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I thank you for your letter of 30th July and for your kind thoughts and wishes for Shaikh Khalifa bin Salman Al-Khalifa. I am glad to say that his operation was a complete success and that Shaikh Khalifa is now convalescing and will be returning to office shortly.

I would also like to thank you for visiting Bahrain during your recent tour and it pleases me greatly that you enjoyed your brief stay with us. I was very much looking forward to welcoming you personally and meeting with you again, and I appreciate your understanding that I was, at that time, unable to do so.

Shaikh Hamad and my Ministers briefed me fully on the matters discussed, and may I say that the Royal Navy is always welcome in Bahrain, and particularly for their present efforts for peace in the waters of the Gulf. The recent developments in this area are indeed encouraging and I hope that the current initiative leads to a full and lasting peace. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you personally for your role and endeavours in achieving the acceptance of United Nations Resolution 598 and for your continuing support for peace in the region.

It makes me very happy that the close relationship between our countries continues to develop, and I know that our cooperation in several fields will strengthen the association.

- 2 -I wish you continued success in your distinguished role in both the United Kingdom and within the international community. With best wishes Em Bist Amir of the State of Bahrain

Isa bin Salman Al-Khalifa

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