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TAGS: SOPN, LE, IS
SUBJECT: MEDIA COVERAGE: HABIB AND BECHTEL, NEW YORK TIMES
COVERAGE

1. FOLLOWING ARTICLE IS REPORTED IN NEW YORK TIMES JULY 26:
2. BEGIN TEXT. PRESIDENT REAGAN'S SPECIAL MIDDLE EAST ENVOY, PHILIP C. HABIB, IS ALSO SERVING AS A PRIVATE CONSULTANT ON ASIA TO THE BECHTEL GROUP INC., COMPANY OFFICIALS SAID TODAY.

MR. HABIB, WHO RETIRED FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT IN 1978 AND NOW EARNS ONLY DAILY EXPENSE PAY IN HIS EFFORTS TO RESOLVE THE LEBANESE CRISIS, HAS WORKED AS A CONSULTANT ON THE PACIFIC REGION FOR ABOUT A YEAR, BECHTEL OFFICIALS SAID.

RICK LAUBSCHER, COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER FOR BECHTEL, SAID IN A TELEPHONE INTERVIEW THAT MR. HABIB WAS HIRED "SOMETIME LAST YEAR" BY GEORGE P. SHULTZ, WHO WAS THEN PRESIDENT OF BECHTEL, A HIGH CONSTRUCTION AND ENGINEERING COMPANY WITH MAJOR BUSINESS INTERESTS IN SAUDI ARABIA AND OTHER ARAB NATIONS. MR. SHULTZ LEFT HIS POST EARLIER THIS MONTH WHEN HE WAS APPOINTED SECRETARY OF STATE.

MR. LAUBSCHER SAID MR. HABIB WAS SPECIFICALLY HIRED TO WORK ON THE PACIFIC REGION - AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, SOUTHEAST ASIA AND THE PACIFIC ISLANDS.

"A LITTLE CHECKING"

AT THE WHITE HOUSE, ANSON FRANKLIN, A PRESS AIDE, SAID THE

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ADMINISTRATION WAS "DOING A LITTLE CHECKING AROUND" ON A REPORT IN THE SUNDAY ISSUE OF THE WASHINGTON POST THAT MR. HABIB IS ALSO WORKING AS A BECHTEL CONSULTANT.

QUOTE IT WOULD BE INACCURATE TO CALL IT AN INVESTIGATION, UNQUOTE MR. FRANKLIN SAID. QUOTE WE'RE CONFIDENT THAT AMBASSADOR HABIB IS WORKING SOLELY FOR THE PRESIDENT AND THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT IN THE MIDDLE EAST. ANY IMPLICATION OF ANY CONFLICT IS ABSURD. UNQUOTE

THE STATE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN, DEAN FISCHER, SAID MR. HABIB'S RETENTION BY BECHTEL DID NOT COMPROMISE UNITED STATES DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST. QUOTE IT DOESN'T STRIKE ME AS A PROBLEM ANY MORE FOR HABIB THAN IT WOULD BE FOR WEINBERGER AND SHULTZ, UNQUOTE, MR. FISCHER SAID. DEFENSE SECRETARY CASPAR W. WEINBERGER IS ALSO A FORMER EXECUTIVE OF THE COMPANY.

MEANWHILE, SENATOR LARRY PRESSLER, REPUBLICAN OF SOUTH DAKOTA, A MEMBER OF THE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, CALLED FOR MR. HABIB'S RESIGNATION AS SPECIAL MIDDLE EAST ENVOY AND SHAPER OF POLICY IN THE LEBANON CRISIS. MR. PRESSLER SAID THAT SINCE BECHTEL QUOTE ACTIVELY LOBBIES FOR PRO-ARAB CAUSES, UNQUOTE MR. HABIB QUOTE CANNOT BE EFFECTIVE NOW THAT IT HAS BEEN REVEALED THAT HE IS A PAID CONSULTANT UNQUOTE TO THE COMPANY.

MR. PRESSLER, WHO QUESTIONED MR. SHULTZ AT LENGTH ABOUT BECHTEL DURING THE RECENT CONFIRMATION HEARINGS FOR THE NEW SECRETARY OF STATE, SAID HE FELT QUOTE BETRAYED UNQUOTE BECAUSE MR. SHULTZ FAILED TO MENTION MR. HABIB'S TIES TO BECHTEL.

QUOTE I SPENT OVER AN HOUR ASKING QUESTIONS ABOUT BECHTEL AND WHO WAS IN GOVERNMENT FOR BECHTEL, UNQUOTE MR. PRESSLER SAID. QUOTE BY OMISSION, I FEEL MR. SHULTZ WAS NOT CANDID WITH ME. I WANT AN EXPLANATION. UNQUOTE

MR. SHULTZ ASSUMED HIS DUTIES AS SECRETARY OF STATE LAST WEEK, AND MR. HABIB UNDERTOOK HIS ASSIGNMENT AS NEGOTIATOR IN LEBANON IN EARLY JUNE.

MR. LAUBSCHER, SPEAKING FROM SAN FRANCISCO, BECHTEL'S HEADQUARTERS, SAID OF MR. HABIB, QUOTE THE PRIMARY REASON HE WAS RETAINED WAS TO CONSULT ON THE PACIFIC BASIN AREA, UNQUOTE MR. LAUBSCHER SAID MR. SHULTZ AND MR. HABIB HAD

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BEEN QUOTE NEIGHBORS AT STANFORD AND FRIENDS OF LONG
STANDING. UNQUOTE

QUOTE GEORGE SHULTZ RECOGNIZED THAT MR. HABIB WAS VERY
KNOWLEDGEABLE IN MANY AREAS, PARTICULARLY THE PACIFIC
BASIN, UNQUOTE MR. LAUBSCHER SAID. QUOTE THIS IS AN
AREA OF GREAT DEVELOPMENTAL POSSIBILITIES, AN AREA WHERE
BECHTEL HAS MORE MAJOR PROJECTS THAN IN THE MIDDLE EAST.
UNQUOTE

THE BECHTEL OFFICIAL SAID THAT 15 PERCENT OF THE COMPANY'S
113 MAJOR PROJECTS WERE IN THE PACIFIC REGION AND THAT 12
PERCENT WERE IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

MR. LAUBSCHER SAID HE WAS UNSURE IF BECHTEL HAD EVER MADE
USE OF MR. HABIB'S EXPERIENCE IN THE MIDDLE EAST, ALTHOUGH
MR. HABIB HAS SERVED AS A MIDDLE EAST TROUBLE-SHOOTER FOR
PRESIDENT REAGAN SINCE MAY 1981, WHEN HE WAS SELECTED TO
HEAD OFF A SYRIAN-ISRAELI CLASH OVER SYRIAN MISSILES IN
LEBANON, HIS TIES TO BECHTEL HAD NOT BEEN PUBLICIZED,

THE COMPANY ITSELF, WHICH HAS OPERATIONS IN MORE THAN 21
COUNTRIES, HAS STIRRED CONSIDERABLE ATTENTION, PARTLY BE-
CAUSE OF ITS LINKS TO ARAB NATIONS AND THE FACT THAT
SEVERAL RANKING MEMBERS OF THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION
WORKED FOR IT. THESE OFFICIALS INCLUDE W. KENNETH DAVIS,
DEPUTY SECRETARY OF ENERGY, AS WELL AS MR. SHULTZ AND MR.
WEINBERGER.

MR. LAUBSCHER DECLINED TO DISCUSS MR. HABIB'S FEE PAYMENTS,
SAYING IT WAS COMPANY POLICY NOT TO DISCUSS EMPLOYEE SAL-
ARIES OR CONSULTANCY ARRANGEMENTS.

MR. HABIB, WHO ENTERED THE FOREIGN SERVICE IN THE MID-
1950'S ROSE QUICKLY TO THE TOP OF HIS PROFESSION. HIS
JOBS HAVE INCLUDED DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR
EAST ASIAN AND PACIFIC AFFAIRS FROM 1967 TO 1969, AND
ASSISTANT SECRETARY IN THE SAME DEPARTMENT FROM 1974 TO
1972. END TEXT. STOESSEL

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TEL AVIV/JERUSALEM PASS AMBASSADOR HABIB

E.O. 12065:

TAGS: SOPN, PFOR, XF

SUBJECT: U.S.G. STATEMENT ON AMBASSADOR HABIB

1. THE WHITE HOUSE AND THE DEPARTMENT ISSUED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT JULY 26:

2. BEGIN TEXT:

3. AMBASSADOR PHILIP HABIB, ONE OF THE OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVANTS OF THIS COUNTRY, HAS BEEN UNDERTAKING DIFFICULT NEGOTIATIONS TO BRING PEACE TO LEBANON AT THE REQUEST OF THE PRESIDENT FOR OVER A YEAR. SINCE EARLY JUNE, HE HAS BEEN SERVING THE NATION UNDER PARTICULARLY DANGEROUS AND EXHAUSTING CIRCUMSTANCES.

AMBASSADOR HABIB HAS OFFICIALLY REPORTED HIS PRIVATE PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING HIS CONSULTANCY WITH THE BECHTEL GROUP, INCORPORATED, TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE IN CONJUNCTION WITH HIS APPOINTMENT AS A SPECIAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE FOLLOWING RETIREMENT.

AMBASSADOR HABIB'S PERSONAL PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES IN RETIREMENT DO NOT IMPINGE UPON HIS PUBLIC SERVICE TO THE PRESIDENT AND TO THE NATION. AS A DISTINGUISHED PUBLIC

SERVANT WHO IS RISKING HIS HEALTH, INDEED HIS LIFE, TO BRING PEACE TO LEBANON, HE HAS AND WILL CONTINUE TO HAVE

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THE FULL CONFIDENCE AND SUPPORT OF THE PRESIDENT AND OF
THE SECRETARY.

4. END TEXT.

5. ADDITIONAL DETAILED BACKGROUND INFORMATION PREPARED
BY THE OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ADVISER IS NOW IN CLEARANCE
AT THE WHITE HOUSE AND WILL BE TRANSMITTED WHEN AVAILABLE.

6. MINIMIZE CONSIDERED FOR BEIRUT AND DAMASCUS. STDESSEL
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X COMMANDER RESIGNS (U)
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8. ~~(U)~~ SUMMARY: THE COMMANDER OF AN IDF TANK BRIGADE
SERVING IN LEBANON HAS REQUESTED RELIEF FROM DUTY IN LE-
BANON. THE COMMANDER HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS COL ELI
(GEVA)). WE BELIEVE COL GEVA TO BE THE COMMANDER OF THE
211TH ARMOR BRIGADE (MERKAVA),

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9A. (U) DETAILS: 1. (U) IN AN UNUSUAL PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT THE IDF SPOKESMAN, [REDACTED] AN IDF REGULAR OFFICER SERVING IN LEBANON REQUESTED RELIEF FROM DUTY FOR REASONS OF CONSCIENCE. THE ARTICLE (EXCERPT) SAID: THE OFFICER, WHO COMMANDED A BRIGADE IN COMBAT IN LEBANON, SAID HIS CONSCIENCE AND WORLD OUTLOOK DO NOT PERMIT HIM TO CONTINUE TO TAKE PART IN THE LEBANON CAMPAIGN. CHIEF OF STAFF KAV-ALUF RAFAEL EITAN HAS ACCORDINGLY REMOVED THE OFFICER FROM HIS POST. THE ALUF-MISHNE DECIDED TO RESIGN DESPITE REQUESTS FROM THE CHIEF OF STAFF AND PRIME MINISTER MENACHEM BEGIN, WHO MET WITH HIM TO TRY TO CHANGE HIS MIND. HIS ACTION HAS HAD REPERCUSSIONS THROUGHOUT THE ARMY, PARTICULARLY AMONG THE HIGHER RANKS, SOME OF WHOM PRAISED HIS COURAGE. OTHERS, HOWEVER, POINTED OUT THAT OTHER RANKS DOING THEIR COMPULSORY SERVICE, WHO ARE SUPPOSED TO TAKE AN EXAMPLE FROM HIS, CANNOT RESIGN THEIR POSTS AND HAVE TO FOLLOW ORDERS. IT WAS NOT KNOWN LAST NIGHT WHAT PROMPTED THE EXTRAORDINARY ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE IDF SPOKESMAN - THE FIRST PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ANY SUCH ACT. INTERNAL MOVES OR THE REASONS FOR THEM AMONG THE HIGHER IDF ECHELONS - UNLESS THESE POSITIONS ARE PUBLICLY IDENTIFIED - HAVE NEVER BEEN ANNOUNCED BEFORE. (END OF EXCERPT).

2. ~~(U)~~ [REDACTED] IN A MOST UNUSUAL MOVE, IDENTIFIED THE OFFICER AS COLONEL ELI (GEVA), ALTHOUGH HIS UNIT WAS NOT IDENTIFIED. THE RADIO REPORT EMPHASIZED THE EFFORTS OF PM BEGIN AND CGS LTG EITAN TO PERSUADE THE OFFICER TO REMAIN ON DUTY. WE BELIEVE THAT THIS OFFICER, IDENTIFIED AS THE YOUNGEST BRIGADE CDR (32 YEARS OLD) IN THE IDF, WAS THE CDR OF THE 211TH ARM BDE. THIS POSSIBILITY IS BASED ON INFORMATION COLLECTED ON 26 NOV 81 AND [REDACTED] AN EVALUATION OF THAT [REDACTED], WITH BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION, POINTS TO COL ELI GEVA AS BEING THE SON OF [REDACTED] IN WASHINGTON FROM AUG 66 TO AUG 68. [REDACTED], COMMANDED THE ARM BDE THAT CAPTURED TYRE AND SPEARHEADED THE ADVANCE TO BEIRUT. WE HAVE NO DOUBT THAT THE LEADING ARMOR BRIGADE IN THE WESTERN RUSH HANIQRA - BEIRUT AXIS WAS THE 211th.

9B. ~~(U)~~ ORIG CMTS: THERE IS NO DOUBT FROM THE NATURE OF THE REPORTING OF THIS MATTER THAT GVI AND THE IDF CONSIDER IT TO BE EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. THE PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT OF THE PM AND CGS BEFORE THE MATTER BECAME PUBLIC INDICATES THAT IT COULD BE EXPECTED TO HAVE A SERIOUS EFFECT ON OTHER IDF PERSONNEL SERVING IN LEBANON.

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THE PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE EPISODE MAY BE DESIGNED
TO EMBARRASSGEVA AND TO SERVE AS AN EXAMPLE TO OTHERS THAT
SUCH ACTION WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE PUBLIC AND BECOME
POSSIBLE SOURCES OF DISCOMFIT TO FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

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E.O. 12065: GDS 7/27/88 (BROWN, WILLIAM A.) UR-M
TAGS: LE, SY, IS, US
SUBJECT: HABIB MISSION: CABLES FOR JERUSALEM
1. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.

- 2. WE HAVE A HALF DOZEN CABLES THIS MURNING WHICH SHOULD HAVE INCLUDED JERUSALEM AS AN ADDRESSEE.
- 3. FOR THE UMPTEENTH TIME MAY WE REMIND ALL THAT JERUSALEM IS A VITAL ADDRESSEE FOR HABIB MISSION TRAFFIC, ALL THE MORE SO WHEN HABIB IS IN THAT CITY AS HE WILL BE JULY 27 AND 28.
- 4. WE ASK THE DEPARTMENT TO MONITUR THE TRAFFIC WITH SPECIAL CARE AND REPEAT CABLES AS NECESSARY TO JERUSALEM FOR HABIB.
- 5. COORDINATED WITH CONGEN JERUSALEM.
- 6. MINIMIZE BEIRUT AND DAMASCUS CONSIDERED. LEWIS

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C O N F I D E N T I A L DAMASCUS SY 05300

SUBJ: [Redacted] ROAD RECON OF KISWE - KHAN

- DANUN AREA (U)

WHITE HOUSE FOR SITUATION ROOM.

THIS IS AN INFO REPORT, NOT FINALLY EVALUATED INTEL.

- 1. (U) CTRY: SYRIA (SY)
- 2. (U) [Redacted]
- 3. (U) TITLE: ROAD RECON OF KISWE - KHAN DANUN AREA (U)
- 4. (U) DATE OF INFO: 820726
- 5. (U) [Redacted]
- 6. (U) REQ REFS: K-3CX-00043; U-UEU-49218
- 7. (U) [Redacted]

8. ~~(C)~~ SUMMARY: [Redacted]
 PAST KHAN DANUN, AND THE DAYR ALI ROAD TO AL MAJIDIYAH
 BETWEEN 1115Z AND 1300Z ON 26 JUL 82. NO SIGNIFICANT
 CHANGES TO FROG DEPLOYMENTS COULD BE OBSERVED. AT LEAST
 TWO FROG TELS, ONE FROG COMPUTER VAN (UAZ-452) AND
 ADDITIONAL FROG ASSOCIATED VEHICLES COULD BE SEEN IN
 REVETMENTS NORTHWEST OF AL MAJIDIYAH.

9A. (U) DETAILS:

(1) ~~(C)~~ AN APPROXIMATE COMPANY OF T-55 TANKS REMAIN PAR-
TIALY DUG INTO REVETMENTS AT THE GHQ ENGINEER SITE NORTH
OF KISWE, MOVING NORTH ON THE HIGHWAY NEAR THE SAME AREA

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WERE ONE PROBABLE TUB BRICK RADAR WITHOUT TAC SIGNS AND ONE T-55 TANK ON TRANSPORTER. TANK BORE 5TH DIV YELLOW RECTANGLE, RIGHT OF XED RECTANGLE, RED OVER RED.

(2) ~~(C)~~ REVIEMENT WEST OF HIGHWAY SOUTH OF KHAN DANUN REMAINED TARPED OVER. TWO OR THREE SOLDIERS COULD BE SEEN IN THE VICINITY. OTHER REVIEMENTS IN CLOSE PROXIMITY ARE ALIGNED PARALLEL TO HIGHWAY AND CANNOT BE LOOKED INTO. TWO FROG TAC-SIGNED VEHICLES WERE SEEN ON THE DERRAA HIGHWAY IN THE KISWE-KHAN DANUN AREA. THEY COULD BE FURTHER IDENTIFIED AS ONE WITH GREEN OVER, ALL OTHER QUADRANTS WHITE, ONE WITH LEFT QUADRANT RED, ALL OTHERS WHITE.

(3) ~~(C)~~ FROM KISWE, SOURCES DROVE DOWN THE DAYR ALI ROAD AS FAR AS AL MAJIDIYAH AND RETURNED. ONE FROG TAC SIGN VEHICLE, BOTTOM QUADRANT GREEN ALL OTHERS WHITE WAS OBSERVED ON THE HIGHWAY. NUMEROUS TENTS, VEHICLES AND REVIEMENTS, MOST COVERED, DOTTED THE LANDSCAPE ALONG A LINE ROUGHLY [REDACTED]. FOUR REVIEMENTS TOWARD THE SOUTHERN END OF THIS LINE FACED THE HIGHWAY AND COULD BE SEEN TO CONTAIN TWO FROG TELS, ONE UAZ-452 COMPUTER VAN AND ONE SOFT BODY TRUCK.

(4) ~~(C)~~ TALL KING RADAR ON JABAL GHIRI WAS STILL AT 1210Z AND ROTATING AT 1220Z. SPOON REST ALONGSIDE WAS STILL.

(5) ~~(C)~~ ON RETURN TRIP THROUGH KISWE, SOURCES NOTED ONE 5TH DIV TRUCK, TAC SIGN GREEN OVER, PARKED ON SHOULDER POINTING SOUTH.

9B. ~~(C)~~ ORIG CMTS: FROG DEPLOYMENT AREA DISPLAYED NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGES FROM LAST THUROUGH RECON OF THE AREA [REDACTED]. THE EXTENSIVE CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY NOTED UNDERWAY THERE THROUGHOUT THE SPRING AND EARLY SUMMER APPEARS TO BE FINISHED. NEW DERRAA HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION IS MOST VISIBLE ACTIVITY UNDERWAY THERE AT THIS TIME.

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SAYS DAVAR, WASHINGTON FEELS THAT THIS "STATIC" OPERATION COULD ACTUALLY SERVE AS AN "INCENTIVE" FOR THE PLO TO COOPERATE WITH AMB. HABIB.

E) HA'ARETZ MILITARY CORR. ZEEV SCHIFF NOTED THAT THE COMBINATION OF DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS AND MILITARY PRESSURE WAS USED BY THE AMERICANS DURING THE KISSINGER-VIETCONG NEGOTIATIONS. ALL MEDIA BANNER ISRAELI AIR, NAVAL AND GROUND OPERATIONS AGAINST BEIRUT LAST NIGHT.

F) A YEDIOT EDITORIAL ARGUES THAT ALTHOUGH AMB. HABIB WOULD NOT ADMIT IT, HIS "FAILURE IS FINAL, AND THAT FACT MUST GUIDE ISRAEL'S NEXT MOVE."

G) EDITORIALIZING ON "BECHTEL'S BIG FAMILY," HA'ARETZ ARGUES THAT AMB. HABIB'S CONNECTIONS WITH THE HUGE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, WHICH HAS VAST BUSINESS INTERESTS IN SAUDI ARABIA, "LEAVES AN UNPLEASANT TASTE IS A SERIOUS PROBLEM AND IS DISCOURAGING" FOR HA'ARETZ, ALTHOUGH "MR. HABIB MAY NOT HAVE SUSCRIBED TO THE VIEW THAT WHAT IS GOOD FOR BECHTEL IS GOOD FOR AMERICA ... THERE ARE SOME QUESTIONS HE HAD BETTER HURRY TO CLARIFY."

H) ALL MEDIA REPORT THAT "SINCE MIDNIGHT YESTERDAY, SYRIAN FORCES ARE ILLEGALLY STATIONED IN LEBANON, THEIR MANDATE HAVING BEEN EXPIRED." ACCORDING TO HA'ARETZ, OFFICIAL SOURCES IN DAMASCUS SAID THAT SYRIAN TROOPS WON'T LEAVE LEBANON AS LONG AS ISRAEL IS THERE.

3. ARAFAT'S "DOCUMENT."

A) ALL MEDIA BANNER STATE DEPT. AND WHITE HOUSE REACTION TO THE NOTE ARAFAT GAVE THE U.S. CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION

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IN WEST BEIRUT. YEDIOT SAYS "REAGAN AND SHULTZ REJECT ARAFAT'S NOTE." HA'ARETZ ALSO FRONTPAGES ARAFAT'S DEPUTY ABU YIAD'S STATEMENT TO A PERSIAN GULF DAILY, THAT "WE SHALL CUT THE TONGUE OF ANYBODY DARING TO SPEAK ABOUT RECOGNIZING THE ZIONIST ENEMY."

B) YEDIOT REPORTS THAT IN AN INTERVIEW LAST NIGHT WITH NBC-TV, REP. MCCLOSKEY "RETRACTED HIS STATEMENT THAT ARAFAT RECOGNIZED ISRAEL AND NOTED THAT THERE WAS NOTHING NEW IN THE NOTE."

C) MOST MEDIA REPORTS FOCUS ON STATEMENTS MADE BY THE DELEGATION IN JERUSALEM. THUS, MAARIV TITLES STORY "MCCLOSKEY SAYS NEVER MIND WHAT PLO MAN SAYS IN THE U.N. WHAT COUNTS IS WHAT ARAFAT TOLD ME." MAARIV ALSO NOTES THAT THE U.S. REP. REMARKED THAT "WE CANNOT GO ON BEING ISRAEL'S ALLIES IF WE CAN'T TRUST HER" COMMITMENTS REGARDING THE USE OF CLUSTER BOMBS. MEANWHILE, THE FIVE MEMBER DELEGATION IS SAID TO BE AT ODDS AMONG THEMSELVES AS TO THE REAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ARAFAT NOTE.

D) DAVAR WASHINGTON CORR. YOSEF PRIEL CITES U.S. CONGRESSIONAL SOURCES TO THE EFFECT THAT "MCCLOSKEY'S STATEMENT ON ARAFAT HAS WON HIM INTERNATINOAL RECOGNITION - AND ARAB CLIENTS TO HIS LAW FIRM."

E) PRESS EDITORIALS OF ALL PULITICAL COLORS REJECT AND RIDICULE THE ARAFAT MCCLOSKEY UNDERSTANDING.

4. SECRETARY SHULTZ'S HOROSCOPE: MAARIV FEATURES ASTROLOGIST MYRIAM BINIAMINI'S STUDY OF THE SECRETARY'S HOROSCOPE. MR. SHULTZ IS "SUSPICIOUS, INSECURE AND VERY HARD ON HIMSELF. HIS WEAK POINT IS HIS WISH TO BE LOVED." ASTROLOGIST BINIAMINI FURTHER NOTED THAT "SHULTZ IS SMART AND SHARP TO THE POINT OF BEING ABLE TO MANEUVER THE PRESIDENT. HEADS OF STATES SHOULD BE VERY CAREFUL IN THEIR DEALINGS WITH THAT MAN," THE REPORT GOES ON TO SAY, "HE IS EXTREMELY UNPREDICTABLE."

5. THE COST OF THE LEBANON WAR: ALL MEDIA CARRY MINISTER OF FINANCE YORAM MERIDOR'S ESTIMATE, THAT SO FAR THE WAR HAS COST 30 BILLION SHEKELS (ROUGHLY A BILLION DOLLARS.)

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JERUSALEM FOR AMBASSADOR HABIB, USCINCEUR FOR POLAD
E.O. 12065: GDS 07/27/88 (HARE, PAUL) UR-M
TAGS: PINT, PEPR, IS, LE, US
SUBJECT: PUBLIC MOOD ON LEBANON AND THE PLO
REF: TEL AVIV 11296

1. CONFIDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT.

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2. SUMMARY, PRESS COMMENTARIES TODAY SUGGEST ISRAELI OFFICIALS REMAIN SKEPTICAL THAT AMBASSADOR HABIB MADE MAJOR PROGRESS ON THE ISSUE OF THE PLO'S EVACUATION FROM LEBANON DURING HIS MEETINGS WITH ARAB LEADERS. THE ISRAELIS EXPECT HABIB TO TAKE AN UPBEAT LINE ON THE RESULTS OF HIS TALKS--EVEN IF IN FACT HE ACCOMPLISHES LITTLE--IN ORDER TO PREVENT A BREAKDOWN OF THE NEGOTIATIONS AND AN ISRAELI INVASION OF WEST BEIRUT. ISRAEL APPARENTLY HOPES BY ITS CONTINUING AIR, LAND AND NAVAL ATTACKS IN LEBANON TO "AID" HABIB'S MISSION BY "ENCOURAGING" THE PLO TO NEGOTIATE SERIOUSLY. BUT BEGIN AND SHARON ALSO ARE SEEKING BY THE ISRAELIS' "STATIC" FIRING IN LEBANON TO SOFTEN UP PALESTINIAN POSITIONS AND THEREBY TO KEEP OPEN THE OPTION TO INVADE WEST BEIRUT IN CASE

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HABIB'S MISSION FAILS. MEANWHILE, THE NEGATIVE REACTION TO ARAFAT'S ALLEGED ACCEPTANCE OF RESOLUTIONS 242 AND 338 NOTED IN REFTEL IS EVEN STRONGER TODAY. MANY PAPERS SPECULATE THAT THE PRINCIPAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THE SO-CALLED ARAFAT DOCUMENT IS A FURTHER PLO ATTEMPT TO GAIN SOME FORM OF U.S. RECOGNITION. END SUMMARY.

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3. YEDIOT AHARONOT EDITORIALIZES THAT "THE TRUTH OF THE MATTER IS THAT HABIB HAS FAILED IN FINDING A WAY OUT OF THE CURRENT ENTANGLEMENT." BUT BOTH YEDIOT AND HAARETZ, IN AN ARTICLE BY YEHUDA LITANI, ANTICIPATE THAT HABIB IN ANY CASE WILL TAKE AN UPBEAT LINE ON THE RESULTS OF HIS TALKS. ACCORDING TO LITANI, "EVEN IF HE COMES TO JERUSALEM EMPTY-HANDED HE WILL TRY TO MAKE IT SEEM THAT ACHIEVEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE IN ORDER TO PREVENT A BREAK-DOWN OF THE NEGOTIATIONS AND TO AVERT AN ISRAELI INVASION OF WEST BEIRUT." LITANI REFERS TO "SENIOR POLITICAL SOURCES" WHO SAID YESTERDAY THAT IF HABIB BRINGS NOTHING NEW "ISRAEL WILL BE COMPELLED TO RESORT TO OTHER WAYS OF FORCING THE TERRORISTS OUT OF WEST BEIRUT."

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4. HAARETZ (ZEEV SCHIFF) AND DAVAR INTERPRET ISRAEL'S AIR, LAND AND NAVAL ATTACKS IN LEBANON IN RECENT DAYS AS DESIGNED TO "AID" HABIB'S FALTERING MISSION BY "ENCOURAGING" THE PLO TO NEGOTIATE SERIOUSLY. SCHIFF, HOWEVER, ALSO NOTES THAT BY SUCH OPERATIONS THE ISRAELIS ALSO ARE SEEKING "TO SOFTEN UP THE TERRAIN IN PREPARATION FOR THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT WILL WISH TO TAKE THE MILITARY OPTION."

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5. IN THE MOST DETAILED COMMENTARY, ISRAEL RADIO POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT SHIMON SHIFFER THIS MORNING REPORTED THAT PRIME MINISTER BEGIN WILL PRESS HABIB FOR A DATE BY WHICH THE PLO WILL LEAVE LEBANON. SHIFFER SPECULATES THAT HABIB'S "PLAN" INCLUDES A MULTINATIONAL FORCE (US-FRENCH-ITALIAN-CANADIAN-GREEK) MOVING INTO WEST BEIRUT TO OVERSEE THE PLO'S EVACUATION TO TEMPORARY LOCATIONS IN NORTHERN LEBANON AND THE BEKAA VALLEY. CONCURRENTLY, BY THIS PLAN, THE ISRAELI FORCES WILL PULL BACK FROM THE OUTSKIRTS OF BEIRUT. THE PLO THEN WILL LEAVE LEBANON, THE GROUP'S LEADERSHIP PLUS ABOUT 1,000 MEN GOING TO SYRIA, ABOUT 2,000 TO JORDAN, A FEW HUNDRED TO EGYPT AND OTHERS TO IRAQ AND ALGERIA. SHIFFER BELIEVES THAT IF HABIB MANAGES TO CONVINCE BEGIN AND SHARON THAT THIS PLAN IS WORKABLE

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THEN ISRAEL WOULD AGREE TO IT "WITH ONLY A FEW CHANGES."

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6. IN AN ARTICLE DATELINED LONDON, THE JERUSALEM POST
SPECULATES ON THE PROPOSALS HABIB BROACHED TO KING
HUSSEIN. THE POST NOTES THAT "THOUGH NO ONE WOULD

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CONFIRM IT THE FEELING HERE IS THAT HUSSEIN SHOWED
LITTLE ENTHUSIASM FOR THAT PART OF HABIB'S SOLUTION
THAT WOULD INVOLVE CONSIDERABLE NUMBERS OF PLO MEN
RETURNING TO JORDAN, FROM WHERE THE KING EXPELLED THEM
12 YEARS AGO."

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7. THE ISRAELIS ALSO CONTINUE TO REACT TO ARAFAT'S
ALLEGED SIGNATURE SUNDAY OF A DOCUMENT ACCEPTING UN
RESOLUTIONS 242 AND 338. MAJOR PAPERS PROMINENTLY
FEATURE US REJECTION OF THE ARAFAT DOCUMENT, A FACTOR
THAT PROBABLY HAS ENCOURAGED MORE VITUPERATIVE ISRAELI
REJECTIONS TODAY OF ARAFAT'S MOVE. EVEN THE RELATIVELY
MODERATE JERUSALEM POST THIS MORNING NOTES ON ITS
EDITORIAL PAGE THAT THE ARAFAT DOCUMENT "IS NOT MERELY
A PROPAGANDA PLOY, IT IS AN OUTRIGHT HOAX." DAVAR
STATES THAT "IT AMOUNTS TO NOTHING MORE THAN A FURTHER
PLO EFFORT TO WIN THE SYMPATHIES OF THE AMERICAN PUBLIC."

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8. PAPERS NOTE FURTHER STATEMENTS BY ISRAELI OFFICIALS
TO THE EFFECT THAT BECAUSE OF ITS VAGUE WORDING THE
ARAFAT DOCUMENT COULD BE TAKEN TO INCLUDE ONLY THOSE

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UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS THAT ARE PRO-PALESTINIAN AND THAT DO NOT REFER TO ISRAEL'S EXISTENCE IN THE SENSE SET FORTH IN RESOLUTIONS 242 AND 338. OFFICIALS ARE QUOTED AS STATING YESTERDAY THAT A "MERE STATEMENT BY ARAFAT, EVEN AN EXPLICIT ONE, WOULD NOT BE ENOUGH." IN THE VIEW OF THESE OFFICIALS, THE PLO ALSO WOULD HAVE TO RENOUNCE THAT PART OF THE PLO COVENANT CALLING FOR ISRAEL'S DISMANTLING AND THIS COULD BE DONE ONLY BY A SPECIAL SESSION OF THE PALESTINE NATIONAL COUNCIL. "MOREOVER," ACCORDING TO ONE UNNAMED ISRAELI OFFICIAL, "THEY WOULD STILL REMAIN THE 'PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION,' THEIR NAME ENCOMPASSING ALL OF PALESTINE. AND THEY'RE CRIMINALS AND COMPLETELY UNTRUSTWORTHY."

9. MINIMIZE CONSIDERED FOR BEIRUT AND DAMASCUS.

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~~LONDON FOR HABIB~~

E.O. 12065: GDS 7/26/88 (CROCKER, RYAN C) OR-P

TAGS: MILI, MPPS, PEPR, PINT, LE, IS

SUBJ: ISRAELI AIR RAIDS-JULY 26

1. (ENTIRE TEXT)

2. AT 1445 HOURS LOCAL, ISRAELI AIRCRAFT BEGAN BOMBING RUNS ON WEST BEIRUT. PRIMARY TARGETS WERE RAMLAT AL-BAYDAH/ RAWSHAH AND BIR HASSAN. THE BOMBS STARTED ONE FIRE WHICH IS STILL BURNING.

3. THIS WAS THE FIFTH CONSECUTIVE DAY OF AIRSTRIKES ON WEST BEIRUT. TODAY'S RAIDS LASTED LONGER (ALMOST AN HOUR) AND WERE MORE INTENSIVE THAN PAST ATTACKS, BUT FOLLOWED THE SAME GENERAL PATTERN: ALL HAVE BEEN TARGETED AGAINST RELATIVELY LIMITED AREAS AND WITH THE EXCEPTION OF YESTERDAY'S RAID (AT 1015 LOCAL), ALL HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN THE EARLY AFTERNOON. THE STRIKE TODAY WAS ACCOMPANIED BY ARTILLERY FIRE INTO BURJ AL-BARAJINAH, POSSIBLY AGAINST ANTI-AIRCRAFT BATTERIES FIRING AT THE ATTACKING PLANES.

4. THE RESUMPTION OF LIMITED AIRSTRIKES HAS RAISED THE LEVEL OF TENSION SEVERAL NOTCHES, BUT HAS NOT EXCITED A WIDESPREAD FEAR OF AN ISRAELI GROUND ATTACK ON WEST BEIRUT. INSTEAD, HEY ARE REGARDED AS ONE MORE FORM OF PRESSURE AGAINST THE BELEAGURED CITY. IN A STATEMENT YESTERDAY, PRIME MINISTER AL-WAZZAN MAY HAVE ECHOED THE GENERAL VIEW WHEN HE SAID "THE RESUMPTION OF AIRSTRIKES CAN ONLY BE INTERPRETED AS A RETURN TO THE TACTICS OF PRESSURE AND BLACKMAIL" AGAINST WEST BEIRUT. HE ADDED

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HIS BELIEF THEY WERE ALST DESIGNED TO OBSTRUCT HABIB'S MISSION.

5. IN HUMAN TERMS, THE COST OF THIS FORM OF PRESSURE IS EXPENSIVE. ESTIMATES OF CASUALTIES FROM THE RAIDS ARE SOME 40-50 PERSONS PER DAY. A 500 LB BOMB IS NOT A PRECISION INSTRUMENT, AND THERE SIMPLY ARE NOT MANY "OPEN SPACES" IN WEST BEIRUT. THE SITE OF TTDAY'S BOMBINGS, FOR EXAHPLE, WAS A HIDDLE/UPPER CLASS AREA OF APARTMENT BUILDINGS. ALTHOUGH MANY OF THESE HAVE BEEN VACATED BY THE ORIGINAL OCCUPANTS, THEY NOW OFFER SHELTER TO INTER-CITY REFUGEES.

6. MINIMIZE DAMASCUS CONSIDERED.

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