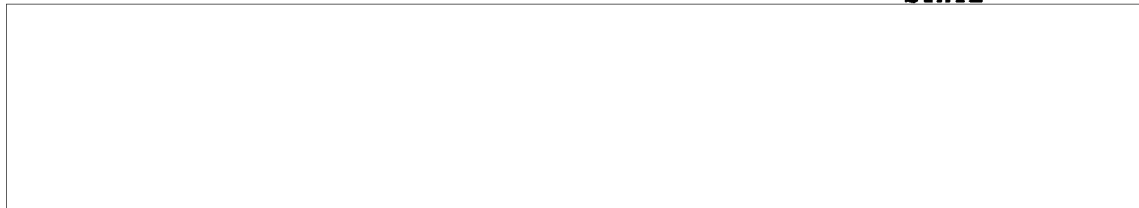


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SUBJECT: REPORT OF QADHAFI'S VERBAL ATTACKS ON KING HASSAN

1. (C - ENTIRE TEXT)

2. SUMMARY: ACCORDING TO AN INTERNAL GOM REPORT, LIBYAN LEADER MU'AMMAR QADHAFI ATTACKED KING HASSAN IN MARCH 2 REMARKS MADE TO THE LIBYAN GENERAL PEOPLES CONGRESS. THESE PUBLIC PERSONAL ATTACKS, THE FIRST THAT QADHAFI HAS MADE ON HASSAN SINCE SEPTEMBER,

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INDICATE THAT LIBYAN-MOROCCAN RELATIONS ARE PROBABLY IN FOR A PERIOD OF RENEWED TENSION. END SUMMARY.

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3. DURING VISIT OF SECRETARY BAKER TO RABAT, MOROCCAN FOMMIN FILALI HANDED US WHAT APPEARS TO BE AN MFA TELEX DATED MARCH 3, SENT IN THE CLEAR BY THE MOROCCAN MISSION IN LIBYA. THE TELEX REPORTS VERBAL ATTACKS BY QADHAFI ON KING HASSAN MADE THE PREVIOUS DAY -- WHETHER BEFORE OR DURING HIS SPEECH TO THE GENERAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS IS NOT CLEAR (SEE FBIS DE RUDOMKA 3791 LONDON FOR EXCERPTS OF QADHAFI'S ADDRESS). THE MFA TELEX ALSO REPORTS ATTACKS ON MOROCCO MADE BY PALESTINIAN AND ALGERIAN REPS TO THE CONGRESS.

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4. QUOTING SELECTED EXCERPTS OF COL. QADHAFI'S SPEECH, THE MOROCCAN TELEX REPORTED AS FOLLOWS: "IN HIS SPEECH...COLONEL QADHAFI LABELLED KINGS IN GENERAL AND ARAB KINGS IN PARTICULAR AS LUNATICS. AS EXAMPLES HE CITED MOROCCO AND JORDAN: 'THOSE WHO ARE NOW KINGS AND CROWN PRINCES ARE MENTAL PATIENTS ('ALIENES'). WHEN THE KING OF MOROCCO HOLDS A REFERENDUM ON THE ARAB-AFRICAN UNION AND BREAKS IT TWO YEARS LATER WITHOUT REFERRING TO (THE WILL OF) THE PEOPLE, THIS IS CRAZY. IT WOULD HAVE BEEN REASONABLE HAD HE INVITED HIS PEOPLE TO GIVE THEIR OPINION ON THE RUPTURE. THIS IS THE SIGN OF A SICK MIND; I DON'T BELIEVE THAT THIS ACT COULD HAVE COME FROM A HEALTHY MIND...'. QADHAFI WENT ON TO CHARGE THAT THE ARAB WORLD LIVED UNDER THE YOKE OF DICTATORIAL REGIMES WHICH TOOK THE FORM OF MONARCHICAL REGIMES, OF ONE PARTY SYSTEMS, ETC...".

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5. CONTINUING, THE GOM REPORT STATED THAT, IN VARIOUS INTERVENTIONS MADE AT THE PEOPLE'S CONGRESS EVENING OF MARCH 2, PALESTINIAN AHMED JIBRIL AND THE ALGERIAN MINISTER OF CULTURE ALSO ATTACKED MOROCCO. THE FORMER CALLED HASSAN II "THE ONE WHO ARABIZED CAMP DAVID" AND THE LATTER CHARGED THAT "THE MONARCHICAL REGIME OF MOROCCO MANEUVERED WITH EGYPT IN ORDER TO PREPARE THE CAMP DAVID ACCORD, AND NOW HE (HASSAN) IS PLOTTING AGAINST ALGERIA...WHY THE MEETING AT IFRANE? WHY THE PRESENCE AT THIS TIME OF ISRAELI OFFICERS IN MOROCCO? WHY THE AFFAIR IN THE SAHARA?" THE REPORT POINTED OUT, HOWEVER, THAT DURING HIS "FIRST SHORT SPEECH" TO THE CONGRESS (I.E., EVIDENTALLY HIS FORMAL REMARKS) THE ALGERIAN DID NOT GO SO FAR, BUT ONLY REFERRED TO PLOTS WHICH WERE HATCHING ON ALGERIA'S WESTERN FRONTIERS, COMPARING THIS SITUATION TO THE ONE WHICH LIBYA

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6. COMMENT: AFTER A FEW UNCERTAIN WEEKS FOLLOWING THE AUGUST 29 BREAKUP OF THE TREATY OF UNION, IT APPEARED THAT BOTH MOROCCO AND LIBYA HAD TAKEN THE DECISION TO MAINTAIN A CORRECT RELATIONSHIP AND PREVENT SERIOUS DETERIORATION. INDEED, EACH SIDE REFRAINED FROM MAKING VERBAL ATTACKS ON THE OTHER AND MOROCCAN-LIBYAN RELATIONS HAD ALL BUT DROPPED OUT OF SIGHT. QADHAFI'S MARCH 2 PERSONAL ATTACK ON KING HASSAN, THE FIRST OF WHICH WE ARE AWARE SINCE HIS REMARKS OF LAST SEPTEMBER, COULD WELL HERALD A NEW PERIOD OF BILATERAL TENSION.

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