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THE ORIGINAL MEDIA AND TITLE TO THIS RECORD HAVE BEEN RELEASED TO THE INTERNET ISGQ-2003-M0006248 This is a 21 minute video file, contains a recorded meeting among President Saddam Hussein, the Iraqi Cabinet, President Yasser Arafat and the Palestinian delegation. The meeting takes place in a meeting room/theater, (possibly in the Presidential Office in Iraq). President Saddam takes the chair of the chairman of the meeting; President Arafat is setting in the right of him. President Saddam is wearing civilian clothes (Gray Suit with a tie) addressing his speech to the Palestinian delegation, talking about the Iraqi preparation for war if U.S.A decides to attack Iraq, also he talks about the fighting experience that the Iraqi Army gained through the Iraqi Iranian War, assuring the Palestinian delegation, that the victory will be for Iraq if U.S.A invades Iraq. Threatening U.S.A, President Saddam promises the attendance and the Arab Audience to strike the U.S troops, interests, military installations and military bases everywhere to give the U.S command a lesson, vowing that he will use all kind of weapons he has, to drive the U.S army away from the gulf area. Also he vows to attack Israel and to give Tel-Aviv a lesson and show them the Iraq's ability, saying that the Iraqi Missiles and Aircrafts will strike in the depth of Israel, retaliating the Israeli brutality and inhumanity actions committed in daily bases against the armless Palestinian innocent people, and the Americans should reconsider their partiality and positions in supporting Israel, expecting that he will rally and gain the Arabs support in fighting the evil. President Saddam mentions that he did and still doing his best to avoid the war, but if the Americans insists to start a war, he is very ready to give them a lesson and drive them out of the area. During his speech, President Saddam concentrates more on the "American Blind Partiality and double standard policy in supporting the Israeli side", to continue killing the Palestinians women and children, and occupying their lands. Most of president's Saddam speech is about the American mutual relations and partial support to Israel, and the Iraqi preparations for plunging and going into war. (Translator Comment: The below mentioned quotations are the noteworthy statements being said by President Saddam Hussein during the meeting). 19 Apr 90. Intel value/ Saddam meeting with Yasser Arafat, Saddam mentioned that Iraq possess the chemical weapons and how he successfully used them. The meeting was also attended by the Iraqi cabinet and a palestinian delegation. Among the noteworthy statements Saddam said "If the US strikes Iraq, Iraq will strike back and drive the US out of the Middle East." "We will strike US ships with our aircraft where they are in the Middle East." "Iraq has chemical weapons and successfully used them against Iran so they will not hesitate to use them against Tel Aviv."

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This file is a Video Tape that contains the following:

The Full Translation:

Saddam Hussein: they said that they wanted to state that to Iraq before the American Congress Delegation meets me, but, as long as the American Congress Delegation met me and couldn't deliver these points to me, they want to deliver them now, one of these points is that your emplaced missiles are threaten our American bases. As you said, (Talking to Yasir Arafat), when you were in Beirut, and you said "it is time to die, and now I can smell the breeze of heavens", it is the same for us, as long as the small players are gone, and it is the time for America to play Directly, we are ready for it, we will fight America, and with God's well we will defeat it and kick it out of the whole region. Because, it is not about the fight itself, we know that America has Air Force more than us while we have few, America has rockets more than us, but I think that when the Arab people see real action of war is real not only a talk, they will do the same and fight America everywhere, so we have to get ready to fight America, we are ready to fight when they do, when they strike, we strike, we will strike any American troops in the Arab Gulf with our Air Force, and then we will state it saying that our Air Force has assaulted the American bases on that day. Therefore, when the battle is on, you do not say how much did you lose and do not make expectations, or even to make some expectations for the end of the battle. It is what happened for us during the war with Iran, we made a lot of expectations for that war and we wrote a lot of letters, even the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Comrade Tariq, no it wasn't Comrade Tariq, it was Doctor Sa'dun Hammadi, I didn't ask him to write a letter, I did it by myself saying "My brothers: what you are doing is war, please ask the old specialists in the Ministry of Justice, because you are new to the system, also ask the specialists in the Ministry of Interior sorry in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, maybe they will guide you and show you from legal point of view that what are you doing, striking cities, and occupying lands is a war . In other letter, ask the old specialists in the Ministry of Interior, Ask the old specialists Zayn Al-Qaws and Sayf Sa'd are Iraqi properties, you occupied Iraqi Lands and then you emplaced your cannons in it to hit the rest of Iraqi lands. We tried, but when the war occurred, we did not make expectations about how much we are going to lose, because it is something that must happen. So be ready for this level of battle, in your land (talking to Yasir Arafat) you don't have a state, you don't have oil or factory to be stroked, unlike us, we got out of 8 years of war, frankly, let me tell you something, if America strikes us, we will hit back. We said that before, you know us, we are not that talkative type of people that holds the microphone to say things only, we do what we say. Maybe we cannot reach Washington but we can send someone who has explosive belt to reach Washington. Our missiles do not reach America, but I swear if it does! I would strike it. We can't keep silent like this, while the Americans are hitting Arabs or Iraqis and say we can do nothing, yes we can, we can send a lot people to Washington just like the old days, for instance; the person with explosives' belt around him would throw himself on Bush's car. However, the American Bases, which are all over the world, in Turkey... etc, we can sweep them. We have to be ready for that level. Meaning, we shouldn't get fanned by talking only because we have to do what we say, it is a matter of decision and commitment, all the words that we said came through chain of meetings with the military officers, it didn't go like that, what the missiles can do, what the Air Force can do, we check our defenses and their requirements, we check our bases, what are the commands to be sent for these bases, when Baghdad is stroke by the Atomic bombs how we are going to react, we got all these expectations. It is not our

choice I swear, but it is a must, when the enemy comes and there is no heavy foot that would stop it, the Palestinian issue and Arab situation won't be a good, so it is not our timing, if it our choice we would chose the right time, but it is a matter of necessity, and we have to be obliged to the necessity which says that we have a strong attitude, conspiracy comes from flexibility, this is an assumption that would never happen because we never done it before, you make a decision, so make the right one ,(Yasir Arafat Says: As always), am sure that all Arabs wish me good thing , what do they want from us, we got out of the war on that day , meaning either you forget the matter of Arab Union and the hope to restore Palestine ,or you let us do something , we will move to war , yes to war, the hope's gate towards Palestine and the gate of development for any nation can't be closed by anyone , meaning, Palestine has been occupied for along time and they say we are the invaders!, they let the war on for eight years and blood shed all over and they call us invaders!! We know their conspiracies, those Americans and Israelis. Maybe we stop for 20 days, and then we hit back once upon time with rockets and Air Forces hitting Tel Aviv, we don't have to strike them daily; we will chose times so they will never now meaning of sleeping, we are a disaster, good and flexible people but once, if someone is stuck with us, we will not let him go unless he got on his knees, or crawl on the ground, we don't have something in the middle, we don't want to negotiate, we don't want any mediators, (looking at Yasir Arafat and Saying : Right Abu-'Ammar?, Yasir Arafat Replies saying: yes 100%). Today, one of my Arab brothers stood by my side and said that someone says hi to you, he is on your side. I told him tell him hi back to him and tells him that I know his attitude. We don't know the mediators; we don't know how to work with it, this war we had with the Iranians, we don't know how to mediate with them, (Yasir Arafat interrupts saying, despite of my efforts in the Islamic, Nonalignment and Eastern Countries), we don't know this way, you either have an enemy or friend, you can't have something in the middle , they are two , to be a brother and friend on Arab level, or a friend on the world wide level, or enemy on world level. Because we cannot hang these things, we used to be on that way and thanks God, we like it that way. So Sab'awi (talking to one of the Iraqi delegation members), get all of you old books , coordinate with the Intelligence System Director and our Palestinian brothers to check every single place that the Americans exist in, within the Middle East area, even if some American man came to Greek for trade, we have to know about him also . This is the battle; we have to be beasts in the battles, to remain beasts to the next, (Yasir Arafat Says: Yes ...Beast.).

(Sheikh 'Abd-al-Hamid Al-Sa'ih from the Palestinian delegation speaks to Saddam and says according to this, we have to get ready for the battle) Saddam says: and the battle develops, for me, I do my own expectations according to nation's quantities and requirements, let say how many cannons do we have, how many Air crafts we have, but the most important is, what we have seen in the war. (Translator Comments: The tape stops and Saddam resumes talking starting with information) Information for Israel, they would get in and strike us, so we have to be ready for that level of war. (Yasir Arafat Interrupts and says: almost like what they have done in Panama) Saddam says no, not like panama, (Yasir Arafat says I mean the way that they got in) I wish maybe USA needs to get a hard lesson. I wish they occupy Iraq; I want them to get in, so we sweep all of them. (Unidentified person talks to Saddam saying What about the Oil, they would think that we would burn it) Saddam says , I will give them guarantees that I am not going to burn the oil , let them in, let them get their army and to start from Al-Faw borders, I will demolish them all, (Unidentified person talks to Saddam saying: but they won't take a risk on that). Panama! Panama is nothing while

comparing to us, I swear Abu 'Ammar we are something different, they will roast them and eat them. (Unidentified person talks to Saddam saying his talk, which is more effective than works). Abu 'Ammar, it is about the timing, if we have the right timing and the situation of Arab countries and Palestinians are fine, we would see this talk applied on real, but as long as we are on this way, we will never make it and the enemy won't give us the chance for it, when the enemy saw a rocket, he said that Iraq owns missiles that would reach Tel Aviv, well Tel Aviv has missiles that reach all Arab countries, Iraq has Chemical weapon and successfully used it on Iranians, and Iraq won't think twice about Striking Israel with Chemical weapons, when you ask Israel, why would the Iraqis use the Chemical weapon against you? The answer is to restore Palestine for the Arabs, and do not assault Arabs and that is it! Therefore, you do not have to be afraid of the Iraqi Chemical weapon anymore. But Israel owns the Atomic Bomb, this is not a big deal, it is a right for it, (Yasir Arafat says: also the atomic, chemical and germ bomb, it has 240 nuclear warhead for Arab countries, 12 nuclear war head for every Arab country, these things won't threaten the Arab security) Saddam continues saying: I am saying these words and am completely calmed wearing my civilian suit, (Yasir Arafat says unclear words for joking), (another unidentified person says it is a matter of diplomacy). Saddam resumes saying: so, I am saying these words because we have to be ready for that level, maybe we say some words that could make people happy and make us happy too, and we don't know what these words mean, today also, I insured that thing in front of the parliament, I said we are Arabs, since we were kids, we learned that in the school by Abu-Khaldun (Sati' Al-Husari) who is not Iraqi, he taught us that we are Arabs, from Najd to Yemen and from Egypt to Tatwan (Arab Poem), so, it is not a political theory so they say we made that theory and violated the rules of the International Law, meaning that being Arabs is old thing, so the word Arabs means; that we have duties and rights, among these duties, is to defend Arabs, we can't change the fact of being Arabs after we learned it since we were kids! In addition, Arab nations exist since we were kids. We say, "We are Arabs, and we are one nation, and we don't defend Arabs! We can't make it make it that way, in order not to have dualism, especially, God gave us fortune and gave us the ability to do so, we say we are Arabs and we defend our Arab rights, (Saddam looking to one of the Palestinian delegation saying: Right Sheikh?) Saddam resumes talking: so what we can do. (Yasir Arafat interrupts him saying until victory.) Saddam resumes talking: do you call this assault? We did not forget Palestine and our Palestinian brothers, they call us the invaders while Israel occupied Palestine, rape the Palestinian women and kill the kids daily and they are not invaders! .we know this reason before, the diplomatic language, no one has talked about Palestine since long time ago and the Arab union as if it is shame to talk about it, it is like when someone is talking about the Arab union and Palestinian issue his head down because of being shame of talking about that thing, Israel did it because no one talked about it and if someone talks about it he is not Palestinian, he is invader, it is the same for us, have you ever seen someone who has been in war for 8 years and at last you call him invader? Even if he is invader from the start, is there any invader, who can keep in war for 8 years? So do you want to step on Arabs' dignity daily and everybody has to keep silent, so you did not call anyone invader? That's it, when we get mad, we get mad for while but we get real mad. (Yasir Arafat interrupts saying: Be aware of the silent when he gets mad.) Saddam resumes talking: put God in front of your eyes always, (Yasir Arafat says together until victory.), Saddam resumes talking: with God's power, I can see the victory in front of my eyes.

(Sheikh 'Abd-al-Hamid, One of the Palestinian delegations says: God has his own people, if they want something, He will achieve it for them, so when they have determination and well to do so he will achieve it for them) Saddam resumes talking to one of the delegation member saying: Right 'Abdallah? Before, when we were in Cairo, and we sentenced to death, why did we call 'Abdallah Al-Hurani to come for us from Gaza, as long as the Palestinian issue is new one? What for? Now they call us the presidents, we are not presidents we are fighters. (One of the Palestinian delegation members says: you know something Mr. President, your high spirit is not a new thing for you since I met you in Cairo, and it is the same for the Iraqi people.