President Mohamed Anwar Al-Sadat agreed to visit Jerusalem where he will perform the prayers of the Corban Bairam at Al Aqsa Mosque. The visit will begin on the evening of Saturday 9 Thilhegga 1397, November 19, 1977 in accordance with the message that he received from President Carter and to which was attached the Israeli government’s invitation to him.

On Sunday morning, 10 Thilhegga 1397, November 20, 1977, the President will perform the Corban Bairam prayers at Al Aqsa Mosque with the Palestinian people.

Following the liberation of the Sinai Peninsula in the Ramadan — October War, it had become the custom of the President to perform the Bairam prayers with its inhabitants and their dignitaries through the October War, then it is taking place amidst circumstances unrestricted and ungoverned by the spirit of defeat or the fear of misinterpretation, particularly since it aims at reaching an overall solution to the Arab cause.

The historic responsibility which the leaders of the Arab Nation should bear today, obliges them to work for the establishment of peace in the area, provided it is a just peace aiming at liberating the Arab territories occupied after the June 1967 defeat, and affirming the legitimate rights of the Palestinian Arabs.

President Sadat assumes his national responsibility, and will not let pass by any opportunity to reach this just peace.

May God grant the Arab Nation every success in all the objectives it aspires to.