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**FRIENDSHIP AMBASSADORS FOUNDATION DIRECTOR RECEIVES ROYAL
INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NOBEL LAUREATES CONFERENCE
PETRA, JORDAN, JUNE 16 - 19, 2008 (www.petranobel.org)**

(Greenwich, CT) **FRIENDSHIP AMBASSADORS FOUNDATION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, PATRICK SCIARRATTA, HAS BEEN INVITED BY THE ROYAL HASHEMITE COURT, AND PERSONALLY BY ELIE WIESEL, TO PARTICIPATE AS AN HONORED GUEST AT THE 4TH PETRA CONFERENCE OF NOBEL LAUREATES, IN PETRA, JORDAN. HE WILL VISIT AMMAN AND PETRA FROM JUNE 15 – 21, 2008 AS THEIR GUEST, WHILE HELPING TO DEVELOP A SUPER FUND FOR YOUTH SUPPORT.**

In 2007, the Youth Assembly at the United Nations, co-directed by Mr. Sciarratta for FAF, held its exclusive *Leadership Seminar* in early August at Pace University's bucolic suburban campus. Invited to participate at that event was a very special youth leader, and one of the directors of the "We Are All Jordan Youth Commission," Ahmad Rafi Al-Hindawi, from Amman.

As it turned out, Mr. Al-Hindawi was enabled to participate by the Royal Hashemite Court of King Abdullah II. Upon his return, sharing glowing reports about his UN experience, His Highness' office contacted FAF and Mr. Sciarratta to offer royal thanks. After a series of emails from FAF and hand delivered air couriered replies from the Royal Court in Amman, Executive Director Patrick Sciarratta was invited to attend the 4th Conference of Nobel Laureates, in Petra Jordan, June 16-19, 2008 directly by King Abdullah II of Jordan and Elie Wiesel, of the Elie Wiesel Foundation for Humanity.

The gathering of Nobel Laureates and others will begin an effort to develop a super fund for education and youth empowerment initiatives throughout the world. Mr. Sciarratta will lead a team of youth at that historic destination.

“While in Petra, I will attempt to identify funds for youth who are engaged in global cultural exchange programs, and especially service projects and concert tours where joint concerts and homestays occur, and particularly among regions of the world where cultural strengthening is crucial to world peace,” he stated. “In addition, I will help identify difficult to find travel support for global youth leaders involved in gatherings similar to the annual Youth Assembly at the United Nations. That is what FAF’s mission is all about – enabling people to get together across difficult cultural terrain and share meaningful experiences that help promote mutual understanding.”

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