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### **Algeria**

#### **Algiers**

**May 5** • Words pronounced upon arriving at the “Houari Boumediene” airport.

#### **May 6**

- Fidel laid a wreath on the monument honoring the martyrs of the Algerian Revolution.
- Visit to the Central Museum of the Army in Algeria.
- Official talks with Abdelaziz Bouteflika, President of Algeria, at the Presidential Palace.
- Conversation with Bachir Boumaza, Presidente of the Council of the Nation at the Presidential Palace.
- Conversation with Ali Benflis, Prime Minister of Algeria, at the Presidential Palace.
- Speech delivered upon awarding Abdelaziz Bouteflika, President of Algeria, and the “Jose Marti” Order, at the Presidential Palace.
- Speech delivered during the official dinner hosted by President Abdelaziz Bouteflika at the Presidential Palace.

#### **May 7**

- Meeting with the press during the farewell at the “Houari Boumediene” airport.

### **Iran**

#### **Teheran**

- Arrival at Mehavab international airport.
- Meeting with Hojjatoleslam Seyed Mohamad Khatami, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran, at the protocol lounge of the airport.

#### **May 8**

- Words to the press, at the Palace of the Islamic Republic.
- Official conversations with Hojjatoleslam Seyed Mohamad Khatami, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran.
- Visit to the Mausoleum of Iman Khomeini. Fidel laid a wreath on his tomb.
- Meeting with the staff of the Biotechnology Center.
- Meeting with Seyed Kamal Kharrazi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Iran, at the protocol residence.
- Fidel attended the official welcome dinner hosted in his honor.

#### **May 9**

- Meeting with Hojjatoleslam Medi Karroubi, President of the Islamic Consultative Assembly (Parliament).
- Meeting with the Supreme Leader Ayatollah Seyed Ali Khamenei.
- Speech delivered at the Tarbiat Modarres University.
- Lecture given at Teheran’s Islamic University.

### **Malaysia**

#### **Kuala Lumpur**

### **May 10**

- Arrival at Kuala Lumpur International Airport.
- Statement made upon his arrival at the city of Kuala Lumpur.

### **May 11**

- Fidel attended the official welcome ceremony, at the Parliament's esplanade.
- Words to the press, at the Renaissance Hotel.
- Meeting with Mahathir bin Mohamad, Prime Minister of Malaysia, at the Renaissance Hotel.
- Private talks with Mahathir bin Mohamad, Prime Minister of Malaysia, at his office in Putrajaya.
- Official talks with Mahathir bin Mohamad, Prime Minister of Malaysia, at his office in Putrajaya.
- Press conference on globalization and the international situation, at the Renaissance Hotel.
- Fidel attended the official welcome dinner hosted in his honor. He is awarded the Supreme Order of the National Crown by Sultan Salahuddin Abdul Aziz at the King's Palace.

## **Qatar**

### **Doha**

### **May 13**

- Arrival at Doha's international airport.
- Fidel attended the official dinner hosted by His Highness Sheik Hamad bin Caliph Al-Thani, the Emir of the State of Qatar, at the Palace of Wajbah.

### **May 14**

- Official talks with Hamad bin Caliph Al-Thani, the Emir of the State of Qatar, at the Amiri Diwan Government Palace.
- Speech delivered at the Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development.
- Visit to the liquefied natural gas processing plant in the industrial zone of Rass Laffan.
- Meeting with the Qatari press at the Intercontinental Hotel.
- Interview granted to the TV network Al Jazeera from Qatar.
- Fidel attended an official dinner.

## **Syria**

### **Damascus**

### **May 15**

- Arrival at Syria's international airport.
- Welcome ceremony, at the People's Palace.
- Official talks with Bachar Al-Assad, President of the Syrian Arab Republic, at the People's Palace.

### **May 16**

- Words addressed to the Syrian soldiers at the Ursallah Square, a mountainous region in Qsua, where the Cuban internationalist tank brigade was deployed.
- Meeting with the press.

## **Libya**

### **Tripoli**

- Arrival at the military airport of Al Matika.
- Official welcome, at the Presidential House.
- Visit to the former residence of President Muammar Al-Gadhafi, which was bombed in 1986 by US airplanes.
- Official talks with President Muammar Al-Gadhafi.
- Exchange with President Muammar Al-Gadhafi and brief meeting with the local press at the office of the Libyan leader.

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### Portugal Lisbon

#### May 17

- Arrival at Portugal's airport.
- Conversation with Antonio Guterres, Prime Minister of Portugal.
- Meeting with Jorge Sampaio, President of Portugal, during an official dinner at the Belem Palace.
- Exchange with the Cuban staff during his visit to the Cuban embassy in Portugal.
- Meeting with the press.

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