and tourism. I've met people of all kinds who have had some influence on me and others with whom I've found eternal friendships, leaving an imprint of something that cannot be ever erased even if a journey's distance remains between us. Just the same, I've always held Kuwait in my heart throughout my travels, somehow returning back to its borders wherever I go. Wherever I have traveled and whichever paths I've taken in this life, all roads have led me back to Kuwait, and that is why I chose "A Traveler's Memo" to be the title of my weekly column in *Al-Qabas*.