

**Message from Mr. Tony Blair to
His majesty King Mohammed VI**

I am delighted to have this opportunity to pay tribute to His Majesty King Mohammed VI of Morocco on the occasion of the establishment of the first Fellowship for Moroccan and Mediterranean Studies at St Antony's College, Oxford.

The aims of the fellowship, the furthering of British understanding of Morocco and the Mediterranean region as a whole, are welcomed and supported by the Government and are, I believe, an important step in strengthening even further our already excellent historic and mutually beneficial relations.

I am delighted that Britain, and in particular the University of Oxford, has been chosen for this academic facility which I know you expect to become one of the key European centres for the study of Morocco and the region.

I have no doubt that this initiative of the Moroccan British Society will prove a most worthy and effective bridge fostering dialogue and understanding between, the United Kingdom, the Kingdom of Morocco and the region as a whole.

Tony Blair,
Prime Minister of the Government of Britain.