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TELNO 39 OF 29 FEBRUARY

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MY TELNO 37 AND MY LETTER OF 28 FEBRUARY TO HASKELL MED: IRAN/IRAQ.

1. FOLLOWING IS TRANSLATION OF APPEAL TO THE BELLIGERENTS ISSUED
BY MFA SPOKESMAN YESTERDAY.

BEGINS

ALGERIA IS FOLLOWING WITH CONCERN AND DISMAY THE SERIOUS
DEVELOPMENTS TAKING PLACE AT THE MOMENT IN THE CONFLICT BETWEEN
THE FRATERNAL COUNTRIES OF IRAQ AND IRAN. IN THIS CONFLICT
IRREPLACEABLE HUMAN POTENTIALITIES ARE BEING LOST. PRECIOUS
MATERIAL RESOURCES AND THROUGH THEM ALL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
AND THE HIGH ASPIRATIONS OF THE TWO PEOPLE ARE BEING SEVERELY
COMPROMISED.

THE NEW DIMENSIONS WHICH THE CONFLICT IS TAKING ON REPRESENT
AN ESCALATION WHICH SERIOUSLY COMPROMISES THE STRUGGLE WHICH
UNITES THE MUSLIM WORLD IN A RELATIONSHIP OF SOLIDARITY OF INTERESTS
AND ASPIRATIONS.

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ALL OUR FUNDAMENTAL MEANS, POTENTIALITIES, AND STRENGTHS ARE USED

~~IT IS THEREFORE TRAGIC THAT A WAR SHOULD CONTINUE IN WHICH~~
ALL OUR FUNDAMENTAL MEANS, POTENTIALITIES, AND STRENGTHS ARE USED
AGAINST OURSELVES.

IT IS HIGH TIME THAT THE DESTRUCTION AND BLOODSHED SHOULD
BE REPLACED BY A DIALOGUE TO REESTABLISH PEACE AND HARMONY, AND
THAT EVERYTHING SHOULD BE UNDERTAKEN TO ACHIEVE A JUST POLITICAL
SOLUTION, BOTH IN THE HIGHER INTERESTS OF THE IRANIAN AND IRAQI
PEOPLES AND THOSE OF THE ENTIRE MUSLIM COMMUNITY.

IT IS THIS CONSTANT CONCERN, AND THIS ALONE, WHICH DETERMINES
THE ATTITUDE AND THE EFFORTS OF ALGERIA.

THAT IS THE REASON WHY ALGERIA APPEALS WITH ALL ITS HEART
THAT DIALOGUE IN FAVOUR OF MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AND PEACE SHOULD
PREVAIL.

AND THAT IS ALSO WHY ALGERIA CALLS WITH THE SAME ARDOUR FOR
THE ESSENTIAL OPENING OF TRUE AND HONEST NEGOTIATIONS, WHICH
REMAIN THE ONLY WAY TO A REAL SOLUTION. ENDS.

2. SEE MIFT.

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