UAR PRESIDENT'S SPEECH

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(SPEECH BY UAR PRESIDENT ANWAR AS-SADAT AT THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY THIRD SESSION—LIVE)

(In the name of God; Mr Speaker, Brother Citizens National Assembly Members: Let us dry our tears and load to the future; let our steps quicken and let our pain stimulate creation and exuberance; let our sorrow become a positive force which will restore and even add to our determination to reaffirm our enormous responsibilities and our holy commitments on the domestic, national, international, and human levels. The whole world has been awaiting us, and the waiting period is now over. Our Arab nation has stood with us through the transition; the hour for continuing the March has now come. Our people have remained steadfast and firm waiting for us to be ready; the hour for beginning the March has come.

Our immortal leader faced situations very similar to the ones we are now facing. Among them was the day of secession in September 1961 when the First State of Unity split into two parts as a result of an imperialist plot which was hostile and hateful to our nation. What did 'Abd an-Nasir do? With his superior ability he thought out the consequences of the matters he had to decide and settle, and then he told the masses: "The time of revolutionary action has come."

Brother Citizens, National Assembly Members, to echo his words after the tribulation which divided the two parts of the United Arab Republic in 1961 and in the wake of another tribulation which separated the immortal leader and his eternal people—in this world—I repeat 'Abd an-Nasir's resounding cry: "The time of revolutionary action has come."

Brothers, we must prove that a great nation is what creates the great hero and that it is able to understand his thought, work, and energy within the framework of its overflowing vitality, in the current of its continuous life and history. Brothers, we have to prove now that all that we have done since the birth of the revolution and until the day of its leader's departure was not an accident but a link in the continuous chain of the Egyptian people's vigilance and struggle and their legal and sound aspirations for the freedom of the land and the dignity of man. Brothers, we now have to prove that our hands and minds are able to turn our dreams and aspirations into reality, that we are able to differentiate between mere intentions—being lost in delusion—and standing on the firm ground of realities, and that our will is a link connecting what we want with what we can do and eliminating the barrier between promises and their fulfillment.)
THE COMING STAGE AS I SEE THEM AND AS I WISH YOU TO SEE THEM WITH ME. THUS OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THEM WILL COINCIDE AND OUR EFFORTS WILL UNITE TO ACHIEVE THEM. THIS WE WILL NOT LEAVE HERE WITH A MERELY BROAD OUTLINE BUT WITH A DEFINITE COURSE TO DIRECT OUR WORK AND AT THE SAME TIME TO SERVE AS A YARDSTICK FOR REVISION AND CORRECTION. THE COMING STAGE, AS I VISUALIZE IT, IS DEFINED AS FOLLOWS: FIRST, THE BATTLE IS THE FIRST THING, THE BATTLE IS THE SECOND THING, AND THE BATTLE IS THE FINAL THING. BY "THE BATTLE" I DON'T MEAN MERELY FIGHTING, BUT FULL LIBERATION OF ALL THE ARAB TERRITORY OCCUPIED IN THE 1967 AGGRESSION, BECAUSE IF WE DO NOT LIBERATE THIS TERRITORY IT WILL MEAN THAT WE HAVE SUCCEDED TO THE ISRAELI-IMPERIALIST ENEMY AND THOSE BEHIND HIM. THERE IS NO ONE IN OUR NATION WHO ACCEPTS THE LIBERATION OF ONE PART OF THIS LAND IF IT MEANS RELINQUISHING SOME OTHER PART. (APPLAUSE)

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FIRST ADD 55 (WAR PRESIDENT'S SPEECH)

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(TEXT) THE ACCEPTANCE OF THIS CANNOT BE CALLED A COMPROMISE SINCE SUBMISSION KNOWS NO HALF-WAY POINT. WHEN SUBLIME PRINCIPLES ARE INVOLVED—MOST SUBLIME OF ALL BEING THE SAFETY OF THE HOMELAND—TO RELINQUISH ANYTHING MEANS TO RELINQUISH EVERYTHING.

WE WANT PEACE BUT WE MAKE OUR PEACE CONDITIONAL ON JUSTICE ONLY. (APPLAUSE) WHEN PEACE IS NOT BASED ON JUSTICE IT IS NO LONGER PEACE, BUT BECOMES AN ACCEPTANCE OF A FAIT ACCOMPLI IMPOSED BY THE FORCE OF AGGRESSION WHICH WE CAN NEVER ACCEPT. IF WE ACCEPT THE ABANDONING OF ANY TERRITORY FROM OUR HOMELAND, IT MEANS—AND WE SHOULD NOT DECEIVE OURSELVES ON THIS POINT—that WE WILL BE READY TO ABANDON ANY PRINCIPLE FOR ANY COUNTRY ITS TERRITORY IS ITS HONOR, AND IF WE ABANDON THE TERRITORY IT WOULD BE EASY TO ABANDON EVERYTHING.

THEREFORE, THE BATTLE IS THE FIRST OF ALL PRIORITIES IN THE PRESENT STAGE AND EVERYTHING SHOULD BE DEVOTED TO IT. FOR ITS SAKE WE MUST WORK AT HOME AND ABROAD. ITS PRINCIPLES RULE OUR AMITY WITH FRIENDS AND ENMITY WITH ENEMIES. ITS DEMANDS TAKE FIRST PRECEDENCE AND ITS REQUIREMENTS COME FIRST. LET EVERYONE IN OUR HOMELAND, IN THE NATION, AND IN ALL THE WORLD UNDERSTAND THAT WE WILL NOT BARGAIN OR COMPROMISE ON THIS PRINCIPLE. (APPLAUSE) WE SEEK PEACE BASED ON JUSTICE. WE ALSO DEFEND PEACE BASED ON JUSTICE. WE DEVOTE ALL OUR LIFE TO ESTABLISHING PEACE BASED ON JUSTICE, AND WE ARE PREPARED TO DIE TO DEFEND PEACE BASED ON JUSTICE. (APPLAUSE)

SECOND, BEHIND THE BATTLEFRONT WE HAVE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL WORK TO DO, WORK WHICH SHOULD NOT STOP FOR A MOMENT. IN ADDITION TO THE BATTLE, WE SHOULD NOT LOSE SIGHT OF THE FACT THAT OUR REVOLUTION'S PRIMARY AIM IS TO CREATE A FREE LIFE FOR OUR PEOPLE. WE, FOR EXAMPLE, DID NOT BUILD THE HIGH DAM IN ORDER TO FIGHT BUT WE Fought IN ORDER TO BUILD IT. THE BATTLE OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL BUILDING IS THIS CLOSELY LINKED TO THE BATTLE IN THE FRONTLINE. THE BATTLE ON THE BATTLEFRONT INVOLVES THE COUNTRY'S HONOR, AND THE BATTLE OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL BUILDING INVOLVES THE HONOR OF THE CITIZEN. THE BATTLE OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL BUILDING IN OUR COUNTRY IS ONE BECAUSE THE ECONOMY AND SOCIALISM ARE FOR THE SOCIETY. TO BE SPECIFIC, WE HAVE TO ACCOMPLISH AND REALIZE THE FOLLOWING IN THE NEW STAGE:

1) COMPLETION OF THE HEAVY INDUSTRY BASE AS A MAJOR OBJECTIVE. WE ARE ACTUALLY DOING THIS, AND IT IS EVIDENT IN THE IRON AND STEEL COMPLEX WHICH IS NOW BEING BUILT AT A COST OF 350 MILLION POUNDS; THE NEW PETROCHEMICAL COMPLEX ON WHICH WORK IS ABOUT TO BEGIN AND WHICH WILL COST 100 MILLION POUNDS; THE PHOSPHOR COMPLEX FOR WHICH A CONTRACT FOR ITS CONSTRUCTION AT THE COST OF 45 MILLION POUNDS IS BEING CONCLUDED; THE ALUMINUM COMPLEX FOR WHICH A CONTRACT HAS ALREADY BEEN CONCLUDED AT A COST OF 40 MILLION POUNDS; AND THE BUILDING OF AN OIL PIPELINE BETWEEN SUEZ AND ALEXANDRIA, A PROJECT WHICH IS NOW WELL UNDERWAY.
2) The completion of the major transformation to a scientific agriculture. The signs of this transformation have actually become evident in our grain production. We must continue in this transformation to achieve self-sufficiency. I believe that we can achieve this objective within 3 to 5 years.

In addition to completing the transformation to scientific agriculture, we must devote attention to agricultural industries. We also have a major task in the reclamation of new lands in addition to the task of the proper exploitation of lands already reclaimed in the past 3 years, that is since our systematic effort to conquer the desert began. For this reason, every drop of the high dam waters must contribute to the fertility and prosperity of our land.

3) The electrification of all Egypt must be one of our most cherished goals. This is because electricity will bring light to Egypt and will drive the wheel of work in every part of it. Our present electric power output is equivalent to the European level, but our consumption of the electricity we produce so far is not total.

Third, the modern socialist state is in essence a state of social administration of available and potential resources of the people, and administration through which the productive ability of the society is developed. In addition, this administration should properly and conscientiously utilize manpower for the objectives to which the people aspire.

Consequently, the success of the state is judged by the success of the administration. Our studies have shown that 25 percent of our energy is wasted because of several factors in administrative problems such as conflict in jurisdiction and lack of efficiency. Therefore, if we can create a modern concept of state administration and avoid the present waste, there is no doubt we will be able to meet today's challenges. This is of particular importance since responsibility of a special and urgent nature will face us immediately after the war comes to an end. This is the responsibility of repairing damages caused by the war, especially in the canal area.

The government system has been reorganized to serve, among other things, the objectives of state administration. This subject will be discussed in detail before you by the premier, the deputy premiers, and the ministers, each in his own field.
SECOND ADD 55 (WAR PRESIDENT'S SPEECH)

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(TEXT) FOURTH, WE MUST DEVOTE GREAT ATTENTION TO POLITICAL BUILDING SO THE PROCESS OF BUILDING THE ORGANIZATION WILL NOT BE JUST THE COMPLETION OF A STRUCTURE, BUT A MOVEMENT WITH A GENUINE CONCEPT. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE MUST PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE ALLIANCE OF THE PEOPLE'S WORKING FORCES FOR THE EXERCISE OF DEMOCRACY SINCE THIS IS THE SAFE ROAD TO ADOPTING CORRECT DECISIONS.


OUR POLITICAL STRUCTURE HAS SHOULDERED ITS RESPONSIBILITIES IN AN ILLUSTRIOUS MANNER DURING THE DIFFICULT PERIODS WE HAVE FACED. WE MUST SEEK TO CONSOLIDATE IT WITH EVERY MEANS TO ENABLE IT TO CARRY OUT ITS RESPONSIBILITIES IN PRESERVING THE REVOLUTION AND IN FURTHERING ITS CONTINUATION AND DEVELOPMENT.

FIFTH, THE UAR IS FOR UNITY IN ITS FAITH, ACTIONS, AND ALL ITS GOALS. IT CONSIDERS THAT ARAB UNITY IS NOT ONLY AN HISTORIC CALL BUT IS, BEFORE EVERYTHING ELSE, A NECESSITY OF FUTURE AND DESTINY. INSPIRED BY THESE PRINCIPLES, THE UAR'S FAITH THAT THE ARAB NATION IS ONE NATION, WITH COMMON FREEDOM, COMMON PROGRESS AND COMMON ASPIRATIONS, WILL NEVER BE SHAKEN.

OUR PEOPLE BELIEVE THAT ANYONE WHO DOUBTS THE AIM OF UNITY DOUBTS THE POSSIBILITY OF ARAB SURVIVAL AND ITS CONTINUITY. SURVIVAL IN ITS POSITIVE CONCEPT MUST MEAN LIFE AND FREEDOM, OF ALL OUR AIDS, NONE IS MORE EXPOSED TO HOSTILE ATTACK THAN THAT OF UNITY. THIS TESTIFIES TO THE NOBLETENESS OF THIS AIM. AT THE SAME TIME, THIS IS AN INCENTIVE FOR US TO DEFEND IT WELL. THE BEST WAY TO DEFEND THIS AIM IS TO PROTECT IT, NOT ONLY AGAINST ITS ENEMIES, BUT ALSO AGAINST THOSE WHO PRETEND TO SPONSOR IT WHILE THEY ARE IN FACT MANEUVERING TO SERVE ADVENTURES WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN STUDIED OR PLANNED.

IT IS ON THIS BASIS THAT THE CAIRO AGREEMENT WAS REACHED BETWEEN THE TRIPOLI CHARTER STATES—THE LIBYAN ARAB REPUBLIC, THE DEMOCRATIC SUDANESE REPUBLIC, AND THE UAR—to form a NUCLEUS AND A STRONG FOUNDATION FOR AN ARAB FUTURE BUILT THROUGH FREE, LIBERATED, AND CONSCIOUS WILL. (APPLAUSE)
IN OUR HUMAN CIVILIZATION THROUGHOUT THE ANNALS AND WITH OUR CONSTANT STRUGGLE FOR WORLD LIBERATION AND PROGRESS, WE ARE AN INFLUENTIAL PART—A PART WHICH IS NOT A BURDEN ON THE WORLD, WHICH REFUSES TO LIVE AS A BURDEN ON ANYONE, BUT WHICH GIVES AS MUCH AS IT TAKES, WHICH ACTS AND INTERACTS.

TO SEE THIS, IT SUFFICES TO EXAMINE OUR ROLE IN THE NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENT, THE NONALIGNED MOVEMENT, AND THE SOCIAL REVOLUTION MOVEMENT ON THE THREE CONTINENTS OF AFRICA, ASIA, AND LATIN AMERICA.

WE STICK TO OUR INDEPENDENCE, NATIONALISM, AND FREE OPINION ON THE PROBLEMS OF PEACE AND WAR. THIS IN ITSELF DOES NOT ISOLATE US, BUT IN FACT PLACES US IN A POSITION OF STRUGGLE BECAUSE IT DEFINITELY PLACES US ON THE ANTI-IMPERIALIST SIDE.

OUR ANTI-IMPERIALISM IS IN LINE WITH INDEPENDENCE, NATIONALISM, AND POLITICAL AND SOCIAL FREEDOM. OUR ENMITY FOR ISRAEL IS NOT RACIST FANATICISM, BUT IS IN FACT ONE OF OUR WAR FRONTS AGAINST IMPERIALISM—A WAR RESULTING FROM OUR STAND ON INDEPENDENCE, NATIONALISM, AND POLITICAL AND SOCIAL FREEDOM.

OUR FRIENDSHIP WITH THE SOVIET UNION IS NOT ALIGNMENT WITH IT. IT IS ALIGNMENT WITH INDEPENDENCE, NATIONALISM, AND POLITICAL AND SOCIAL FREEDOM. OUR FRIENDSHIP WITH THE SOVIET UNION IS, AT THE SAME TIME, AN ATTITUDE OF SOLIDARITY AMONG ALL ANTI-IMPERIALISM FORCES.
LIKEWISE, THE SOVIET UNION'S AVERSION FOR ISRAEL, FOR ITS AGGRESSIVE AND EXPANSIONIST AMBITIONS, AND FOR ITS TERRORIST ROLE IN THE AREA, AND THE SOVIET UNION'S FRIENDLY ATTITUDE TOWARD US, IS A STAND AGAINST IMPERIALISM AND ITS TOOLS.


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THIRD AND LAST ADD 55 (UAR PRESIDENT'S SPEECH)

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(TEXT) SEVENTH, WE SHOULD BE OPEN TO PROGRESS SINCE THE BARRIERS IN OUR NEW WORLD WILL NOT BE BETWEEN COLOR AND RACE, BUT BETWEEN PROGRESS AND BACKWARDNESS. SCIENCE PROGRESSES WITH UNPRECEDENTED SPEED. WE CANNOT BE SATISFIED WITH DISCUSSING SCIENCE WITHOUT BECOMING INVOLVED IN ITS; OTHERWISE, IT WOULD BE LIKE DIAGNOSING THE PROBLEM BUT NOT REMEDYING IT.

MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE OUR ONLY HOPE IS WITH SCIENCE. MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE, WE ARE CALLED UPON TO FOLLOW THIS COURSE. THIS IS A NECESSITY WHICH IS DICTATED NOT ONLY BY THE CONSISTENCY BETWEEN OUR PRESENT AND PAST CIVILIZATION, BUT ALSO BY THE INEVITABILITY THAT OUR BROAD HOPES BE CONSISTENT WITH OUR TRUE ACCOMPLISHMENTS. THE FIRST STEP TOWARD THIS COURSE IS EDUCATION WITH WHICH WE MUST MOVE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE—BEGINNING THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR—FROM THE VESTIGES OF THE 19TH CENTURY TO THE HORIZONS OF THE ATOMIC- AND SPACE AGE.

EIGHT, YOUTH IS THE FUTURE. WE MUST GIVE THE YOUTH TODAY AS MUCH ATTENTION AS THE FUTURE DESERVES. TODAY'S YOUTH NEEDS TWO THINGS: A DIALOG BETWEEN GENERATIONS INSTEAD OF A CONFLICT BETWEEN GENERATIONS, A DIALOG BY WHICH EXPERIENCE AND RESPONSIBILITY WILL BE TRANSFERRED; AND HOPE WITHOUT BARRIERS. ONE OF THE MOST SERIOUS PROBLEMS IS FOR OUR YOUTH TO FEEL THAT HIS HOPES IN HIS HOMELAND ARE LIMITED.
GRASPING AND COMPREHENDING ALL THAT I PRESENTED, THAT IT WILL BE POSSIBLE FOR US TO ERECT ON THIS LAND A MODERN STATE IN WHICH SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WILL NOT BE MERE SLOGANS, BUT IN WHICH SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WILL BECOME A METHOD FOR WORK AND AN ACTUAL ACCOMPLISHMENT OF THE OBJECTIVES OF A SOCIETY FACING GREAT RESPONSIBILITIES AND FULL OF GREATER ASPIRATIONS.

COMPATRIOTS MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: IN THE NAME OF GOD, LET US BEGIN OUR MARCH. LET US MAKE IT A TRIBUTE TO JAMAL 'ABD AN-NASIR, TO HIS PRINCIPLES AND OURS, TO OUR PEOPLE AND NATION, TO OUR ARABISM AND OUR HUMANITY, AND A TRIBUTE TO OUR DUTY TO GOD.

OUR LORD, MAKE NOT OUR HEARTS SERVE AFTER THOU HAST GUIDED US; AND GIVE US MERCY; THOU ART THE GIVER. (KORAN VERSE-ED) PEACE BE WITH YOU. (PROLONGED APPLAUSE)

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