Khan IV."



Apr 24, 2008

MALI

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate* by the University of Sankore, the oldest African continent's most ancient institution of higher education. (Photo akdn.org.)



Jun 19, 2009

CANADA

Made an Honorary Citizen of Canada by unanimous approval of the House of Commons. His Highness the Aga Khan is only the fifth person to receive this honour. The motion describes the Aga Khan as "a beacon of humanitarianism, pluralism and tolerance throughout the world." The Prime Minister of Canada adds that the Aga Khan is "a great partner and long-time friend of Canada, and a great benefactor to humanity." (Photo akdn.org.)



Apr 11, 2008

USA

Presented with a key to Austin. (Photo akdn.org.)



Apr 23, 2008

MALI

Elevated to the dignity of Grand Cross of the National Order of Mali, the Republic of Mali's highest award. (Photo akdn.org.)

Jun 5, 2008

USA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by Harvard University.

Jun 18, 2008

FRANCE

Inducted as Foreign Associate Member of the Kenzo Tange, chair of France's Académie des Beaux Arts.

Oct 29, 2008

KAZAKHSTAN

Decorated as Honoured Educator of the Republic of

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2009

KYRGYZSTAN

Named Personality of the Year by the International Association for Spiritual Renewal ("Ruhaniat").

Doctorate by the University of Évora, for "material
imity," "the extraordinary work of economic,
ional assistance" through AKDN, and "creating
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May 8, 2009

PORTUGAL

Inducted as Foreign Member, Class of Humanities, by
Lisbon's Academy of Sciences.

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May 28, 2009

FRANCE

Receives the titles *Grand Mécène* (Grand Patron) and
Grand Donateur (Grand Donor) from the French
Ministry of Culture.

Jun 9, 2009

CANADA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by the
University of Alberta.

Jul 11, 2007 - Dec 13, 2008

His Highness the Aga Khan's
Golden Jubilee (50 years) as Imam
of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims.

Dec 17, 2009

FRANCE

Awarded the *Prix de l'Entrepreneur philanthropique de
l'année 2009* (Philanthropic Entrepreneur of the Year
2009 Award) by Le Nouvel Economiste.



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Jun 4, 2009

KABUL, AFGHANISTAN

"The term 'Enabling Environment' has two implications which I would underscore today. First, it reminds us that the conditions which enable progress can be extremely complex, that an entire 'environment' of interacting forces must come together if development is truly to take root - and to take off.

"Second - the term recognises that even the right environment is still only an enabling condition - not a sufficient one.... In the end, human progress must grow out of the human heart and soul. The environment enables - but it is the human spirit, guided and supported by the Divine Will, which eventually triumphs.

"What a sound enabling environment must do is to create a favourable framework in which human creativity can flourish."

- His Highness the Aga Khan,
The Enabling Environment Conference

Jul 4, 2007

AIGLEMONT, FRANCE

"[W]e need to establish an exact diagnosis of poverty, a concept which is still poorly understood... [W]e think [poverty] is comprised of a societal phenomenon, characterised by a lack of access characterised by a lack of access to protection, to security, to healthcare or to education."

- His Highness the Aga Khan, L'Express Interview

Dec 17, 2009

PARIS, FRANCE

"The AKDN Foundation is an umbrella organisation which co-ordinates the activities of over 200 agencies and institutions that make up the network, employing a total of 70,000 paid staff and 100,000 volunteers. The network operates in 35 of the poorest countries in the world and is statutorily secular. This tableau is of course merely a momentary snapshot of a constantly evolving process, but its contours are clearly defined enough today for us to speak about goals, strategy and method. The goal is clear: the aim is to create or strengthen civil society in developing countries. This single goal, when it is achieved, is in fact necessary and sufficient to ensure peaceful and stable development over the long term, even when governance is problematic.

"As regards the strategy, civil society obviously cannot exist without political and secular civil institutions, in particular social, cultural and economic ones. The essence of our development strategy is thus to create these where they are lacking or need to be reinforced....

"And now, turning to AKFED commercial enterprises, we're talking about approximately 150 companies in some 15 countries. They employ over 30,000 people and generate a turnover of two billion dollars. They indirectly provide a living for millions of people, in particular in the agribusiness sector. To give you an example, AKFED developed green bean farming in Kenya by providing 50,000 farmers with technical assistance and buying their produce for export to Europe. The company has 2,000 employees, turns a profit and indirectly provides a living for 500,000 people.

"Specific rules govern AKFED companies. I will discuss two of the essential ones. The first is that AKDN investments earmarked for AKFED projects should in most cases be made in the form of long-term equity participation.... The second is that AKFED's share of profits must be entirely reinvested in the group's projects. This is a fundamental feature of AKFED projects, the rule being that any return on investment should solely benefit the population of the country where it has been made."

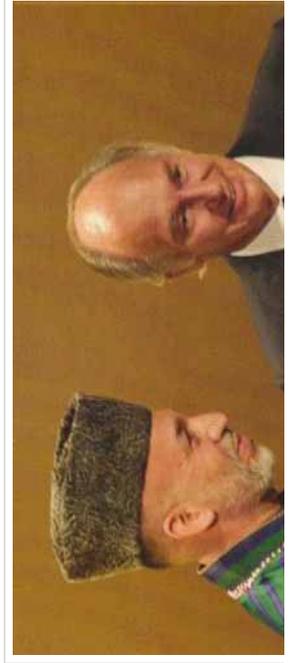
- His Highness the Aga Khan, On the acceptance of the 2009 Nobel Economist Philanthropic Entrepreneur of the Year Award



Oct 4, 2005

SCOTLAND

Awarded the Carnegie Medal for Philanthropy. On presenting the medal the former President of Ireland says, "The Aga Khan's values of pluralism, multiculturalism, and strengthening civil society, are those we must all emulate." (Photo akdn.org)





Oct 3, 2005

GERMANY

Presented with the Die Quadriga Prize, the United We Care Award, in recognition of His Highness the Aga Khan's life's work in helping people in the poorest regions of the world.

The President of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, delivers the laudatory address, praising the Aga Khan as a humanist, peace-builder, democrat, philanthropist and "esteemed ambassador between civilisations." He adds that: "While bringing people together, His Highness is striving not to diminish or remove cultural and religious differences, but to promote their acceptance and to work for a harmonious diversity. It is this belief in an inclusive world that makes him an inspirational leader of our time." (Photo simerg.com.)



Jun 30, 2008

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Jun 6, 2005

CANADA

Invested as an Honorary Companion of the Order of Canada, Canada's highest formal civilian tribute. The citation states that, "His Highness the Aga Khan has devoted his life to protecting the environment and alleviating human suffering due to poverty."

Her Excellency the Right Honourable Adrienne Clarkson, Governor General of Canada, says of His Highness the Aga Khan: "I have been deeply impressed that you have been able to bring to everything you do, a generosity, importantly, a curiosity, an intelligence and above all, a deep compassion for other human beings." (Photo: Sgt. Eric Jolin.)





the Order of Friendship, Tajikistan's award. (Photo simerg.com.)



ent Jorge Sampaio with the Grand Merit for "outstanding contribution to and to social and economic progress in world." (Photo simerg.com.)



Jun 7, 2001



May 20, 2006

GERMANY

Presented with the Tolerance Award from the Evangelical Academy of Tutzing. In its award citation the Academy says, "[His Highness the Aga Khan] believes that respect for pluralism, and valuing and protecting the diversity of cultures, nationalities and religions around the world are essential for ensuring peace."

During his laudatory address, the German Minister of Foreign Affairs, says: "We honour an exceptional man, we honour a huge friend of humankind, we honour a courageous visionary and we honour a person building bridges between societies ... [who is a] fortress for democratic progress, as someone wishing to bring about sustainable, pluralistic, civil societies... A man who shows us a face of Islam that many of us do not know and sadly all too often we do not want to know: an Islam that is open, tolerant and willing to engage in dialogue. An Islam that is not in conflict with free, democratic and pluralistic societies." (Photo akdn.org.)

Jan 25, 2005

USA

Awarded the National Building Museum's Vincent Scully Prize in recognition of contributions to promoting excellence in design, urban and rural revitalisation, and historic preservation. His Highness the Aga Khan's efforts, the Museum noted, have "helped bridge the gap of understanding between Western and Islamic cultures."

In introducing the Aga Khan, James Wolfensohn, President of the World Bank, says that during his 10 years at the bank "there is one person who stands out in my mind as an icon of not only thought and philosophy but of action.... His work in health is legendary as is his work in education." "[T]here is one thing which distinguishes him ... [I]t is the extraordinary sense of humanity that he has. The great depth of real feeling for real people wherever they find themselves in society. He is a holy man. He is the leader of his faith. He's a man who represents the very best in Islam. Something that all too often we tend to forget these days [is] that Islam carries with it values and a culture from which we can all learn."

Dec 19, 2005

PORTUGAL

Decorated with the Gra-Gru: Cross of the Military Order Portugal's highest honours, to the country.

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Jun 18, 2004

CANADA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by the University of Toronto's Ontario Institute for Studies in Education in recognition of outstanding contributions to community service, higher education and philanthropy.

Jun 25, 2005

LEBANON

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters by the American University of Beirut. In its citation the University praises His

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EGYPT

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SWEDEN

Awarded the *Archon Award* from the International Nursing Honour Society, Sigma Theta Tau International, for "leadership in promoting global health and welfare and for his compassionate support of nursing research in developing countries." (Photo ismaili.net.)

2002

KYRGYZSTAN

Receives an *Honorary Professorship* at the University of Osh.



Nov 28, 2000

USA

Panelist at the White House Conference on Culture and Diplomacy. (Photo simerg.com.)

2001

FRANCE

Awarded an *Insignia of Honour* by the International Union of Architects.

2002

KAZAKHSTAN

Decorated with the *State Award for Peace and Progress*.

2003

MALI

Made an *Honorary Citizen* of the Islamic Ummah of Timbuktu.

Dec 8, 2003

BAHRAIN

Decorated with the *Order of Bahrain (First Class)* by His Majesty King Hamad of Bahrain.

Dec 31, 2003

UNITED KINGDOM

Made a *Knight Commander of the British Empire (KBE)* by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II of Great Britain.



Apr 7, 2005

NORWAY

Addresses the Nobel Institute at the invitation of the Government of Norway. (Photo akdn.org.)

Jun 6, 2005

CANADA

Presented with a key to Ottawa. (Photo akdn.org.)

Mar 19, 2005

TANZANIA

Made an *Honorary Citizen* of Dar es Salaam

Feb 12, 2006

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Sep 7, 2002

AMSTERDAM, THE NETHERLANDS

"[It is] my conviction that the strengthening of institutions supporting pluralism is as critical for the welfare and progress of human society as are poverty alleviation and conflict prevention. In fact all three are intimately related.... The actions to enhance pluralism have to be matched in the developing world by programmes to alleviate poverty because, left alone, poverty will provide a context for special interests to pursue their goals in aggressive terms....

"[D]evelopment is sustainable only if the beneficiaries become, in a gradual manner, the masters of the process. This means that initiatives cannot be contemplated exclusively in terms of economics, but rather as an integrated programme that encompasses social and cultural dimensions as well. Education and skills training, health and public services, conservation of cultural heritage, infrastructure development, urban planning and rehabilitation, rural development, water and energy management, environmental control, and even policy and legislative development are among the various aspects that must be taken into account."

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Prince Claus Fund's Conference on Culture and Development

Jan 30, 2002

TORONTO, CANADA

"[When] you look at what is considered general knowledge in the Western world and you say within the general knowledge of the Western world what does it know about the Islamic world? Is anything taught in secondary education? Does anybody know the names of the great philosophers, the scientists, the great theologians? Do they even know the names of the great civilisations? ... And it is very, very difficult for Muslim leaders to articulate positions against such a vacuum in knowledge."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Globe and Mail Interview

Apr 15, 2003

NEW DELHI, INDIA

"Tolerance, openness and understanding towards other peoples' cultures, social structures, values and faiths are now essential to the very survival of an interdependent world. Pluralism is no longer simply an asset or a prerequisite for progress and development, it is vital to our existence."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Ceremony to Inaugurate the Restored Humayun's Tomb Gardens

Sep 6, 2004

BERLIN, GERMANY

"I look at escalating tensions in the world, I am convinced more than ever that neither 'peaceful' nor 'productive' modern societies will ever be achieved by short term responses composed in the midst of crisis. What I will propose to you today is that there are fundamental issues that must be addressed persistently, and over the long term, if we are to achieve the desired outcomes."

– His Highness The Aga Khan Annual Conference of German Ambassadors

Feb 12, 2006

EVORA, PORTUGAL

"How, in an increasingly cynical time, can we inspire people to a new set of aspirations – reaching beyond rampant materialism, the new relativism, self-serving individualism, and resurgent tribalism. The search for justice and security, the struggle for equality of opportunity, the quest for tolerance and harmony, the pursuit of human dignity – these are moral imperatives which we must work and think about on a daily basis...."

"What I am calling for, in sum, is an ethical sensibility which can be shared across denominational lines and which can foster a universal moral outlook."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, University of Evora and Symposium

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Oct 25, 1996

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Presented with the Hadrian Award of the World Monument Fund for 1996.

Michel David-Weill, co-chair for the ceremony, says the award is "to recognise the profound achievements of a man of deep learning and vision," a man with "an exalted position and great power because of who he is."

David Rockefeller states, "His Highness the Aga Khan is a man of vision, intellect, and passion. I've had the pleasure of knowing him for almost forty years."

And Glenn D. Lowry, Director of The Museum of Modern Art, says: "In presenting His Highness the Aga Khan with the 1996 Hadrian Award, the World Monuments Fund honours a man who has devoted his life to preserving and improving our built environment. He has done this with vision, passion, and intelligence. The results are part of his legacy to the cultural heritage of our world." (Photo simerg.com.)



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Sep 22, 1998

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Jul 11, 1998

PORTUGAL

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May 26, 1996

USA

His Highness the Aga Khan delivers the Baccalaureate address at Brown University, (Providence), the first Muslim to do so in its 232 year history. In his introductory remarks, University President Vartan Gregorian says:

"[[It is my great honour to introduce Brown's 232nd baccalaureate speaker. His Highness Prince Karim Aga Khan IV is the first Muslim baccalaureate speaker in Brown's history and I dare to say in the history of the entire Ivy League and all American universities. He embodies the great ecumenical spirit that links the three great monotheistic religions: Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

"He has affected the lives of millions. Indeed, only ten days ago, while I was in Chicago, a driver from Pakistan, noting my accent – which I did not know I had one by the way – inquired about my place of birth. When I said I was born in Iran, he asked me if I was



Nov 30, 1993

UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law from the University of Wales by His Royal Highness Charles, Prince of Wales, the University's Chancellor, for patronage of education and academic research throughout the world.

The citation notes that the university pays tribute to "a great spiritual and humanitarian tradition" for his "work that has diminished poverty, unemployment and ignorance." It also notes that "his many institutions ... have transformed the quality of life of millions of people in the developing world of Africa and Asia," and have "a matchless record of creative endeavour among the poorer people of our world."

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Honorary Fellow of the British Architects.

Honorary Member of the Institute of Architects.

familiar with the Aga Khan. I said I was slightly familiar with the Aga Khan. Then he said, 'Everything I have I owe to him – my spiritual welfare, my business, everything.' 'And you know,' he continued, 'He is coming to the United States. I wish there was an opportunity for me to thank him personally, to thank my Imam!' He then turned down the visor and showed me the Aga Khan's picture. Your Highness, I told him that when I see you, I will thank you on behalf of Fateh Ali Jadhani and all the Fateh Ali Jadhani of the world. They are a legion and they are of all faiths....

"[An] inspiring leader, great humanitarian, statesman and man of learning and culture..." (Photo simerg.com)

May 27, 1996

USA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by Brown University (Providence). In his laudatory address, University President Vartan Gregorian says:

"Your Highness, ... you have followed in family's centuries old tradition of service to your people and stewardship of a faith that emphasises compassion and tolerance and that upholds the dignity of all humanity. Following the noble example set by your grandfather, the previous Imam, you have dedicated yourself to international service...."

"In your life and work you have advanced the growth and understanding of Islamic culture and improved the well-being of Muslims and non-Muslims alike. Today we honour you, your family, and all Ismailis for your service to Islam and to all human kind."

Sep 21, 1992

UZBEKISTAN

Made an Honorary Citizen of Samarkand, and presented with a key to the city.

Honorary Member of the House of Zafra House.

Nov 22, 1991

SPAIN

Decorated with the Gran Cruz De Merito Civil (Grand Cross of the Order of Civil Merit), one of Spain's most important civil decorations, by His Majesty King Juan Carlos of Spain.

May 11, 1994

USA

His Highness the Aga Khan delivers the commencement address at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Cambridge), the first Muslim to do so in its 130 year history.

Dec 17, 1996

PORTUGAL

Presented with a key to Lisbon.

Oct 10, 1998

SPAIN

Presented with the Granada de Oro (Gold Medal of the City of Granada).



Feb 6, 1996

LONDON, UK

"Experiences with the Aga Khan Health Services and Education Services show that ... principles of good governance apply to the voluntary sector as well as private enterprise. Health and education services are offered in areas where Ismailis reside but to all people in the area, regardless of religion. Depending on the site, the population served ranges from 97.5% non-Ismaili to 85% Ismaili. Regardless of the site, the services rely heavily on volunteers, from seasoned professionals to young people moved by the ethic of helping others. By building locally based institutions with volunteer directors and professional staff, the Aga Khan Network will ensure that by 1995 – five years before the World Health Organisation's 'Health for all by the year 2000' – all Ismailis living in countries where the network operates will have access to primary health care. This includes all urban communities as well as the most isolated villages in Hunza and Chitral, Gujarat and Andhra Pradesh. Providing this access has a cost of one pound per person per year for Ismailis and non-Ismailis alike...."

"The Aga Khan Rural Support Programme now reaches nearly one million people scattered over an area the size of Ireland, dominated by the highest mountains in the world. It provides a package of social organisation and services to improve production and incomes.... The village organisations are now reaching out to protect their environment, and to establish, and largely pay for schools and medical centres."

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Royal Society for Asian Affairs

May 27, 1996

CAMBRIDGE, USA

"Education has been important to my family for a long time. My forefathers founded al-Azhar University in Cairo some 1000 years ago, at the time of the Fatimid Caliphate in Egypt. Discovery of knowledge was seen by those founders as an embodiment of religious faith, and faith as reinforced by knowledge of workings of the Creator's physical world. The form of universities has changed over those 1000 years, but that reciprocity between faith and knowledge remains a source of strength...."

"I shall talk today about encounters. Encounters. When two people meet. Or two particles. Or two cultures.... In the encounters of people and cultures, much depends on the path that each has taken to that point. These are not stochastic processes. The subjects have histories. The encounter has complexity and rich dimensionality. The result of an encounter between two people or between two cultures is shaped by the assumptions of each, by their respective goals and – perhaps most directly relevant to a university – by the repertoire of responses that each has learned.... If the encounter of the Muslim world, the West and the ex-Communist world takes account of the need for each to draw on its own strengths, to be consistent with its goals, to strive for a sustainable, improved outcome and to ensure a humane transition, then the encounter will have been as successful as it is important."

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Oct 17, 1996

CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

"The communications revolution means either a growing 'homogenisation' that we know breeds its own hostile reactions, can search for a better course. We can hope that the spirit of the 21st century will be a spirit of Creative Encounter.... For the spirit of Creative Encounter will never become a dominant force in our world without the strong and effective leadership of the information network."

"How can the press best contribute to a spirit of Creative Encounter here in Africa and around the world? One simple requirement is above all others: the ability to respect that which is truly different, to understand that which we do not embrace.... [I]t means much more than tolerance and forbearance.... In truth, cultural sensitivity is something far more rigorous, something that requires a deep intellectual commitment. It requires a readiness to study and to cross cultural barriers, an ability to see others as they see themselves. Cultural sensitivity is hard work...."

"[I]t is the press which should lead the way – not just newspapers and broadcasting outlets, but also the news service and press agencies which serve them and the organisations which support them. For centuries, the press has cast itself as the champion of understanding and enlightenment. And yet, even as the press has become more international, it has often left a trail of misunderstanding in its wake. Confident that more information is a good thing in and of itself, the press has often focused too much on the quantity of what it can deliver, and too little on the quality of what it presents."

"But if the media have sometimes been part of the problem – amplifying the threatening aspects of globalization – then the press can also be part of the solution. If a careless or superficial press exacerbate the clash of cultures, then a more sensitive and serious press can accomplish the opposite: The same media which serve to distort or discredit old cultures, can also be used to revalidate them and to help explain them to others."

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Keynote Address at the Commonwealth Press Union Conference





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The Aga Khan's personal position
rld today.... This man is a bridge
l South, East and West. His
d politics, beyond race, beyond
torn by division, hostility, war and
xhaust, he is a shining beacon of
ard-headed accomplishment in
f humankind, in elevating the
fe and in uplifting all peoples of
h the brotherhood of man."



Nov 25, 1986

MOROCCO

Decorated with the Le Grand Cordon de l'Order du Trone Cheriffien (Grand Cordon of Ouissam-al Arch), Morocco's honour, by His Majesty King Hassan II of Morocco. (Photo: ismaili.net.)



Oct 26, 1988

ITALY

Decorated with the Cavaliere del Lavoro (Knight of Labour) in recognition of the major contribution His Highness the Aga Khan had made to the Italy's economy. The Aga Khan is the first Muslim to receive the honour. (Photo ismaili.net.)



May 15, 1987

CANADA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by McMaster University (Hamilton).
The President of the University, Mr. Alvin Lee, praises His Highness the Aga Khan's "sober and responsible leadership in the advancement of the Third World; his promotion of education and the



1991

FRANCE

Awarded the Medc Medal) of the Acad de France.

Nov 1985

PAKISTAN

Inducted as an Honorary Fellow of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Pakistan.

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merican Institute of Architects.

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University Charter, His valuable services rendered by the people of Pakistan, but to the Aga Khan University which only immortalise the great contribution in Pakistan and the Islamic

ideal of education; his major contribution to health care in Pakistan and his involvement of McMaster University in that project; and his extraordinary efforts in bridging many and very diverse religions and cultures ... for which, he is unique in bridging the underdeveloped and the highly developed worlds." (Photo simerg.com.)

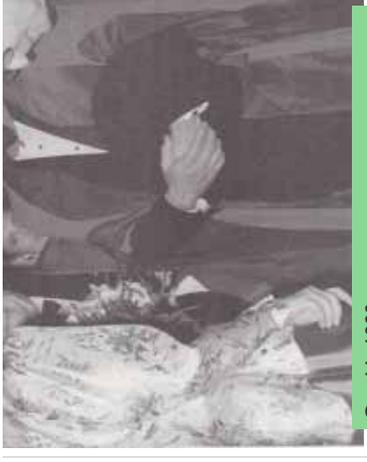
country's highest civil award. Government of Pakistan have followed tradition and deep sense of duty engaged in promoting social justice Islamic Ummah as a whole outstanding contributions to the world: a fitting continuation of the noble illustrious family."

Apr 13, 1984

USA

Awarded the University of Virginia's Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation Medal in Architecture, the first time it has been awarded to a patron of architecture (as opposed to an architect).

The award citation states that: "The Aga Khan has become, in the best time honoured sense of the term, a patron of architectural culture, the most wide ranging, committed and culturally influential patron of our time. And the activities which bear his imprimatur are a model for the developing world and for the West as well.... [T]ruly a man for all seasons and all countries ..." (Photo ismaili.net.)



Oct 11, 1989

UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Literature in Education from the University of London (Logan Hall) by Her Royal Highness, Princess Anne, Chancellor of the University.

His Highness the Aga Khan is cited as a "calm voice in troubled times, a world leader, uniquely placed to bridge the cultural differences dividing the East and West." (Photo simerg.com.)

1991

UNITED KINGDOM

Inducted as an Honorary Member of the Royal Institute of Engineers

1992

USA

Inducted as an Honorary Member of the American Institute of Architects

Jun 1991

SPAIN

Named Huesped de Honor of Granada (Guest of Honor of Granada) at inaugurated historic 14th Century

Jul 1987

SPAIN

Awarded the Medalla de Oro del Consejo Superior de Colegios de Arquitectos (Gold Medal of the Superior Council of Colleges of Architects) by His Majesty King Juan Carlos at the Royal Palace, in recognition of His Highness the Aga Khan's contribution to the restoration and conservation of historic buildings and to the development of his profession. The Aga Khan is the first recipient outside Spain to receive this honour.

Nov 7, 1990

FRANCE

Decorated with the Commander of the Legion of Honour by the President of France for "a long continuity of eminent service rendered to humanity." Established by Napoleon Bonaparte in 1802, the medal is France's highest honour.

Jan 84

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Dec 1983

NEW YORK, USA

"I'm less hypnotised by [the United States'] material wealth than by its wealth of knowledge. This country today represents, without any doubt in my mind, the greatest intensity of human knowledge on the face of the earth. And that is an exhilarating thought, one perhaps not perceived by Americans as much as by non-Americans."

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Life Magazine Interview

Nov 11, 1985

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"The relationship between the intellect of man and Faith has always been of fundamental importance to Muslims. How can a modern University respect and re-enforce that relationship? ... I apprehend that in certain educational institutions respect for tradition has restricted academic study to the accomplishment of the past. However, our Faith has never been restricted to one place or time. Ever since its revelation the fundamental concepts of Islam have been its universality and the fact that this is the last revelation, constantly valid, and not petrified into one period of man's history or confined to one area of the world. Islam is for all places and all time. This is why there is a role for a modern Islamic University which can draw inspiration from the Faith and from the past in addressing the opportunities of the future.

"The Holy Qu'ran's encouragement to study nature and the physical world around us gave the original impetus to scientific enquiry among Muslims. Exchanges of knowledge between institutions and nations and the widening of man's intellectual horizons are essentially Islamic concepts. The Faith urges freedom of intellectual enquiry and this freedom does not mean that knowledge will lose its spiritual dimension. That dimension is indeed itself a field for intellectual enquiry. I can not illustrate this interdependence of spiritual inspiration and learning better than by recounting a dialogue between Ibn Sina, the philosopher, and Abu Said Abu -Khyar, the Sufi mystic. Ibn Sina remarked, 'Whatever I know, he sees.' To which Abu Said replied, 'Whatever I see, he knows.'"

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Aga Khan University Inauguration

May 21, 1990

LONDON, UK

"AKF and its partners have had some success in advocating the creation of an enabling environment in developing countries – an environment that will help the private sector, non-profit and for-profit, become more productive for the benefit of the larger community as a whole. But much remains to be done to mobilise local private resources for development. AKF organised the Enabling Environment Conference in Nairobi in 1986, supported by ODA, the World Bank and various private groups, both non-profit and for-profit. This led to a similar conference in Nigeria last year – evidence that some countries are beginning to look carefully at ways in which local private resources can finally be mobilised. The Kenyan Government is supportive of Aga Khan Foundation Kenya's plan to launch an endowment campaign next month in Nairobi. The endowment will help secure long-term support for innovative health and education interventions that contribute to the vitality of the voluntary sector in Kenya...."

"We must work to ensure that governments see the advantage to their peoples in establishing mechanisms to support strong private institutions that can contribute to the intellectual and social fabric of their country."

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Address at the "Hands Across The World" Exhibition







Nov 1, 1983

CANADA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate by McGill University.

In his laudatory address, the
chancellor says: "The world is
unique in the way it has
developed between North and
South. Leadership is beyond
religion. In a world of
fear of nuclear holocaust,
inspiration and of hope,
improving the lot of
the world to cherish life."
(Photo simeing.com)

Apr 7, 1982

NON-STATE ORGANISATION

Receives the Gold Mercury Award for his "outstanding role in promoting economic co-operation, exchange of technologies and experience," and for "renewing social and economic progress."



1984

USA

Awarded the American



Mar 16, 1983

PAKISTAN

Aga Khan Medical College is accorded the status of a university.



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third highest honour.

On the occasion of accepting the Aga Khan
Excellency the President of Pakistan says, "The
Aga Khan family are known not only to us, t
whole world," and "I can say with full confidence
will prove itself to be a 'lighthouse', which will not
name of the Aga Khan, but also spread new ligh
world – Insha'Allah." (Photo ismaili.net.)

Oct 24, 1980

PAKISTAN

Made an *Honorary Citizen of Lahore*,
and presented with a key to the city.

Feb 15, 1981

PAKISTAN

Inducted as an *Honorary Member of the
Pakistan Medical Association, Sind Chapter.*

Feb 15, 1981

PAKISTAN

Presented with a key to Karachi.

Dec 8, 1977

ITALY

Decorated with the *Order of the Knight of the Grand
Cross*, Italy's highest honour, normally reserved for
heads of state, in recognition of His Highness the
Aga Khan's contributions to the development of
Sardinia's economy and tourism. The Aga Khan is
the first Muslim to receive the honour.

Mar 23, 1983

PAKISTAN

Decorated with the *Nishan-e-Pakistan*, Pakista
The citation states: "*The people and the Govern
with profound admiration and interest the devoti
commitment with which Your Highness has been
and economic welfare activities of Pakistan, of th
and indeed of the entire developing world. Your
furtherance of these worthy objectives constitute
noble traditions of service and humanism of your*

Nov 2, 1982

SENEGAL

Decorated with the *Grand Officer*,
L'Ordre National Du Lion (Grand Officer
of the National Order of the Lion).

Jul 11, 1982 - Jul 11, 1983

His Highness the Aga Khan's Silver
Jubilee (25 years) as Imam of the
Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims.

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Jul 76

Jan 77

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Jul 83

Mar 12, 1976

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"I have observed in the Western world a deeply changing pattern of human relations. The anchors of moral behaviour appear to have dragged to such depths that they no longer hold firm the ship of life: what was once wrong is now simply unconventional, and for the sake of individual freedom must be tolerated. What is tolerated soon becomes accepted. Contrarily, what was once right is now viewed as outdated, old fashioned and is often the target of ridicule...."

"In seeking to define what our Islamic Society should be in times ahead, 50 and 100 and 200 years hence we should, I believe, be aware that the Muslims of this world cover such an amazing range of historical, ethnic and cultural backgrounds that a completely monolithic answer may not be found...."

"The Holy Prophet's life gives us every fundamental guideline that we require to resolve the problem as successfully as our human minds and intellects can visualise. His example of integrity, loyalty, honesty, generosity both of means and of time, his solicitude for the poor, the weak and the sick, his steadfastness in friendship, his humility in success, his magnanimity in victory, his simplicity, his wisdom in conceiving new solutions for problems which could not be solved by traditional methods, without affecting the fundamental concepts of Islam, surely all these are foundations which, correctly understood and sincerely interpreted, must enable us to conceive what should be a truly modern and dynamic Islamic Society in the years ahead."

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Presidential Address at the International Seerat
Conference

Sep 28, 1978

ISTANBUL, TURKEY

"The Aga Khan [Architecture] Awards, the first of which will be granted in 1980, will be substantial: \$100,000 in each of five different categories for a potential total of \$500,000 every three years. Their purpose is to make a strong and continuing impact on the architectural profession, on decision makers and on public opinion everywhere...."

"[T]he Award will not be confined to architects competing with designs for a succession of prestigious public monuments. We are concerned with the Islamic world and, above all, with the people of Islam.... Secondly, the Awards will be open not only to designers, but also to the promoters and decision makers who generally employ them, to craftsmen and builders, to civil servants, and even to ordinary people who have shown initiative in improving their own habitats. A third feature is that they will go only to projects that have been tried and proven over a number of years. How many buildings have won acclaim at the time the ribbon was cut, only to be rejected as impractical and inconvenient by those who had to live or work in them? Heralding a venture which eventually proves unsatisfactory is a trap we fully intend to avoid. Finally, we do not seek anything less ambitious than true excellence in any architecture intended for the Islamic environment."

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Aga Khan Award for Architecture Seminar

Mar 16, 1983

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"Muslim scholars reached pinnacles of achievement in astronomy, geography, physics, philosophy, mathematics and especially, in medicine. The great British scientist Isaac Newton remarked that if he was able to see further than his predecessors, it was because he stood on the shoulders of giants. Among those giants who made possible the scientific revolution in Europe were Ibn Sina, whose 'Canon of Medicine' was a standard text for five hundred years; al-Idrisi, the geographer; Ibn Rushd, the philosopher, and a host of other Muslim scientists who had produced the notion of specific gravity, refined Euclid's theories, perfected geometry, evolved trigonometry and algebra, and made modern mathematics possible by developing Indian numerals and the concept of the zero as a numeral of no place value...."

"It is no exaggeration to say that the original Christian universities of Latin West, at Paris, Bologna and Oxford, indeed the whole European renaissance, received a vital influx of new knowledge from Islam – an influx from which the later western colleges and universities, including those of North Africa, were to benefit in turn...."

"In Islamic belief, knowledge is two-fold. There is that revealed through the Holy Prophet (s.a.s.) and that which man discovers by virtue of his own intellect. Nor do these two involve any contradiction, provided man remembers that his own mind is itself the creation of God. Without this humility, no balance is possible. With it, there are no barriers. Indeed, one strength of Islam has always lain in its belief that creation is not static but continuous, that through scientific and other endeavours, God has opened and continues to open new windows for us to see the marvels of His creation."

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
On the acceptance of the Charter of the Aga Khan University

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A KHAN IV

“MY ACTIVITY.”

THE INTERVIEW, 2005



Nov 30, 1967

PAKISTAN

Receives an Honorary Doctorate of Law from Peshawar University for his generosity and dedication towards all Muslims. (Photo: Ismailia Association for Pakistan, Special Brochure).

"No one that I know of can with greater justification claim to be a citizen of the world than the present Aga Khan and on that account alone he is qualified to look at world problems against the background of the grand tradition of humanistic culture that has been fostered by civility of ages. Whereas other leaders of men are functioning within the narrower framework of mere national ideals, he is privileged to see world problems form a supernational [sic] plane: he alone is endowed with 'global consciousness'.

"Does not the Holy Book admonish us to believe that the entirety of mankind has been created as though it were one indivisible self? And if that be true, must it not follow that one must believe in the spiritual unity of mankind? That, then, is the reason why what the Aga Khan says is so authentic and appeals to all those who love humanity and are concerned about its future welfare."

-- Allah Bukhsh K. Brohi in the preface to the special Convocation Address Brochure (Photo simerg.com).





Aug 4, 1965

CÔTÉ D'IVOIRE

Made a Freeman of Abidjan, and presented with a key to the City. (Photo simerg.com.)

Aug 4, 1965

CÔTÉ D'IVOIRE

Decorated with the Grand Cross of the National Order (Grand Cross of the National Order), the Ivory Coast's highest order.

Mar 14, 1968

PAKISTAN

Inducted as an Honorary Member of the Pakistan Medical Association.

Jan 15, 1970

PAKISTAN

Decorated with the Nishan-e-Excellence), Pakistan's top (Photo ismaili.net)

Nov 20, 1966

COMOROS

Decorated with the Grand Cross of the Order of the Green Crescent by the Government of Comoros.

Feb 6, 1970

PAKISTAN

Awarded an Honorary Dc recognition of the role that the world of Islam", "of his recognition of his love, sym and his generosity", and o Praising His Highness the Ghulam Mustafa Shah, s Royal Highness has shown and statesmanship which c fast-changing and kaleidos. His Royal Highness has no followers, but has also ren- development of new and y prosperity and stability of t



Nov 15, 1966

MALAGASY REPUBLIC

Presented with a key to Majunga. (Photo simerg.com.)

Nov 15, 1966

MALAGASY REPUBLIC

Decorated with the Grand Cross of the National Order of Malagasy Republic, Madagascar's highest honour.

Aug 5, 1965

UPPER VOLTA

Decorated with the L'Ordre National de la Haute-Volta (Grand Cross of the National Order), Upper Volta's highest national title.

1967

IRAN

Decorated with the Nishan-e-Taj-e-Iran (Grand Cordon of the Order of the Crown of Iran).

Feb 1970

PAKISTAN

Invested as an Honorary Colonel of the 6th Lancers by the Pakistani Army.

Nov 24, 1963

MANILLA, PHILIPPINES

therefore, put our backs wheel and show the state which we live that we are ined to become first class s, nay leaders, not for the glory of leadership but to country become a better n which to live and ensure ven if we cannot reap the ur labour, our children will om to brighter horizons."

s Highness the Aga Khan, guration of the Mindanao State University

Dec 4, 1964

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"The tapestry of Islamic history is studded with jewels of civilisation; these jewels poured forth their light and beauty; great statesmen, great philosophers, great doctors, great astronomers; but these individuals, these precious stones were worked into a tapestry, whose dominant theme was Islam, and this theme remained dominant regardless of the swallowing up of foreign lands, foreign cultures, foreign languages and foreign people."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Rotary Club

Mar 11, 1967

NAIROBI, KENYA

"[Industrial Promotion Services (IPS)] has taken more of my personal time and thought than practically every other business activity connected with developing countries. The heart of the matter is the idea which lies behind the whole concept of IPS – the idea of partnership in progress."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Opening of the Industrial Promotion Services (IPS) Building

Jan 29, 1970

DACCA, PAKISTAN

"The range of activities IPS [Industrial Promotion Services] is prepared to engage in is very wide indeed. It has no rigid rules about the proportions of loan and equity investments which it makes. Finally, it is prepared - and indeed, anxious - to co-operate with other development institutions, both from the Government and the private sector...."

"An example of IPS action will shortly be announced in East Africa where ... IPS has brought together several major airlines, an international hotel chain, and other important private interests, to form what will become the largest single tourist consortium in Africa, with a chain of hotels and game lodges stretching throughout Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda. IPS has done this with active participation of the World Bank through its subsidiary agency, the International Finance Corporation, and the development corporations of the three Governments involved. Thus local Government funds local private funds, as well as foreign capital and know-how have all been harnessed in one project to develop further one of the key sectors of the East African economies."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, IPS Luncheon

Feb 6, 1970

HYDERABAD, PAKISTAN

"For five centuries, Muslim architecture led the world in concept, in design, in finish and even in structural ingenuity. Millions of non-Muslims every year visit Islamic monuments in the Middle East, in the Indo-Pakistan subcontinent, and in North Africa. And yet what is being done today to develop our own Islamic architecture of the twenty-first century? Practically nothing."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, University of Sind

Nov 30, 1967

PESHAWAR, PAKISTAN

"The day we no longer have the time nor the faith to bow in prayer to Allah because the human soul ... is no longer of sufficient importance to us will be a sunless day of despair." "What has been called the permissive society where anything goes, nothing matters, nothing is sacred or private any more, is not a promising foundation for a brave and upright new world. This fearful chase after material ease must surely be tempered by peace of mind, by conscience, by moral values, which must be resuscitated."

– His Highness the Aga Khan, Peshawar University

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ABOUT HIS HIGHNESS THE AGA KHAN

His Highness the Aga Khan became Imam (spiritual leader) of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims on July 11, 1957 at the age of 20, succeeding his grandfather, Sir Sultan Mahomed Shah Aga Khan. He is the 49th hereditary Imam of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims, and a direct descendant of the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) through his cousin and son-in-law, Ali, the first Imam, and his wife Fatima, the Prophet's daughter....

Like his grandfather Sir Sultan Mahomed Shah Aga Khan before him, the Aga Khan has, since assuming the office of Imam in 1957, been concerned about the well-being of all Muslims, particularly in the face of the challenges of rapid historical changes. Today, the Ismailis live in some 25 countries, mainly in West and Central Asia, Africa and the Middle East, as well as in North America and Western Europe....

The Aga Khan has emphasised the view of Islam as a thinking, spiritual faith: one that teaches compassion and tolerance and that upholds the dignity of man, Allah's noblest creation. In the Shia tradition of Islam, it is the mandate of the Imam of the time to safeguard the individual's right to personal intellectual search and to give practical expression to the ethical vision of society that the Islamic message inspires. Addressing as Chairman, the International Conference on the Example (Seerat) of the Prophet Muhammad in Karachi in 1976, the Aga Khan said that the wisdom of Allah's final Prophet in seeking new solutions for problems which could not be solved by traditional methods, provides the inspiration for Muslims to conceive a truly modern and dynamic society, without affecting the fundamental concepts of Islam.

During the course of history, the Ismailis have, under the guidance of their Imams, made major contributions to the growth of Islamic civilisation. The University of Al-Azhar and the Academy of Science, Dar al-Ilm, in Cairo and indeed the city of Cairo itself, exemplify their contributions to the cultural, religious and intellectual life of Muslims. Among the renowned philosophers, jurists, physicians, mathematicians, astronomers and scientists of the past who flourished under the patronage of Ismaili Imams are Qadi al-Numan, al-Kirmanî, Ibn al-Haytham (al-Hazen), Nasir e-Khusrav and Nasir al-Din Tusi....

In recent generations, the Aga Khan's family has followed a tradition of service in international affairs. The Aga Khan's grandfather was President of the League of Nations and his father, Prince Aly Khan, was Pakistan's Ambassador to the United Nations. His uncle, Prince Sadruddin Aga Khan, was the United Nations' High Commissioner for Refugees, United Nations' Coordinator for assistance to Afghanistan and United Nations' Executive Delegate of Iraq-Turkey border areas.

The Aga Khan's brother, Prince Ayn, joined the United Nations Secretariat, Department of Economic and Social Affairs following his graduation from Harvard in 1965. Since 1968, Prince Ayn has been closely involved with the governance of the principal development institutions of



the Imamat...

In consonance with this vision of Islam and a long-standing tradition of service to humanity, the Ismailis have elaborated a well-defined institutional framework to build capacity and improve the quality of life within the communities in which they live. Under the Aga Khan's leadership, this framework expanded and evolved into the Aga Khan Development Network, a group of institutions working to improve living conditions and opportunities in specific regions of the developing world. In every country, these institutions work for the common good of all citizens regardless of their origin or religion. Their individual mandates range from architecture, education and health to the promotion of private sector enterprise, the enhancement of non-government organisations and rural development....

Over the years, the Aga Khan has received numerous decorations, honorary degrees, and awards in recognition of the various dimensions of his work....

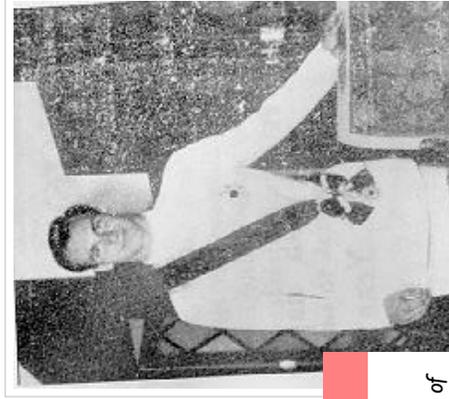
The title His Highness was granted by Her Majesty the Queen of Great Britain in 1957, and His Royal Highness by His Imperial Majesty the Shah of Iran in 1959.

-- Aga Khan Development Network

To review His Highness the Aga Khan's speeches visit: <http://www.akdn.org/speeches>

To learn more about the Aga Khan Development Network visit: <http://www.akdn.org>

To learn more about the Ismaili community visit: <http://www.theismaili.org>



Aug 12, 1957

ZANZIBAR

Decorated with the Brilliant Star of

Zanzibar by His Majesty the Sultan of Zanzibar. (Photo ismaili.net.)



Jul 26, 1957

UNITED KINGDOM

Receives the title of *His Highness* from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II of Great Britain.

Oct 24, 1959

IRAN

Receives the title of *His Royal Highness* from His Imperial Majesty the Shah of Iran.



Jul 11, 1957

At the age of 20, Prince Karim Aga Khan inherits the Imamate of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims as their 49th Imam. (Photo simerg.com.)

Jan 13, 1962

SWITZERLAND

Wins the *Roberts of Kandhar* challenge cup at Davos, Switzerland the oldest challenge cup in the world for downhill ski racing.

Oct 27, 1960

PORTUGAL

Decorated with the *Grand Cross of the Order of Infante D. Henrique* by the Portuguese Government in Goa.

1960

MAURITANIA

Decorated with the rank of *Commandeur du Mérite Mauritanien* (Commander of the Order of Merit) by the Mauritanian Government.

Mar 17, 1962

ITALY

Made an *Honorary Citizen* of the Town of Arzachena (Sardinia).

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Oct 22, 1957

NAIROBI, KENYA

"[R]emember, above all how important it is to encourage and promote good relations among the different races who live here together.

"Let me give you a practical example – behind, you can see the structure of a great new hospital which is almost completed. It will be one of the best equipped hospitals in East Africa. Half of it has been paid for by the Ismaili community and half by the government. It will be, like our schools, available to all races. I hope that this will be only one of many other ventures in which the spirit of partnership will always prevail."

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Takht Nashini Ceremony

Oct 1, 1960

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"Throughout history, when the great empires broke up, whether it be the fall of the Roman or Byzantine empires, or of the Caliphate, you will find that the youth had lost its dynamism, its personality and its imagination."

– His Highness the Aga Khan,
Karachi University

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– His Highness the Aga Khan,
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Oct 4, 2005

SCOTLAND

awarded the Carnegie Medal for philanthropy. On presenting the medal the former President of Ireland says, "The Aga Khan's values of pluralism, multiculturalism, and strengthening civil society, are those we must all emulate." (Photo akdn.org)

Jul 11, 2007 to Dec 13, 2008

Seven countries issue stamps to commemorate the Golden Jubilee of His Highness the Aga Khan as 49th Imam of the Ismailis.

- PORTUGAL: 2 stamps (July 11, 2007)
- TANZANIA: 4 stamps and 1 "sheetlet" stamp (August 18, 2007)
- MOZAMBIQUE: 5 stamps (November 21, 2007)
- INDIA: 2 stamps (May 17, 2008)
- BANGLADESH: 4 stamps (September 16, 2008)
- UGANDA: 8 stamps (September 30, 2008)
- KENYA: 4 stamps (December 13, 2008)

Nov 21, 2006

UNITED KINGDOM

Winner of the 10th annual Peter O'Sullivan Award at the Savoy in London. The award recognizes a lifetime's contribution to the sport of horse racing.



Aug 13, 2007

KENYA

Awarded the Chief of the Order of the Golden Heart of Kenya, Kenya's highest medal of honour. On bestowing the award, His Excellency the President of Kenya notes that His Highness the Aga Khan has recorded an impressive and enduring legacy of service to the Ismaili community, Kenya, and the world at large, elaborating that, "[T]he achievements you have accomplished are an eloquent testimony of your dedication to your spiritual calling as well as selfless commitment to the wellbeing of mankind, irrespective of race or religion." (Photo akdn.org.)



Dec 1, 2007

UNITED KINGDOM

Named Personality of the Year by Apollo, the international magazine for collectors. The Editor notes that "the Aga Khan's vision for the future of our cities is firmly focussed on the repair and enhancement of existing buildings, something that urban planning visionaries in the developed world still neglect."



Adriaga Prize, the United We Care Award, names the Aga Khan's life's work in the poorest regions of the world.

the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, delivers the Aga Khan as a humanist, peace-enthusiast and "esteemed ambassador" who says that: "While bringing people together, we do not diminish or remove cultural and religious diversity, but rather we work for a world based on a belief in an inclusive world that makes

"four time." (Photo simerg.com.)



Jun 30, 2008

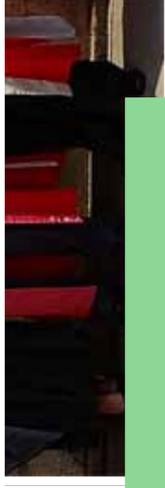
IRELAND

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Laws by the National University of Ireland. In his citation, John Hughes, President of the University, says:

"His Highness is the first member of the Islamic community to be so honoured in the history of NUJ Maynooth ... [He] embodies the spirit of understanding, tolerance and ecumenism that should link the great religions of the world. For fifty years, he has been a voice of moderation and a voice of reason in promoting an Islam that embraces and indeed celebrates pluralism and diversity... Few people on this earth have contributed more to the promotion of tolerance than our guest of honour here today. Ladies and gentlemen, I present to you for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Laws, Honoris Causa, this inspiring leader, great humanitarian, statesman and man of learning and culture, His Highness Prince Karim Aga Khan IV." (Photo akdn.org.)

the Order of Canada, Canada's citation states that, "His Highness respecting the environment and y."

Adrienne Clarkson, Governor General of Canada, said: "I have been honoured to receive the Order of Canada from the Aga Khan. He has brought to everything you do, a depth of intelligence and above all, a deep respect for the environment and y."



Jun 12, 2009

UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity by the University of Cambridge, the first Muslim to receive the distinction in the university's 800 year history. In his remarks, Tim Winter, the Academic Secretary in the Faculty of Divinity, says:

"The Honorary Doctorate of Divinity is awarded to individuals who have made a global impact through their religious leadership. I am delighted that His Highness the Aga Khan, whose charitable and spiritual leadership has a truly world-wide reach, and whose support for scholarship has impacted profoundly on Islamic Studies, should have been chosen for this well-deserved honour." (Photo akdn.org.)



Jun 19, 2009

CANADA

Made an Honorary Citizen of Canada by unanimous approval of the House of Commons. His Highness the Aga Khan is only the fifth person to receive this honour.

The motion describes the Aga Khan as "a beacon of humanitarianism, pluralism and tolerance throughout the world." The Prime Minister of Canada adds that the Aga Khan is "a great partner and long-time friend of Canada, and a great benefactor to humanity." (Photo akdn.org.)



Apr 23, 2008

MALI



Apr 24, 2008

MALI

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate by the University of Sankore, the African continent's most ancient institution of higher education. (Photo akdn.org.)



Apr 11, 2008

USA

Presented with a key to Austin. (Photo akdn.org.)

Award from the Evangelical Academy of Tutzing. In its citation, "[His Highness the Aga Khan] believes that respect for the diversity of cultures, nationalities and religions around the world is the key to achieving lasting peace."

The German Minister of Foreign Affairs, says: "We honour a huge friend of humankind, we honour a courageous leader in building bridges between societies ... [who is a] fortress for the Muslim world, a man who is wishing to bring about sustainable, pluralistic, civil societies... Islam that many of us do not know and sadly all too often we have not known, tolerant and willing to engage in dialogue. An honour that is free, democratic and pluralistic societies." (Photo akdn.org.)

Dec 19, 2005

PORTUGAL

Decorated with the *Gra-Gruz de Cristo* (Grand Cross of the Military Order of Christ), one of Portugal's highest honours, for outstanding service to the country.

Speaking of the work of the AKDN in Portugal, His Excellency the President of Portugal says: "A distinguishing feature of all these activities is the fact that they follow a coherent, enlightened strategy of sustainable development, perfected in many years of field experience, based on a commitment to people – to their intelligence, to their will and to their enterprising spirit -- and designed to make the beneficiaries of these activities their owners and leaders."

Recognition of cultural revitalisation, and as noted, have historic cultures."

The World Bank, says "stands out in my mind as a health is legendary as a ... [I]t is the feeling for real people leader of his faith. He's often we tend to forget which we can all learn."

Jun 25, 2005

LEBANON

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters by the American University of Beirut. In its citation the University praises His Highness the Aga Khan as "an avid philanthropist standing at the head of a network of service institutions focused on the have-nots of the world, Muslim and non-Muslim alike."

Jun 15, 2006

EGYPT

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters by the American University in Cairo. University President David Arnold says that His Highness the Aga Khan has "worked tirelessly throughout his life to better the lives of people around the world."

Feb 12, 2006

PORTUGAL

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate by the University of Évora, for "material and spiritual service to humanity," "the extraordinary work of economic, social, cultural and educational assistance" through AKDN, and "creating bonds and promoting dialogue between civilisations and cultures, namely between the East and the West."

In a ceremony presided over by His Excellency the President of Portugal and other dignitaries, His Highness the Aga Khan is praised as "unbreakably guided by the defence of human dignity that is available equally to all, without distinction as to ethnic, cultural or religious backgrounds" and as "an international personality of the highest importance."



Jun 6, 2005

CANADA

Presented with a key to Ottawa. (Photo akdn.org.)

Order of Bahrain Majesty King

2005

MAY

awards the Nobel Institute at invitation of the Government Norway. (Photo akdn.org.)

Elevated to the dignity of Grand Cross of the National Order of Mali, the Republic of Mali's highest award. (Photo akdn.org.)

Jun 5, 2008

USA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by Harvard University.

Jun 18, 2008

FRANCE

Inducted as Foreign Associate Member of the Kenzo Tange, chair of France's Académie des Beaux Arts.

Oct 29, 2008

KAZAKHSTAN

Decorated as Honoured Educator of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

2009

KYRGYZSTAN

Named Personality of the Year by the International Association for Spiritual Renewal ("Ruhaniat").

May 8, 2009

PORTUGAL

Inducted as Foreign Member, Class of Humanities, by Lisbon's Academy of Sciences.

May 28, 2009

FRANCE

Receives the titles *Grand Mécène* (Grand Patron) and *Grand Donateur* (Grand Donor) from the French Ministry of Culture.

Jun 9, 2009

CANADA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by the University of Alberta.



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Mar 19, 2005

TANZANIA

Made an Honorary Citizen
of Dar es Salaam

Dec 17, 2009

FRANCE

Awarded the Prix de l'Entrepreneur philanthropique de
l'année 2009 (Philanthropic Entrepreneur of the Year
2009 Award) by Le Nouvel Economiste.

Jul 11, 2007 - Dec 13, 2008

His Highness the Aga Khan's
Golden Jubilee (50 years) as Imam
of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims.

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Sep 6, 2004

BERLIN, GERMANY

"I look at escalating tensions in
the world, I am convinced more
than ever that neither 'peaceful'
nor 'productive' modern societies
will ever be achieved by short
term responses composed in the
midst of crisis. What I will
propose to you today is that
there are fundamental issues that
must be addressed persistently,
and over the long term, if we are
to achieve the desired outcomes."

-- His Highness The Aga Khan
Annual Conference of German
Ambassadors

May 20, 2006

TUTZING, GERMANY

"When people speak
these days, about an
inevitable 'Clash of
Civilisations' in our
world, what they often
mean, I fear, is an
inevitable 'Clash of
Religions.' But I would
use different
terminology altogether.
The essential problem,
as I see it, in relations
between the Muslim
world and the West is
'A Clash of Ignorance.'
And what I would
prescribe -- as an
essential first step -- is
a concentrated
educational effort."

-- His Highness the
Aga Khan, Tutzing
Evangelical Academy
upon receiving the
Tolerance Award

Feb 12, 2006

EVORA, PORTUGAL

"In my opinion, in our
contemporary world, we must
re-examine our values and
our priorities. We must
redefine our sense of
purpose and our vision of
the future. We must
renew our commitment to
the common good and to
the well-being of all
people. We must
reaffirm our faith in
humanity and in the
possibility of a better
world. We must
recommit ourselves to
the pursuit of justice and
to the promotion of
peace and stability. We
must work together to
create a more just and
more equitable world for
all."

-- His Highness The Aga Khan, University of Evora and Symposium

Jun 4, 2007

KABUL, AFGHANISTAN

"The term 'Enabling Environment' has two implications
which I would underscore today. First, it reminds us that
the conditions which enable progress can be extremely
complex, that an entire 'environment' of interacting
forces must come together if development is truly to
take root -- and to take off.

"Second -- the term recognises that even the right
environment is still only an enabling condition -- not a
sufficient one.... In the end, human progress must grow
out of the human heart and soul. The environment
enables -- but it is the human spirit, guided and
supported by the Divine Will, which eventually triumphs.

"What a sound enabling environment must do is to
create a favourable framework in which human creativity
can flourish."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan,
The Enabling Environment Conference

Jul 4, 2007

AIGLEMONT, FRANCE

"[W]e need to establish an exact diagnosis of
poverty, a concept which is still poorly understood....
[W]e think [poverty] is comprised of a societal
phenomenon, characterised by a lack of access
characterised by a lack of access to protection, to
security, to healthcare or to education."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, L'Express Interview

Dec 17, 2009

PARIS, FRANCE

"The AKDN Foundation is an umbrella organisation which co-ordinates the activities of
over 200 agencies and institutions that make up the network, employing a total of
70,000 paid staff and 100,000 volunteers. The network operates in 35 of the poorest
countries in the world and is statutorily secular. This tableau is of course merely a
momentary snapshot of a constantly evolving process, but its contours are clearly
defined enough today for us to speak about goals, strategy and method. The goal is
clear: the aim is to create or strengthen civil society in developing countries. This single
goal, when it is achieved, is in fact necessary and sufficient to ensure peaceful and
stable development over the long term, even when governance is problematic.

"As regards the strategy, civil society obviously cannot exist without apolitical and secular
civil institutions, in particular social, cultural and economic ones. The essence of our
development strategy is thus to create these where they are lacking or need to be
reinforced....

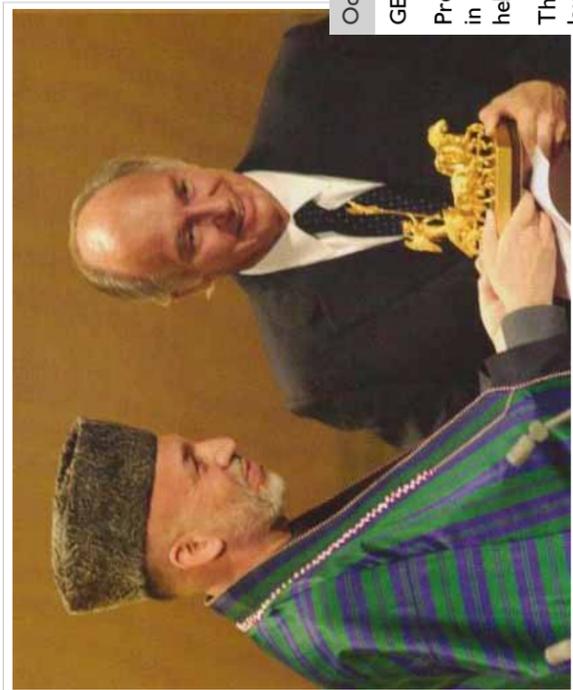
"And now, turning to AKFED commercial enterprises, we're talking about approximately
150 companies in some 15 countries. They employ over 30,000 people and generate a
turnover of two billion dollars. They indirectly provide a living for millions of people, in
particular in the agribusiness sector. To give you an example, AKFED developed green
bean farming in Kenya by providing 50,000 farmers with technical assistance and
buying their produce for export to Europe. The company has 2,000 employees, turns a
profit and indirectly provides a living for 500,000 people.

"Specific rules govern AKFED companies. I will discuss two of the essential ones. The
first is that AKDN investments earmarked for AKFED projects should in most cases be
made in the form of long-term equity participation.... The second is that AKFED's share
of profits must be entirely reinvested in the group's projects. This is a fundamental
feature of AKFED projects, the rule being that any return on investment should solely
benefit the population of the country where it has been made."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, On the acceptance of the 2009 Nouvel Economiste
Philanthropic Entrepreneur of the Year Award



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Oct 3, 2005

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Presented with the Die Qu
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Jun 6, 2005

CANADA

Invested as an Honorary Companion of the highest formal civilian tribute. The citation states: "The Aga Khan has devoted his life to promoting and alleviating human suffering due to poverty."

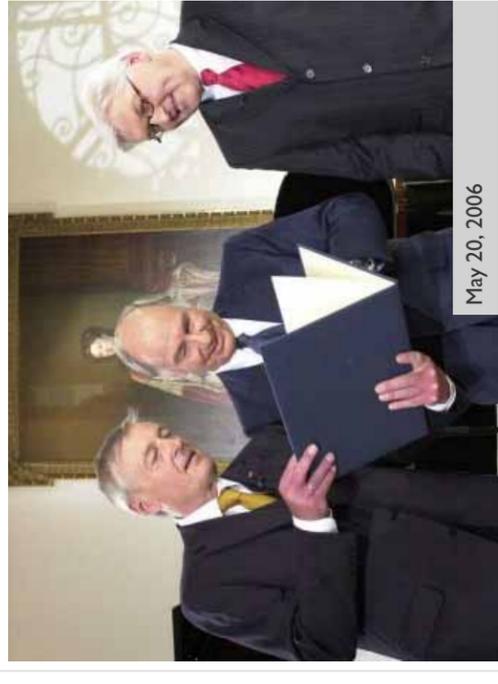
Her Excellency the Right Honourable General of Canada, says of His Highness the Aga Khan: "I am deeply impressed that you have been able to show generosity, importantly, a curiosity, an interest, and compassion for other human beings." (Photo: [simerg.com](#))



Sep 22, 1998

TAJKISTAN

Decorated with the Order of Friendship, Tajikistan's highest civilian award. (Photo: [simerg.com](#).)



May 20, 2006

GERMANY

Presented with the Tolerance Award by the Academy of Arts and Sciences. The award citation reads: "The Aga Khan's vision of pluralism, and valuing and protecting the world are essential for ensuring a peaceful future."

During his laudatory address, he said: "An exceptional man, we honour you for your vision and we honour a person who has shown us a face of Islam that is not in conflict with the world."



Oct 25, 1996

USA

Presented with the Hadrian Award of the World Monument Fund for 1996.

Michel David-Weill, co-chair for the ceremony, says the award is "to recognise the profound achievements of a man of deep learning and vision," a man with "an exalted position and great power because of who he is."

David Rockefeller states, "His Highness the Aga Khan is a man of vision, intellect, and passion. I've had the pleasure of knowing him for almost forty years."

And Glenn D. Lowry, Director of The Museum of Modern Art, says: "In presenting His Highness the Aga Khan with the 1996 Hadrian Award, the World Monuments Fund honours a man who has devoted his life to preserving and improving our built environment. He has done this with vision, passion, and intelligence. The results are part of his legacy to the cultural heritage of our world." (Photo: [simerg.com](#).)



Jan 25, 2005

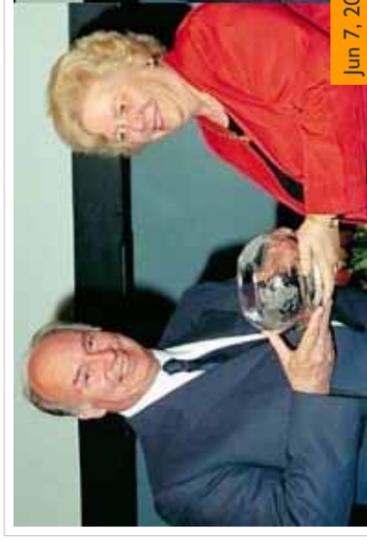
USA



Jul 11, 1998

PORTUGAL

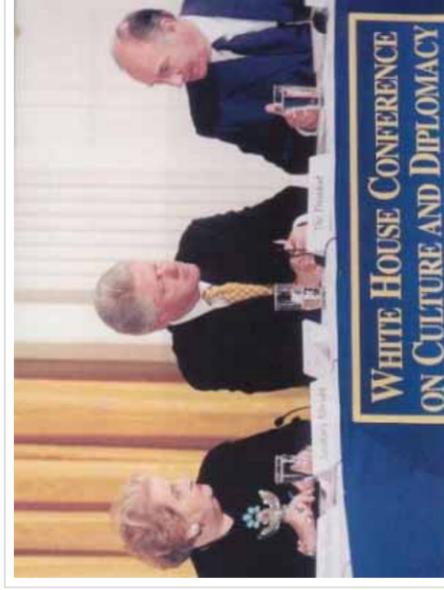
Decorated by President Jorge Sampaio with the Grand Cross of the Order of Merit for "outstanding contribution to human understanding and to social and economic progress in different areas of the world." (Photo simerg.com.)



Jun 7, 2001

SWEDEN

Awarded the Archon Award from the International Nursing Honour Society, Sigma Theta Tau International, for "leadership in promoting global health and welfare and for his compassionate support of nursing research in developing countries." (Photo ismaili.net.)



Nov 28, 2000

USA

Panelist at the White House Conference on Culture and Diplomacy. (Photo simerg.com.)



May 26, 1996

USA

His Highness the Aga Khan delivers the Baccalaureate address at Brown University, (Providence), the first Muslim to do so in its 232-year history. In his introductory remarks, University President Vartan Gregorian says:

"[I]t is my great honour to introduce Brown's 232nd baccalaureate speaker. His Highness Prince Karim Aga Khan IV is the first Muslim baccalaureate speaker in Brown's history and I dare to say in the history of the entire Ivy League and all American universities. He embodies the great ecumenical spirit that links the three great monotheistic religions: Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

"He has affected the lives of millions. Indeed, only ten days ago, while I was in Chicago, a driver from Pakistan, noting my accent -- which I did not know I had one by the way -- inquired about my place of birth. When I said I was born in Iran, he asked me if I was familiar with the Aga Khan. I said I was slightly familiar with the Aga Khan. Then he said, 'Everything I have I owe to him -- my spiritual welfare, my business, everything.' 'And you know,' he continued, 'He is coming to the United States. I wish there was an opportunity for me to thank him personally, to thank my Imam!' He then turned down the visor and showed me the Aga Khan's picture. Your Highness, I told him that when I see you, I will thank you on behalf of Fateh Ali Jadhani and all the Fateh Ali Jadhani of the world. They are a legion and they are of all faiths...."

"[An] inspiring leader, great humanitarian, statesman and man of learning and culture..." (Photo simerg.com.)

May 27, 1996

USA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by Brown University (Providence). In his laudatory address, University President Vartan Gregorian says:

"Your Highness, ... you have followed in family's centuries old tradition of service to your people and stewardship of a faith that emphasises compassion and tolerance and that upholds the dignity of all humanity. Following the noble example set by your grandfather, the previous Imam, you have dedicated yourself to international service...."

"In your life and work you have advanced the growth and understanding of Islamic culture and improved the well-being of Muslims and non-Muslims alike. Today we honour you, your family, and all Ismailis for your service to Islam and to all human kind."

1993

WYOMING

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by the University of Wales by His Highness Charles, Prince of the University's Chancellor, for his record of education and academic achievement throughout the world.

He notes that the university has a "great spiritual and cultural tradition" for his "work that has reduced poverty, unemployment and crime." It also notes that "his many contributions ... have transformed the quality of life for millions of people in the developing world of Africa and Asia," and have "a record of creative endeavour for the poorer people of our world."

Citizen of Samarkand, a key to the city.

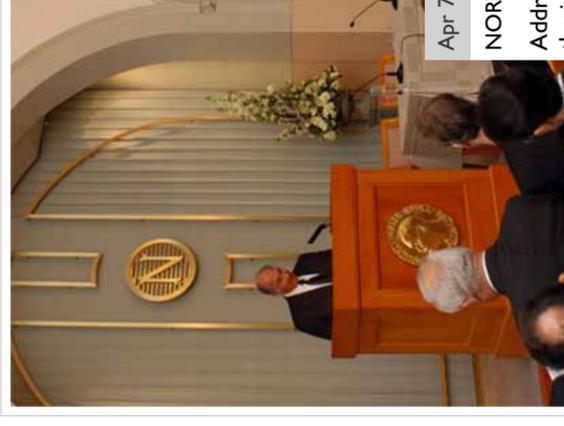
Awarded the National Building Museum's Vincent Scully Prize in recognition of contributions to promoting excellence in design, urban and rural historic preservation. His Highness the Aga Khan's efforts, the Aga Khan "helped bridge the gap of understanding between Western and Islamic

In introducing the Aga Khan, James Wolfensohn, President of the World Bank during his 10 years at the bank "there is one person who stands as an icon of not only thought and philosophy but of action.... His work is his work in education." "[T]here is one thing which distinguishes him from other extraordinary sense of humanity that he has. The great depth of realization that wherever they find themselves in society. He is a holy man. He is the man who represents the very best in Islam. Something that all too often these days [is] that Islam carries with it values and a culture from which

Jun 18, 2004

CANADA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by the University of Toronto's Ontario Institute for Studies in Education in recognition of outstanding contributions to community service, higher education and philanthropy.



Apr 7,

NORWAY

Addressed the Nobel Peace Prize ceremony in Oslo

2002

KYRGYZSTAN

Receives an Honorary Professorship at the University of Osh.

2003

MALI

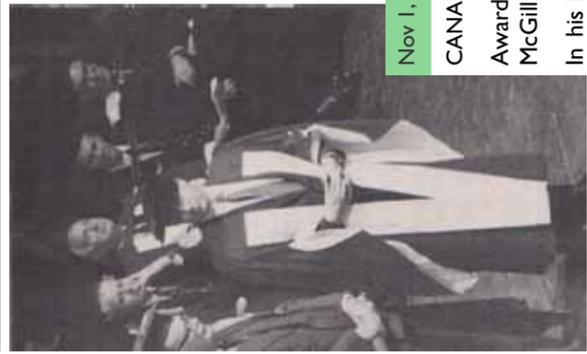
Made an Honorary Citizen of the Islamic Republic of Timbuktu.

Dec 8, 2003

BAHRAIN

Decorated with the Order of the Amir (First Class) by His Majesty King Hamad of Bahrain.





Nov 1, 1983

CANADA

Awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law by McGill University.

In his laudatory address, the Principal and Vice-chancellor says: "The Aga Khan's personal position is unique in the world today.... This man is a bridge between North and South, East and West. His leadership is beyond politics, beyond race, beyond religion. In a world torn by division, hostility, war and fear of nuclear holocaust, he is a shining beacon of inspiration and of hard-headed accomplishment in improving the lot of humankind, in elevating the quality of civilised life and in uplifting all peoples of the world to cherish the brotherhood of man."

(Photo simerg.com.)

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Nov 25, 1986

MOROCCO

Decorated with the Le Grand Cordon de l'Order du Trone Cherifien (Grand Cordon of Ouissam-al Arch), Morocco's honour, by His Majesty King Hassan II of Morocco. (Photo: ismaili.net.)



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Nov 1985

PAKISTAN

Inducted as an *Honorary Fellow* of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Pakistan.



Mar 16, 1983

PAKISTAN

Aga Khan Medical College is accorded the status of university.

On the occasion of accepting the Aga Khan University Charter, His Excellency the President of Pakistan says, "The valuable services rendered by the Aga Khan family are known not only to us, the people of Pakistan, but to the whole world," and "I can say with full confidence, that The Aga Khan University will prove itself to be a 'lighthouse', which will not only immortalise the great name of the Aga Khan, but also spread new light in Pakistan and the Islamic world -- Insha'Allah." (Photo ismaili.net.)

Mar 23, 1983

PAKISTAN

Decorated with the *Nishan-e-Pakistan*, Pakistan's highest civil award.

The citation states: "The people and the Government of Pakistan have followed with profound admiration and interest the devotion and deep sense of commitment with which Your Highness has been engaged in promoting social and economic welfare activities of Pakistan, of the Islamic Ummah as a whole and indeed of the entire developing world. Your outstanding contributions to the furtherance of these worthy objectives constitute a fitting continuation of the noble traditions of service and humanism of your illustrious family."

Nov 2, 1982

SENEGAL

Decorated with the *Grand Officier, L'Ordre National Du Lion* (Grand Officer of the National Order of the Lion).



May 15, 1987

CANADA

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Law* by McMaster University (Hamilton).

The President of the University, Mr. Alvin Lee, praises His Highness the Aga Khan's "sober and responsible leadership in the advancement of the Third World; his promotion of education and the ideal of education; his major contribution to health care in Pakistan and his involvement of McMaster University in that project; and his extraordinary efforts in bridging many and very diverse religions and cultures ... for which, he is unique in bridging the underdeveloped and the highly developed worlds." (Photo simerg.com.)



Oct 26, 1988

ITALY

Decorated with the *Cavaliere del Lavoro* (Knight of Labour) in recognition of the major contribution His Highness the Aga Khan had made to the Italy's economy. The Aga Khan is the first Muslim to receive the honour. (Photo ismaili.net.)



Oct 11, 1989

UNITED KINGDOM

Awarded an *Honorary Doctorate of Literature in Education* from the University of London (Logan Hall) by Her Royal Highness, Princess Anne, Chancellor of the University.

His Highness the Aga Khan is cited as a "calm voice in troubled times, a world leader, uniquely placed to bridge the cultural differences dividing the East and West." (Photo simerg.com.)



1991

FRANCE

Awarded the *Medaille d' Argent* (Silver Medal) of the *Academie d'Architecture de France*.

1991

UNITED KINGDOM

Inducted as an *Honorary Fellow* of the Royal Institute of British Architects.

1992

USA

Inducted as an *Honorary Member* of the American Institute of Architects.

Jun 1991

SPAIN

Named *Huesped de Honor De Granada* (Guest of Honour of Granada) at inauguration of the historic 14th Century *Zafra House*.

Sep 21, 1992

UZBEKISTAN

Made an *Honorary* and presented with

Jul 1987

SPAIN

Awarded the *Medalla de Oro del Consejo Superior de Colegios de Arquitectos* (Gold Medal of the Superior Council of Colleges of

The award citation states that: "The Aga Khan has become, in the best time honoured

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Nov 30, 1967

PAKISTAN

Receives an Honorary Doctorate of Law from Peshawar University for his generosity and dedication towards all Muslims. (Photo: Ismailia Association for Religious Social Development)



Apr 7, 1982

NON-STATE ORGANISATION
Receives the Gold Mercury Award for his "outstanding ro



ASSOCIATION OF PAKISTANI SPECIAL BROTHERS).

"No one that I know of can with greater justification claim to be a citizen of the world than the present Aga Khan and on that account alone he is qualified to look at world problems against the background of the grand tradition of humanistic culture that has been fostered by civility of ages. Whereas other leaders of men are functioning within the narrower framework of mere national ideals, he is privileged to see world problems form a supernational [sic] plane: he alone is endowed with 'global consciousness'.

"Does not the Holy Book admonish us to believe that the entirety of mankind has been created as though it were one indivisible self? And if that be true, must it not follow that one must believe in the spiritual unity of mankind? That, then, is the reason why what the Aga Khan says is so authentic and appeals to all those who love humanity and are concerned about its future welfare."

-- Allah Bukhsh K. Brohi in the preface to the special Convocation Address Brochure (Photo simerg.com.)

Aug 4, 1965

CÔTE D'IVOIRE

Decorated with the Grand Cross of the National Order (Grand Cross of the National Order), the Ivory Coast's highest order.

Mar 14, 1968

PAKISTAN

Inducted as an Honorary Member of the Pakistan Medical Association.



Jan 15, 1970

PAKISTAN

Decorated with the Nishan-e-Imtiaz (Sign of Excellence), Pakistan's third highest honour. (Photo ismaili.net)

Nov 20, 1966

COMOROS

Decorated with the Grand Cross of the Order of the Green Crescent by the Government of Comoros.

Nov 15, 1966

MALAGASY REPUBLIC

Decorated with the Grand Cross of the National Order of Malagasy Republic, Madagascar's highest honour.

Nov 15, 1966

MALAGASY REPUBLIC

Presented with a key to Majunga. (Photo simerg.com.)



economic co-operation, exchange technologies and experience," "renewing social and economic

Oct 24, 1980

PAKISTAN

Made an Honorary Citizen of Lahore, and presented with a key to the city.

Feb 15, 1981

PAKISTAN

Inducted as an Honorary Member of the Pakistan Medical Association, Sind Chapter.

Feb 15, 1981

PAKISTAN

Presented with a key to Karachi.

Dec 8, 1977

ITALY

1967

IRAN

Decorated with the Nishan-i-Taj-i-Iran (Grand Cordon of the Order of the Crown of Iran).

Invested as an Honorary Colonel of the 6th Lancers by the Pakistani Army.

Feb 1970

PAKISTAN

Decorated with the Order of the Knight of the Grand Cross, Italy's highest honour, normally reserved for heads of state, in recognition of His Highness the Aga Khan's contributions to the development of Sardinia's economy and tourism. The Aga Khan is the first Muslim to receive the honour.

Mar 7, 1981

KENYA

Made an Honorary Citizen of the Town of Kisumu.

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Mar 11, 1967

NAIROBI, KENYA

"[Industrial Promotion Services (IPS)] has taken more of my personal time and thought than practically every other business activity connected with developing countries. The heart of the matter is the idea which lies behind the whole concept of IPS -- the idea of partnership in progress."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, Opening of the Industrial Promotion Services (IPS) Building.

Jan 29, 1970

DACCA, PAKISTAN

"The range of activities IPS [Industrial Promotion Services] is prepared to engage in is very wide indeed. It has no rigid rules about the proportions of loan and equity investments which it makes. Finally, it is prepared - and indeed, anxious - to co-operate with other development institutions, both from the Government and the private sector...."

"An example of IPS action will shortly be announced in East Africa where ... IPS has brought together several major airlines, an international hotel chain, and other important private interests, to form what will become the largest single tourist consortium in Africa, with a chain of hotels and game lodges stretching throughout Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda. IPS has done this with active participation of the World Bank through its subsidiary agency, the International Finance Corporation, and the development corporations of the three Governments involved. Thus local Government funds local private funds, as well as foreign capital and know-how have all been harnessed in one project to develop further one of the key sectors of the East African economies."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, IPS Luncheon

Feb 6, 1970

HYDERABAD, PAKISTAN

"For five centuries, Muslim architecture led the world in concept, in design, in finish and even in structural ingenuity. Millions of non-Muslims every year visit Islamic monuments in the Middle East, in the Indo-Pakistan subcontinent, and in North Africa. And yet what is being done today to develop our own Islamic architecture of the twenty-first century? Practically nothing."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, University of Sind

Nov 30, 1967

PESHAWAR, PAKISTAN

onger have the time nor the faith to bow in prayer to Allah because the soul ... is no longer of sufficient importance to us will be a sunless day of hat has been called the permissive society where anything goes, nothing is sacred or private any more, is not a promising foundation for a brave v world. This fearful chase after material ease must surely be tempered e of mind, by conscience, by moral values, which must be resuscitated."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, Peshawar University

Sep 28, 1978

ISTANBUL, TURKEY

"The Aga Khan [Architecture] Awards, the first of which will be granted in 1980, will be substantial: \$100,000 in each of five different categories for a potential total of \$500,000 every three years. Their purpose is to make a strong and continuing impact on the architectural profession, on decision makers and on public opinion everywhere...."

"[T]he Award will not be confined to architects competing with designs for a succession of prestigious public monuments. We are concerned with the Islamic world and, above all, with the people of Islam.... Secondly, the Awards will be open not only to designers, but also to the promoters and decision makers who generally employ them, to craftsmen and builders, to civil servants, and even to ordinary people who have shown initiative in improving their own habitats. A third feature is that they will go only to projects that have been tried and proven over a number of years. How many buildings have won acclaim at the time the ribbon was cut, only to be rejected as impractical and inconvenient by those who had to live or work in them? Heralding a venture which eventually proves unsatisfactory is a trap we fully intend to avoid. Finally, we do not seek anything less ambitious than true excellence in any architecture intended for the Islamic environment."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, Aga Khan Award for Architecture Seminar

"It is no exaggeration t universities of Latin West indeed the whole European rei of new knowledge from Islam - western colleges and unive A

"In Islamic belief, know revealed through the Holy man discovers by virtue of his involve any contradiction, pr own mind is itself the creatio no balance is possible. With i one strength of Islam has alwa is not static but continuous, t endeavours, God has open windows for us to se

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AWARDS AND HONOURS ACCORDED TO HIS HIGHNESS THE AGA KHAN IV

”THE ETHICS OF ISLAM GUIDE ALL MY ACTIVITY.”

HIS HIGHNESS THE AGA KHAN IV -- JEUNE AFRIQUE INTERVIEW, 2005

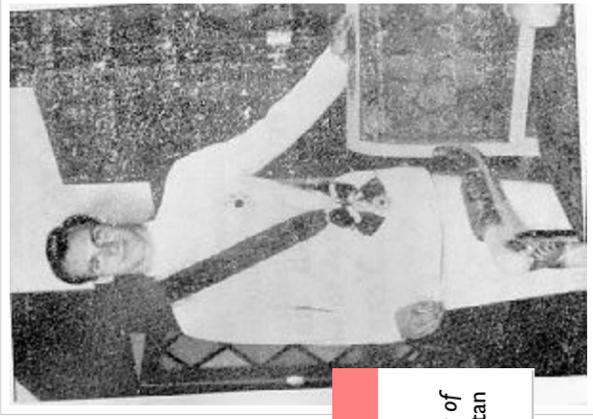
ABOUT HIS HIGHNESS THE AGA KHAN

His Highness the Aga Khan became Imam (spiritual leader) of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims on July 11, 1957 at the age of 20, succeeding his grandfather, Sir Sultan Mahomed Shah Aga Khan. He is the 49th hereditary Imam of the Shia Imami Ismaili Muslims, and a direct descendant of the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) through his cousin and son-in-law, Ali, the first Imam, and his wife Fatima, the Prophet's daughter....

Like his grandfather Sir Sultan Mahomed Shah Aga Khan before him, the Aga Khan has, since assuming the office of Imamat in 1957 been concerned about the well-being of all Muslims.

AWARDS AND HONOURS: 98

BAHRAIN (1) MAURITANIA (1)
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CANADA (7) MOROCCO (1)
COMOROS (1) NORWAY (1)
CÔTE D'IVOIRE (2) PAKISTAN (11)
EGYPT (1) PORTUGAL (7)
FRANCE (6) SCOTLAND (1)
GERMANY (2) SENEGAL (1)



Aug 12, 1957

ZANZIBAR

Decorated with the *Brilliant Star of Zanzibar* by His Majesty the Sultan of Zanzibar. (Photo ismaili.net.)

Jul 26, 1957

UNITED KINGDOM

Receives the title of *His Highness* from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II of Great Britain.



Oct 24, 1959

IRAN

Receives the title of *His Royal Highness* from His Imperial Majesty the Shah of Iran.

Oct 27, 1960

PORTUGAL

Decorated with the *Grand Cross of the Order of Infante D. Henrique* by the Portuguese Government in Goa.



Aug 4, 1965

CÔTED'IVOIRE

Made a *Freeman of Abidjan*, an presented with a key to the C (Photo simerg.com.)



Jan 13, 1962

SWITZERLAND

Wins the *Roberts of Kandhar* challenge cup at Davos, Switzerland, the oldest challenge cup in the world for downhill ski racing.

Jul 11, 1957

At the age of 20, Prince Karim Aga Khan inherits the Imamate of the Shia Ismaili Muslims as their 49th Imam. (Photo simerg.com.)

1960

MAURITANIA

Decorated with the rank of *Commandeur du Mérite Mauritanien* (Commander of the Order of Merit) by the Mauritanian Government.

Mar 17, 1962

ITALY

Made an *Honorary Citizen* of the Town of Arzachena (Sardinia).

Aug 5, 1965

UPPER VOLTA

Decorated with the *L'Ordre Haute-Volta* (Grand Cross of Order), Upper Volta's highest

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Oct 22, 1957

NAIROBI, KENYA

"[R]emember, above all how important it is to encourage and promote good relations among the different races who live here together.

"Let me give you a practical example -- behind, you can see the structure of a great new hospital which is almost completed. It will be one of the best equipped hospitals in East Africa. Half of it has been paid for by the Ismaili community and half by the government. It will be, like our schools, available to all races. I hope that this will be only one of many other ventures in which the spirit of partnership will always prevail."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, Takht Nashini Ceremony

Oct 1, 1960

KARACHI, PAKISTAN

"Throughout history, when the great empires broke up, whether it be the fall of the Roman or Byzantine empires, or of the Caliphate, you will find that the youth had lost its dynamism, its personality and its imagination."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, Karachi University

Nov 24, 1963

MANILLA, PHILIPPINES

"Let us, therefore, put our backs to the wheel and show the state in which we live that we are determined to become first class citizens, nay leaders, not for the futile glory of leadership but to help this country become a better place in which to live and ensure that, even if we cannot reap the fruit of our labour, our children will be born to brighter horizons."

-- His Highness the Aga Khan, Inauguration of the Mindanao State University

Dec 4, 1965

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