

NATIONAL SPIRITUAL ASSEMBLY  
OF THE BAHÁ'ÍS OF THE UNITED STATES

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To all Local Spiritual Assemblies and  
registered Bahá'í groups

Dearest Bahá'í Friends,

The National Spiritual Assembly has just received word that the Voice of America (VOA) Persian Service will—this coming Saturday, April 30, at 11:30 A.M. EDST (8:00 P.M. in Tehran)—be airing in Persian an abbreviated version of the documentary film *Luminous Journey: 'Abdu'l-Bahá in America, 1912*, transmitted via Ekran.

This original film, created by Anne and Tim Perry of Perry Productions, brings to light a facet of American history little known to the average citizen: 'Abdu'l-Bahá's 239-day sojourn in the United States and Canada in 1912, the transforming effects of which are still being felt more than a century later.

The abbreviated version of the film being broadcast to Iran by VOA was prepared by an Iranian filmmaker, Mr. Karim Bakhtiary, eager to introduce 'Abdu'l-Bahá to an Iranian audience that has never been given an opportunity to know Him nor to recognize Him as a significant Iranian Whose ideas, character, writings, and talks have profoundly influenced both notables and ordinary people alike.

Please make the broadcast information above available to the Iranian friends in your community at your earliest opportunity, asking them to share it with their families and acquaintances so that this inspiring story will be seen as widely as possible in Iran and in Iranian circles abroad.

With loving Bahá'í greetings,



Kenneth E. Bowers  
Secretary