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In the name of God, the most compassionate and merciful

My Fellow Jordanians,

Allow me to convey my sincere greetings, and those of your homeland, to extend our best wishes for the New Year; a year in which we are confident accomplishments will be achieved in matters of reform, freedom and democratization. This will be a year of opportunity for all Jordanians to engage and participate for the benefit of our country.

It is with much pride that I follow up on the lives of our fellow Jordanian men and women, through their positive contributions towards the progress and welfare of a country as important as the United States.

Through your admirable achievements you have become the greatest ambassadors of Jordan in particular, and the Arab nation and our just causes in general; and, you have solidified the historic and exemplary friendly relations between Jordan and the United States. I support and encourage you to strengthen the positive relations and to further build the bridges of better understanding and dialogue between the Arab world and the United States.

Your efforts are a major contribution in telling Jordan's story, and thus raising its status internationally, particularly so by emphasizing and bringing to everyone's attention the opportunities available in the various fields.

During the current phase, you are at the forefront of those who will contribute to the realization of Jordan's progress towards achieving the aspired reforms. We are moving progressively towards conducting free and fair municipal and parliamentary elections, under the supervision of an independent elections commission, with the end goal of instituting parliamentary governments in the near future.

For Jordan, the Arab Spring has provided a positive opportunity and impetus towards real and comprehensive reforms. We have seized this opportunity to re-invigorate the political process of our country, and set a unique reform model for the whole region that would be a source of pride for all Jordanians.

We look forward to constantly engage and connect with you, and to benefit from your experience in serving your mother country's progress; please accept my best wishes for continued success and prosperity.

Peace be upon you,

Your Brother,
Abdullah II ibn Al Hussein