THE LATE Prof. Naci BOR FIAS (TURKEY)

It is with a sense of sadness and sorrow that the President and the Director General of the Islamic World Academy of Sciences (IAS) in Amman, Jordan, announce the passing away of the eminent Turkish scientist/medical doctor: Prof. Naci Bor, Founding Fellow of the IAS. He was 90.

Born in Bor, Turkey in 1928, he completed his first degree from the Medical Faculty of Istanbul University in 1952.

He went to the United States in 1952 and studied internal medicine. Later he specialized in cardiology. He then went on to do research in cardiac physiology for which he was appointed to the staff at Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia (1958). He taught and conducted research there for 3 years, and then he was invited to Philadelphia Presbyterian Hospital to initiate research in fetal physiology. He was simultaneously appointed as a member of the teaching staff at the University of Pennsylvania.

Prof. Bor returned to Turkey in 1963 to become the founding director of physiology in a new medical school in Ankara. In 1976, he took over the research facility and organized “The Medical and Surgical Research Center” in the same University.

He was a member of the science council of Turkish Scientific and Technical National Research Council and took part in its administration.

He established two science journals (Doga, and Turkish Journal for Medical Sciences) and served as their editor. He was also on the board of three other science journals.

Prof. Bor was a chairman of the Research Center at Hacettepe University and Chairman of the Anadolu Health and Research Foundation.

Prof. Bor was a Founding Fellow of the IAS (1986) and Founding Editor of its journal (1988). He was elected to the Council of the IAS for the period 1994–1999 and re-elected for the same post in 1999 and 2003.

Prof. Bor will be greatly missed by his colleagues and fellow scientists in Turkey and the Islamic world. "Ina Lillah Wa Ina Ilaihi Raj'oon."

IAS President, Fellows, and staff offer their heartfelt condolences to his family and friends throughout the world.

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