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POLICE (INT)GUJARAT STATE,
GANDHINAGAR.

DATE : 12/9/2002

To,
Additional Chief Secretary,
Home Department (Special),
Gandhinagar.

Subject: Re.Gujarat Gaurav Yatra of BJP.

With reference to above subject it is submitted that in connection with forthcoming elections to Assembly in the state, with a view to enhance the awareness of the public/voters, and to inform them about the achievements of the BJP during its four and half year rule, a Gaurav Yatra was announced to be taken out from 4/7/2002 by the Gujarat Pradesh Bharatiya Janata Party to be started from Ambaji, Dist. Banaskantha and the route of the procession was announced. Meanwhile, on the protest of the Opposition Congress Party and the National Human Rights Commission the said Yatra was postponed.

2. The procession (Gaurav Yatra) by the BJP was scheduled to start on 3/9/2002 from Fagvel (Bhathiji Mandir) of Kheda district and thereafter take the route from Fagvel to Kapadvanj, Bayad, Dehgam, Talod, through Prantij, Himmatnagar

(night halt) and on 4/9/2002 from Himmatnagar to Vijapur, Mansa, Kadi, Kalol, Detroj, Bahuchraji, through Modhera to Chanasma.

3. As this Yatra was arranged to be started from Kapadvanj, which is the Parliamentary Constituency of Gujarat Pradesh Congress President and MLA of this area Shri Shankarsinh Vaghela, it was opposed by Bhathiji Sena (a pro-Shankarsinh outfit) and a programme of Dhwaja Aarohan (flag hoisting) and a public meeting were arranged by the supporters of Shri Vaghela. This was an attempt to disturb the Gaurav Yatra. Following the parallel program organized by the Congress, the Chief Minister, in a clever move, shifted the start of the said Yatra to 7/9/2002 and Congress was given consent to hold public meeting as per its schedule . As 7/9/2002 was Amasvasya the said BJP Yatra was decided to be started on 8/9/2002 from aforesaid Bhathiji Mandir.
4. On 8/9/2002, apart from the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Shri Rajendrasinh Rana (President Gujarat Pradesh BJP), Keshubhai Patel (ex-chief minister), Rajnathsinh (national vice-president, BJP and ex-chief minister, UP), Ramdas Agrawal (Gujarat BJP Prabhari), etc. with BJP MLAs, Ministers, Ex-MLAs and workers in huge number (about 1500 to 2000) came in vehicles from the State to Fagvel Bhathiji Mandir.

5. At Fagvel Bhathiji Mandir, a program of Dhawaja Aarohan over and above religious proceedings was done at the hands of Hon'ble Chief Minister. Thereafter, at Panaji's Muvada a public meeting (about 1 lac to 1.5 lacs persons) was addressed by Hon'ble Chief Minister and leaders of BJP also addressed the meeting. In the said meeting the works of public utility and other programs launched in 4 and a half years of BJP rule were spoken about. In connection with the opposition to the BJP Yatra, made by the opposition party, the Congress and the National Congress President and the attitude strongly criticized.
6. After this meeting at 14:45 hours the Yatra was seen off by by Shri Rajnathsinh and Shri Keshubhai Patel. Later, the Yatra pursued its scheduled route and at Kapadvanj (Azad Chowk), a public meeting (15,000) was addressed. Thereafter, public meeting at Bayad of Dist. Sabarkantha (12,000), (20:34 hrs), at Dehgam of Dist. Gandhinagar (12,000), (22:45 hrs), at Talod (Sabarkantha) (10,000), at Prantij (8,000) were addressed. On dated 9/9/2002 (1:30 hrs) a public meeting at Himmatnagar (15,000) was addressed by Hon'ble Chief Minister, Rajendrasinh Rana, etc. in which the good work by the BJP Government was projected and the negative attitude of Congress was criticized in strong words. It is important to note that

here a crowd waited up to the late night to listen to the Hon'ble Chief Minister.

7. At Himmatnagar during the meeting, under the title of "who is for us?" edition under the head of "Gujarat Gaurav Samiti", pamphlets were distributed, which was submitted to home department earlier.
8. On 9/9/2002 at Nagarpalika Hall, Himmatnagar Hon'ble Chief Minister addressed a Patrakar Parishad. Thereafter, (9:45 hrs) departure was made, which was welcomed at Mehta Bhuvan, Himmatnagar (1500).
9. At Vijapur Highway (Opp.Bharat Petroleum) of Mehsana District through local workers of BJP, a program (3000) of weighing Hon'ble Chief Minister in silver (100 kgs) was arranged. Thereafter, the said Yatra via Village Veda (Tal. Mansa), a public meeting (10,000) (12:00 hrs) was arranged at Mansa, in which Shri Narendara Modi, Rajendrasinh Rana, Nitinbhai Patel, Mangalbhai Patel, etc. addressed the meeting. Meetings at Detroj Chokdi (12:40 hrs) (10,000), at Roja, GEB (1000), at Nadirpur (5000), at Dhamasang (2000), at Sertha's Para (250), at Kalyanpur Shaak Market, Kalol (10,000) were held. In the said meetings Shri Nitinbhai Patel, Vadibhai Patel, etc. remained present. When the Yatra was proceeding at Kalol Town, Matka Kua Three roads, at that time it was opposed by the Muslims, who were present there and declared

dislikeness. Thereafter, at Chhatral (2500), at Kadi (5000), public crowd were present. Here due to an incident of Kiritbhai Patel, Councilor of BJP being killed by firing, the meeting was postponed. The Hon'ble Chief Minister, Shri Rajendrasinh Rana, Nitinbhai Patel, other leaders, etc. went to the residence of deceased and consoled the family members.

10. On arrival at Detroj of Dist. Ahmedabad meetings (7000), at Vithlapur (7000), at Sitapur (2000) were held. Thereafter, on arrival at Bahuchraji of Dist. Mehsana (19:15hrs), a public meeting (5000) was addressed by Hon'ble Chief Minister, in which Hon'ble Chief Minister informed that the BJP Government had brought water to the Sabarmati river in Shravan Month, even then it was opposed. If water may not be brought in Shravan Month then should it be brought the Month of Ramzan ?"

Many persons continue to live in Relief Camps but by continuing Relief Camp, are we to start the factories for manufacturing of babies? Thereafter he stated that " We wish to bring such a law in which strict family planning be observed by the people all the religions/class. Moreover he stated that "for us" the motto is "we are two, we have two" but "for 'them'", the motto is "we are five and ours are twenty five".

11. Thereafter, on arrival of the said yatra at Modhera (2000) a meeting was held. Next, on the arrival of the yatra (12.35 hours) at Patan of District Chanasma, a public meeting (12000) was held. In the said public meeting Hon'ble Chief Minister politically attacked the Congress National President and Gujarat Congress. He stated that, "BJP is arranging Gaurav (Proud) Yatra, for the the type of gaurav (pride) that the Congress cannot appreciate as they are wearing Italian brand of spectacles." The death of Congress is certain. In the country, it is the BJP which is th only Government which has made policies insurances for the youth and students. We do not discriminate in these policies. There are children belonging to Hindu/Muslims as students. The Congress is making a public posture to the effect that the BJP is prejudiced towards Muslim. We were advancing the elections as if the election was held earlier, the death of congress was fixed. So that in Bhadarva month their Shradh can be performed. Now for Shradh, the congress will have to wait for one year. Moreover he stated that "what wrong has the BJP committed if it has brought the water of Narmada to Sabarmati ? Congress is stating that the Chief Minister wants to play the Hindu card by bringing the water of Narmada in the Shravan Month. If the Congress has any pain in stomach because of this, they may bring water in

Saraswati river in Ramzan month, for which we have no objection.”

12. Moreover, he stated that, Congress has completed its Yatra at Fagvel. Therefore the yatra of Congress is completed. The BJP has started yatra from Fagvel therefore, the yatra of Congress is already completed. Etc. thus by making such arrogant political attack on Congress, the BJP has challenged the public vote the BJP into power in the coming elections to the legislative assembly. Simultaneously, the Government has also projected the works done by it before the public.
13. Over all, during the Gaurav Yatra arranged by BJP on 8/9/2002 was welcomed by the public in the State. Moreover, to hear the Hon'ble Chief Minister, the public was waiting for long hours. Thus, the Yatra evoked a warm welcome from the public and now the chances that the feelings of people can divert to BJP. But due to the style of language used by the Hon'ble Chief Minister during his speech at the meeting at Behucharaji of Mehsana District and at Chanasma of Patan District, he has wounded the feeling of minority community and due to which the prevailing fragile communal situation in the state will be affected.
14. It is important to note that in future from dt.14/9/2002 a Yatra will be started from Zanzarka

village of district Ahmedabad and will roam through Saurashtra, thereafter from dt.21/9/2002 to 23/9/2002 at South Gujarat and from dt. 28/9/2002 to 30/9/2002 at North Gujarat.

15. It is important to note that around Navsari, it is arranged when the Yatra enters in Navsari city, it will be opposed by Congress and against BJP Yatra, parallel yatra be started. During that time, Congress workers will wear white clothes and take the parallel yatra to crematory. And as after the Godhra Kand, the feelings of the minority community have been hurt, and as it has been advertised by Congress that injustice has been done by the Chief Minister, during the yatra, the possibility cannot be denied that a smallest incident may convert into a big one. Therefore, with a view to see that no untoward incident took place during the Yatra, necessary precautions are required to be taken properly.

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