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AL-QADHDHAFI: TO HELL WITH U.S., SAUDI ARABIA

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[Speech by Col (Mu' ammar al-Qadhafi) at Tripoli's international conference center during 2 March rally celebrating fifth anniversary of the establishment of the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriyah -- live or recorded]

[Text] Free brothers, there is no greater day for the masses than the day they achieve emancipation and liberation and assume responsibility for their own destinies. There is no greater anniversary for the Libyan masses than that which we are celebrating today -- the anniversary of the proclamation of the jamahiriyah and the establishment of the people's authority. [chants]

This is the anniversary of the day, brothers, on which the Libyan people became masters and free men in their own land. It is your right, brothers, to raise high your voices and your heads because you are the only people who are masters in their own land. You are the only free people. [chants]

Brothers, your voices here tell the shackled millions in the greater Arab homeland that it is possible for people to exist without a government and to run their own affairs by themselves in a jamahiri manner, without any proxy or mediation.

Your voices today, brothers, echo and resound throughout the greater Arab homeland from the ocean to the Gulf, declaring the establishment of the jamahiriyah and the era of the peoples, declaring the triumph of the popular will over a part of the Arab homeland -- indeed, in the heart of the Arab homeland, which Libya represents. Libya is the heart of the Arab homeland. The Libyan people are the pulsating heart of the Arab homeland.

Brothers, the establishment of the jamahiriyah and of the people's authority constitutes one of the most important changes in modern times. For the first time, the masses have liberated themselves from those who shackled them. The masses have liberated themselves from all shackles.

As we celebrate the fifth anniversary of the establishment of the people's authority and the founding of the jamahiriyah today [words indistinct].

This free land used to suffer under the weight of foreign bases built on it. Until recently, the people were forced to bow their heads before reactionary dictatorship, its whips and swords which hung over the necks of the masses.

Brothers, a government's actions against the masses which march to seize authority are acts of injustice and are wrong and illegitimate. The laws promulgated by Arab governments against the Arab peoples to subdue the masses to their authority are unjust laws. They constitute injustice in the full sense of the word. The prisons in which the masses are crammed on the orders of governments must be destroyed by the masses, just as the masses destroyed them on the great 1 September.

Brothers, the laws with which the Arab governments arm themselves against the masses with a view to subduing them [words indistinct].

Brothers throughout the Arab homeland: These days a flagrant challenge to the popular masses exists. Brothers, under the umbrella of the U.S. and Israeli march against the Arab nation, the Arab reaction has been behaving like a lion toward the masses and has been confronting them everywhere in an insolent and clear challenge. These reactionary dictatorial regimes are the agents of imperialism and Zionism in the Arab homeland.

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Brothers, the progressive revolutionary forces in the Arab homeland are facing challenges and provocations from the reactionary forces, which have begun to feel like a lion and to raise their voices under the umbrella of the United States and the Israeli forces' march against the Arab nation.

But, brothers, we declare from here the rise of the voice of challenge to the Arab reactionary regimes, the agents of imperialism. We challenge the Arab reactionary regimes and regionalism and those who persecute our Arab masses, the Palestinian masses, the Lebanese masses and the Arab masses everywhere. [chants]

Brothers, today we declare -- on this historic day in the life of the Libyan people -- that we challenge the reactionary and (?regionalist) regimes shackling our Arab masses and preventing them from achieving liberation, deliverance and from taking part in the battle of dignity and fate against the Zionist enemy and against America, the biggest enemy of the Arab nation and the peoples struggling for freedom.

We declare our defiance, brothers! We declare our strong defiance against the reactionary, police, regionalist, corrupt regimes. And from here, brothers, we declare in a loud, fearless voice, in a loud voice that fears no one, we declare our complete backing with all our capabilities for the Arab revolutionary forces now being savagely treated everywhere. Brothers, we declare our complete backing with all our potential for the revolutionary Arab forces facing savage treatment from the ocean to the Gulf.

Brothers, reaction, which collaborates with Zionism and imperialism and which is an agent of imperialism, wants to liquidate the revolutionary forces, the progressive forces, the unionist forces, so that the Zionist and American forces can attain complete control over the Arab homeland. Brothers, we are now fighting in self-defense, in defense of Arab existence, of Arab dignity, of the Arab land on which the American armies are advancing everywhere without resistance; from our east and from our west the American forces are advancing on the chaste Arab land without any resistance, brothers. But we will declare the resistance and declare the mobilization of the masses of the Arab nation; and we are with them; we are behind them. We will fight along side all free men. You Arab revolutionaries, from the ocean to the Gulf, we will not abandon you, you revolutionaries now suffering in jails and being chased in the streets. They are trying to liquidate the hopes you embody, the hopes of this nation to secure unity, to liberate itself, to build socialism and progress and to hold aloft the banner of honor and dignity, oh brothers!

Brothers, these days, Arab reaction expresses an historical concept hostile to the masses and forever and fatefully allied to colonialism and Zionism. Today, Saudi Arabia, on U.S. orders, declares on you a war of starvation and an economic war against the Libyan people, the Algerian people, the Kuwaiti people and [words indistinct]. Today, Arab reaction expresses its true identity and is totally biased in a flagrant challenge to the Arab nation. It is biased in favor of America and the Israeli brothers. Saudi Arabia, implementing U.S. orders, has decided to deprive the Libyan people of their sole source of income: oil. Saudi Arabia, dear brothers, unnecessarily, needlessly and without any national economic justification is flooding the world market with cheap oil and is selling its oil at cheap prices. Saudi Arabia, brothers, today is declaring its open alliance with Israel and the United States against the Libyan people, against the Algerian people, against the Kuwaiti people, against the Nigerian people and against the peoples who rely on oil. Saudi Arabia decides, in implementing U.S. desires, to flood the markets with cheap oil to sell its oil at rock-bottom prices so as to deprive the Libyan people, the Algerian people and the Kuwaiti people from selling their oil.

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These peoples, brothers, the Arab peoples whose lives depend on oil, now face an economic blockade by order of the United States and by its implementation by the Saudi rulers who are flooding the oil market with 7 million barrels a day without fulfilling any economic need for Saudi Arabia but for the purpose of preventing Libya, the Algerian people and the Kuwaiti people from selling their oil so as to submit Kuwait to the will of Saudi Arabia and so as to submit the Gulf and place it under the Saudi boot. The United States wants the Libyan people to submit to Arab reaction or to the will of the United States; but to hell with the United States, to hell with Arab reaction. We will not submit. We will not submit, brothers.

Brothers, today you are facing an open challenge by the United States and Arab reaction, the base and servile agent of the United States. You, the Arab peoples who rely on oil -- the people of the Gulf and the Algerian people -- face the same challenge. Brothers, you are facing a challenge to your will.

The United States wants to prevent the Libyan people from selling their oil to deprive them of cash and consequently to make the Libyan people incapable of arming the Palestinian resistance and of building economic might on their territory -- to prevent the Libyan people from eradicating backwardness. The United States, brothers, has come to realize that what is taking place on the Arab land is serious in the full sense of the word and that what is taking place on the Arab land is the planting of freedom which will remain forever since it is freedom built on the authority of the masses and on true socialism, justice and equality. The United States has come to realize that the Libyan people are heading full tilt toward consolidating their freedom morally and materially through the building of industry, through conquering the desert and through building military power and converting hundreds of thousands of people into an army, into an armed people.

The United States, brothers, and its foster child Israel and its servile agent, Arab reaction, have come to realize that there is a real danger to the interests of colonialism from Libya and that there is true liberation of the Arab man and true realization of his [words indistinct] the Libyan land.

The fervor of the jamahiriya, of the authority of the masses and of socialism and of the armed people will (?spread) throughout the Arab territory. If the Arab people become armed; if the Arab people become free; if the Arab people become strong, it will mean the end of the Israelis, the end of the United States and its colonialism, the end of its interests which are realized only at the expense of the interests of the Arab peoples.

Therefore, the United States decided to make war on the jamahiriya, to put an end to the revolution, to put an end to the free people, to put an end to this surge which is the bastion of Arab hopes and to which the Arabs look for the realization of their hopes and which is the voice that speaks loudly for them. All other voices are afraid of the United States and are afraid of Israel -- they are weak and submissive. All voices but the voice of the Libyan people -- it is the strong voice which is unafraid. Therefore, the United States decided to eliminate this voice which annoys colonialism, reaction and Zionism. The United States wants to eliminate the surge which has come to liberate the Arabs.

It has become clear to the United States that the revolution will spread, that the artificial frontiers, regardless of the fact they are printed on maps and charters, cannot prevent the wind of the revolution and the wind of the jamahiriya, socialism, progress and unity. The gates that are being reinforced everyday in the Arab homeland and the frontiers behind which hide those who fear for their positions -- these frontiers cannot stop the strong wind of the revolution, the wind of the jamahiriya and the wind of the call for the unity of the Arab nation and the wind of resisting imperialism, Zionism and backwardness. [applause]

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For this reason brothers, America has decided to make the revolution in Libya, the freedom of the Libyan people, the wealth of the Libyan people, the oil of the Libyan people, the farms of the Libyans, the interests of the Libyans, the first target, and perhaps its sole target in this stage. With the advent of this U.S. administration, America, brothers, decided to make you its target. America now regards Libya as the prime strategic target to overcome.

To undertake the holy war, brothers, we must prepare more than one million citizens, men and women. We must prepare them militarily to confront America, to confront the agents of America.

Brothers, we must militarily train more than one million citizens, men and women. Brothers, we must decide to triumph over America, to vanquish the agents of America. We are on our soil; we defend our existence, our dignity, no, the dignity of [words indistinct] brothers. Brothers, we are, with our right, stronger than America, stronger than America's agents. Brothers, we must prepare more than one million, more than one million citizens, men and women.

We have to prepare over one million men and women to fight with tanks, artillery, missiles, machineguns and aircraft, not as a militia or civil or local defense forces, but as fighters capable of using the most modern military hardware.

The United States is our enemy. Whatever air or sea bridges it might build between its military bases in Europe or its new Arab colonies in the Arab Maghreb and Arab Mashriq -- in Egypt, Morocco, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Somalia and the donkey pen Oman -- the United States can never defeat an armed people. It cannot route one million soldiers. If we mobilize one million soldiers, we make sure that we will defeat the United States or force the United States to [words indistinct] or resort to atom bombs. [chants]

Brothers, the United States has no force capable of occupying the Libyan territory or crushing the resistance of the Libyan people. The atom power [words indistinct] the United States will inevitably be defeated just as it was defeated in Vietnam.

Brothers, inevitably, the United States will be defeated by the Libyan men and women, just as it was defeated in Vietnam, or it will have to resort to its atomic power. The United States will be faced with one of two options: either accept defeat at the hands of the Libyan people -- if we prepare one million Libyans to fight it -- or be forced into using atomic bombs. Even if we force the United States to resort to its strategic atomic weapons, we would be considered to have triumphed over the United States. This will mean a third world war. This will mean the end of the world. Thus our slogan will be: on my head and on my enemies' heads.

If the United States doesn't resort to atomic bombs, then whatever forces it prepares in the air and in the sea, it will never be able to send one million American soldiers to Libya. But, we brothers, have decided whatever the circumstances, to die with raised heads. This is, brothers, because we are fighting for our right to live and for our place on earth and under the sun. [chants]

We have been patient with Saudi Arabia and asked for a dialogue with Saudi Arabia. We had agreed on the resumption of relations with Saudi Arabia. We have used every cordial and fraternal means with Saudi Arabia. We contacted Kuwait, Algeria and the Gulf. We contacted every intermediary. We made all efforts. Brothers, we have been patient for a long time with the policies of Saudi Arabia which is starving its people and the oil-producing Arab peoples. We have tried with Saudi Arabia. We gave it enough time. But now, brothers, enough is enough. We now declare that we have had enough with the policies of Saudi Arabia, which are pro-American and which finance Israel. It is an ally with the enemy of the Arab nation. Saudi Arabia is the number one enemy of Islam; Saudi Arabia is the number one enemy of the Arab nation.

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Yes brothers, we have reached our tether with the policies of Saudi Arabia. It has starved our people. It seeks, brothers, to deprive you of your property, of your [words indistinct], brothers. Saudi Arabia, brothers, is the number one enemy as far as our people are concerned. It is starving (?one) people. [chants] [Words indistinct] thus carrying out America's orders. [Words indistinct] but this is for the interest of America, for the interest of Israel. [chants]

Brothers, [words indistinct] America. We have been patient for a long time. Every day, it creates lies and makes accusations and appoints itself a guardian for Libya. [Words indistinct] it appoints itself as a judge and policeman of the world. We say to it: Get stuffed [tuzz]! America is no gendarme of the world. America isn't our guardian. We defy America. We have decided to die and America cannot [words indistinct] from death. We have decided to die while spitting at the filthy face of America. We, brothers, do not fear the American [word indistinct]. We do not fear the 10th crusade launched by America toward Libyan shores.

Today we declare that maneuvers are taking place on our western borders and in our territorial waters. The American 6th Fleet provokes us, challenges us, intimidates us, but we are not intimidated by filthy America.

We are working for the liberation of the world. We are against America. We are not alone, brothers. All peoples struggling for freedom are with us. We have with us all the peoples who consider America their number one enemy. We, brothers, find America isolated in the UN General Assembly. We find the great satan on trial and we [words indistinct] all the small nations. People love us because we love and struggle for freedom and because we are the builders of the jamahiriyah and the founders of the era of the masses.

Brothers, all the masses are with us. The masses of the Arab nation in the streets are with us. But they are helpless. They cannot cheer; they cannot express their feelings and aspirations. But they are with us from the ocean to the Gulf. We have the masses with us. To hell with Saudi Arabia; to hell with the reactionary rulers of Saudi Arabia. We have [words indistinct] of our policy toward these traitors. The Saudis are the enemies of the Arab peoples. The Saudis are the enemies of the Arab nation. They are the enemies of Islam.

On this day, brothers, the free masses should declare their alliance with the Iranian people who are fighting the tyrants and are crushing reaction and America. Let us, brothers, add our voice to that of the Iranian revolution. Let us ally ourselves with it against reaction, Zionism and America [words indistinct] and so that the popular revolution will triumph. [cheers and shouts]

Brothers, we declared that we want to resume relations with Morocco, Saudi Arabia and Iraq. [Words indistinct] America. When the Israelis destroyed the Iraqi nuclear reactor, and we regarded this as an insult to every Arab, when the Israelis destroyed the Iraqi nuclear reactor, we regarded this as a defeat for all Arabs and an insult to all Arabs; we regarded it as a beginning of a new stage of humiliation for the Arabs at the hands of the Israelis and a new stage of aggression on the future of the Arab nation so that it will not enter into the atomic era or the era of progress. We said that we are prepared to forget our differences with Iraq, Saudi Arabia and Morocco and to resume relations with them for the sake of a joint Arab action against the common enemy. Until now, brothers, regrettably none of them has shown an iota of feeling for dignity, the humiliated dignity and the honor which has been tread upon by Zionism. Those traitors have surrendered and taken the enemy's blows in a very shameful manner. None of these Arab states have done anything against Zionism. They have worked to deal blows to the Palestinian resistance and its only support -- the Lebanese National Movement. This takes place while billions of Saudi funds go to factories where U.S. aircraft are being manufactured so that aircraft can be produced for Israel, enabling the latter to strike at the Iraqi nuclear reactor and the Arab nation. Israeli aircraft today is flying over Saudi Arabia with complete disdain for the Saudi rulers. Israel says these flights will not stop (?because they are important to Israel's security).

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We have so far, brothers, been unable to undertake any joint action against the common enemy. We are in no need of relations with these reactionary regimes -- the allies of Israel and America, the enemies of the Arab people, these capitulationist and cowardly regimes; we are ashamed to have relations with them. A free state such as Libya -- a revolutionary and progressive state which is anticolonialist, antireaction and anti-Zionism -- is ashamed to have relations with the rotten regimes in the Arab homeland, such as the one in Saudi Arabia. These regimes, brothers, want to enslave us with their oil. The Saudis want to dominate the Arab homeland with oil. To hell with their oil. (?They will not dominate) the Arab homeland. We urge the Saudi people, the Arabian people in [words indistinct].

Brothers [words indistinct] the initiative was the Fahd plan. We are expecting joint Arab action against the common enemy. The Saudis came out with a plan calling on Arabs to recognize Israel. What is the difference between Fahd and the [word indistinct] As-Sadat? What is the difference between them? The Fahd plan is the same as that of As-Sadat.

The joint Arab action which we were expecting in response to this truce is [word indistinct] the Arab revolutionary force. The [words indistinct] in Libya, the Arab revolutionaries. I have met revolutionaries from inside Riyadh; they came here secretly and said: How could you abandon us and how could you enter into a truce with Saudi reaction, the agent of Zionism and colonialism? Revolutionaries from all over the Arab homeland came to me and blamed me, saying: How could you abandon the Arab revolutionary forces and how could you enter into a truce with reaction, which is doomed? Where is the shah of Iran? The fate of the Saudi family will be the same as that of the shah's family. Where is Idris as-Sunusi and the As-Sunusi family? Where are [words indistinct]. Victory is for the peoples, brothers.

We were expecting joint Arab action for the liberation of Palestine in order to repel aggression and to [word indistinct] wounded Baghdad. We, brothers, were expecting Arab initiatives that would deter aggression, but we were surprised by Fahd's plan which asks us to recognize the enemy. We declare that we -- I personally will not attend a summit unless it is a summit which discusses the liberation of Palestine and the unifying of the Arab nation and the establishment of Arab economic unity and [word indistinct]. This is the summit I will attend; as for Fahd's plan: it is in the garbage can. [chants and applause]

Brothers, today, we are facing a challenge, a real challenge. Either we submit to America's will and be obedient to its wishes and bow our heads before America and declare that America is our master and that it is providence, and recognize Israel and (?throw) the poisonous dagger into the heart of the Arab homeland and recognize [words indistinct] and open our territory to the Israelis so that they can advance eastward and westward, or we declare our rejection of America and affirm (?that it is not God); and we declare that America is not providence and declare that Palestine (?is ours) and that (?we will not concede an inch of) the soil of Palestine; and we declare that the solution lies in the Arab (?march), the Arab economic, political and military [word indistinct]; and brothers, we declare that [words indistinct] that we are claimants to a right over our own soil; and that we declare that we Arabs have a place in the sun and on earth, which we should be (?worthy) of occupying and of living in with dignity and honor. It is our right to resist any aggressors against Arab territory because this affects our existence and our honor. We should declare our alliance with the international revolutionary forces which [words indistinct] change the sick, bitter and painful reality. We have to choose one or the other.

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Brothers, the cowards and scum who have no dignity accept an alliance with colonialism and agree to bow their heads to America. There is a (?number) even in this country who declared that their homeland (?is no more than a provider of food) and that they have no dignity and that they are stray dogs who prefer to eat at the tables of the United States and Saudi Arabia. Those Libyans who have been cast out by the Libyan people, who have forgotten about the blood of the workers and peasants and choose to live in comfort, like princes in luxury at the expense of the poverty of the Libyan people and the dignity of the Libyan people, are the ones now dining and supping on the leftovers of the tables of Saudi Arabia and Morocco and Egypt and are trading with the Israelis and with [word indistinct]. These people have no dignity or value. They are filthy. I say these people are without dignity. Their stomachs are their dignities. Their stomachs are their homeland. They have no race or religion. They have joined the hostile camp.

These descriptions apply to every Libyan abroad. Such Libyans live like stray dogs in Europe and the United States. But, we brothers, are people determined to live freely even without oil. [words indistinct]

Brothers, we are people who, should it become necessary, will decide to live as our forefathers lived. They fought against Italy without oil. Italy has gone but the Libyans remain free. This is a testimony to our glories and to our shouldering of our duties. They fought without oil and refused to bow their heads.

We are people who, if we so wish, can make ourselves worthy of living. We are people who want to inscribe glorious pages in the annals of history, for ourselves and for our future generations as well as for their Arab nation and for the entire Islamic east. Our people must decide to live without oil and stand boldly and valiantly in the face of the 10th crusade represented by the American 6th Fleet and the new crusades led by the United States. We must boycott reaction and declare a revolution against it. We must ally ourselves with the masses for they are the true Arab revolutionary force which will inherit the earth and write history.

Brothers, the United States, by order of the U.S. President, who is sacrificing U.S. interests for the sake of his personal interests, this selfish President who has placed his personal considerations above any other considerations and who is daily destroying U.S. interests everywhere and who is breeding hostility every month and every year for the sake of his personal interests and his selfishness and [word indistinct]; this fascist U.S. President who is hostile to the peoples, who has an inferiority complex and wants to make up for it through far-fetched stories and adventures which will lead the world to destruction; who orders U.S. companies to get out of Libya -- I want to say, brothers, that we used to feel ashamed of the fact that a single U.S. company existed on Libyan territory, since it was inconsistent with the revolution that a company of a [word indistinct] country such as America was on Libyan territory. The U.S. companies were a mark of disgrace on our forehead. It was shameful to us. Today, we are neither sad nor disturbed as this [word indistinct] believes. When he withdraws his companies, he believes that we will be disturbed and will tremble and fear for our future. We say we welcome your decision to withdraw your companies as your companies are (?filthy) and monopolistic and [word indistinct]; there is no room for any American company on the free Libyan land.

Let these companies go to Saudi Arabia, let them go to Morocco, let them go to Jordan, let them go to Somalia and Sudan or to the donkey's pen. These are the proper places for them, where the agents are, where the submissive, the cowards, the reactionaries and the backward are. Let these companies go to hell.

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The Libyan people, brothers, must decide. If the matter is one of defiance, we must face up to defiance with defiance. If America challenges us [word indistinct] then we defy it because we will never submit; we will never surrender. [applause] We, brothers, are stronger than defiance. We face up to a challenge with a challenge. We face up to provocation with [words indistinct]. Brothers, we have friends and allies and [words indistinct] on earth and in the sun.

Brothers, we are capable of changing the norms. We are capable of turning the tables on them. We are capable of creating grave changes in this region. We are capable of allying ourselves even with the devil -- not to mention the fact that we have friends, Honorable ones, enemies of imperialism. We can elevate the level of our friendship with them to the highest level in confronting America. And America will lose because it has turned all the peace-loving peoples, the freedom-loving peoples, into its enemies.

America wants to put the world under its foot. We say to America: You are now fully playing the Nazi role. Nazism turned Europe into a zone of vital interest for Germany. America wants to turn the whole world into a zone of vital interest for America. What happened to fascism and Nazism, that dreadful force that used to make the earth tremble? The armies of the axis, where Nazism was the ally of fascism; where are they now? Their fate has been destruction, obliteration. The fascist empires were destroyed, brothers, and the people triumphed. Fascism and Nazism have been (?eliminated). Hitler, brothers, used to believe that the peoples of East Europe would fall under the feet of his armies like autumn leaves. He used to believe that he would conquer Russia and set up a world empire. He committed this foolish historic act. And in the end, Hitler was eliminated and Nazism was eliminated and the people in East Europe triumphed.

They now enjoy socialism, progress and freedom. [words indistinct] Nazism. The current U.S. President is [word indistinct] Hitler and Mussolini. He is reviving [word indistinct] facism in the world. He suffers from arrogance and powermania. He believes America can transform the whole world into slaves. Hitler at one time imagined that he could transform the whole world into slaves. The facist U.S. President believes that the whole world and especially the Arab land is within the U.S. sphere of influence. But there are some who tell him: You will see in the future that your empire will be defeated and will fail as facism and Nazism were defeated.

The peoples will triumph, brothers. Today we are with the world and with the people who are stronger than America: Ally yourselves with the Arab masses, brothers. The Arab land is not a farm belonging to America; it is not a farm belonging to the Saudis; it is not a farm belonging to the reactionaries. God is great, brothers. [words indistinct] let us live [words indistinct]. Victory is from God: Forward victory is for us, forward until we achieve unity and until we defeat Israel and America, until we raise the banners of freedom and of socialism.

PEOPLE'S CONGRESS ELECTS NEW SECRETARIES

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[Text] In the name of God. Proceeding from the historic declaration on the establishment of the people's authority and to cement direct democracy, the general meeting of people's conferences, people's committees, trade unions, associations and professional organizations -- the General People's Congress -- decided at its emergency meeting on 3 March 1982 to elect the secretaries of the General People's Committee at the level of the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriyah.

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