NATIONAL SPIRITUAL ASSEMBLY of the Bahá'ís of the United States

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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To the American Bahá'í community

Dear Bahá'í Friends,

The National Spiritual Assembly will not be providing a letter addressed to your gatherings for the upcoming Feast of <u>Sh</u>araf.

In lieu of its letter, the Assembly asks that you use the time normally allotted to its reading and discussion for another activity you consider appropriate. As we will, in a few brief months, conclude the first year of the current Five Year Plan, a discussion of your efforts thus far to ensure the ultimate fulfillment of its goals would certainly be a wise and fitting use of the time.

With loving Bahá'í greetings,

Office of the Secretary