

## STATEMENT BY THE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UN SECRETARY-GENERAL FOR AFGHANISTAN, JAN KUBIS, ON THE OCCASION OF THE HOLY MONTH OF RAMADAN

**KABUL, 19 July 2012** - The United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA) congratulates the people and Government of Afghanistan on the arrival of the holy month of Ramadan.

The hallmarks of Ramadan are contemplation, worship and compassion.

Let us all work during this holy month for the peace and the welfare of all Afghans who have suffered for over three long decades of conflict.

We call upon all parties to respect the sanctity of this month and allow Afghan families to worship and celebrate in peace.

The United Nations family in Afghanistan wishes you all peace and happiness during the holy month of Ramadan.

United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA), Kabul, Afghanistan All media contact details are online at: http://unama.unmissions.org