

men. They have all left whether they were good or bad. After that visit, I have not seen the pyramid again.

I congratulate you, Mr. Barrak Al Shitan, on your new position, and I repeat the words I have said to your predecessors. I wish to add, as you already know, that working for PAMA is not like working for any other institution because you are a guardian of the orphans of Kuwait, you are the custodian of their money, the executor of their fathers' wills, and aside from the law, you will stand accountable before God. You may find someone who tries to convince you to adapt to an accounting system which is possibly corrupt, built upon stealing the rights and money from orphans by veiling their theft behind different names which God forbids. Perhaps you will find a legal department that has lost its conscience and gives legal opinions which serve its own desires. This would make the Authority lose its legal cases and invalidate its decisions. You may find a misled committee which argues that printing the Holy Quran is not a righteous deed, and uses the rights of the minors for the sake of a quick profit. At the same time, you will see a lot of good people working for PAMA; especially your deputies with whom I have worked for decades and who deserve our gratitude and respect. Dear new general manager, you have an executive legacy built occasionally upon centralism, a one-man show, and an iceberg you must melt.

For you, for the people of Kuwait, and for the record, I noted down a septuplet that summarized my journey of nearly fifty years with that institution.