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**Greetings All --** As you may have seen, the Saudis have announced a new Ambassador to Washington -- Prince Khalid bin Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud. Attached are his official biography and photo, as approved by the Kingdom's Embassy in DC. Best regards, John Anderson

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## **KHALID BIN SALMAN BIN ABDULAZIZ AL SAUD**

Prince Khalid bin Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud has been appointed as the new ambassador of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to the United States by the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud.

### **EDUCATION**

Prince Khalid received a Bachelor of Aero Science from King Faisal Air Academy. He continued his studies in the United States at Harvard University, earning a certificate for Senior Executives in National and International Security. He also studied advanced electronic warfare in Paris.

He began graduate work at Georgetown University, pursuing a Master of Arts in Security Studies, but his studies were suspended upon different job assignments for the Kingdom, and before his appointment as Saudi Arabia's Ambassador to the United States.

### **MILITARY CAREER**

Upon his graduation from King Faisal Air Academy, Prince Khalid joined the Royal Saudi Air Force. He started his career as a pilot on the Texan-6 and T-38 at Columbus Air Force Base in Mississippi.

He later began the F15-S Flying program as a pilot, and he was assigned as a Tactical Intelligence Officer in addition to flying F-15S in the 92nd Squadron for the 3rd Flying Wing at King Abdulaziz Air Base in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia.

Trained as a fighter pilot with almost 1,000 hours in total flight time, Prince Khalid has flown missions against ISIS as part of the International Coalition. He has also flown missions over Yemen as part of Operation Decisive Storm and Operation Renewal of Hope.

For his service in the Saudi Air Force, Prince Khalid has been widely decorated, including being awarded the Operation South Shield Medal; the Battlefield Medal; the Workmanship Medal; and Abdullah's Sword Exercise Medal.

Prince Khalid trained extensively with the US military both in the United States and in Saudi Arabia, including at Nellis Air Force Base in Nevada. After a back injury forced him to stop flying, he worked as an officer in the office of the minister of defense.

### **POST-MILITARY CAREER**

Prince Khalid was appointed to the office of the Minister of Defense after his active duty ended. He subsequently became a senior civilian adviser in the Saudi Arabian Ministry of Defense.

In late 2016, he moved to the United States and served as an advisor to the Embassy of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to the United States.

Prince Khalid becomes the tenth Ambassador of Saudi Arabia to the United States since 1945.



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