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DOHA, Qatar - (AP) Libya's interim leader is in Qatar for the first international planning conference on his country since the death of Moammar Gadhafi.

The official Qatar News Agency says Mustafa Abdul-Jalil arrived in Doha for Wednesday's gathering, which is expected to include representatives from Gulf states, Western powers and NATO.

Qatar was a leading Arab backer of the uprising to topple Gadhafi. Qatar contributed warplanes to the NATO-led air campaign to weaken Gadhafi's forces, and helped arrange a critical oil sale to fund the former rebels.

Gadhafi was killed last week after Libyan forces overran the last pockets of government control in the former dictator's hometown, Sirte. Gadhafi was buried Tuesday in a secret desert location.

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