RELEASE IN FULL

From:

Abedin, Huma < AbedinH@state.gov>

Sent:

Wednesday, March 2, 2011 8:51 AM

To:

ш

Subject:

Fw: UK PM announces Libya airlift operation (AP)

From: OpsNewsTicker@state.gov < OpsNewsTicker@state.gov >

To: NEWS-Mahogany; NEWS-NEA Cc: SES-O_Shift-II; SES-O_OS Sent: Wed Mar 02 07:46:35 2011

Subject: UK PM announces Libya airlift operation (AP)

LONDON - (AP) Britain's Prime Minister David Cameron says the UK has launched an operation to airlift Egyptian refugees stranded on the Libyan-Tunisian border.

Cameron says the flights will take Egyptians stranded by the crisis in Libya back to their own country. He says the first flight is scheduled to leave the UK later Wednesday.

He says it vital to do this, and that "these people shouldn't be kept in transit camps."

NewsTickers alert senior Department officials to breaking news. This item appears as it did in its original publication and does not contain analysis or commentary by Department sources.