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BY KML NARA DATE 8/5/13

BOMBING OF THE U.S. EMBASSY ANNEX IN EAST BEIRUT, SEPTEMBER 20, 1984

DAY: 20 TIME: 0525

STATE OPS CTR ADVISED THAT, ACCORDING TO PRESS, A MASSIVE CAR BOMB WENT OFF NEAR THE U.S. EMBASSY ANNEX IN EAST BEIRUT.

DAY: 20 TIME: 0531

[REDACTED] STATE SAYS SOME GUARDS WERE KILLED, BUT DOES NOT KNOW IF THEY WERE MARINE GUARDS. CNN SAYS A SUICIDE BOMBER WAS MET BY A HAIL OF BULLETS AND RASHED INTO CONCRETE BARRIERS. LATER INFO SAYS 2 DAO'S WERE SEVERELY INJURED AND THE VEHICLE CRASHED THRU THE GATES BEFORE EXPLODING. MCF, JP, KIMMITT, MEESE, BAKER, DEEVER, KEMP, DUR, TEICHER, LUCAS, GREGG, AND DARMAN INFORMED. MCF TO CALL PRESIDENT (0547) AND ASKED THAT MEESE, BAKER, AND DEEVER BE INFORMED OF CALL TO PPES. GREGG ASKED THAT VP BE INFORMED AT 0630. SIMS WAS IN SIT ROOM AND INFORMED SPEAKES.

DAY: 20 TIME: 0602

MCF CALLED FOR AN UPDATE: ONLY OTHER INFO AVAILABLE WAS A VOICE OF LEBANON REPORT THAT THERE ARE MANY KILLED AND WOUNDED AND RESCUE CREWS ARE ON THE SCENE. MCF CONCURRED THAT THE VP NOT BE INFORMED UNTIL 0630.

DAY: 20 TIME: 0609

LATEST INFO FROM NMCC/STATE: 2 USDAO INJURED, AMB BARTHOLOMEW HAS A MINOR INJURY BUT WALKED OUT ON HIS OWN, SIX LEBANESE PERSONNEL WERE KILLED, ABOUT 25 LEBANESE WERE INJURED. NO KNOWN U.S. DEATHS AT THIS TIME.

DAY: 20 TIME: 0613

MCF INFORMED OF STATUS OF INJURIES. ADDITIONALLY, BEIRUT RADIO SAYS 10 WERE KILLED AND THE FIRE AT THE ANNEX HAS BEEN EXTINGUISHED.

DAY: 20 TIME: 0618

INFORMED MCF THAT, ACCORDING TO STATE, POSSIBLY A DUTCH EMBASSY

BOMBING OF U.S. EMB

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MESSAGE ANNOTATIONS (CONTINUED):

PASSENGER VEHICLE WAS CARRYING THE EXPLOSIVES; THE ANNEX IS BADLY DAMAGED DOWN TO THE FOUNDATION. CNN ALSO SAYS THE CAR HAD DIPLOMATIC PLATES AND THAT AMB BARTHOLOMEW IS IN A HOSPITAL.



DAY: 20 TIME: 0630
VICE PRESIDENT INFORMED OF BOMBING IN BEIRUT.

DAY: 20 TIME: 0750
SITUATION ROOM (PHIL DUR) SPOKE WITH AMBASSADOR BARTHOLOMEW FROM HIS HOSPITAL ROOM. THE AMBASSADOR IS SUFFERING FROM SLIGHT WOUNDS. HE BELIEVES THE BOMB WAS PLACED IN A DUTCH DIPLOMATIC VEHICLE...THE GUARDS TRIED TO STOP THE VEHICLE. HAD THE VEHICLE BEEN ABLE TO GET CLOSER IT WOULD HAVE BEEN MUCH WORSE. ALL U.S. OFFICIALS ARE ACCOUNTED FOR... THERE WERE SOME DEATHS AMONG THE LEBANESE WORKERS.

DAY: 20 TIME: 0850
JIA NOIWON: ADVISED THAT TWO DAO OFFICERS WERE KILLED IN THE EMBASSY BOMBING. THIS IS FIRST REPORT OF U.S. DEATHS. INFORMED MCFARLANE KIMMITT, DUR, KEMP, TEICHER. MESSAGE SENT TO AF-1 FOR ADM POINDEXTER AND AF-2 FOR VP.

DAY: 20 TIME: 1440
RECEIVED CALL FROM PRESIDENT GEMAYEL FOR PRESIDENT. (PRESIDENT REAGAN WAS AIRBORN FROM CEDAR RAPIDS ENROUTE GRANDS RAPIDS.) GEMAYEL EXPRESSED HIS SORROW OVER DEATHS OF AMERICANS AND LEBANESE. TEXT OF MESSAGE PASSED TO AF-1 FOR ADM. POINDEXTER.

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