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**Letter dated 3 May 2005 from the Permanent Representative
of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations addressed to
the Secretary-General**

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to request that the item entitled "Letter dated 3 December 1971 from the Permanent Representatives of Algeria, Iraq, the Libyan Arab Republic and the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council" (S/10409), relating to the question of the occupation by the Islamic Republic of Iran of three islands belonging to the United Arab Emirates, namely the Greater Tunb, the Lesser Tunb and Abu Musa, should be maintained on the list of items proposed for the agenda of the Security Council for 2005, until such time as a settlement of the dispute is arrived at by direct peaceful means and negotiation or through recourse to the International Court of Justice, in such a way as to ensure a just, comprehensive and lasting resolution of the question and the achievement of regional and international peace, security and stability.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abdulaziz bin Nasser **Al-Shamsi**
Ambassador
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