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audience was attended by Dr Ahmed Taleb Ibrahim, Politburo member and minister of foreign affairs, and the Romanian ambassador in Algeria.

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[Speech by Colonel Mu'ammarr al-Qadhdhafi in Misratah to participants in the conference of revolutionary and progressive forces and peace movements in the Pacific on 20 April — recorded]

[Text] It gives me pleasure to welcome you in your base and international center, which undertakes for your sake and for the sake of your struggle for freedom, all the serious consequences which this entails. I meet with you purposely on the shores of the Gulf of Sidra, which has become the Gulf of Challenge Against Imperialism. Here we confront and challenge the attempts at domination and imperialist haughtiness, and at the same time, we proved here the ability of small states to challenge and confront imperialist forces, to confront and defeat them, no matter how mighty these forces are. A year ago, we shot down several American aircraft which had crossed the line of death in the Gulf of Sidra. And when that battle failed in March 1986, they tried to kill me directly through the well-known Atlanticist attack, in which all the members of NATO, led by America, took part.

This encounter on the shores of the Gulf of Sidra is in fact a link in the chain of encounters with the world revolutionary forces. I had previously met in this place with revolutionary groups from all parts of the world. And due to the significance of this meeting with you, we emphasize that there exists a wide international front which has emerged to confront imperialism everywhere, and that the Libyan people do not stand alone at the Gulf of Sidra, but with them stand all the forces struggling for freedom. [applause and indistinct chants] We emphasize that imperialism is not the enemy of the Libyan people alone, but is the enemy of all peoples aspiring for freedom and peace.

What increases my pleasure in receiving you, and my appreciation of you, is the fact that the world revolutionary forces have the courage to hold their conferences in the open and within the sight and hearing of the imperialists. We raise our voices high on the Libyan soil and challenge imperialism and declare our preparedness to fight for freedom and against imperialism.

This meeting today brings together the dynamic forces in the South Pacific and East Asia, from Japan to the Philippines and to Australia, and the rest of the islands of the Pacific.

Now this region of world-wide importance affirms its presence here on Libyan soil and along the Gulf of Sidra. We like to tell the world that we are one single front which stretches from the Pacific Ocean to the Atlantic Ocean; it includes all forces fighting for freedom. We know about the large rumor with regard to the South Pacific and East Asia region, which started when

you began to answer the call and when you started to meet at this conference. Agents in Australia and New Zealand, under orders from their imperialist masters, began to fabricate a rabid campaign against you, which lacks justification. It has no justification or demand, but imperialism would like to impose its custody upon you.

According to the law of imperialists, man is valued according to the amount of money he has, according to the vast land, fortunes, and large populations he owns. They are materialistic criteria. However, they deny peace, freedom, and the right of life to a group because it is a small unit, like the people of Vanuatu, or the Solomon Islands or anything in this context. They did not recognize Grenada's right of existence because it is a small island composed of 100,000 people.

Look at the jurisdiction and ethics of imperialists. Their rotten criteria are that small people, the poor, the colored and the blacks have no right to live on the earth; they should be food for imperialism to swallow. Ourselves, our islands, and our strategic regions should be for the benefit of imperialism. Why? Because we are colored, because we are black, because we are small in number, because we are poor. You in the South Pacific, in East Asia, you are not part of America, the United States, and you are not part of Britain. In what capacity does the United States and Britain protest when you move from your countries to another country in the world, to any place in the world? What is this encroachment? They impose a ban on the freedom of the movement of people.

Imperialism protests at the movement of free citizens from Australia to Libya, or from New Zealand, or any other island in the South Pacific, or the Philippines, or Japan. Look at this decayed logic, these bad criteria. How can we achieve understanding with the United States or Britain? There is no common logic for an understanding with it. There is no other way than that of confrontation alone, because this is the only language they understand. They understand the language of confrontation and that of force. They want to swallow us one after the other. After Grenada they wanted to swallow Nicaragua, but we all stood by Nicaragua. They wanted to swallow Libya, but they found it bigger and more difficult to swallow. Thus they returned disgraced. [applause] They were angered by the prospect of Vanuatu becoming an independent state. And after it had become independent and a member of the United Nations and the nonaligned against their wish, they wanted to control its relations with others. They protested at the warm relations between Vanuatu and Libya.

They have installed themselves as guardians of independent Vanuatu. They want to decide with whom she should maintain relations and with whom she should sever them. Why all this hue and cry, all this protest over your move to respond to the appeal and, ultimately, your presence on the Libyan territory?

There is a strong reason. It is because they have agreed to turn the South Pacific into a nuclear test zone and an area for future conflict between the two superpowers.

You should realize that there is a strategic idea being vigorously put forward and they are trying to persuade the superpowers of

it, namely to transfer the confrontation from Europe to the Pacific Ocean.

Why do they want to transfer the confrontation from Europe to your region? It is because they see that a confrontation across the Pacific Ocean is easier and less damaging than a confrontation across Europe. A confrontation in Europe will include a land engagement between Warsaw Pact and NATO forces on European territory. In addition, the medium-range missiles will be effective on such a front. Furthermore, the war will be extremely difficult because it will be fought in a heavily populated area, with cultivated land and mountains as well as interwoven communication routes, the majority of which do not run along the lines of the war [as heard] and thus war in Europe will be complicated and the losses will be very high because it will be fought in a heavily populated area.

Therefore, there is an alternative idea, namely to transfer the confrontation from Europe to the Pacific Ocean. They say if our fleets clash or if our nuclear and conventional bombs and missiles fall on New Caledonia or on Vanuatu, or on the Solomon Islands, or even on New Zealand, then it will cause a marginal loss. If the people of the Solomon Islands were killed it would be better than killing the people of Belgium or France or Britain or Germany.

The blood of the inhabitants of the Solomon Islands is cheap, and the blood of the European is expensive. This logic of theirs is a cause for laughter and an object of ridicule. If a nuclear bomb falls on Vanuatu this is a little loss, losing the small people of Vanuatu, however, if it falls on France, Italy or Britain we shall lose one of these great peoples. [applause and shouting of slogans]

Sacrificing Australia, New Zealand, the Pacific Ocean islands and all the inhabitants of the Pacific Ocean is a minor loss and does not matter. However, what they do not want is to sacrifice, Europe, Britain, America -- their peoples and wealth. You can confirm the truth of this idea and the fact that it is serious. I mean their disdain for your lives, your freedom, and your right to exist is their only concern and that is a serious matter. They deny you the right to existence and freedom by deciding to make your region one of nuclear tests. Why do they not drop nuclear bombs in the North Sea, in the Channel, or in any of the [word indistinct] gulfs? Because this will harm the British people in the North Sea, the Channel, and the French and the German peoples. However, if they are dropped in the South Pacific, they damage your lives, not those of the Atlanticists.

Thus it does not matter if you die of radiation or if experiments are carried out on you as they are carried out on mice. They do not consider you human beings, but mice. They carry out experiments on you. Yes, this is their view. In South Africa they do not consider blacks as human beings. They consider them mice and rabbits and carry out limb transplants and heart transplants on them. Dr Barnard, the surgeon who became famous in South Africa -- why did he become famous for heart transplants? Because he carries out experiments on blacks believing that they are not human beings. He cannot carry out experiments in America or Europe because the imperialists, the Americans and the Europeans, are human beings, but the black is not a human being. He carried out experiments on blacks just as they are carried out in the West on mice or rabbits, until he arrived at the

heart transplant (?technique), for which there had been no procedure in the past years. Why did it succeed in South Africa? It is due to their perception of the black person, that he does not deserve life and consequently experiments are carried out on him. If these experiments succeed on blacks, transplants of artificial hearts or limbs will not be carried out on blacks; they will be carried out on whites. The benefit from killing the blacks is life for the whites. [Word indistinct] I apologize, I (?forgot), I am explaining this to you. In short, I will go quickly onto the idea I told you about [words indistinct].

In any case, this confrontation at present through [words indistinct] a globe would be more useful because the Pacific Ocean is not clear here. [Video shows Al-Qadhafi pointing at a map of the world] It is evident that this confrontation is (?waged) from the other side of the planet, through the Pacific Ocean. Anyhow, this is not clear on a map, only a globe can give us a clearer idea.

They have now decided to turn your region into a region for nuclear tests. In order to show you the danger and the opportunist character of the international imperialist policy, I would like to say that there are arbitrariness, restrictions and agreements also in strategic terminology. Agreements No 1 and No 2 they call SALT I and SALT II. These are between the Soviet Union and America, but another dirty state like France took advantage of this situation, although it does not adhere to it. Now there is a problem, because when America and the Soviet Union agree, what happens to the other nuclear states, such as Britain and France? France seized the opportunity. It developed its nuclear armaments at the expense of your lives and your future, and it carried out nuclear explosions in this region. It took advantage of the preoccupation of the United States and the Soviet Union with regard to nuclear tests, their reduction, the issue of disarmament, and everything to do with the process of detente. France took advantage of all this and decided to test nuclear weapons and quickly developed them at the expense of your region and your lives. In other words, it chose your region and started throwing bombs at it. These bombs, as far as they are concerned, must eventually be tested.

Do British people or other Europeans die in the process or is it just the Asians who die? Naturally, these tests are carried out by Europeans. Therefore they prefer to see Asians dying. Who should die, the whites or the blacks? Naturally, they say the blacks are the ones who should die. Should they officially test these bombs in the Atlantic where they themselves live, or in the Pacific where other people live? Naturally, they say that the tests must be carried out in the Pacific so that the danger threatens these peoples: you, the peoples of the Pacific Ocean. This is not unprecedented.

America did not hesitate to drop its atomic bombs on Japan. Since then, it has been decided that the Pacific Ocean has to become the region to be sacrificed. We sacrifice the people of Japan, the people of the Philippines, Australia, New Zealand and all the islands in the Pacific Ocean. Who cares? If Japan had been near Europe and America, America might not have dropped its atomic bombs, but it did because it is separated [from Japan] by the Pacific Ocean.

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Therefore, when the big uproar erupted following your move toward Libya, we understood that this was related to the hostile strategy of the United States, the other Atlantic states, their ally the Zionist entity, which is established in the usurped Palestine, and the racist regime in South Africa, because this move you are pursuing and this conference is considered a grave blow to their hostile policy. They want you to be eliminated without the world knowing about it. They reject independence. They strongly oppose the independence of Vanuatu because they do not want a state to be established in this region that is being prepared for nuclear tests or one that will represent confrontation in the future. So it will be trodden on, and its inhabitants will die without anybody knowing about it.

They do not want the world to know about these regions, or the independent states which are established in them, or whose voices could be heard inside the United Nations, the Nonaligned Movement or any organization among Asian-African organizations, etc. They do not want the world to hear about you, or to hear that you are human beings and that you have a right to life, peace and to existence on your islands, which God created. They even falsify statistics about you. They falsify all information included in their encyclopedias and statistics. They fabricate lies which serve their filthy and antilife, antipeace, antifreedom and antipeople policies. They want to prove that there are no people in the Pacific Ocean. Several times they have published false information purporting that there are no inhabitants on these islands, while these islands are full of inhabitants. Several times they said that there are forests inhabited by the gorilla. They want the world to believe that you are gorillas, not human beings.

So what will happen if we drop a nuclear bomb and the gorillas die in the forest? Who would protest the death of the gorilla? They have reached this level. I am able to supply... [Al-Qadhdhafi changes thought] In the future the international center, which is your center and the department of your battle and statements, will give you information that exposes the hostile and rotten policy of the imperialists and the racists, who humiliate you and supply false images of you so that the world will not protest nuclear tests being carried out in your region. They are trying to isolate you. Sometimes when one finds inhabitants in some regions and we tell them that there are residents in this region, they say no; there are no inhabitants in the region; they are from us; they are immigrants.

This is what France does. France does not regard the people of the Kanaks, Caledonia or even Martinique in the Atlantic as inhabitants of these regions. They are French. Why does France occupy this region? Because it states that there are French nationals living there. It occupies Reunion Island because it says that French people live there, the Mayotte in the Comoros Islands because it claims that French nationals exist there. No. They are African inhabitants: Reunion is African.

Tomorrow France will continue its occupation of Chad, Central Africa and the Gabon, and it will say that these are French. Yes, it is possible. Britain occupied the Malvinas and said that they are British.

What is important is geography, as these islands belong to Argentina. Has the Arab the right to seek the Arab race,

wherever it exists, and go to occupy the land where the Arab race exists? A big proportion of the population of the Philippines is of Arab origin. Do the Arabs have the right to go occupy part of the Philippines because it is Arab in origin? There are many islands of Arab origin. The population of the Maldives is Arab. Do the Arabs have the right to go occupy it, saying it is Arab? We now consider the Maldives. The Arabs were the ones who gave them their name. Madagascar was named by the Arabs. Can we consider it like the Malvinas to Britain? The Canary Islands -- their population is Arab from southern Arabia. They migrated there as an extension of the Sahara. Now they are occupied by Spain.

This gathering is regarded as a very serious one, and we understand this. You should shoulder the responsibilities that this entails because it is an essential matter. It concerns your existence on your islands, your homeland. It concerns your right to life in your countries. It concerns a natural right to freedom and peace. When confronting imperialism, we are indeed forced to do this. [chanting] It is true, the struggle for peace and freedom is an issue of life and death to you. Either you stage a revolution and prove your existence and be respected in the country in which God created you, or you fight until the end.

Libya was the victim of an extremely vile aggression by nuclear states this month last year. Why? Because it adopts this same attitude; because it plays this role; because they know that Libya shoulders its responsibility in the South Pacific; because there is an international revolution in Libya, an internationalist revolution; [chanting] because they know that Libya, for instance, shoulders its responsibility in the South Pacific; and because Libya will say to you what I am saying to you now. You are the vital force, you are the revolutionary force which will challenge and confront, and your peoples will in the end triumph because you are demanding your natural right to a secure, free, and happy life. We only state facts to you. They want to eliminate us so that you do not find someone to say this to you, or to force us to be afraid and stop saying this. Therefore, they hit us directly with bombs and with their naval and air fleets. They want to eliminate the international center, the headquarters of the international revolutionary command, because if the revolution in the South Pacific and East Asia triumphs, they will have lost a sphere of influence for the future, a field for testing nuclear weapons. They will have lost a likely operational arena for World War III. The voices of these people will rise and reject its being an operational theater. They will physically resist and consequently the imperialists will be forced to transfer the war to their zone. They want you to die in the war and not them. They want to sacrifice you so that they will remain safe. So you, through this revolution and this emergency on the scene of international events, and by the establishment of this international platform, are forcing them to accept destruction on their own heads. You are forcing them to wage the next war on their territory and not on your territories.

They do not want these dynamic forces that say no and reject being a nuclear test site or refuse to be an operational theater for nuclear war. And in this case they will be forced to carry out the tests on their own territories and to wage the war on their territories. They do not want that. They want peace for themselves and annihilation for you.

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Where is the place to shoulder this responsibility? Where is the place where all of these struggling forces can gather together — from Central America, Latin America, the Atlantic Ocean, the Pacific Ocean, Africa and Asia — and shoulder responsibility other than Libya? Libya has shouldered this responsibility courageously and is still shouldering it, viewing this as an eternal and sacred mission. The deliverance of humanity entails the formation of a worldwide popular front that extends to all continents of the world in order to check the imperialists and racists and stop them in their tracks. They must stop disregarding and tampering with the people, with others' territories, others' safety, and stop the disdain for others' natural right to live. There is no state in the world that has declared itself an international platform and stood up to the laser bombs and the attacks of the sea and air fleets — considering this the price of its mission — nor one which has carried on with the mission except Libya, and they know that and have realized it.

Therefore, they consider Libya the number one peril and not the Soviet Union because a detente or a balance could be achieved with the Soviet Union. With Libya, however, no balance can be reached. There can be no bargaining between us and them. [applause] We can never give up a single thing in order to reach an agreement with them. But the Soviet Union gives up things; and America gives up things; and they meet each other halfway. Therefore, the side which refuses to make any concessions is the problem; it is the one to be dealt with first; it is the one to be gotten rid of in the first place, because we have no medium-range missiles to withdraw from one place and deploy in another place, or nuclear tests to defer or abandon, or an arms race to escalate. We, the small peoples, have none of that.

We have nothing but the revolution for freedom, and this is not a subject for concessions or for discussion. They want us to make concessions in the revolution for freedom, but it can never be compromised. This cannot be conceded at all. We have nothing else except this, but the Soviet Union has other things. It can, for example, concede the carrying out of nuclear tests, certain areas, Afghanistan, medium-range weapons; America can concede its bases everywhere — in the oceans, on the continents; it can concede its fleets; it can concede its tests, the armament race, the arming of space. We have none of these. We have nothing but revolution for the sake of achieving freedom. Therefore there is no possibility of conceding anything.

There is no possibility of having concord between us and them. They want us to concede this [revolution for freedom], and this is the basis of our existence. They want us to concede everything and become nothing; they want us to become slaves. They want to liquidate us. We reject this. The result will be victory; we will definitely triumph.

No matter how much they resist us they will fail in the future. This is because they resist for the sake of imperialist ambitions and unlawful imperialist interests. This will not go on forever. When they face the losses in trying to achieve unlawful ambitions they will withdraw until they reach the limits of the red line. But we fight for the [word indistinct]. It is a fundamental issue, the issue of our life and existence, the issue of our freedom, the issue of peace. Therefore we will triumph because we have nothing to concede.

We fight with our backs to the wall. We fight in order to survive. We fight for the sake of freedom and peace. But they have no wall behind them. When they retreat, they retreat a great distance from their wall; they retreat from their imperialist ambitions and imperialist interests and unlawful aims on our lands. When we pressure them they will retreat. But as far as we are concerned there is no possibility for a retreat; our backs are to the wall.

When we fought the American Marines in Lebanon, they retreated to other bases. But when they fought us in Tripoli and Banghazi, we did not retreat to another place; we stood our ground; we stayed, and we are still in Tripoli and Banghazi. We were determined to die, and our backs were to the wall. But they expand in the world and build bases. If they lose, they will withdraw from them; they will retreat.

They have many bases in the world. And last they have their own lands. But when we fight in our own homeland, we have no other place to which we can retreat. Hence we have confidence in our confrontation because it is serious. It is a confrontation that makes us fight fiercely and ferociously because we fight for survival. They do not want us to meet and talk like this to each other. They do not want to see a free land on this globe, in which the living forces in the world can meet and talk frankly in order to make their voices heard in the world. Thus they want to put an end to Libya so that there will be no nucleus around which revolutionary forces from all over the world can gather. They want to destroy the leadership of this revolutionary force so that scatter. In actual fact when the Solomon Islands, for example, stand on their own, who will ever hear their voice? But when Vanuatu or the Solomon Islands, for example, are parts of a big international front, they will carry the same weight as that of this front.

Luxembourg is a very small state in Europe but it is a NATO member. Consequently, Luxembourg has the same weight as NATO. If one attacks Luxembourg it is as if one is attacking the whole of NATO. But if Luxembourg were not a NATO member, a small state, it would be possible to attack it. It has no weight; it has no weight.

They do not want the establishment of an international front so that your small states and your small dispersed islands in the Pacific Ocean, which is the region they want for nuclear tests and for World War III, will have no weight. We would like to set up an international front which is anti-imperialist, antiracist, antifascist, antireactionary and anti-Zionist so that every one of us will have weight regardless of the small number of its population. We should understand that the value of any small island in the Pacific Ocean lies in its being part of an international front. Hence, this small island will become the whole front because it will be an integral part of the front and will become the front itself. They do not want to see this front emerging because this will be a serious change in the course of international politics in this age. All peoples will wake up, realize the danger and unite within one single front against imperialism. This would be the end of imperialism.

Sorry, this is the ocean [words indistinct], this blue area represents the whole Pacific Ocean. [video shows al-Qadhafi]

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pointing to a map] All this is considered by them as a breathing space for a third war; all these islands, this ocean, this small number of inhabitants should be sacrificed, which is better than sacrificing this big number of people. This is the major population area. This is the Soviet Union; this is Europe; this is the northern Pacific Ocean, which is a limited distance from them and full of their islands. Then there is the United States. This is a very short distance, full of people. Their transportation -- they want their transportation to be secure, their fortunes secure, their peoples secure, and they want to bring the war to the Pacific Ocean so that they will not use...[incomplete sentence as heard].

There is a possibility of not using medium-range nuclear weapons. It would be possible to use intercontinental weapons only. This cancels out a huge war resource which can be used during a third war if the battlefield is in Europe and the North Atlantic. But if the Pacific Ocean becomes the operations arena, it will be impossible to use medium-range missiles, and consequently this community will be struck off, automatically unoperational. Instead of negotiating now in order to cancel the negotiations, they will automatically be canceled until the operational arena becomes the Pacific Ocean. [sentence as heard] It will become a naval battle, using ships, for control of the Pacific Ocean whose peoples will be the victims -- in Japan, in the Philippines, in Australia, in Indonesia and in all these islands of the Pacific Ocean. They want this region, which is far away from Europe and America, to remain the nuclear polluted region, either by tests or wars. Let the inhabitants of these islands die -- this does not matter -- so that European and North American people can stay alive.

Obviously, the principal agent of imperialism in this region, which is working for its masters and makers in the Pacific Ocean to keep it as a region of influence for its masters, the imperialists, are the Israelis. The head of the Zionist entity, which has usurped occupied Palestine paid a visit to this region in an attempt to obstruct this conference and declared he is going there. He did not say he is going to impede the effectiveness of the revolutionary forces in this region, which wants freedom and peace. He did not say this. He said he is going in order to paralyze the effectiveness of Libyan activity in this region. What is Libyan activity? Does Libya want to carry out nuclear tests in the Pacific? Tell him this -- there are journalists here -- write: Does Libya want to carry out nuclear tests, like France, in the Pacific? Does it want to establish military bases like America? Does it want to test nuclear weapons? Does it want to prepare the field of operations for World War III in this ocean? Libya, this small state, does it have such ambitions?

Libya wants to contact these peoples and establish relations with them for economic and revolutionary cooperation in order to maintain our existence and create a united entity, in order to preserve our existence and abolish nuclear tests, prevent our region from becoming the battlefield for a new world war, and in order to live in peace in our homes. [chanting] Thus Zionism is the main agent of the imperialist forces that was entrusted with the task of sabotaging and impeding the rallying of our forces in this region. Within this context, the head of the Zionist entity, which has usurped occupied Palestine, went to the region in place of his imperialist masters in order to distort the Libyan picture there, so that your presence in Libya becomes an ugly matter.

When you are in Libya for any purpose, to make nuclear weapons, to trade in hashish, for any purpose, in order to bring together our forces in order to fight for our right to survive and show them that the cause of freedom in the world is an indivisible one, and that its triumph anywhere consolidates it everywhere, and that its loss anywhere is a loss to the cause of freedom everywhere, and that the fighters for freedom are brothers in battle, in arms -- they fight side by side even if they are far away geographically, and that their rifles, no matter how great the distance, are directed at a common enemy, and that the common enemy can only be defeated by the unity of fighters against it everywhere, and that its defeat is inevitable if the fighters for freedom unite against the common enemy of freedom. [sentence as heard] They know that they are our enemies, enemies of our peoples, and that they want imperialist expansion, domination, and haughtiness on earth, and they do not want us to become aware and to understand in order to resist.

But whether they like it or not we will meet, we will resist and we will discuss, because we are fighting for our legitimate right to live and we are resisting unlawful hostile policies. If they have the impudence to defend hostile policies which are harmful to peace and freedom, and which are contemptuous of the peoples, then it is our duty to have the courage to fight for the sake of freedom, to raise our voice and our prestige and to unite. Those of you who have not joined the international center must do so immediately because the international center is the power imperialism fears.

The international center is the meeting of all the forces, throughout the world's continents, that are fighting against imperialism, racism, Zionism, reaction and fascism. The Latin American peoples are fighting fascism. The peoples of the Pacific are fighting imperialism. The peoples of Africa and Palestine are fighting racism. The Arabs are fighting Zionism. These are enemies common to us all. If some of us fight fascism, imperialism, racism or Zionism, we will defeat them all because they have formed a vile alliance against us.

Imperialism has formed an alliance with racism and Zionism. Who is protecting the Israelis and the racists in South Africa? The imperialist camp. They have set up this vile alliance, and we must take an immediate initiative to set up our own alliance, our universal front. We must all belong to this universal front because we want peace for our peoples, we want peace for mankind. This front is not a front of nuclear weapons, nor is it a front to militarize space. This front in fact wants peace for itself and for the world. But this peace can only be achieved if we defeat the enemy of peace. Thus, our fight becomes a fight for peace. Our fight is the road to peace.

If we want peace to be achieved, we must defeat the enemy of peace.

France is the enemy of peace. America is the enemy of peace. The Israelis are the enemies of peace. The racists are the enemies of peace. Britain is the enemy of peace. NATO is the enemy of peace. They want their peace at our expense, but our peace is not at anybody's expense. We do not want to have peace and harm others. We want them to keep their hands off us. Therefore, dear brothers and comrades in the battle for freedom, for peace, we

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must not fear the United States of America and their phoney arrogance. They picked quarrels with Grenada and failed, and they picked quarrels with Libya and also failed. [chants of "Down, Down USA"] Yes, the United States will fall because it is a force hostile to peace, freedom and mankind. It will fall as Nazism and Fascism fell before.

I also want to say, brothers, that we should not fear the United States because we will inevitably defeat it thanks to this international popular front. We will defeat its reactionary and Zionist and racist lackeys. Yes. We shall win. [preceding sentence in English, repeated several times] Yes, we shall fight and shall triumph. [applause]

Therefore, when you return to your own countries, you should begin gathering the forces fighting for freedom. These words should be voiced throughout the Pacific Ocean. The Pacific Ocean is in danger. The small nations of the Pacific Ocean are in danger. We should address ourselves to all these nations and tell them that they are in danger at the hands of France, America, Britain, Zionism and racism — all of whom want to transform your region into a region of nuclear tests. They want to transform your region into a military operations theater in a third world war. They want to sacrifice you on behalf of the peoples of America and Europe.

You have a common destiny with the peoples of Central and Latin America, Africa and Asia. This front covers that geographical area. The international front should come into being. Its voice should be raised. The front should have an entity in international circles and on the battlefield. [applause]

Libya shoulders the responsibility of leading this front with great courage. The conferences of this front shall be held publicly and openly. Libya does not fear imperialism. Libya has paid the price of this historic responsibility, and as it paid the price it should inevitably receive something in return. The thing we shall receive is the victory of your freedom, the victory of peace and the defeat of imperialism.

The struggle continues!

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[Text] Gulf of Defiance, Al-Tayr 20, *Jamahiriyah News Agency* — The leader of the Revolution today received members of the delegations who are taking part in the Conference of the Revolutionary, progressive force and peace movements in the Pacific Ocean which is continuing in the City of Misratah in the municipality of the Gulf of Defiance. The conference is being held under the motto of the strategy of confronting imperialism and neo-colonialism.

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Mitterrand, Raimond Arrive on Brief Visit
LD222116 Paris International Service in French
2030 GMT 22 Apr 87

[Excerpts] President Francois Mitterrand arrived this evening in Marrakech for a short, official visit to Morocco. The French head of state was traveling on a special Concorde flight. He will, of course, be having talks with King Hassan II. [passage omitted] Over to Faridah Moah on the scene:

[Moah] Accompanied by French Foreign Minister Jean-Bernard Raimond, 2 personal advisors, and about 30 journalists, French President Francois Mitterrand arrived late this afternoon in Marrakech aboard the Concorde. [passage omitted]

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New Round of Libya-Chad Talks Scheduled
JN221344 Khartoum SUNA in Arabic 1045 GMT 22 Apr 87

[Text] Khartoum, 22 Apr (SUNA) — It has been decided to fix a date for a new round of talks on resolving the Libyan-Chadian dispute peacefully. The actual date of the talks will be fixed later. The announcement was made following a meeting between Prime Minister Al-Sadiq al-Mahdi and the Chadian minister of state for foreign affairs who handed the prime minister Chadian President Hissein Habre's reply to his message.

Al-Siyasah, which reports the above in its issue today, also reports that a Libyan envoy is expected to arrive in Khartoum in the next few days with Mu'ammarr al-Qadhafi's reply to Sudan's initiative to end the Libyan-Chadian dispute by peaceful means.

In a statement to *Al-Siyasah*, Ahmad Sa'd 'Umar, the prime minister's envoy to Algeria and Chad, says Chad strongly favors continuing the dialogue and concentrating on realizing a settlement safeguarding the rights of all the parties and bringing about the desired stability. He said Goukouni Oueddei's statement declaring acceptance of the legality of Habre's presidency is compatible with Sudan's moves to achieve national unity within the framework of the legitimacy of Habre's presidency.

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[Text] April 22 (SUNA) — Prime Minister Al-Sadiq al-Mahdi announced Wednesday that the signing of the Egyptian-Sudanese brotherhood charter is a de facto cancellation of all former joint agreements.

Al-Mahdi said in a statement before the Constituent Assembly (Parliament) Wednesday that the Sudanese-Egyptian joint mili-