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The campaign originally started from unfounded allegations which were probably intended to cover schemes set for other reasons. Any observer following this issue can make the following remarks:

It is the Zionist intelligence circles who are behind this campaign in an effort to conceal the nuclear armament of the Zionists, backed by the Western states, and for other purposes, such as imposing an informational blackout on the uprising of the Arabs in occupied Palestine, and to justify any new Zionist aggression against the Arab countries.

It is due to the submission of the centers of political and information decision in the Western countries to direct Zionist domination. This is the only explanation for the spontaneous response to the Zionists' orders and to the authority which the Zionists enjoy, which goes as far as encroaching on the sovereignty of those countries and the independence of their decisions.

It is also due to the West's disregard of its interests with the Arabs, its looking down upon them, and its disregard of an Arab response.

The political editor asserted: While we condemn the campaigns of distortion and deliberate public exposure, we deny all these lies, and restate that it is the Zionist enemy who is breaching, unpunished, all the international laws, resolutions, and treaties related to the non-proliferation of nuclear arms.

The editor wondered at the end of his commentary: Did it not occur to the racist circles who are spreading these lies to consider a simple hypothesis: Either remove the nuclear arms from the Zionists and punish those who enabled them to have them, or it is inevitable that the Arabs will have their own deterrant nuclear weapons for self-defense.

Libya Protests U.S. Flight Over Passenger Ship
LD161449 Tripoli Domestic Service in Arabic
1330 GMT 16 Jan 88

[Text] The brother secretary of the People's Committee of the People's Foreign Liaison Bureau has sent a message to the UN secretary general on the low-level flight of a U.S. fighter plane over the Libyan passenger ship "Gharnatah" which was on a regular journey from Izmir, Turkey, to the port of Benghazi on 7 January 1988. The message explained that this action is a new U.S. provocation against the Jamahiriya and a flagrant threat to the safety of sea lanes in the Mediterranean. It is also a flagrant violation of international law. It confirms the correctness of the Jamahiriya's previous warnings on the danger of the military presence in the Mediterranean, and its call for the removal of fleets and foreign bases from it.

JANA: Al-Qadhafi BBC Interviews 'Distorted'
LD161938 Tripoli JANA in Arabic 0950 GMT
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[Text] Tripoli, 16 Jan (JANA)—The British authorities have intervened to stop the broadcast of the contents of two interviews with the leader of the revolution by BBC radio, one of them over the telephone on 28 December 1987, and the other by David Lee on 10 January 1988.

The interviews with the leader were distorted in a way which confirms that what is said about the freedom of British radio is a false claim and a deception.

JANA's international affairs editor stresses that this behavior reveals a racist tendency and confirms that the British Government authorities can interfere and control the British media. The proof of that is the inability of BBC radio to broadcast the contents of its two interviews with the leader of the revolution. Therefore, this makes us withdraw our confidence in this radio because it is untrustworthy and not free; it is a controlled organ which broadcasts only the things which agree with the views of Thatcher and her government.

Here are the contents of the leader's two interviews with the BBC:

On 10 January 1988, BBC radio conducted an interview with the brother leader of the revolution. Here is its text:

Lee: Colonel, do you consider that the current disturbances in the occupied territories will be of permanent importance? Do you consider that the Arab-Israeli conflict has now entered a new stage?

[Al-Qadhafi] There is no doubt that the Palestinian people have been feeling the burden of the occupation of their country since 1948; the world has done nothing about it and the Arab rulers have let the Palestinian people down. Therefore, the people began the revolution from within occupied Palestine. Faced with these divisions in the Palestinian resistance and the failure of its unity, the failure of Arab unity, the burden of occupation, and the continuous support of the Western countries for this occupation, all these factors have led to the explosion of the anger of revolution in the Arab territories of occupied Palestine.

The brother leader was asked the following question about his views of the Arab-Israeli conflict: Has it been transformed into a Palestinian-Israeli conflict because the Palestinians feel that they have been ignored by the Arab governments, resulting in their starting to deal with the issue by themselves, in order to be able to determine their own destiny? The brother leader responded: In fact, the conflict between the Palestinian people and Zionism commenced in 1948 and even before that, and the Arab nation supports the Palestinian people's struggle for the liberation of their land. But the Arab governments have

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been feeble, and the weakness of rulers such as Hassan, Husayn, the Phalangists, and others, has led this people to rely on themselves and to begin the revolution with stones.

With regard to his stance toward the various Palestinian organizations, the brother leader stated: We are with all the Palestinians, and with anyone who struggles for the liberation of Palestine.

Regarding his views on Palestinian unity and whether the resignation of Yasir 'Arafat is necessary, the brother leader said: The condition that is needed is agreement that armed struggle is the way to the liberation of Palestine, and the existence of democracy within the PLO. These are the conditions which make unity possible among the Palestinian fronts.

Asked who can reunite the PLO and all Palestinian factions under one banner, the brother leader replied: It could be someone unknown, and the Palestinian people themselves can unite the factions.

The British journalist asked the brother leader about the demonstrations which have been taking place for a 2d month now in the occupied territories, and how he sees the development of events there. The brother leader said: The question is not one of assessing how these things are developing. I call on the Palestinian people in the occupied territories to create these developments, as these are the developments we want for the benefit of liberation. There are three main mottos which must be adopted from now on. These are: popular rejection of the Israeli occupation of Palestine from 1948 to 1967, civil disobedience, and secret sabotage. I call on the Palestinian people to avoid even throwing stones and using any means of overt violence so that this will not cause new damage and other victims. The Palestinian people must now adopt these three mottos: popular rejection, civil disobedience, and secret sabotage. We have to seize the opportunity of every Friday inside the mosques to affirm these mottos and to set forth on this action from mosques. We must take the opportunity of every Sunday, as far as the Palestinian Christians are concerned, for saying these words in churches and set forth from the churches.

The Israeli settlements which have been set up in the Gaza Strip and in the West Bank must be specifically besieged, as there are 23 settlements in Gaza and 192 settlements in the West Bank. The whole world is against these Israeli settlements, which must be continuously besieged. Supplies to these settlements must be cut as much as possible and if there are any demonstrations, then these must be directed toward these settlements, for the whole world is against these settlements in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. The Palestinians must not provide the enemy with the opportunity to affirm something called Israel. The latter occupied Arab territory in 1967; consequently, this uprising must encompass the Arab territories which were occupied in 1948, the

mosques of Yafo, Hebron, Akko, and the occupied regions since 1948, which are concerned with the call during the Friday prayers. The masses of praying people must be called on to carry out popular rejection and embark on secret sabotage so that the world knows that there is a people whose land is occupied and which has a cause, so that the reverse exodus from Palestine can start, and so that the contradictions inside Israel itself, inside the Zionist block, will explode, for many of them do not want to live in this inferno.

The BCC radio Arabic section held a telephone interview with the brother leader of the revolution on 28 December 1987, the text of which follows:

Radio announcer: May you be in good health, Hassan Mu'awwad, from the BBC here. First of all, thank you, sir, for giving us the opportunity to have this interview with you. I would like you to allow us to start this interview by asking your opinion about the wave of protests which has been witnessed in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip during the past 2 weeks, and the ensuing strict measures and arrests which have been carried out by the Israelis, as well as yesterday's news reports about the Israelis preventing UNRWA staff from working freely, particularly in the Jabalyah camp in the occupied Gaza Strip.

Al-Qadhdhafi: Thank you, Brother Hassan. I have confirmed news from occupied Palestine which I would like the world to hear as it might not have heard this from another source. The world will then witness the atrocity of the Zionist occupation of our land of Palestine from 1948 to the present day. The statements of Israeli officials confirm this atrocity.

I have a statement from Sha'ul Levi, director of the prisons department, which says that those who have been released were freed as a result of crowded prisons. All the Israeli prisons are overcrowded and even those for whom there is no room in prison have been temporarily released so that the world does not know that there are releases. [sentence as received] In fact, this is not a release. The prison official himself says that this is a result of overcrowded prisons. He says that the prisons department will receive a new prison which will accommodate 400 people.

Shim'on Malka, the spokesman for the prisons department, has said that a military base is to be transformed into a prison which can accommodate 800 people. The Israeli Army set up a temporary prison in the south of the West Bank this week. I have information on the military prison of Al-Fari'ah, which is situated east of Nablus, where there are 20 child prisoners. I have the name of an 85-year-old man, Khalil Husni al-Muhayri, who died on 18 December following suffocation with gas in the mosque of al-Birah camp. I also have the name of a child, Wahid Ibrahim Abu Salim, who was 11-years old, from Khan Yunis, who was martyred on 10 December by the bullets of the forces of occupation.

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I also have the name of an 11-year-old child, 'Ali Isma'il al-Musa'id from the Balatah camp in Nabulus, who was martyred with bullets on 11 December, and a girl who was only 1-year old, named Huriyah Muhammad Sharab, who was in a coma in Khan Yunis on 14 December. I do not know if she has died or not.

What is happening in occupied Palestine is the revolution of the heroic Palestinian people and the everlasting and continuous revolution against occupation which took place in 1948, not as some people depict and who detract from the value of this historical revolution saying that it is in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

I have contacts with all the Palestinian people in the occupied territories. The revolution encompasses all the Palestinian people, and I am now working to invite all the Arabs to provide real support for our people so that they can continue this revolution. I have sent messages to the UN secretary general, to the Security Council, and to the chairman of the Nonaligned Movement, urging them to mobilize world public opinion and their capabilities behind this people which is defending freedom inside its homeland. I contacted some of the leaders inside occupied Palestine recently and they confirmed to me their steadfastness, their continuation of the revolution, and their high morale. On this occasion, I urge our heroic Palestinian people to continue this revolution and I have asked the leaders I have contacted, and I now ask the masses of this Palestinian people: "It is not necessary to use violence, because the will of the Palestinian people is stronger than the weapon of the enemy." The Iranian people brought down the shah, his dictatorship, his army, his tyranny, which was backed by America, not with weapons, but with the strong will of the masses. The will of the Palestinian people is stronger than arms and there is no need to use any other means of violence in order to give the enemy a pretext to open fire and commit massacres everywhere and terrorize our people. I call for civil disobedience and for the destruction of the interests of Britain—which handed Palestine over to the Israelis—in occupied Palestine, and the interests of America which supports this tyrannical enemy. I call on this Palestinian people to continue this revolution to make the world understand that there is a people which defends its land which has been under occupation since 1948, because the traitorous Arab leaders now want to make the world understand the facts of the matter wrongly and to falsify this cause, projecting the problem as one of a dispute over borders between the so-called Israel and its Arab neighbors, and that this can be settled at an international conference. But this conference cannot extract Palestine as a whole and give it to the Palestinians. This powerful uprising came as a reply to the traitorous Amman summit which was a clear relinquishing of the right of the Palestinian people in dear Palestine. I shall back this revolution with all capabilities and work for the mobilization of effective Arab and international forces behind the Palestinian people, to make the world understand that the Arab leaders are

traitorous and have misled them and that the cause is one of a people and its land which has been under occupation since 1948.

Radio announcer: Brother Colonel, following the events in the West Bank and in the Gaza Strip, we have recently begun to hear reports saying that the PLO is considering the establishment of a Palestinian government-in-exile as a response to these events in the West Bank and in the Gaza Strip. Should such a government be formed? What would your reaction be?

Al-Qadhdhafi: This matter is nothing but diplomatic idle talk and I as a revolutionary have nothing to do with this. I know that the Stable David accord was implemented by one side only. It was implemented literally by the Egyptian side. As for the Israeli side, it did not implement anything. The accord provides for the withdrawal of the Israeli forces from the territories they occupied in 1967. [as received] It also provides for the creation of a provisional Palestine government and the abolition of the Israeli settlements and colonies in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip in addition to refraining from building new settlements. Yet since then, 192 new settlements have been built in the West Bank and 23 settlements in the Gaza Strip. Consequently, Egypt can legally extricate itself from the Stable David accords, because the other party has totally violated them.

Radio announcer: Brother Colonel, permit me now to move to the question of the Gulf war. In light of the current visit of the Iranian foreign minister to the Jamahiriyah and also in light of the intensification of the tanker war this month in the Gulf and reports about Iran's preparation for a large-scale offensive on Iraq, which, as observers say, threatens to spread this war into other Arab countries in the Gulf, should such a thing take place, what would the Libyan Jamahiriyah's position be?

Al-Qadhdhafi: We were against this war from the start. I have exerted efforts and continue to do so in order to put an end to this war. I consider it a purposeless war; it has no purpose. It is a mad war verging sometimes on cowardice and on a lack of ethics. Even the schools of small children have become targets for both sides and the war has become degrading and has harmed Islam and Arab and Islamic ethics.

I condemn both sides and I know that Zionism and imperialism will be the beneficiaries of the destruction of the Iranian revolution and the destruction of the Iraqi revolution.

As for the other Arab countries, it was they who embroiled themselves in this war and they were the ones that brought the United States into the Gulf. I know that the Arabs do not benefit from the Gulf oil, but the United States does. For this reason, when the war drew close to the Gulf oil and to U.S. interests, the United States intervened to safeguard its interest. This points to

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the fact that the so-called Gulf countries are U.S. colonies. The Arab nation does not benefit from this wealth. The Libyan people bear witness to this. These countries failed to join the Libyan people in the Great Man-Made River project, which has cost billions and which is 7,000 kilometers long. It is the eighth wonder of the world. These Arab countries did not join the Libyan people in fortifying the coast which extends over 2,000 kilometers and which faces the threat of U.S. invasion. They did not join them in anything. The other Arab countries and peoples have not benefited from the oil either. But if Iran were to become a colony or to become Persian again, or if the war were to become a sectarian war, then I would be against Iran and fight it because then it would no longer be a revolution. However, I hope Iran will remain revolutionary against Zionism and reaction. This matter should be clear.

Radio announcer: Brother Colonel, if an international ban is imposed on exporting weapons to Iran, would you adhere to such a ban?

Al-Qadhdhafi: In fact, Libya is not a source of weapons. Libya imports weapons. I wish that there were a ban on producing and importing weapons, not only on Iran, but on everybody, including the Zionist camp which occupies Palestine, and that the United States, the imperialist countries and the superpowers, would stop the infernal war machine which works for annihilating the human race. From the beginning, I am against armament. I have a Green philosophy which calls for democratic peaceful change, for the establishment of jamahiri regimes in the world, and for the disappearance of all governments, armies, police, and all forces of oppression. They should all disappear and be replaced by people's congresses and people's committees. The world should read the Green Book because it has not read the Green Book. Even in West Germany, they banned the Green Book because they did not understand it. When they read it, the court said that it calls for a new world and it should be considered as a bible for this era.

Radio announcer: Brother Colonel, in your foreign relations, there are reports that the Libyan Jamahiriyyah is currently pursuing a rapprochement at the level of the Arab Maghreb, and the Arab world in general. What are the steps you have taken in this respect?

Al-Qadhdhafi: Our mission is clear. It is the establishment of Arab unity from the ocean to the Gulf. With the explosion of the revolution in Libya, the winds of unity blew over the Arab Maghreb region, which was isolated, and the Arab-African Union was established with Morocco. However, because of the non-union character of the king, and because of U.S. and Israeli pressures which were exerted on him, he was not free to continue this union, and therefore, the union was unilaterally abolished in an illegal way—the people were asked about it in a referendum and ratified it, but it was abolished by the king, without referring to the people. Now there is a constitution based on a union between the Jamahiriyyah

and Algeria, but we now call on Tunisia and Mauritania, and even Morocco, to join this union. If we realize that they are not able to respond to the unity demands of the Arab masses, then this union will immediately be established between the Jamahiriyyah and Algeria.

Radio announcer: Colonel, within the context of your foreign relations it is also said that you are pursuing an improvement in your relations with the United States and with the West in general, including Britain. How true are these reports?

Al-Qadhdhafi: We do not need to establish relations with Britain, nor even with the United States. We are not like Japan or Germany who need something from the United States. If we boycott them even until doomsday, we will not be harmed. We can survive away from the United States, Britain, and all these countries in which there is a crusading spirit hostile to Arab Semitism and Islam, and which send their hatred in the form of military campaigns and sieges. America's language, especially during Reagan's era, and Britain's language, during Margaret's era, are barbarous languages detested by the whole world. They are now a language of siege, boycott, invasion, military campaigns, maneuvers, and defending terrorism against our countries. The European countries and America have wronged themselves by becoming dens of terrorism against progressive and revolutionary Arab countries.

Therefore, violence has started to move to Europe, Britain, and America, because these countries do not respect themselves and poke their noses into our problems, interfere in our internal affairs, want to change our regimes at their will, and defend the terrorism directed against us. Therefore, they have to pay the price. We do not think of resuming relations with Britain during the era of this Margaret and during the era of Reagan, who cannot be anything but an Israeli rabid dog, who does not even represent the interests of the American people. When this Margaret and Reagan change, relations might be resumed in a natural way with these two countries, in spite of the fact that we do not need them.

Radio announcer: Finally, Brother Mu'ammarr al-Qadhdhafi, could you give us an evaluation of the situation on the Libyan-Chadian borders, and what would the Jamahiriyyah's position be if, as you say, Hissein Habre's forces were to carry out their threatened all-out offensive against the Aozou strip?

Al-Qadhdhafi: We are at present within our international borders. We did not enter Aozou in 1974 as is said now, particularly by the BBC, which is nothing but a slander. In the days of the Ottomans, Libya was at the 10th parallel beyond Aozou. These were the Libyan borders under the Ottomans. They were beyond Ndjamena. We were in Aozou even before the revolution. The maps and charts which show that Aozou was within Libya's borders were forwarded to the OAU. Now we

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have closed our borders with Chad and confined ourselves to within our international borders and left the Chadian problem to the Chadians. Any aggression against a country that has closed its borders and confined itself to within its international border will be seen by the world as unjustified and, consequently, Libya will have the right to destroy its source.

We have no desire for any war in Chad. There was no such war, in fact, as is being said, that this war has been going on for long years between Libya and Chad. Never was there any war between Libya and Chad at all. It is known that Frolinat, the Chadian National Liberation Front, has been fighting for the domination of Chad and was dependent on Libya. The so-called Hissein Habre chose to join the side opposed to Frolinat and succeeded in controlling Ndjamen. Frolinat, meanwhile, continued under the leadership of Goukouni Oueddei, the spiritual leader of the revolution, which continued to rely on Libya and on its historic struggle for the liberation of Chad. Thus this long war, which has entered its 20th or more year, is a war between Frolinat and the forces opposed to the Chadian people.

As for Libya, it never entered into any war with Chad. However, when the French and U.S. forces, Chadian in name only—the insignia was Chadian but the arms and troops were French and American—entered Libyan territory at Aozou for the first time, clashes occurred between us and these so-called Chadian forces joined by this U.S.-led alliance, which failed to bring us to our knees or to succeed in their attack on us from the north. Now they have turned to attack us from the south, together with France. In 1986 they attacked us together with Britain and the NATO forces from the north. Now they, together with France and NATO, want to attack us from the south. For the first time, an armed clash took place between us at Aozou when we drove them out in a battle which lasted less than 2 hours. But it is the United States, France, and Zaire—all these countries are the ones fighting us. As for the Libyan and Chadian peoples, they are brothers and Muslims and harbor no grudge against each other. Libya will do all it can to reconcile Goukouni and Habre so that stability may prevail in this country which adjoins us.

Regarding the so-called Islamic corps, we in fact have no military formation with such a name. We only hear about it from foreign radios.

Regarding the fighting now taking place in Chad and the talk that Libya is a party to it or has anything to do with it, I must say that the Quz Zubaydah area is about 4,000 kilometers away from Libya. It is in the vicinity of the borders of the Central African Republic, Sudan, and Chad. The battles are raging where the Ndjamen forces are being fought by the first army under the command of Muhammad Aba Sa'id, one of the early commanders of Frolinat, alongside the forces of Al-Burkan and the Hadjarai tribes under the command of Haroun, who was a member of Habre's cabinet and later rebelled against it

in order to avenge Idriss Miskin, who was poisoned by Habre. These tribes, which have declared a rebellion, are situated in the area south of Ndjamen which extends to southeast Chad. The fighting is raging there most ferociously. It is in fact inside Chad. Chad consists of tribes and varied religions. It does not constitute a harmonious entity. Yet one man now wants to rule it. He comes from one of the tribes, which is the (Inkazah) tribe to which Habre belongs. The other tribes refuse to accept this. Consequently, the conflict in Chad will remain Chadian and the Jamahiriyah has nothing to do with it.

Radio announcer: Brother Colonel Mu'ammarr al-Qadhdhafi, at the end of this interview we cannot but thank you immensely.

Al-Qadhdhafi: Thank you Brother Hassan. May God bless you.

Within this context, the British authorities have intervened and prevented the publication of the following article in THE TIMES, a matter which confirms the lie about freedom of the press in Britain and exposes the government's domination of the means of publication. Here is the text:

In the beginning there was the word, so says the Bible, but in the end there was the bomb. Thus we are in contradiction with the teachings of Christ, whose 1,988th birthday was just celebrated by the world. Christ says: I do not say do not kill; rather do not get angry, and the one who is angered by others deserves the fire of hell. Thus we regrettably announce the end of Christianity and that Christ has been crucified. He was crucified by the Israelis in Palestine, although the Koran says one similar to Christ had been crucified by the Israelis and they thought that they had killed Christ himself.

Thus Christ did not crucify himself [as received] in order to pardon the sins of his followers. This is a myth and a lie by the reactionary men of religion who emerged in the dark ages in order to dominate the multitude of common people. God alone forgives whom he wishes. Thus the Israelis crucified Christ in the year 32 AD in Palestine, the land of the Palestinians, and the cross remained for us in order to adorn our necks with it and as an admission and a testimony that the Israelis crucified Christ. And the word of Christ, which was in the beginning, ended, and it was replaced by the atomic, neutron, and laser bombs which are carried by the U.S. F-111 bombers from the Lakenheath, Fairford, Upper Heyford, and Mildenhall British bases, to kill Al-Qadhdhafi and his family while they are asleep, and to injure a 15-month-old baby on the orders of the Catholic U.S. Government and the Protestant British Government, while Christ said: Do not kill; rather do not get angry, and the one who is angered by others, deserves the fire of hell.

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Thus what is the secret of the alliance between Christian Europe and Christian America with the Israelis, the enemies of Christ who crucified him and killed him, "but he appeared to them." [as received] How can those, who wear the cross around their necks as an admission that Christ was crucified, be allied with those who crucified him? Some say that Hitler took his revenge on the Jews in order to avenge Christ, and some say that the Christian Palestinians were the founders of the PLO because the Israelis killed Christ, and because the Jews took revenge on the Christian Palestinians and carried out the famous Dayr Yasin massacre in 1948, because they were the sons of Christ, their sworn enemy. They say that in the Sabra and Shatila massacres on 17 September 1982 the Israelis killed the largest number of Palestinian Christian children in a repetition of the same tragedy: the Israeli's killing of Christ, peace be upon him. Yet the secret of the alliance of Europe and America with the enemies of God and the killers of his sons has not yet been explained.

There is yet another historic secret like this. What is the secret behind the alliance of the governments of Europe and the United States against the destitute, decimated Palestinian refugee people and against Libya, the statelet whose population numbers no more than 3.5 million, and against the Arabs and Muslims in general. Did the Arabs kill Christ? Not at all. He was killed by the Israelites. Is Islam an enemy of Christ? Not at all. Listen to what the holy Koran has to say about Christ. God Almighty said: "Christ the Messiah the son of Mary was (no more than) an apostle of God and His word which he bestowed on Mary and the spirit issuing from him." The holy Koran, in which the Muslims believe, also says about Mary: "And (remember) she who guarded her chastity: We breathed into her of our spirit, and we made her and her son a sign for all peoples."

Is there one single Israeli who is a Christian? Never. Is there a Christian who is an Israeli? Never. But there is an Arab Christian, there is a European Muslim and there is an American Muslim. There are strong ties between the Christians and the Muslims and between the Arabs and the Europeans. But the alliance existing now is against these spiritual relations. Now the followers of the Messiah are allies of the murderers of the Messiah. His followers and those who believe in Him are now being antagonized by the followers of Christ. What is the secret behind this?

How can a country like Libya rid itself of the complex of European oppression against it and against its nation? Rome colonized us for over 500 years, wrongly and aggressively. We were colonized by the Vandals who came from Europe for 34 years, and by the Byzantians for 200 years, and by the Spaniards for 40 years, then by Rome again for 34 years, until World War II. Britain handed Palestine over to the Israelis instead of to its original people, the Palestinians. France, wrongly and through aggression, occupied Algeria and Tunisia for over 100 years and killed 1.5 million Algerians. Britain

occupied Palestine, Egypt, Sudan, and the Arabian Peninsula and killed thousands of families in southern Yemen until it was liberated in 1967. Finally came the NATO raids, which took off from the bases of Lakenheath, Mildenhall, Upper Heyford, and Fairford, and the raids which took off from the Italian and Spanish ports, on civilian quarters in peaceful Banghazi. Then followed the attempts by the European and U.S. governments to poison me and assassinate me. For the details of all these I refer you to the book "The CIA Secret Wars" by Bob Woodward and the Al-Qadhdhafi book "CIA," and the "Death Merchants," by Francois Soudan and Joseph Golding, and "Spycatcher" by Peter Wright.

Why have you been colonizing my country for more than 800 years? The danger in this is the renewed desire and the threats of invasion which the United States makes every year; the April 1986 raids on Libyan cities are not far in the past. If someone answers that the Arabs also colonized Spain for 800 years, I say I condemn colonialism and do not recognize the spreading of Islam outside the Arab borders, and I do not believe in spreading it by force. Why does Europe forget its indebtedness to the Arabs? Read the orientalist Sigrid Honke: "The Muslim Arabs were the ones who took Europe out of the darkness and into the light," not the Israelis. We taught Europe medicine, mathematics, astronomy, navigation, literature, and had it not been for us, Europe and America would have been more backward. Go back to medical, astronomical and mathematical terms? Most of them are distorted Arabic words: Shakespeare, the father of William Shakespeare, is a "pure Arab". He is Shaykh Zubayr, and the distortion is clear in his name but very subtle. The European unit for measuring force is al-Faras, the Arab mare. Algebra is derived from the name of Jabir Ibn Hayyan. Logarithms are attributed to Al-Khawarizmi, and 'Abbas Ibn Firnas was the first man to invent the plane in Europe, and he is the founder of aviation theory. The first clock to enter Europe was presented to Charlemagne by Al-Rashid. The figures which you use are Arabic. This is the good that the Muslim Arabs brought to Europe, and the antiquities of Spain testify to the venerable Arab state established by the Arabs there.

But what did Europe and America leave in our country? They left the legacy of the gallows everywhere, and mass cemeteries. Four thousand Libyans were transferred to Italy, to the island of Tremiti, on 26 October 1911 and their fate remains unknown even now. We demand to know. Then Europe left wide and destructive minefields which still explode under our feet. I personally know one person who was injured by one of these mines which had been planted by the Italians, the Germans, and the English in our country during World War II, although we were not a side in this war.

Who is the unjust, who is the oppressor, and what is the secret? I believe that the secret is that the one responsible is not European or American but the governments of Europe and America. In Britain, Thatcher is the one who

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hates our children and who allowed their killing; and in America, Reagan is the one who is dominated by Zionism and who was used against our children, because the objective of Zionism is the killing of children. Why? In order to halt the Arab demographic growth, to be replaced by Israeli demographic growth, and because when the Yanks occupied America they first annihilated its Red Indian population with smallpox germs. See the film. Consequently, they believe in the annihilation of a race to acquire land. America today, as an imperialist force, wants to dominate the world, has rushed madly to make weapons of total destruction such as the atomic, nuclear, and laser bombs, and has finally bred the AIDS virus and is now breeding the dangerous Asian cockroach and deadly rats in order to spread them in the world. America's strategy after World War II and its abandonment of Truman's doctrine was aimed at transforming Europe and Britain into a bridgehead for the United States and was determined to involve and link Europe to it in a military alliance, not to defend Europe, but to transform the latter into a shield protecting America.

The conclusion, therefore, is that people do not hate each other, only governments do. People do not leave their homes in order to take over other people's homes but armies do so at rulers' orders. The British people did not allow the F-111 bombers to attack our children from Lakenheath, Upper Heyford, Fairford, and Mildenhall bases nor did the American people. On the contrary, the British and the American masses were angry and went out demonstrating, as in Europe, against such a barbarous attack. This danger, however, exists as long as armies and governments exist.

What is the solution and what is required of us to do jointly in order to create a new world free from all these dangers? For this purpose I would like you to study the Green Book, the new bible, as well as its elucidations, which call for an international cultural revolution, the creation of the jamahiri era, and the ending of the era of despotic governments which control peoples with their loathsome instruments, like the president, the army, the police, and the parliament, as well as to get rid of Thatcher's and Reagan's language, which is composed of the following loathsome words: blockade, raids, assassination, and military exercises; and to set up jamahiriya's where people's committees and congresses are everywhere. This would end oppression, exploitation, and colonialism. Hurry up and study the Green Book before governments hide it and Zionism burns it. Also, read the Koran so as to know who Jesus is, whose mother is Mary, the daughter of Imran, and whose brother is Harun. Let the green thought and the green color—the color of spring, paradise, and grass—be everywhere, so that fire and smoke might go away, grenades and aircraft might be muted in order to leave the place for the Jamahiriya's eternal symphony. European governments should immediately refrain from protecting the anti-third universal theory of terrorism. They should not involve themselves in the problems of the Middle East

and adopt Arab terrorists who are running away from the revolution and justice and are sought by Interpol. Let the Jewish emigration to Palestine be stopped and let there be a Jewish return to wherever they come from. Let oppression against the Jewish people be lifted everywhere and let Palestine be left for the Palestinians. Spain should leave Cueta and Melilla; the Canary Isles should be given their independence, Corsica should be given its independence as well as New Caledonia, Martinique, Reunion, Mayotte, [name indistinct] Sicily, and Sardinia. Let all this be achieved peacefully and democratically. Let us agree through dialogue as in the beginning there was the word.

Al-Qadhdhafi Postpones Tunisia Visit
LD151900 Paris International Service in French
1800 GMT 15 Jan 88

[Excerpt] Colonel al-Qadhdhafi, who was expected tomorrow in Tunis, has decided to postpone his visit until a later date. Tunisia has not in fact officially announced the visit. [passage omitted]

Jamahiriya Supporters in Gaza Demonstration
LD152234 Tripoli Television Service in Arabic
2000 GMT 15 Jan 88

[Text] A number of news agencies report that the newspapers of the Zionist enemy have stated that a number of elements loyal to the Great Jamahiriya had taken part in the huge demonstrations in Gaza within the framework of the huge popular uprising sweeping through occupied Palestine against the Zionist occupation. The newspaper pointed out that these demonstrators carried effigies of the brother leader of the revolution.

The Arab affairs editor, commenting on this, said: The Jamahiriya is a unionist and revolutionary force which works toward combating the enemy, and liberating the Arab nation and achieving its comprehensive unity. The revolutionary and unionist cries, and the effigies of the leader of the revolution which were carried by these participants in the huge uprising against the Zionist occupation, are proof of the unionist revolutionary current, which is now reflected by the masses of occupied Palestine through its uprising, and stresses the need for a united Arab force against the enemy of the Arab nation.

The uprising currently sweeping through occupied Palestine stems from the hearts of the Arab Palestinian people and their suffering occupation for more than 40 years. It comes as an active and decisive answer by the masses of our Palestinian people to the resolutions of the Amman summit and all attempts to pass the submissive, defeatist schemes.

Al-Qadhdhafi Cables Groups on Israeli 'Crimes'
LD161732 Tripoli JANA in English 1451 GMT
16 Jan 88

[Text] Tripoli, Ayn al-Nar [January] 16, JAMAHIRYAH NEWS AGENCY—The leader of the revolution has sent a message to the secretary general of the United Nations on events in the occupied territories. Following is the text:

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Mr Secretary General,

The ugly crimes, arrests, expulsion and assassination taking place in the occupied lands against the sons of the Palestinian people including women, elderly people and defenceless children and gross violations of human rights have gone in their barbarity beyond the crimes committed by the Nazis and reached a degree which calls for a review of the culture of the post Second World War and its classification of crimes against humanity.

Mr Secretary General,

The world is called upon to take a decisive stance to put an end to the calamity of the Palestinian people in the occupied Arab lands and this cannot be done except by taking deterrent measures to punish the Israeli criminals for the crimes they committed.

Also, the leader of the revolution has sent the following message to the president of Amnesty International organization, the chairman of the Committee of Human Rights, the president of the International Red Cross:

The Israeli occupiers arrested Haydar 'Abd al-Shafi, the director of the Palestinian Red Crescent while fulfilling his humanitarian duties by distributing medicine and giving first aid to the injured who were shot by the bullets of Israeli occupiers whose crimes overtook the crimes committed by the Nazis and reached a degree which calls for a review of the post Second World War culture and its classifications of crimes against humanity.

Considering your humanitarian responsibilities, we urge to intervene to all international organizations and institutions for his release.

Furthermore, the leader of the revolution sent a similar messages to the president of the International Union of Lawyers, the president of the International Union of Journalists, the secretary general of Arab Lawyers Internal Union, the secretary general of Arab writers, the secretary general of Arab journalists urging them to intervene and exert their utmost with all international organizations, associations and unions so as to bring about a prompt release of Palestinian detainees arrested by the Israeli occupiers and they are as follows:

-Saleh al Roqaa, the editor of AL-SHA'B newspaper.

-Ibrahim Qrihan, the editor of AL-AWDA magazine.

-Fayez Abu Rahma, the president of the Lawyers Union in Gaza. [names as received]

Also the leader called upon these organizations to bear their responsibilities towards the persecution, assassination, expulsion and making the Palestinian in the occupied Arab lands whose savagery went beyond that of Nazism. [sentence as received]

Al-Qadhdhafi Exhorts Students To Return Home
LD172149 Tripoli Television Service in Arabic
2000 GMT 17 Jan 88

[Text] Within the framework of mass mobilization and raising the morale of the masses of the Arab nation, to break the barrier of fear of the enemy in order to carry out the tasks of liberation and unity, and for the sake of carrying out a qualitative transformation in the pan-Arab revolutionary awareness in an aim to raise the degree of resistance, the brother leader of the revolution this morning met with secondary certificate students in educational institutes in Qarabulli, Tanjura, Qasr Bishr, and Hayrah.

[Begin Al-Qadhdhafi recording] Tomorrow you will graduate from the secondary schools and then you will go abroad on scholarships. You will then graduate abroad and stay in the same countries where you have studied. What are these countries? They could be Canada, the United States, or Europe, such as Britain. This is the camp which is hostile to your nation. Why do you leave your nation and stay in the opposing camp? It is because you are unaware, and if you are unaware you will join the enemy unknowingly. It means that you have joined the enemy. Any Arab now in this camp, even if he is a street sweeper, is hostile to his nation. Why do you leave your nation and this front and go to the enemy's front? We want to make you understand that the front does not mean the front where you will find a soldier in khaki carrying a Kalashnikov rifle or a machinegun or has an aircraft. The front is something other than that. The front begins with an official, or a sweeper, or a doctor, or an engineer, and then ends with the soldier. All that constitutes a front. They are all soldiers.

What do they fight us with now? There is no continuous firing between us. They blockade us economically and scientifically—it is forbidden for Libyans to study astronomy or study space. Libyans are forbidden to study the atom. You go to Canada and say: I am a doctor, and I do not fight my nation because I am a doctor. If you are a doctor why do you treat the enemy? May God bless you! Another one of you may say: I am a sweeper in the United States, and therefore I am neither with you nor against you. How come you sweep the streets of the United States? Why do you not sweep the streets of your own country? If you sweep their streets then you are doing their jobs and allowing them—those who should sweep—to go and fight us. He who goes abroad to study and does not return to his nation, which is underdeveloped and needs him, has neither shame nor conscience, and his only concern is his stomach. In this he is like a dog—present company excepted! He is like any cattle—his only concern is his stomach!

I said to students before you: If I set you a puzzle which says, how can a man become a bull, the answer will be: if one graduates in his own country or abroad while his nation needs him and is underdeveloped and is awaiting his graduation, only to see him stay in another country;

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and when he is asked why he replies: My country offers me little money while this country offers me much money. Life in my country is not so beneficial and life here in this foreign country is lovely. He is like a bull; if you put here a small quantity of grass he leaves it and goes where there is more grass. What is the difference between him and the bull in this case? The bull does not say: My dignity makes me accept little grass because this is my country; no, he will go to where there is more grass, wherever that may be—in Canada, or Britain. That is it—he has become a bull.

Where is the money? If there is little money here in Libya and there is more money in the United States he will go to where there is more money. Will he be allowed to marry into a family and will there be people marrying into his own family? Will there be some people who will say: He is my relative, or he is my in-law, or he is my cousin, or he is from my family or tribe? He is a bull! He is an animal! While the homeland needs him and is underdeveloped and helps him to graduate in order to return to help it progress and become prosperous and be able to defend itself, we see him joining the enemy which is fighting his homeland. When we ask him he says: I did not join the United States I make [word indistinct] and sell my product. All right, you stay in the United States to sell [words indistinct]. May God bless you! What service can you give the United States better than this service? They fight us and slaughter us and you make [word indistinct] and feed them. He answers: I do this in order to live.

See, he has been transformed into a bull, talking about living. Come back and live here or die here with us. You learn mathematics and applied sciences without political awareness. This does not please us. This is useless. You use this against your nation as those who preceded you did. Read, read and read—all right, we need this applied science, and this age is the age of science. But to read only without political awareness is useless; in that case you will all go to the enemy and leave your country behind you. This is because the country of the enemy is more lucrative than your own country at the present time. That is correct. It is not because your own country lacks lovely things. They—the enemies—left it in this state. [cheers from students] [end recording]

Sudan

Lebanese Radio Reports Foiled Coup Attempt
NC181554 Beirut Voice of Lebanon in Arabic
 1525 GMT 18 Jan 88

[Text] Cairo Radio has carried a news report from Khartoum stating that Sudanese security forces today foiled a coup attempt in Sudan. The radio said a group which planned to destabilize the country had been arrested.

RFL Cites Sudanese Source
NC181714 (Clandestine) Radio Free Lebanon
 in Arabic 1700 GMT 18 Jan 88

[Text] The Sudanese Information Agency [as heard] has reported that Sudanese security forces foiled a coup attempt in the country. The agency added that a group that planned to destabilize the situation has been arrested. The agency did not, however, give any further details about the number of those arrested or their identity.

Iraqi Opposition Leader Assassinated 17 Jan
JN181236 Khartoum SUNA in English 1017 GMT
 18 Jan 88

[Text] Khartoum, Jan. 18 (SUNA)—A leader of the Iraqi Shi'ite Islamic movement, Mahdi al-Hakim, was killed here yesterday at Hilton International Hotel, while his brother's son, who is accompanying him, was injured, the daily AL-USBU', published here today reported.

An eyewitness told the daily that an unknown person entered the entrance of the hotel and opened fire on the victim in head, killed him immediately and tried to kill his brother's son, 'Abd al-Wahhab al-Hakim, who was injured.

The paper said that it tried to talk to the injured person but he refused and requested the presence of Dr. Hassan al-Turabi, leader of the [Sudanese] Islamic National Front.

The two persons, the victim and his brother's son came from London and before the incident they have visited Dr. al-Turabi in his house, the paper added.

The two persons were not invited to attend the second conference of the Islamic National Front held here current Jan. 14-16 and came on their own desire after it was ended the paper said.

Eyewitnesses said to the paper that the two persons [as received] opened fire on the victim and his brother's son, were fled in two cars one of them carrying a diplomatic plate.

All necessary measures were adopted for arresting the criminals and investigations were began immediately after the incident, police told paper.

On the other hand the daily ALWAN published here today said that Khartoum airport was closed yesterday before the departure planes following the incident.

Interior Ministry Condemns Act
EA181948 Omdurman Domestic Service in Arabic
 1500 GMT 18 Jan 88

[Text] The Interior Ministry has issued the following statement:

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A regrettable incident occurred at 2030 on Sunday, 17 January 1988, at the Hilton Hotel in Khartoum. The victim was Mahdi al-Hakim, who was carrying a passport of the United Arab Emirates, No 609259, dated 28 October 1984. He was born in 1936 at Al-Najaf, in Iraq. Another passport, a British one, No 28574, issued on 18 June 1986, was found among his luggage. According to the official document Mahdi al-Hakim showed upon entering Sudan, he was coming to attend the Islamic National Front Conference. An assailant fired bullets at the victim and killed him.

Another person was hurt in the leg by a bullet. His name is Halim 'Abd al-Wahhab, born in Baghdad in 1948. He was carrying a refugee travel document, No 51939, dated 23 January 1985, and issued by the UN office in London, showing that he is an Iraqi national. His condition is good. The man identified as Halim 'Abd al-Wahhab gave information on his belonging to the family of the deceased, Mahdi al-Hakim, that he was working as a secretary and manager for his business, and that the deceased left Iraq in 1959 for Dubai, then London. He continued to be an opponent of the government regime in Iraq from that time until his death.

As a result of the panic following the shooting, the assailant and another person were able to escape in a car waiting for them outside the hotel. Eye witnesses in the hotel described the assailant and the accomplice as having features, descriptions, and complexions indicating that they were not Sudanese, but foreigners.

The minister of interior, the director general of police, and senior police officers, immediately rushed to the scene of the incident. Legal measures were taken: The incident was reported at the Khartoum north [police] station. The prosecution and a team from the Central Investigations Department and the capital's internal and external security have started investigations. Interrogations and investigations are progressing intensively and with the utmost secrecy to uncover the facts.

The Ministry of Interior condemns such an act, which is alien to Sudan and its morals, and stresses it will do all it can to prevent such an incident recurring.

Attorney General on 'Clues'

JN191255 Khartoum SUNA in English 1040 GMT
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[Text] Khartoum Jan 19 (SUNA)—Attorney General 'Abd al-Mahmud al-Haj Salih said the security authorities had managed to find important clues which would definitely lead to the perpetrators of the assassination of the Iraqi opposition Jihad Muslim leader. Meanwhile security authorities said the intensive investigations revealed that the assailant, who has Arabic features, entered the Hilton Hotel firing shots on the hall's ceiling and killed the victim after ordering all the guests to floor down. After committing the assassination the killer fled by a diplomatic car waiting for him outside the hotel.

On the other hand Prime Minister Sadiq al-Mahdi announced in press statements yesterday that the government would take the necessary precautions to avoid the repetition of such violence and aggression.

Commenting on the assassination of the Iraqi Jihad Muslim leader Sadiq al-Mahdi said it was the first of its kind to occur in Sudan.

Education Minister Bakri Ahmad 'Adil said Sudan will not tolerate turning its territories into a field of battles between those who differ in ideology and thought.

Secretary General of the Arab Socialist Ba'th Party Badr al-Din Muddaththir condemned the crime and described it as horrible.

The political leadership here had denounced the assassination and pledged to spare no efforts for avoiding the occurrence of such barbaric acts.

Al-Husayn, Police Investigate

NC172304 Cairo MENA in Arabic 2225 GMT
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[Text] Khartoum, 17 Jan (MENA)—Mahdi al-Hakim, a pro-Iranian Iraqi opposition leader, was killed in the Khartoum Hilton tonight when an unidentified person broke into the hotel and fired three shots at him. Halim 'Abd al-Wahhab, one of Al-Hakim's followers, was wounded in the incident.

Mahdi al-Hakim and Halim 'Abd al-Wahhab were sitting in the hotel lounge when two persons got out of a car that had stopped in front of the hotel. The two individuals fired two shots in the air, panicking the hotel's guests who took cover. The two persons then fired three shots at Al-Hakim. They also shot his companion in the leg when he cried 'uncle.'

Sudanese Interior Minister Sayyid Ahmad al-Husayn and senior police officers immediately went to the scene to investigate. Al-Hakim's body was moved to the hospital. His companion, 'Abd al-Wahhab, is currently being treated for his wound.

A MENA correspondent reports that Al-Hakim had arrived in Khartoum from London 2 days ago to attend the second conference of the Sudanese Islamic Front, despite the fact that he had not been invited to attend. Al-Hakim did not participate in the Front's general congress, which was held in Khartoum's Al-Mawlid Square last night, because only those who had been invited were allowed to attend.

An Iraqi delegation led by an under secretary of the Iraqi Awqaf Ministry attended the conference in accordance with an official invitation.