

U.S. Delegation
For
Friendship
Among Women

Visit to Libya

January 5, 2005
to
January 16, 2005



U.S. DELEGATION FOR FRIENDSHIP AMONG WOMEN

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MISSION STATEMENT

The Delegation for Friendship Among Women is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the economic and social empowerment of women around the world. We do this by linking women leaders, primarily in developing countries, to resources and experiences relevant to their issues and needs. We accomplish our mission primarily by engaging in study trips to diverse regions of the world; once back in the United States, our efforts to link women and resources continue. The purpose of each trip is unique, focusing on the concerns of women specific to that country and region.

BACKGROUND

Founded in Minnesota in 1970, the Delegation is distinguished by the diversity of its members who represent every region of the United States and whose backgrounds include business, academia, volunteerism, the professions, science, and the arts. The Delegation is an autonomous, self-funded group that receives briefings and information from the United States Department of State.

Delegates participate in international women's conferences and have met with women leaders in Abu Dhabi, Albania, American Samoa, Argentina, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brazil, Bulgaria, Cambodia, Chile, Cuba, Egypt, Guatemala, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Myanmar, Nepal, New Zealand, Oman, People's Republic of China, Peru, Poland, Romania, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Syria, Taiwan, Thailand, Tonga, USSR, Vietnam, Western Samoa, and Yemen.

The Delegation is committed to cultural appreciation, friendship, and peaceful coexistence among the many peoples of the world. All involved in the experience are enriched by developing a shared understanding and appreciation of both our differences and our similarities as cultures and as individuals.

The information and experiences of the delegates are formally communicated to professional and civic organizations in the United States, as well as privately to colleagues and friends.

THE ITINERARY

Wednesday, January 5

Departure from Chicago and several points in the US, connecting in Frankfurt with non-stop flight to Tripoli. Meals in flight.

Thursday, January 6

Tripoli

Arrival in Tripoli. Corinthia Hotel for dinner and overnight.

Friday, January 7

Tripoli and Leptis Magna

Visit to Leptis Magna includes the Palestra, a site for sports and games; the Nymphaeum and the Street of Colonnades; the Severus Forum and the adjoining Basilica; the harbor; the Amphitheater; and the Villa Silin. Return to Tripoli for United States Embassy briefing. Delegation meeting

Saturday, January 8

Tripoli

Meetings with women's organizations.

Sunday, January 9

Tripoli

Meetings with women's organizations.

Monday, January 10

Tripoli

Meetings with women's organizations.

Tuesday, January 11

Tripoli

Meetings with women's organizations.

Wednesday, January 12

Benghazi, Sousa, Ras al Hillal

Flight to Benghazi, continuing on to Sousa, Apollonia and Ras al Hillal, crossing the Green Mountains; back to Sousa for dinner and overnight at the Al Manara hotel.

Thursday, January 13

Albayda, Cyrene, Sousa

Tour towns in the Jebel Akhdar (the Green Mountains). Return to Sousa for dinner and overnight.

Friday, January 14

Qasr Libya, Ptolemais, Benghazi, Tripoli

Drive to Qasr, continuing on to Ptolemais. Depart by motor coach to Benghazi for short flight to Tripoli. Dinner and overnight at the Corinthia Hotel.

Saturday, January 15

Tripoli and Cairo

Morning flight to Cairo with transfer to the Conrad Hotel. Balance of day at leisure with a dinner cruise and overnight. Breakfast and dinner.

Sunday, January 16

Transfer to Cairo International Airport for departure flight home. Meals in flight.

Delegates will receive a detailed itinerary upon arrival in Libya. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are included unless indicated.

HOTELS

NOTES

January 6 to 12 and January 14 to 15

Corinthia Bab Africa Hotel

Souk Al Thulatha

Al Gadim - Tripoli - Libya

Tel: (218) 21 335-1990

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e-mail: tripoli@corinthia.com

January 12 to 14

Al Manara Hotel by the Sea

POB 999 Albayda

Sousa - Libya

Tel: (218) 8 516-3030

Fax: (218) 8 516-3035

e-mail: info@manarahotel.com

January 15 to 16

Cairo Conrad Hotel

1191 Corniche El Nile

Cairo 11221 - Egypt

Tel: (202) 580-8000

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