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The following message of greetings was sent by the Central Executive Committee of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman to President Skou Toure of Guinea on the occasion of Guinea's Independence Day.

The message reads: "The Central Executive Committee of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman greets you, the party and the Guinean people on your Independence Day. Guinea is the stronghold of the freedom fighters."

Iranian & British New Oct. Offensive Will Be Crushed

Iranian Military Presence In Oman Continued

The PFLO Information Committee recently issued a press statement on the new Anglo-Iranian campaign being launched on the liberated areas. We publish hereunder the full text of the statement:

Reports coming from the

Liberated Zone indicate that the Iranian and British forces are now carrying out wide-scale military movements in the north of the Western Region. These movements were resembled in heavy transport operations for the Iranian and

British forces and the mercenaries from Sallalah, Thamreet and Nasrah using helicopters of the Ausustile type and different types of other military plans and the bring-up of huge forces to this area.

countries have ignored a neglected the Iranian military presence in Oman, did not take the necessary actions for forcing the puppet authority in Muscat to stop handing over more Omani territories to Iran and did not take a brave stand against the Iranian greeds; the Iranian authorities went further in its aggressiveness by increa-

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EDITORIAL

Once again the authorities in Muscat resort to open lies and distortion of facts when the Foreign Minister of the Sultanate held a press conference at Muscat on Thursday 10th October, 1974 which was attended by representatives of press and news agencies and the diplomats accredited to Muscat. Qais Azzawawi surprised those present and whoever listened to the proceedings of the press conference with statement to the following :-

1) (that the Iranian forces are present for more than one year and that they number several thousands). This means that the Iranian forces are present even before the extensive Iranian invasion at the end of December, the invasion which the authorities in Muscat remained to deny for three months until the Shah of Iran took the initiative to admit the presence of the Iranian forces. This means that the rulers of Muscat are prepared to lie and issue contravening statements.

2) (that the positions of the Iranian forces in the whole of Dhofar are in the hands of the Omani army and that the Iranian forces start to leave Dhofar).

If the Muscat Government had lied to the Arab and world public opinion and remained to deny for three months the presence of the Iranian forces, how then can any one believe the withdrawal of the Iranian forces from Dhofar. However,

the Iranian forces are not in Dhofar only but also exist in other parts of Oman, such as Khasb, Roos al-Jibal and Ras al-Hadd.

The Sultanate does not possess the power of withdrawing the Iranian forces first and above all because the Shah of Iran is the man who have the final word as he announced repeatedly that he will interfere in the other part of the Gulf whether with the consent of others or without their consent and secondly because the presence of these forces took place in accordance with long term agreements concluded by Qaboos himself under which he gave Iran the right of interference in Oman. This is clear from the Joint Statement issued after the visit of Qaboos to the Shah of Iran. All indications point to the continuation and deepening of the Iranian presence as bases and camps are being actively built for the Iranian army. Most important of these is the strategic Thamreet base where the "Financial Times" revealed a plan to use it by Iranian Air force as a launching base including Phantom aircraft.

3) Azzawawi confessed the presence of Jordanian forces fighting by the side of the Sultanate's army and estimated at 250 men. In fact in accordance with Jordan's confession it has two battalions in addition to officers. Certainly Azzawawi did

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These military movements by the Iranian, British and mercenary forces come to indicate the preparations now taking place heavily for carrying out huge military campaigns on the Western Region to reduce the tension on their forces in the hinterland areas (Central and Eastern) and to reduce the size of losses sustained by them as a result of the repeated attacks launched by the People's Liberation Army on the Iranian positions in the Red Line and al-Mammar.

The British authorities aim at undertaking extensive military landings in the Western Region to realise the Iranian military aims for complete control of the Red Line and liquidation of the armed revolution. During the past few days, the puppet in Muscat hinted to this military campaign which the authority intends to carry out as Qaboos called for a crucification campaign against the revolution and called upon the Arab League to take part in this criminal campaign against the Omani people comparing this aggressive act carried out by the Iranian forces basically with the heroic and gallant national war staged by the Arab armies and the Palestinian resistance in the blessed month of Ramadan last year (6th Oct war).

The British intelligence newspapers also pointed to this campaign when they indicated that the insurgency will not continue upto the end of the Month of Ramadan.

We wish to point to the seriousness of the Iranian and British military movements in the area. As most of the Arab

Military Report

Heroic Resistance On Iranian Campaign

On 30th September, the confrontation with the new Anglo-Iranian offensive took place at al-Mammar.

The enemy carried its paratroopers, armoured vehicles and heavy weaponry to the Kifot, a strategic plateau to the north of the important military naval base of Raysot.

The People's Liberation Army set ambushes for the enemy and engaged in ferrous battles, in which the enemy suffered three casualties.

The People's Liberation Army continued to launch attacks against the enemy camp of Sarfeet where two major operations were launched inflicting the following:

- 1) Unestimated casualties cleared by helicopters.
- 2) Destruction of observation post.

The enemy continued launching barbaric raids against civilians in vicious plan to evacuate the countryside of the citizens and to turn them to refugees.

Twelve raids were launched within nine days directed against civilian dwellings, water-resources and caravans.

These raids resulted in burning wide areas of pasture, farms and several livestock were killed. One citizen was martyred.

Resentment & Condemnation Against The New Campaign On Liberated Zone

The new Iranian-British campaign on the liberated Zone of our country, which started with the beginning of the present month of October, caused wide-scale resentment and condemnation within the ranks of the masses of the Arab nation represented in their national and progressive forces, organisations and bodies. Primary reactions to this barbaric invasion were as follows:-

The official spokesman for the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine made a press statement in which he condemned the new Iranian campaign on the Liberated Zone and affirmed the support and backing of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine for the revolution of our Omani People under the leadership of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman.

In Beirut, the students' federations and organisations including the National Union of Omani Students issued a political statement saying:

"This military landing coincides with the fierce imperialist offensive which is being faced by our Arab nation with the aim of effecting the passage of the imperialist liquidatory submissive solutions prior to hitting the gains of the Arab national liberation movements and silencing the guns of the militants of the Arab nation and spreading the curtains of liquidatory solutions on the areas of turmoil in Oman and Palestine in order to open the way for imperialism and its tools of local reactionaries for looting further the wealths of our country, enslaving our people and ruling their wealths. The silence of the Arab regimes over the collusion between the Muscat regime and the Iranian invasion is like an indirect contribution in the massacre of the peaceful masses of our people and an endorsement of the historical crime to abandon national sovereignty. We cannot separate between the silence of the Arab regimes and the Iranian loans and capitals which are being extended by the puppet Shah's regime. We believe that the chain of the American plan is complementary in the Arabian Gulf to the oil crisis at a time in which the American threats heightened on the occupation of the Arab oil fields.

All official and popular Arab organisations are required to shoulder their responsibility towards confronting this filthy offensive and exposing the Arab sides which resorted to silence

on the grounds of Arab solidarity and unification of Arab rank. They are also required to share effectively in exposing the sides which the Arab League is trying to impose with backing from more than one Arab side in order to obstruct any progress achieved by the fact-finding commission which will necessarily lead towards exposing the sides in collusion.

"To save the face water of the invaders' only means much or less that it is an upset down logic which aims at playing with the arm and historical facts. Our people will not forgive those who play with their cause whatever be the justifications and our pioneer revolution will achieve victory through the steadfastness of our masses who obtained for themselves the pain of freedom with the backing and support of an progressive Arab regimes spearheaded by Democratic Yemen and also the support of the socialist countries. The outcome of the new offensive will not be better than the previous offensives and certainly the invaders will be expelled and our people will achieve victory under the leadership of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman.

The General Union of the Writers and Journalists of Palestine condemned the Iranian invasion of the liberated areas in Oman. It said in a statement issued by it in Beirut that this Iranian offensive does not aim against the armed Arab revolution led by the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the progressive regime in Democratic Yemen only but also constitutes a danger which cannot be ignored by the groups of the Arab national liberation movement topped by the Palestine revolution.

The Union declared its complete support for the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and Democratic Yemen and all progressive and socialist forces in the Arab and world arenas to observe a serious and positive stand for halting this offensive and extending the backing and support for the armed revolution in Oman.

The General Union for the Workers of Palestine issued a statement in this connection in which it resented the new Iranian-British campaign and condemned it and also declared the support and backing of the Palestinian workers for the revolution of our people under the leadership of the People's Front for the Liberation of

Oman. Under the title: "New Iranian invasion and what the Arab rulers are doing" al-Hadaf magazine, organ of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, wrote:

"This recent imperialist campaign is only a confirmation that an imperialist offensive is being prepared in coordination with local reaction and aimed against the revolution in Oman and the progressive regime in Democratic Yemen at the same time. After referring to the statement which was issued by the Information Committee of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman on this new campaign, the magazine concluded its article by saying:

"Confrontation of this Iranian offensive, which is undoubtedly one of the chains of imperialist plotting and a basic part of the American offensive on the Arab nation, is a national responsibility-the burdens of which are to be shouldered by all honest and sincere revolutionaries, regimes, organisations and individuals. It also needs quick exposure and backing for the revolutionaries, who in confronting the invaders only protect the Arab nation and check off another aggression similar to the Israeli aggression. They are also establishing with determination their national identity and affiliation to this great nation.

P.F.L.O. Warns Against The Rising Danger of Iranian Presence

The Central Executive Committee of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman sent messages to the Arab Heads of States and the Arab League for acquainting them with the extensive Iranian military campaign on the Liberated Zone, the campaign which means more expansion of the Iranian military presence and increase of its danger to our homeland and the Arab nation. The Central Executive Committee called upon the Arab national countries and the Arab League to stand by the side of the revolution, to condemn the Iranian invasion and the open treasons committed by the puppet Qaboos regime.

We would like to point to the danger of the Iranian and British military movements in the area as after the majority of the Arab countries have ignored the Iranian military presence in Oman and did not take the necessary measures for forcing the puppet authority in Muscat to stop the policy of handing over more Omani territories to Iran and due to the fact that they did not take a brave action against the Iranian greed, the Iranian authorities went further in their aggression where they increased their military forces and built huge military bases in Thamreet threatening the majority of the Arab countries in the Arabian Peninsula.

The aims of this military campaign which the British and Iranian authorities intend to undertake are to realise military gains for the Iranian army and to restore the Liberated Areas to the foreign control in addition to the great danger that threatens Democratic Yemen as

a result of these suspected extensive movements.

At a time in which we draw attention to the danger of these movements and the necessity of the Arab countries standing in front of their national responsibilities for facing this American and Iranian offensive, we affirm the determination of our people to face and confront the invaders and to crush the new military campaign as they have done when they defeated before the campaigns of October, al-Mammar and the Red Line and many other campaigns. These campaigns will only increase our determination and belief in the justness of our cause and our complete right to defend our homeland and dignity.

P.F.L.O. Cables Honncker on GDR 25th Anniversary

The Central Executive Committee of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman extended a cable of congratulations to the First Secretary of the Socialist Unity Party of Germany, Comrade Irich Honncker, on the 25th anniversary of Founding the German Democratic Republic.

The cable's text reads as follows:

It pleases us in the name of the masses of our people in Oman to extend to you and to the friendly GDR people warmest and heartfelt felicitations on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the foundation of the German Democratic Republic. The German Democratic Republic was founded after a hard and stren-

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25th Anniversary of the Victory of the Friendly Chinese People

The first of October coincided with the 25th anniversary of the victory of the Chinese revolution under the leadership of the Chinese Communist Party and the establishment of the People's Republic of China as a fortress of freedom and socialism in Asia and a concrete supporting fort for the revolutionaries who are fighting for the freedom of their peoples and the independence and progress of their homelands in all parts of the world.

The great gains realised by the Chinese people during the past 25 years are not regarded as their pride alone but also a pride for all peoples fighting for freedom, progress and the build-up of Socialism and peace. These peoples include our Omani people.

The Omani people and their revolution, while sharing the friendly Chinese people and their glorious revolution their celebrations on this auspicious historical occasion, remember with pride and prestige the principled stands taken by the People's Republic of China towards the national struggle of our people.

We, on this occasion, extend to the masses of the Chinese

people and their revolutionary command our sincere and heartfelt greetings and hope that further gains and victories will be realised for this friendly people. We also hope for further positive development in the relations of friendship and cooperation between the two revolutions and the two friendly peoples in Oman and the People's Republic of China.

The Central Executive Committee of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman sent the following message of greetings on this occasion to the Chinese leaders. The message reads as follows:

"On the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the foundation of the People's Republic of China, we are pleased in the NAME OF THE militant Omani masses to extend to you and to the friendly Chinese people warm and heartfelt felicitations and wish your people further progress and prosperity under your wise leadership.

The great Chinese people due to their sacrifices and steadfastness have recorded the most wonderful and historical victories over the forces of subjugation and aggression and commissioned the People's

Republic of China, as the republic of the workers and peasants, changing by that the balance of world powers in favour of the forces of workers in the world and proving remarkably the victory of socialism, the fall of imperialism and the victory of peoples fighting for their freedom and sovereignty whatever the strength of colonialists is. This great event has had the best effects in the hearts of all revolutionaries and was an incentive for the subjugated peoples to launch further revolutionary struggles against imperialism and colonialism all over the world.

This immortal and dear occasion to the friendly Chinese people and all revolutionaries in the world comes at one of the most serious stages faced by the militant peoples which

are still raising the guns in the face of the forces of imperialism for the sake of their freedom and sovereignty over their lands. Our people in Oman, who is one of these peoples and who raised and still raises the arms for nine and half years, under the leadership of the pioneer People's Front for the Liberation of Oman, are today facing the conspiracies of imperialism and reaction and a foreign invasion carried out by Iranian militarism—an act which contravenes with all international laws and rules and which aim at subjugating our people and silencing the guns of the revolution. Therefore, our people urges you and all freedom and peace-loving forces to extend further support and backing for their struggle so that our people becomes able to check off the invaders and colonialists.

Qaboos Reveals His Poisonous Teeth

Qaboos ordered the suspension of expenditure on development projects for this year which came in the annual budget announced at the beginning of this year. He also ordered the postponement of work on new development projects for the coming year.

The British Meed Report says: "The Sultan's decision, which was not published upto now, aims at concentrating the financial potentialities on the war against the leftist revolutionaries of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman which is launching a war against the government in the south-western region (Dhofar) and their defeat at the end of 1975."

Meed continues: In his efforts Qaboos is receiving assistance from Iran, Britain and others.

The Report says that the Embassy of Oman in London has no knowledge about such decision. It added: "Such news came at a time in which arms deals were concluded by Oman." The British BAC announced on 4th September that it won a contract from Oman for supplying it with Rapier rockets (of low range) at a cost of 47 million sterling.

Before that another deal was announced for the purchase of the Anglo-French Jaguar planes at a cost of 45 million sterling.

These two deals come as part of deals concluded this year and include:-

- 1) Patrol boats.
- 2) Three transport Planes of the BAC type.

- 3) Four Strike Master bomber planes.
- 4) Six Sky Van transport planes.
- 5) Six landing boats.
- 6) Six minesweepers.

Suspension of the development programmes means that an amount of 107 million Saudi riyals earmarked for development will be spent as war expenses.

Such are the projects undertaken by Qaboos which will bring out the Omani people from the stone-age in which British colonialism placed them. Finally, Qaboos revealed his nature and the nature of his regime and revealed, as well, the veil from the nature of his projects and the era of prosperity and welfare of which he boasts and for which the reactionary trumpets have beaten the drums throughout the past four years.

GDR Anniversary (cont'd)

uous struggle during which the GDR people under the leadership of the Socialist Unity Party of Germany incurred huge sacrifices for expelling the fascist Hitler regime and for establishing a Socialist State in the GDR, the State of the workers and peasants.

Dear Comrade:

If you have fought before twenty five years and your people incurred millions of martyrs for expelling the fascist

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Oman - A Hell Under The Feet of the Invaders

Reports coming from Shiraz, one of the main towns lying in the north of Iran, state that the Iranian authorities are making extensive efforts to convince the soldiers and Iranian officers there to join the forces which are now launching an armed invasion on the Omani territories and in particular to take part in the war launched by these forces against the forces of the Omani revolution.

The series of enticements extended by the Iranian authorities include the raising of the salary of the working soldier in Oman to 3,000 toman (150 sterling) and raised the salary of the officer to 6,000 toman (300 sterling).

But these reports confirm that the Iranian soldiers and officers had faced these enticements by the Shah-in-Shah authority with complete negativism because they believe that such enticements and such abdications by the Iranian authority only confirm that the status of the Iranian forces is very critical and that the government intends to send more Iranian forces to save its reputation which was smeared by the Omani revolutionaries in the mud.

These reports also confirm that the reason for the refusal by the Iranian soldiers and officers to go to Oman is their feeling that the war in which the Shah wants to throw them is an aggressive war not serving the interests of the Iranian masses in this direction.

On the other hand, the Shah-in-Shah military authorities sent Major Framarz Akhwan Shakhly, 34 years old, who WORKS with the parachute battalion, to retirement after returning from Oman with one leg missing when he was hit during an attack launched by the forces of the People's Liberation Army on the invading Iranian forces.

The Iranian military authorities ordered this officer and his family not to mention the place or reason of his injury. They also circulated these orders to other officers and soldiers of the parachute battalion and threatened of taking drastic actions against whoever defies this order because these authorities fear that the news about their losses might help in expanding the sharpness of opposition within the ranks of the masses against the filthy war launched by Iranian reaction against our Omani people.

We Show Bold Front Towards Expansionist Aggressions

The Arab reactionary trumpets in the area of the Arabian Gulf began to play a new Qaboosite tune which is based upon ending the revolution by the end of the month of Ramadan, the revolution which these trumpets describe as disturbing the stability and peace in the Gulf area. These trumpets state that the officials in the Sultanate of Oman say "The revolution in Dhofar will not be existing by the end of the blessed month of Ramadan".

This tune and these Samsonite statements by Qaboos are not new to us and contain nothing to astonish us inasmuch as they stir sarcasm in our lives. We confess that the puppets and their masters, the imperialists, have made preparations and recruited all their energies and potentialities for realising their dream. They also carried out in this direction a range of steps, the most significant of which are the following:

1) To push Iran into the conflict existing between the revolution, on one hand, and the British forces and forces of puppet Qaboos, on the other. Iran has involved eleven thousand soldiers of its forces into the Omani territories since about one year and upto now.

2) The Arab reactionary regimes, which paid generously millions to puppet Qaboos and puppet Hussein, pushed their special forces only a while after bringing puppet Qaboos to the chair of El-Busaid Family.

3) Many of the Arab sides extended aid to enable the Qaboos regime to solve its internal problems.

4) Britain supplied puppet Qaboos with consignments of weapons and numbers of military advisers and economists.

5) Recently puppet Qaboos transferred the sum of 107 million sterling allocated for development projects to the military budget.

6) These steps were accompanied by heavy information campaigns having more than one aim, including:

1) To illustrate the revolution as a revolution carrying destructive ideas and principles, which aim at demolishing the spiritual and morale characters of the peoples of this area and pictured Qaboos, the puppet of Britain, as the Muslim who came to rescue his people from the drifts of this revolution or of the "Communist" "insurgency", as puppets prefer to call it.

2) The reactionary and colonialist information machineries and their puppets were launching a heavy propaganda cam-

paign on the accomplishments realised during the era of Qaboos and describe this era as the era of prosperity and progress for the Omani people.

3) A heavy propaganda campaign was launched on the growing military abilities of the mercenaries forces of Qaboos by giving prominence to the graduation of soldiers - graduation of batches in lots - and giving prominence to the arms deals.

In reality, the main object of this policy is underlying the following:

1) Raising the morales of the Qaboos soldiers, who suffer successive defeats at the hands of the forces of the revolution.

2) To convince the Omani citizen that this regime is capable, through its forces, to crush the revolution and, accordingly, the hopes of this citizen to stick to the revolution is not any more existing.

3) These machineries beat the drums for "the conqueror and great Iranian forces which cannot be confronted". This propaganda campaign by the reactionary and the colonialist information machineries were coupled by rude statements by puppet Shah saying that his forces will crush the revolution within weeks and that his forces have realised glory in Dhofar. These statements reminded us of statements made by Qaboos when he first came to power where he said "shortly the insurgents will be crushed", "we have crushed the insurgents", "there is nothing left of the insurgents other than eight who escaped to Yemeni territories", "majority of the insurgents handed themselves over to the government and there is nothing left other than about 600 only".

We do not at all ignore the military ability of our enemies

and we confirm the seriousness of the Shah-in-Shah expansionism and aggression. Nevertheless, we see that misunderstanding of this power is an aim after which Iranian reaction runs backed by the Arab reaction.

Principally, this aims at drawing the following outcomes:

1) To plant the seeds of disappointment and defeat in the souls of the Arab citizen in this area so that he submit to the Persian will for the same aim world Zionism was the factor behind its victories in the battles against the Arabs before the October war.

2) To harm the high morales of the forces of the revolution and masses of liberated areas, in particular, and the Omani people, in general, the morales of whom turned the glories dreamed by the Shah into defeats and shame and dumped the reputation of his forces in the mud.

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not mention anything about the hundreds of British officers and mercenaries on whom the newspapers published advertisements expressing the desire for recruiting them beginning from Australia and ending with Britain. This is in addition to the British military bases and camps existing in the Sultanate including Masirah and Sallalah.

The Government of Muscat is revealing the aim behind such false statements as Azzawawi links between these statements and the fact-finding commission formed by the Arab League and the summit conference at Rabat.

4) (The Sultanate welcomes joint Arab forces to give an end to the "insurgency in Dhofar".

The Muscat government ascertained the rejection by the Omani masses particularly after its national treason and call of the invading Iranian forces. The Sultanate is of course looking after those who will protect it whether they be Iranian or Arab forces. If any other Arab State sending its forces to Dhofar as Iran had sent its forces, it will be committing a national crime, the cost of which it will pay highly because by

GDR anniversary (Cont'd)

regime, our people in Oman is today facing the same regime, but with a different name, which is a puppet of foreign forces resembled in the Iranian regime which is at present expanding the scope of its military invasion to cover the Region of Dhofar completely and to restore the territories which

that it will be contributing in establishing foreign occupation of Oman and fighting a people struggling for their freedom.

The Muscat Government found itself indicted by more than one Arab State and by the Arab and world public opinion. It also found that direction of accusations and charges to the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen are of no avail particularly when the Arab League commission announced its will to visit the liberated areas. Therefore, it wanted to hide its ugly face and to impress the Arab League of having changed its status and conditions. It also wanted through such statements to hide the new Iranian military campaign.

The People's Front for the Liberation of Oman warns the Arab countries and the Arab public opinion of being deceived by such claims by the Sultanate which were proved to be false and dangerous to believe. The People's Front also persistently calls upon the Arab League Commission to implement its tasks for finding out facts on the foreign presence in Oman and to look after the Iranian, British and Jordanian bases, positions and camps at Khasb, Roos al-Jabal, Masirah, Sallalah, Thamret and tens of other positions

have been liberated by the revolution during the years of its struggle. This regime is backed by the British military presence in the area and the puppet and hiring regime in Muscat and the remnants of mercenaries.

Therefore, we urge you to stand by the side of the struggle of our people.

of the foreign forces. Moreover the Arab League commission is required to investigate the presence of hundreds of officers and foreign experts and mercenaries in the military machineries of the Sultanate.

Iranian Campaign (Cont'd)

sing their military forces and built huge military bases in Thamret to threaten the Arab countries in the Arabian Peninsula.

The targets of this military campaign which the British and Iranian authorities intend to carry out are to realise military gains for the Iranian army and to restore the liberated areas to foreign control in addition to the great danger which threatens Democratic Yemen as a result of these suspected extensive moves.

At a time in which we warn against the seriousness of these movements and the necessity of the stand of the Arab nationalist countries in front of their national responsibilities for confronting the British Iranian offensive, we affirm the determination of our people to face the invaders and to resist them and crush the new military campaign as they did before when they defeated the campaigns of October, al-Mammar and the Red Line and other campaigns. These campaigns will only increase our determination and belief in the justness of our issue and our complete right to defend our homeland and our prestige.

We are fully confident of victory and the expulsion of the invaders from our homeland.