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PDC chairman calls for dialogue with National Assembly

## Speedy action on North Oilfields project urged

KUWAIT, May 28, (KUNA): Chairman of the Petroleum Development Co. (PDC) Hashem al-Rifaei told KUNA on Sunday that pursuing dialogue with the National Assembly over a draft law for developing oil wells in the northern sector of the country was his top priority after his recent appointment in his present job by parent company KPC.

Speaking here on the occasion of KPC's endorsement of him last Tuesday for the position of chairman of

PDC, he averred the significance of the northern oil fields whose development would add to the growth of the oil industry in Kuwait in addition to introducing hi-tech approaches to the production, processing, and marketing of oil products.

While he hoped that development of the northern oil fields "would see the light soon," he underscored the government's attention to this vital national project. He counseled patience and thor-

ough working-out of the nitty-gritty aspects of the project before it actually got off the ground.

The northern oil fields project seeks in the main to enlist assistance of international oil companies in developing these oil fields with the objective of producing about 900,000 oil barrels daily. Moreover, in doing so, the project also seeks to offer employment opportunities to local job-seekers and to absorb much-needed oil-based technologies.