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(State-owned Libyan TV, Tripoli, in Arabic 2000 GMT 20 Apr 10)

- In a speech delivered at an Association of Arab Universities conference at Sirte University, Al-Qadhafi insisted on the importance of knowledge for Arab development. He explained that universities need to be free and receive funds that are otherwise wasted on military and « trivial and superficial » media. He said : « Unfortunately, we have not invented anything and this is very embarrassing. A nation with this capability, this history, these challenges, have not exerted an effort in inventing anything or developing anything that is of significance or value. This requires meetings and a study by the Association of Arab Universities to address this calamity ».

(State-owned Libyan TV, Tripoli, in Arabic 1230 GMT 23 Apr 10)

- A peace agreement was signed in Tripoli by a Chadian government representative and the leader of the Movement for Democracy and Justice in Chad.

(State-owned Libyan TV, Tripoli, in Arabic 0001 GMT 27 Apr 10)

- In a speech to a delegation of Israeli Arabs, Al-Qadhafi took stance against the creation of a Palestinian state. He said : « there is no state or two states or three states without the return of four million Palestinians" also referring to "the scheme of sectarian cleansing that the Israelis are working to implement through their theory of a pure Hebrew state". He urged the dismantling of Israeli weapons of mass destruction, saying if the Israeli « insist on possessing the atomic weapon, Arabs will then have the right to possess the atomic weapon."

(State-owned Libyan TV, Tripoli, in Arabic 1230 GMT 29 Apr 10)

- The Libyan leader received the Chief of Staff of the Armed Forces of Niger, Salou Souleymane, and the men discussed bilateral ties between the two countries.

(Jana website, state-owned news agency, Tripoli, in Arabic 1500 GMT 3 May 10)

- In a meeting with a Syrian delegation, Libyan leader Al-Qadhafi states that countries in confrontation with Israel had « the right to possess nuclear weapons ». He warned Arab countries that they had to be careful about the Israeli arsenal. He also noted that peace with Israel would not change the situation.

(State-owned Libyan TV, Tripoli, in Arabic 1930 GMT 8 May 10)

- Al-Qadhafi was granted an honorary PhD degree in information technology by the University of information technology and telecommunications in Belarus in appreciation of his efforts promoting education and science. The University dean said : "We are convinced of the Green Book ideas, because after we studied it, we found in it the best solution to the problems it discusses".

(State-owned Libyan TV, Tripoli, in Arabic 1727 GMT 10 May 10)

- Al-Qadhafi met with Arab League chief Amr Musa to discuss ways to implement the arab league summit resolutions.