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In the Name of God

Declaration on the Establishment of the Authority of the People

The Libyan Arab people assembled in the General Conference of the People's Congresses, the People's Committees, and the Professional Unions, Federations and Associations, "The General People's Conference", on the basis of the First Declaration of the Revolution and the historical speech of Zuwara, and upon guidance of the Green Book; Having reviewed the recommendations of the People's Congresses, the Constitutional Declaration of 2 Shawwal 1389 AH, or 11 December 1969, and the resolutions and recommendations of the General People's Congress, which met during the period of 4 to 17 Muharram 1396 AH, or 5 to 18 January 1976, and met for the second time during the period of 21 Dhu al-Qa'da to 2 Dhu al-Hijja 1396 AH, or 13 to 24 November 1976;

Believing in the establishment of the direct democratic system heralded by the Great September Revolution led by the revolutionary thinker and learned leader, Col Mu'ammarr al-Qadhafi, who headed the Free Officers Movement, to fulfil the forefathers' struggle to establish a direct democratic system, in which he believes lies the decisive and final solution to the problem of democracy.

Embodying the people's power over the land of the Great September Revolution; Endorse that authority is in the hands of the people alone; Declare their adherence to freedom and willingness to defend it on the Libyan land and on any other land in the world, to protect the persecuted freedom-seekers; Declare their adherence to socialism as a means of achieving people's ownership; Declare their commitment to realising comprehensive Arab unity; Declare their commitment to the spiritual values to safeguard morals and human behaviour; Support the march of the creeping Revolution under the leadership of the revolutionary thinker and learned leader, Col Mu'ammarr al-Qadhafi, towards complete popular authority and consolidation of the People's Society where only the people control leadership, authority, wealth and arms to realise the society of freedom and blocking the way in face of all forms of traditional instruments of government, be their individual, family, tribe, sect, class, representative, party, or group of parties; Declare their readiness to crush forever any undemocratic attempt.

The Libyan people, having regained, through the Revolution, total control over their affairs, and controlling their present and future potentialities with the help of God and adherence to His Holy Book as the everlasting source for guidance and as the ordinance of society; Issue this declaration proclaiming the establishment of the people's authority and announcing to the peoples of the earth the emergence of the era of the masses:

Firstly: The official name of Libya will be "The Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya".

Secondly: The Holy Quran is the Constitution of the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

- Thirdly:** The people's direct democracy is the basis of the political system in the Socialist's People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, where the authority is in the hands of the People alone. The people exercise their authority through the People's Congresses, the People's Committees, the Professional Unions, Federations and Associations, and the General People's Conference. The regulations of the congresses, committees, and professional unions as well as the dates of their meetings are defined by law.
- Fourthly:** Defending the country is the responsibility of every citizen. Through general military training, the people shall be trained and armed. Law regulates the method for preparing military cadres and the general military training.

General People's Conference

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