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

Dearly loved Friends,

A recent email and press release from Radiant Century Productions promoting the film, *The Miller Prediction*, has prompted questions from the friends as to whether it is endorsed by the National Spiritual Assembly. In addition, we have been asked whether the Assembly is urging that it be screened locally as an activity in support of the Five Year Plan. The Radiant Century announcement further indicates that the script was "approved by the review committee at the National Bahá'í Center."

The purpose of institutional review is to ensure basic accuracy and dignity in the presentation of the Faith and its teachings. The policy was initiated by 'Abdu'l-Bahá, continued under Shoghi Effendi, and is still in effect in accordance with the wishes of the Universal House of Justice. Approval following review of any creative work—whether a book, script, or other artistic presentation—does not imply endorsement by the National Spiritual Assembly, nor is it a recommendation that the friends should purchase or use it. This is the case with *The Miller Prediction*. Although the script was approved, the choice whether to screen the film is left to the community based on their own sense of its merits. Should the Assembly ever choose to recommend any specific artistic production, be assured it will communicate with you directly.

We hope that this clarification is helpful.

With loving Bahá'í greetings,

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Secretary