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SUBJECT: REAGAN/BEGIN MEETING: REMARKS AND BACKGRUUNDER

THE FILLUWING ARE THE REMARKS MADE BY PRESIDENT REAGAN AND ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER BEGIN AS THE LATTER LEFT THE WHITE HOUSE JUNE 21, AS WELL AS THE TEXT OF A BACKGROUND BRIEFING GIVEN BY A SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL AFTER THE WHITE HOUSE MEETINGS.

#### 2. BEGIN EXCHANGE OF REMARKS:

THE PRESIDENT: IT'S BEEN WORTHWHILE TO HAVE PRIME MINISTER REGIN AT THE WHITE HOUSE AGAIN. ALL OF US SHARE A COMMON UNDERSTANDING OF THE NEED TO BRING PEACE AND SECURITY TO THE NIDDLE EAST.

TODAY, WE'VE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXCHANGE VIEWS ON HOW THIS CAUSE CAN BE ADVANCED. UN LEBANDN, IT'S CLEAR THAT WE AND ISPAFL BOTH SEEK AN END TO THE VIOLENCE THERE AND A SOVEREIGN, INDEPENDENT LEBANUN UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF A STRONG CENTRAL GOVERNMENT.

WE AGREE THAT ISRAEL MUST NOT BE SUBJECTED TO VIOLENCE FRUM THE NORTH. THE UNITED STATES WILL CONTINUE TO WORK

TO ACHIEVE THESE GOALS AND TO SECURE THE WITHDRAWAL OF ALL

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FOREIGN FORCES FROM LEBANON.

AND, NOW, DUR GUEST, PRIME MINISTER BEGIN.

PRIME MINISTER BEGIN: THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT.

MR. PRESIDENT, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. GOOD AFTERNOON.

AM DEFPLY GRATEFUL TO MY FRIEND, THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, FOR HIS INVITATION TO COME TO VISIT WITH HIM AGAIN AFTER MY FIRST VISIT IN SEPTEMBER 1981 IN THE WHITE HOUSE, AND HELD A DISCUSSION -- A VERY FRUITFUL DISCUSSION -- WITH THE PRESIDENT AND HIS ADVISORS.

EVERYBODY OF YOU KNOWS THAT WE FACE NOW A SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE FAST WHICH CALLS FOR ACTIVITY, GREAT ATTENTION, AND UNDERSTANDING. I HAVE READ IN SUME NEWSPAPERS IN THIS GREAT COUNTRY THAT ISRAEL INVADED LEBANDN. THIS IS A MISNOMER. ISPAEL DID NOT INVADE ANY COUNTRY. YOU DO INVADE A LAND WHEN YOU WANT TO CONQUER IT, OR TO ANNEX IT, OR AT LEAST TO CONQUER PART OF IT. WE DON'T COVET EVEN ONE INCH OF LEBANESE TERRITORY, AND WILLINGLY WE WILL WITHDRAW OUR TROOPS -- ALL OF OUR TROOPS -- AND BRING THEM BACK HOME AS SUON AS POSSIBLE. "AS SOON AS POSSIBLE" MEANS AS SUON AS ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE THAT NEVER AGAIN WILL OUR CITIZENS -- MEN, WOMEN, AND CHILDREN -- BE ATTACKED, MAIMED, AND KILLED BY ARMED BANDS OPERATING FROM LEBANDN AND ARMED AND SUPPURIED BY THE SOVIET UNION AND ITS SATELLITES.

THERE IS HOPE TO BELIEVE THAT SUCH ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE MADE AND THAT ALL FOREIGN FORCES WITHOUT EXCEPTION WILL BE WITHDRAWN FROM LEBANON, AND THERE WILL HE AN INDEPENDENT, FREE LERANON BASED ON ITS TERRITURIAL INTEGRITY. AND THE DAY IS NEAR THAT SUCH A LEBANON AND ISRAEL WILL SIGN A PEACE TREATY AND LIVE IN PEACE FUREVER.

I HANK YPU.

3. BEGIN TEXT OF HACKGROUND BRIEFING BY A SENIUR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL:

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: ALL RIGHT, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THIS IS DESIGNED TO GIVE YOU SOME BACKGROUND FEEL ON THE DISCUSSIONS WITH PRIME MINISTER BEGIN.

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THEY RECAN ONE ON ONE, WITH NOTETAKING DONE BY THE TWO AMBASSADURS, AMBASSADDR ARENS FRUM ISRAEL AND HUR

AMBASSADUR FROM ISRAEL ON OUR END. THE MEETING LASTED ABOUT 50 MINUTES, 5 MINUTES DUT FOR PHOTOS. THE EXCHANGE BETWEEN THE TWO LEADERS INVOLVED, FIRST AND FOREMUST, FOCUS ON THE SITUATION IN LEBANON, HOW IT EVULVED TO THE CURRENT STATE OF PLAY WE FIND OURSELVES IN. IN THAT REGARD, PRIME MINISTER BEGIN EMPHASIZED THE UNACCEPTABILITY OF THE TERM "INVASION" TO DESCRIBE THE ISRAELI INVOLVEMENT IN LEBANUN. HE POINTED OUT VERY CLEARLY, NOT ONLY IN THE ONE ON ONE WITH THE PRESIDENT, BUT SUBSEQUENTLY IN THE LARGER PLENARY SESSION, THAT THERE WERE AIR STRIKES CONDUCTED FULLTWING THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT AGAINST THE ISRAELI AMBASSADUR IN LUNDUN, THAT THESE WERE VERY SELECTED, STRICTLY MILITARY, TARGETS WITHOUT ANY ANCILLARY CIVILIAN CASUALTIES. I DON'T LIKE THAT WORD "ANCILLARY", BUT "ASSOCIATED".

JOURNALIST: WAS THAT HIS NORD?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: No, No, HE DIDN'T SAY "ANCILLARY", I DID, IN MY INGENUITY. I'M NOT UNACCUSTOMED TO INGENUITY (LAUGHTER).

JOURNALIST: IS HE TRYING TO LEARN YOUR VOCABULARY? IS THAT WHAT HAPPENED? (LAUGHTER)

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: RIGHT, RIGHT.

BUT THEN THERE WAS VERY SHARP SHELLING THAT FELL ON NORTHERN ISRAEL, AND THAT WAS THE PRUVUCATION FOR THE SUBSECUENT ISPAELI AIR STRIKES AGAINST LEBANUN AND THE GROUND ACTION, WHICH WAS DRIGINALLY -- AND THIS IS THE ISRAELI POINT OF VIEW AS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT AND TO THE PLENARY GROUP -- THAT THE ORIGINAL STATEMENT OF A 43 KILDMETER -- 25 MILE -- SANITIZED ZONE FROM WHICH NURTHERN ISRAEL WULLD BE FREE DF GROUND-BASED ATTACK -- THAT IN THE PRICESS OF MUVING TOWARD THOSE DBJECTIVES, SYRIA INTRODUCED MISSILES AND GROUND UNITS INTO THE BEKAA VALLEY, WHICH THREATENED THE CLOSE AIR SUPPORT THAT WOULD BE REQUIRED IN CONDUCT THE ORIGINAL UBJECTIVES, AND THAT RESULTED IN THE EXPANSION OF THE FIGHTING AND THE EXTENSION OF THE ISRAELI OBJECTIVES THAT BRING THEM ID THE LOCATIONS THEY ARE NOW SITUATED IN.

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THE PRESIDENT EMPHASIZED TO THE PRIME MINISTER HIS DEEP CONCERN THAT THE HOSTILITIES IN LEBANON BE TERMINATED AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE, THAT THE WITHDRAWAL OF ISRAELI FORCES WOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED EXPEDITIOUSLY, AND THAT ABOVE ALL IN A MUST URGENT SENSE, HUMANITARIAN ACTIONS BE UNDERTAKEN IMMEDIATELY TO PROVIDE FOR THE WELFARE OF

NON-COMBATANTS INVOLVED, AS WELL AS COMBATANTS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STANDARDS OF APPROPRIATE HUMANITARIAN ACTION. AS YOU KNOW, THE PRESIDENT HAS APPOINTED A SPECIAL COURDINATOR FOR THE UNITED STATES, AID DIRECTOR MCPHERSON. THERE WILL BE FURTHER DISCUSSIONS TOMORROW WITH ISRAFLI OFFICIALS ON THIS SUBJECT TO BE SURE THAT MAXIMUM COURDINATION AND COUPERATION IS ELICITED.

THERE WAS A DETAILED DISCUSSION OF THE OBJECTIVES OF THE UNITED STATES, AS WE SEE IT, FUR THE LEBANUN SULUTION, AND AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WHICH REFLECTED A DEGREE OF SIMILARITY RETWEEN ISRAEL AND THE UNITED STATES UN THESE UNJECTIVES, THAT IS, ISRAEL AGREED THAT IT WOULD AND MUST WITHDRAW FROM LEBANON. THERE WAS A REITERATION OF THE NEED TO ESTABLISH A BUFFER ZUNE, NUT UNDER ISRAELI CONTROL UR ISRAFLI OCCUPATION, BUT RATHER INITIALLY UNDER THE UCCUPATION OF SOME KIND OF A PEACEKFEPING FORCE. THE ISRAELI STOF IS MORE SKEPTICAL OF THE UNIFIL THAN IS THE UNITED STATES SIDE, BUT NEITHER SIDE CUNCLUDED THAT IT WAS PRUDENT TO RULE OUT ANY SOLUTION IN THIS AREA A PRIORI. THE QUESTION OF AMERICAN PARTICIPATION CAME UP, AND IT WAS TOO TREATED AS A QUESTION THE ANSWER TO WHICH SHOULD BE WITHHELD PENDING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SITUATION IN LEBANDN. THE PRESIDENT POINTED UUT THAT IN MANY RESPECTS THE UNITED STATES WAS NOT ENTHUSIASTIC NUR SEEKING AN UPPORTUNITY TO CONTRIBUTE TO SUCH A PEACEKEEPING FORCE BECAUSE OF CLEAR POTENTIAL PROBLEMS HERE AT HOME, AND HE ALSO SUGGESTED THAT HE WOULD MAKE A FINAL DECISION AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF PEACE AND STABILITY IN THE RECION.

THE DESIRABILITY OF STRENGTHENING THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OF LERANON FREE FROM THE IMPLICATION OR PERCEPTION OF COERCION FROM ANY EXTERNAL POWER WAS AGREED UPON, WHETHER IT BE ISRAEL ON THE ONE HAND OR SYRIA AND THE PLD ON THE OTHER, AND IT IS CLEAR THAT, WHILE THERE MAY BE DIFFERENCES IN TIMING AND DEGREE OF THE WITHDRAWAL OF EXTERNAL FORCES, THERE IS A GENERAL CONSENSUS ON THE NEED

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FOR SUCH A WITHDRAWAL.

I THINK I WOULD DESCRIBE THE TALKS IN GENERAL AS FRANK, BORDERING AT TIMES ON DIRECT AND EVEN BLUNT, EXTENSIVE AND DETAILED AS FAR AS THE LEBANUN CUNSTDERATION IS CONCERNED. THE PRESIDENT THROUGHOUT -- BOTH IN THE BILATERAL AND IN THE PLENARY SESSION -- MADE IT VERY CLEAR THAT THE UNITED STATES LUCKS, IN THE MAKE UF WHAT WE HUPE WILL BE A SATISFACTORY DUTCOME IN LEBANON, TU A NEW DEGREE OF ENERGY AND EMPHASIS ON THE PEACE PRUCESS ITSELF, WITH PERHAPS A COMPLETE EXAMINATION OF THE POSSIBILITIES OF BROADENING

THIS PROCESS TO INCLUDE OTHER POWERS, AND TO MUVE RAPIDLY TO HEAL THE WOUNDS OF THE LEBANON SITUATION. ISRAEL, OF COURSE, IS LUDKING FORWARD TO AN EXPANSION OF THEIR RELATIONSHIPS WITH AN EMERGING GOVERNMENT IN LEBANON WHICH WOULD ANNEAL THE PEACE BETWEEN LEBANUN AND ISRAEL, AND PRIME MINISTER BEGIN REDEDICATED HIMSELF TO A STRUNG ADDITIONAL EFFORT FOLLOWING THIS CRISIS SITUATION FOR THE PEACE PRUCESS ITSELF. I THINK BUTH LEADERS NOTED THAT THE ROOTS AND THE DEPTH OF THIS PROCESS WERF CONFIRMED BY THE FACT THAT IT HAS THUS FAR WITHSTUDD THE CRISIS IN LEBANON DESPITE THE STRAINS PLACED UPON IT.

ALL RIGHT, I WELCOME YOUR QUESTIONS.

JOURNALIST: SINCE ISRAEL'S HADE IT CLEAR THAT THEY DUN'T INTEND TO GET OUT UNTIL THAT, AS YOU SAID, "SANITIZED" ZONE IS INDEED SANITIZED, AND THAT SUME SORT OF FORCE HAS TO BE THERE, WHAT KIND OF FORCE ARE WE WORKING ON WITH THEM TO PUT IN THAT AREA?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: WELL, WE'KE NOT WORKING WITH THEM ON A KIND OF A FURCE. WE HAVE, AS YOU KNOW, JOINED OVER THE WEEKEND IN A U.N. RESOLUTION DESIGNED THE MANDATE OF THE UNIFIL, AND THAT WAS SUCCESSFULLY DONE FOR A PERIOD OF 60 DAYS. WE FEEL THAT'S IMPURIANT IN ITS OWN RIGHT. AND SECONDLY, WE ARE CONSIDERING THIS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE HIGH DEGREE -- SELFLESS DEGREE -- OF LAHOR BEING EXERCISED BY AMBASSAUDK HASIB IN BEIRUT OVER THE LAST WEEK. CLEARLY, THERE SHOULD BE THE EMERGENCE OF A CONSENSUS AS TO HOW BEST TO DEAL WITH THIS QUESTION OF THAT BUFFER ZONE AND THE CONFIDENCE-BUILDING STEPS THAT WOULD BE TAKEN WITH RESPECT TO II. I DO WANT TO MAKE CLEAR AGAIN THAT WE'RE NUT TALKING ABOUT A PROLONGED ISRAELI OCCUPATION OF THAT BUFFER ZONE, BUT RATHER AN

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EARLY INSERTION OF A PEACEKEEPING FORCE, EITHER UNIFIL OR NEW IN CHARACTER, TO DO THAT JUB. NOW, CLEARLY, ISRAEL WILL HAVE TO HAVE A SENSE OF CONFIDENCE THAT THE JOB CAN BE DONE, AND, CLEARLY, NATIONS WHO HAVE TO CONTRIBUTE HAVE TO BE SATISFIED THAT THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS ARE JUSTIFIED AND THEY'RE WILLING TO TAKE ON THAT BURDEN.

JOURNALIST: DID BEGIN INSIST VERY STRONGLY THAT UNITED STATES TROOPS HAD TO BE IN THAT PEACEKEEPING FURCE?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: NO. HE MADE IT VERY CLEAR THAT HE WOULD FAVOR AMERICAN PARTICIPATION, BUT HE RECOGNIZED AND STATED CLEARLY THAT THIS IS A DECISION FOR THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT, THE AMERICAN PRESIDENT, TO MAKE.

JOURNALIST: APPARENTLY, HE WOULD HAVE PROBLEMS AT HUME IF HE PUT IT IN, IS THAT WHAT I UNDERSTAND?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: WELL, WE DISCUSSED SUME OF THE DIFFICULTIES ASSOCIATED WITH IT, THAT'S RIGHT, ON THE HILL AND IN THE GENERAL POPULAR MOUD.

JOURNALIST: DID YOU DISCUSS THE SITUATION RIGHT NOW IN BEIRUT, AND DID YOU GET A CLEAR INDICATION OF THE ISRAELI PLANS REGARDING THE CITY?

SELLOR AUMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: WE HAD A DETAILED DISCUSSION ON THE UP-TO-MINUTE EFFORTS OF AMBASSADOR HABIB TO ACHIEVE A CEASEFIRE THAT IS HULDING, TO SET IN TRAIN --UR AT LEAST TO SERVE AS A CATALYST TH SET IN TRAIN -- THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A BROADLY BASED GUVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNITY REPRESENTING ALL THE FACTIONS IN LEBANDA, TO DO THE BEST HE CAN TO COURDINATE THE REESTABLISHMENT, ESPECIALLY IN THE BETRUT AREA, OF THE AUTHORITY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF LEBANDN. AND WE HAVE BEEN THRUUGH THAT. THERE, AS YOU KNOW, OVERNIGHT HAS BEEN SOME ADDITIONAL SHELLING, WHICH, ACCORDING TO THE ISRAELI OFFICIALS, WAS BRUUGHT ABOUT BY THE INITIATION OF ARTILLERY AND ROCKET FIRE FROM THE PLO STRONGHOLDS IN SOUTHWEST LEBANDN (BFIRUT), WHICH TRIGGERED ISRAELI RESPONSE, WHICH CONTINUED WELL INTO THE MORNING, ALTHOUGH IT'S SLOWED DOWN SOMEWHAT. WE ARE SEEKING TU HAVE A TERMINATION OF THIS AT THE EARLIEST PUSSIBLE DATE. ISRAEL HAS AGREED TO TERMINATE IT PROVIDING THE PLO TERMINATES ITS END.

JOURNALIST: YOU TALK ABOUT THE TALKS BEING FRANK,

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BURDERING AT TIMES ON DIRECT AND BLUNT. DUES THAT MEAN THAT THE RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR COUNTRY AND ISRAELI HAVE BECOME LUDSER, WEAKER, LESS FRIENDLY?

SENIUR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: Nu, I WOULDN'T DECRIBE THAT AT ALL IN THAT WAY IN ANY SENSE OF THE WORD. I WOULD DESCRIBE THIS AS A DIFFICULT SITUATION. CLEARLY, THERE IS A LOT OF INFORMATION ON BOTH SIDES OF THIS ISSUE. THE PRESIDENT FREELY BROUGHT FURTH WHAT WE ARE HEARING FROM MODERATE ARAB STATES AND DIHER ARAB STATES, AND MR. BEGIN RESPONDED. SO, THAT'S WHAT I MEANT WHEN I DESCRIBED THIS AS A VERY FRANK AND AT TIMES BLUNT EXCHANGE.

JOURNALIST: THEN THE RELATIONSHIP IS AS GOOD TODAY AS IT WAS, SAY, SIX WEEKS AGD?

SENICE ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: I'M NUT GUING TO BE WUITED THAT WAY OR ANY DIHER WAY. I'M GOING TO SAY THAT

THE RELATIONSHIP REMAINS SOUND AND INTACT, AND ONE UF COOPERATION, AND ONE IN WHICH THE MUTUAL INTERESTS OF BOTH MATIONS ARE BEST SERVED BY COOPERATION AND CONCERT UF ACTION.

JEURNALIST: DUES THAT MEAN THAT YOU ACCEPT THEIR EXPLANATION FOR WHY ....

SENIER AUMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: IT DOESN'T MEAN THAT, AND IT SERVES NO PURPOSE NOW TO MAKE A VALUE JUDGEMENT ON ANY UF THAT. I HAVE SAID REPEATEDLY THAT DUR FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS IS IN GET THE FIGHTING STUPPED, AND NUT INDULGE IN PUBLIC POSTURING TO MAKE THAT EVEN MORE DIFFICULT TO DO. AND I WEN'T DO IT. I'M SURRY.

JOURNALIST: HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT THOSE ELEMENTS IN THE ADMINISTRATION WHO HAVE GONE ON PUBLIC RECORD IN FAVOR OF REBUKING ISRAFL PUBLICLY?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: I HAVE NO CUMMENTS UN ANYBODY'S ATTRIBUTED, NON-ATTRIBUTED, UR SUGGESTED ATTITUDES ON THIS SUBJECT -- OTHER THAN MY OWN AND THE PRESIDENT'S.

JOURNALIST: AND YOU DON'T FEEL THAT ISRAEL SHOULD BE REBUKED FOR WHAT IT'S DONE?

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SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: I HAVE NO JUDGEMENT TO MAKE ON THIS AT THIS TIME FOR THE KEASUNS I JUST RECITED. WE AS A NATION ARE INTERESTED IN RESPONSIBLE DIPLUMACY TO BRING A CONFLICT TO AN END AND TO UP SO ON TERMS IN WHICH AMERICAN VITAL INTERESTS ARE BEST SERVED.

JOURNALIST: WELL, CAN YOU ENDURSE THEN WHAT SECRETARY WEINBERGER SAID YESTERDAY?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: I'M NUT IN THE BUSINESS OF ENDORSING THE SECRETARY OF UFFENSE. DID YOU HAVE ANOTHER QUESTION?

JOURNALIST: WHAT IS YOUR NEXT MUVE AFTER SYRIA'S REFUSAL TO LEAVE LERANUM?

SENIOR AUMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: I'M SURRY?

JOURNALIST: SYRIA HAS REFUSED TO WITHDRAW ITS TROOPS FROM LEBANDN, EVEN WHEN PRESIDENT SARKIS ASKED FOR IT. WHAT IS THE NEXT MOVE?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: WELL, I THINK AGAIN THIS IS A SITUATION WHERE THERE ARE A LUT OF RUMORS, A LUT OF REPORTS, A LUT OF FRAGMENTARY ALLEGED POSITIONS OF VARIOUS PARTICIPANTS OR NATIONS INVOLVED, AND I WOULD PREFER TO GET MY ADVICE FROM OUR PEOPLE IN THE FIELD, FRUM ANBASSADUR HABIB FIRST AND FUREMUST. AND I DON'T THINK THAT'S A FORECLOSED POSITION.

JOURNALIST: MAVE YOU DISCUSSED THE FATE OF THE PLO FORCES IN WESTERN REIRUT?

SENIOR AUMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: DID I DISCUSS WHAT?

JOURNALIST: THE FATE OF THE PLO FURCES ....

SENIOR AUMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: OF COURSE. THERE WAS A GREAT DEAL OF DISCUSSION ABOUT THIS, BUT IT SERVES NO PURPOSE TO AIR IT PUBLICLY.

JOURNALIST: SINCE THERE ARE SU MANY PEOPLE -- SU MANY COUNTRIES -- THAT VOTED AGAINST ISRAEL IN THE U.N., FROM A PRAGMATIC POINT OF VIEW, WHICH COUNTRIES WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO KEEP THE PEACE THERE, SINCE THEY'RE ANTAGONISTIC?

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SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: WELL, LET'S JUST WAIT AND SEE. WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO DO IS TO PUT A PEACE FRAMEWORK TOGETHER. THAT'S WHAT AMBASSADOK HABIB IS DUING AND, I MUST SAY, WITH CONSIDERABLE SUCCESS, ALTHOUGH HE HAS A DISTANCE TO GO.

JOURNALIST: DID PRIME MINISTER BEGIN ASK ABOUT THE SALE OF ADDITIONAL AMERICAN MILITARY EQUIPMENT TO ISRAEL?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: HE DIDN'T ASK ABOUT IT.
THE SUBJECT WAS DISCUSSED.

JOURNALIST: WHAT WAS SAID?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL:.. IT WAS NOT CONCLUDED, SO I AM NOT GUING TO JUMP INTO IT.

JOURNALIST: YOU SAID THERE WAS A DIFFERENCE OF DEGREE AND TIMING REGARDING WITHDRAWAL OF FURCES. COULD YOU BE MORE SPECIFIC ABOUT THE DIFFERENCES OF DEGREE AND TIMING REGARDING ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL?

SENIER ADMINISTRATION DEFICIAL: No -- AND I AM NOT TALKING ABOUT DITHER FORCES.

IT'S VERY CLEAR THAT ISRAEL INTENDS AND HAS STATED CATEGORICALLY AND REASSURED THE PRESIDENT TODAY THAT IT WILL WITHDRAW FROM LEBANON TUTALLY AS SOON AS ITS CONFIDENCE IS MET, OR ITS CONCERN IS MET ABOUT THE....

JOURNALIST: WAS THERE A DISCUSSION OF HOW LONG THAT MIGHT TAKE?

SENIOR AUMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: ....FUTURE ATTACKS FROM LEBANESE TERRITORY.

JOURNALIST: WAS THERE A DISCUSSION OF HOW LUNG THAT MIGHT TAKE?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: No, No, NOT IN THE SENSE OF YOUR QUESTION, BUT WE WERE DISCUSSING OTHER ASPECTS OF THE FORFIGN PRESENCE OR EXTRATERKITORIAL PRESENCE OF OTHER PEOPLE.

JOURNALIST: WILL THE SALE AND DELIVERY OF FUTURE MILITARY

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MATERIEL TO ISRAEL FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPEND IN ANY WAY ON THE OUTCOME OF THE LEBANESE SITUATION?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: I DUN'T THINK THAT'S A QUESTION THAT -- TO USE AN OLD TERM THAT I'LL GRAB OUT OF THE ECTOPLASM -- IS OPERATIVE. (LAUGHTER)

JOURNALIST: WAS ANYTHING SAID ABOUT THE ATTITUDE OF THE SOVIET UNION REGARDING THIS WHOLE CONTROVERSY? DO YOU FEEL BETTER OR WORSE REGARDING THE SOVIET UNION'S DANGER ABOUT COMING INTO THIS THING?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: WELL, CLEARLY, THIS IS UCCURRING IN AN AREA CLOSE TO THE SOVIET BURDERS, AN AREA OF TRADITIONAL SOVIET ACTIVITY AND INTEREST, AND AS I SAID ON SATURDAY IN NEW YORK I FOUND MR. GRUMYKU'S ATTITUDE CAUTIOUS AND CONCERNED.

UNE MORE QUESTION.

JOURNALIST: ALL RIGHT, HAS ISRAEL'S MUVE INTO LEBANON SERVED AMERICAN INTERESTS IN ANY WAY, AND, IF IT HAS, WHAT INTERESTS WERE SERVED?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: I'M NUT GLING TO DISCUSS THAT DUESTION.

JOURNALIST: YOU'RE LEAVING THE IMPRESSION THAT THERE'S BEEN A SUSPENSION OF MILITARY DELIVERIES TO ISRAEL AS A

RESULT OF THE INVASION. IS THAT TRUE?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: NU, NO, NO, ABSOLUTELY NOT. I HOPE I HAVEN'T LEFT THAT IMPRESSION. I DON'T EVEN RECALL THE QUESTION BEING ASKED.

JOURNALIST: YOU SAID MILITARY FRUIPMENT WAS DISCUSSED.

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: NO, NO, NO. WHAT WAS DISCUSSED WAS U.S. ARMS SALES TO MUDERATE ARAB STATES. I THINK THAT WAS THE QUESTION THAT WAS ASKED.

JOURNALISTS: UH -- THE F-165?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: EXCUSE ME, EXCUSE ME.

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ND, IT DIDN'T COME UP TO MY KNOWLEDGE.

JOURNALIST: U.S. ARMS SALES TO ISKAEL DIDN'T COME UP, AND IT IS NOT BEING HELD OVER THEIR HEADS?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: No, I'M SURRY, I MUST HAVE MISREAD THE QUESTION. I THOUGHT SOMEBODY WAS TALKING ABBUT ....

JOURNALIST: I'M STILL CONFUSED. IF YOU COULD....

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: LET ME JUST GET THE RECORD CLEAR. WHO ASKED THE QUESTION UN THAT SUBJECT?

JOURNALIST: I DID.

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL:: NOW, WERE YOU TALKING ABOUT SALES TO ISRAEL?

JOURNALIST: ARMS SALES TO ISRAFL.

SENIER AUMINISTRATION DEFICIAL: I BEG YOUR PAROUN. I THOUGHT YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT AMERICAN ARMS SALES TO MODERATE ARAB STATES. THAT SUBJECT CAME UP. THE ARMS SALES TO ISRAEL DID NOT.

JOURNALIST: WHAT WAS DISCUSSED ABOUT MODERATE ARMS SALES? WHAT WAS THE DUTCOME?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: THE VISIT ISN'T OVER.

JOURNALIST: CAN I CLEAR UP SOMFTHING ELSE? YOU'VE LEFT THE IMPRESSION, AT LEAST WITH MF, THAT THERE'S VERY

SERIOUS DISCUSSION UNDERWAY ABOUT COMMITTING AMERICAN FORCES TO THIS PEACEKEEPING FORCE. IS THAT WRUNG?

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL: NU, I DUN'T WANT TO GIVE YOU THAT INPRESSION. I JUST MERELY STATE THAT WE ARE REMAINING OPEN-MINDED ON THE SUBJECT. WE ARE NOT ENTHUSIASTIC, IN FACT WE ARE LESS THAN ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT THE PROSPECT, BUT THEN IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS I'M CONFIDENT THAT THE PRESIDENT WILL DO WHAT HE CONSIDERS BEST TO GET PEACE AND STABILITY IN THE REGION AND TO FURTHER U.S. INTERESTS IN THAT REGION.

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1. SUMMARY

-- RENEVED FIGHTING IN LEBANON

-- REAGAN-BEGIN MEETING IN WASHINGTON

-- WEST BANKERS COMMENT UN LEBANESE CRISIS

END SUMMARY.

2. RENEWED FIGHTING IN LEBANDA

-- ALL PAPERS REPORT RENEWED FIGHTING AROUND BEIRUT YESTERDAY WITH HEAVY ARTILLERY FXCHANGES BETWEEN THE IDF AND SYRIAM AND PLO FURCES. ASHAAB REPORTS THAT IDF GUNNERS SUBJECTED THE CITY TO ITS HEAVIEST BUMBARDMENT IN A WEEK. ASHAAB ADDS THAT ARTILLERY SHELLS SCORED DIRECT HITS ON THE PALESTINIAN ACRE HOSPITAL KILLING TWO

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PERSONS AND WOUNDING THIRTEEN. ALL PAPERS EXPRESS FEARS THAT THE LATEST EXCHANGES ARE THE PRELUDE TO AN ALL-OUT ISRAELI ATTACK TO FLUSH OUT THE ESTIMATED 6,000 PLO FIGHTERS IN MOSLEM WEST BEIRUT. ASHABB REPORTS THAT THOUSANDS OF REFUGEES FROM WEST BEIRUT FLED TO IDF-CONTROLLED SUITHERN LEBANDN YESTERDAY IN AN ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE THE FIGHTING.

-- ALL PAPERS REPORT LITTLE PROGRESS IN THE SEARCH FOR A DIPLOMATIC SOLUTION TO THE CRISIS. AL FAJK NOTES THAT THE NATIONAL SALVATION COMMITTEE MET AGAIN YESTERDAY BUT APPARENTLY FAILED TO REACH ANY AGREEMENTS. ALL PAPERS EXPRESS DOUBTS THAT THE PLO WILL AGREE TO THE DEPLOYMENT OF THE LEBANESE ARMY IN WEST BEIRUT OR TO ANY CALL BY THE NEW LEBANESE GOVERNMENT TO LAY DOWN THEIR ARMS AND LEAVE BEIRUT. ASHAAB BANNERS A REPORTED MARNING FROM PLO CHIEF YASSER ARAFAT THAT THE PLO WILL "FIGHT TO THE END RATHER THAN SURRENDER."

3. RFAGAN-REGIN MEETING IN WASHINGTON
ALL PAPERS FEATURE DETAILED ACCOUNTS OF YESTERDAY'S
MEETING IN WASHINGTON BETWEEN PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN
AND ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER MENAHEM REGIN. AL FAJR
REPORTS THAT REAGAN "REITERATED HIS FULL SUPPORT FOR
ISRAEL'S INVASION OF LEBANUN AND HIS ENMITY TO THE
PALESTINIAN CAUSE." AL QUOS REPURTS THAT THE TWO
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IN LEBANDN. AL QUDS HIGHLIGHTS REAGAN'S CALL FOR A "WITHDRAWAL OF ALL FOREIGN TROOPS IN LEBANDN." IN ITS LEAD EDITORIAL, AL QUDS NOTES THAT "ISRAEL'S AIMS AND WASHINGTON'S AIMS ARE THE SAME." AL QUDS ADDS, HOWEVER, THAT THE TWO COUNTRIES' GOALS "APPARENTLY DO NOT INCLUDE A JUST SULUTION OF THE PALESTINIAN PROBLEM." THE ISRAELI ARABIC LANGUAGE DAILY AL ANBA LEADS OFF WITH BANNER HEADLINES AND FRONT PAGE PICTURES OF THE TWO LEADERS AT THE WHITE HOUSE. AL ANBA FEATURES THE LEADERS' JUINT CALL FOR A SECURE ISRAEL AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A FREE AND INDEPENDENT LEBANDN. BOTH AL ANBA AND THE JERUSALEM POST NOTE THAT THE TALKS WERE AT TIMES "FRANK, DIRECT, AND EVEN BLUNT."

4. WEST RANKERS COMMENT ON LEBANESE CRISIS BT #2005 NNNN PAGE 1 - 477

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THE JERUSALEM POST FEATURES THE COMMENTS OF SEVERAL WEST BANK NUTABLES ON THE LEBANESE CRISIS. THE PUST NOTES THAT MOST WEST BANKERS ARE "STILL RECUVERING FRUM THE SHOCK OF ISRAEL'S INVASION" AND AUDS THAT MUST HAVE REACTED "WITH DEFIANCE AND WITH CONDEMNATION OF ISRAEL AND OF THE ARAB STATES WHO DID NOT COME TO THE AID OF THE EMBATTLED PALESTINIANS." THE POST QUOTES FORMER JURDANIAN DEFENSE MINISTER ANWAR NUSSEIBEH AS WARMING THAT ISRAELI DEFENSE MINISTER ARIEL SHAREN HAS "DESTRUYED ANY CHANCES FOR MODERATION AMONG WEST BANK ARABS." NUSSEIBEH REPURTEDLY CAUTIONED THAT THE DESTRUCTION OF THE PLO IN BEIRUT COULD LEAD TO THE CREATION OF AN EVEN MORE RADICAL ORGANIZATION ID REPRESENT THE PALESTINIAN CAUSE. IBRAHIM DAQQAQ, MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL GUIDANCE COMMITTEE, REPORTEDLY BELIEVES THAT THE SETBACK IN LERANUN "HAS NOT WEAKENED THE RESULVE OF THE PALESTINIANS IN THE WEST BANK." HOWEVER, DADGAG CRITICIZED THE ARAB REGIMES "WHO CLAIM TO DEFEND PALESTINIAN RIGHTS BUT WHU STUDD BY LIKE

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SPECTATORS AT A FOOTBALL MATCH." SEVERAL PALESTINIAN LEADERS REPORTEDLY EXPECT DEFENSE MINISTER SHARON TO SOON DUST MORE WEST BANK MAYORS AND REPLACE THEM WITH MEMBERS OF THE PRO-ISRAELI VILLAGE LEAGUES. 5. ALSO REPURTED A. AL QUDS AND ASHAAB REPURT THAT STUDIES RESUMED YESTERDAY AT AN-WAJAH UNIVERSITY IN WABLUS. ISRAELI FORCES HAD BLOCKADED THE ENTRANCES TO THE UNIVERSITY FOR SEVERAL DAYS FOLLOWING THE INVASION OF LEBANON. B. AL OUDS, OUBTING A DISPATCH FRUM VIENNA, REPORTS THAT UNRWA WILL PROVIDE EMERGENCY RELIEF TO 15,000 PALESTINIAN REFUGEES IN LEBANDN. UNRWA WILL REPORTEDLY AIRLIFT FOOD AND CLOTHING TO BETRUT UNCE THE INTER-NATIONAL AIRPORT REOPENS THERE. C. ASHAAB REPORTS THAT THE MUSLEM HULY MONTH OF RAMADAN BEGAN THIS MORNING IN JERUSALEM. 6. NOT SENT TO BEIRUT AND DAMASCUS DUE TO MINIMIZE. GREVE BT

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- 1. UMRWA CHIEF OF SECRETARIAT ANGELA GHANEM HAS GIVEN MISSION RUN-DOWN ON RECENT DEVELOPMENTS VIS-A-VIS UNRWA IN LEBANON.
- 2. WEST BANK FIELD DIRECTUR SKINNER HAS BEEN INVITED TO COME TO ISRAELI PRINE MINISTER'S OFFICE ON JUNE 22. UNRWABELIEVES THIS IS IN RESPUNSE TO REPRESENTATIONS MADE TO GOT BY SEVERAL GOVERNMENTS AND BY UNNY. UNRWAHOPES SKINNER WILL GET AUTHORITY TO SET UP PROPOSED ADVANCE CAMPIN NADUURA.
- 3. LATE LAST WEEK, LEBANDN ACTING FIELD DIRECTOR JUHN
  DE FRATES SENT HIS FIELD RELIEF SERVICES DEFICER (DE YOUNG)
  SOUTH "TU SEE HOW FAR HE COULD GET" AND TO EXPLORE THE
  POSSIBILITIES OF A CONVOY OF SUPPLIES TO SIDON. DE YOUNG
  WAS ABLE TO GET TO SIDON AND TO MEET WITH MILITARY
  GOVERNOR THERE. MILITARY GOVERNOR, ON HIS OWN AUTHORITY,
  GAVE PERMISSION FOR A 1-TIME CONVOY TO SIDON FROM BEIRUT,
  ON CONDITIONS THAT TRUCKS WOULD BE DRIVEN BY NONPALESTINIANS AND DISTRIBUTION OF SUPPLIES WOULD BE MADE BY
  UNRWA STAFF.
- 4. CONVOY WITH 45 TONS OF FOOD, BLANKETS AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES MADE THE TRIP TO SIDON ON JUNE 20. IN ACCORDANCE WITH AGREEMENT WITH MILITARY GOVERNOR, TRUCKS WERE UNLOADED AND BACK IN BEIRUT BY 1700 HOURS.
- THE SIDDN AREA (OF THEM, 25,000 ARE REGISTERED WITH UNRWA). THESE PEOPLE ARE PRESENTLY CAMPING IN DRANGE

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GROVES AND OTHER AREAS. THEY ARE URGENTLY IN NEED OF FLOUR AND A WATER SUPPLY (THEY ARE NUW TAPPING THE IRRIGATION LINES INTO THE URANGE GROVES). O. THE CAMP AT EIN EL-HILWEH HAS BEEN TOTALLY RAZED (THERE HAD BEEN APPROXIMATELY 25,000 REFUGES THERE). THE CAMP AT MICH MICH WAS LITTLE DAMAGED. SIDUN ITSELF SHOWED PATCHY DAMAGE - SOME PARTS WERE UNTOUCHED, OTHERS BADLY HIT. 7. ACTING LEBANUN FIELD DIRECTOR OF FRATES MADE A SIMILAR EXPLURATORY TRIP TO TYRE AREA. HE WAS TO VISIT THREE UNKWA CAMPS. IN EL-BUSS APPROXIMATELY 50 PER CENT UF THE REFUGEE SHELTERS HAD BEEN DESTRUYED. IN RASHIDIEH, APPREXIMATELY 60 PER CENT HAD BEEN DESTROYED. IN BURJ EL-SHEMALL, APPROXIMATELY 35 PER CENT WERE DESTROYED. DE FRATES UNDERSTANDS REFUGEES FROM RASHIDIEH ARE STAYING IN A SCHOOL THAT WAS UNDAMAGED, IN TRANCE GRUVES IN THE VICINITY, UR HAVE GONE TO THE COAST. MOST OF THOSE FROM BURJ EL-SHEMALI ARE STILL IN THE CAMP. REFUGEES FROM EL-BUSS MAY HAVE GONE TO THE BEGAA VALLEY. DE FRATES FOUND NO GREAT NEED FOR KELIEF SUPPLIES AMONG THE REFUGEES HE SAW. THEY ARE BEING SUPPLIED BY ISRAELIS FRUM ISHAEL. HE DID FIND A NEED FOR PRUTEIN, AND UNRWA HOPES TO BE ABLE TO GET IN FOODS THAT WILL COVER THIS. 8. IN BUTH AREAS, UNRWA SUPPLY RODMS AND UFFICES HAD BEEN BROKEN INTO AND LODTED. FILES HAD BEEN REMOVED FROM THE DFFICES. 9. UNEWA HAS THE NAMES UF 24 STAFF MEMBERS WHU HAVE BEEN

ARRESTED BY ISRAELIS BUT DUES NOT KNUW WHERE THEY HAVE BEEN TAKEN. KIRK BT #7423

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#### 1. HIGHLIGHTS:

- REAGAM-REGIN MEETING GETS TOP MEDIA ATTENTION. HA'ARETZ BANNERS: "REAGAN, BEGIN AGREE ON NEED TO TERMINATE FIGHTING AND ESTABLISH STRONG LEBANESE GOVERNMENT." DAVAR BANNERS "BEGIN AND REAGAN AGREE UN A (LEBANESE) SOLUTIUN, DIFFER ON TIMETABLES." ISRAEL TV REPURTS THAT "THE U.S. ADMINISTRA-TION BELIEVES THAT ISRAEL DOES NOT HAVE TO IMMEDIATELY WITHDRAW FROM LEBANDN .... "
- ISRAEL RADIO WASHINGTON COKR. REPORTS THAT "THE ADMINI-STRATIUM DISPLAYED GREAT CONCERN OVER THE STABILIZATION UF THE BEIRUT CEASEFIRE. THE PRESIDENT CALLED FOR AN END TO VIOLENCE AND FOR IMPEDIATE ACTION ON THE HUMANITARIAN ASPECTS UF THE WAR."
- ACCORDING TO HA'ARETZ, "THE U.S. ACCEPTS THE ISRAELI CLAIM THAT IT IS ONLY REACTING (TO PROVICATIONS) AND THAT IT IS WILLING TO STOP THE SHUDTING .... "
- YFUIDT EDITORIALIZES ON THE "SATISFACTURY NEWS" FROM THE WASHINGTON SUMMIT.
- MAARIV WARNS THAT "THE REAGAN-BEGIN UNDERSTANDING MIGHT NOT SURVIVE AN ISRAELI ASSAULT ON WEST BEIRUT." END HIGHLIGHTS.
- 2. REAGAN-BEGIN MEETING:
- A) ALL MEDIA RANNER YESTERDAY'S SUMMIT. WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENTS RELY ON THE TWO LEADERS' POST-MEETING

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STATEMENTS, UN A BRIEFING BY A "VERY SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL," AND ON ISRAELI SOURCES TO REPORT ALMOST UNANIMOUSLY THAT PRESIDENT REAGAN AND PRIME MINISTER BEGIN ARE OF THE MIND ON THE STRATEGY NEEDED TO RESOLVE THE LEBANDN CRISIS, THAT THEY DIFFER ON THE OPERATIONAL STEPS, SUCH AS TIMETABLES AND PLO STATUS IN BEIRUT, AND THAT "SECRETARY HATE WAS THE WINNER IN HIS RUNNING BATTLE WITH SECRETARY WEINBERGER" OVER U.S. POLICY TOWARD ISRAEL. WASHINGTUN CURRESPONDENTS ALSO NUTE THAT THE LESS PLEASANT MOMENTS IN THE MEETINGS INVOLVED NUN-LERANESE ISSUES, SUCH AS U.S. ARMS SALES TO THE ARABS. B) FRONTPAGE HEADLINES: HA'ARETZ BANNERS: "REAGAN, BEGIN AGREE ON TERMINATION OF FIGHTING AND A STRONG LEBANON." DAVAR HEADLINES: "BEGIN AND REAGAN AGREE ON A SOLUTION BUT DIFFER DN TIMETABLES." JERUSALEM PUST SAYS: "REAGAN AND BEGIN FORGING JOINT STRATEGY TO ENSURE FREE LEBANDN, SECURE ISRAFL." AL-HAMISHMAR BANNERS: "BEGIN AND REAGAN ACHIEVE BREAKTHROUGH ON JOINT LEBANESE STRATEGY." HATZOFE FRENTPAGES: "ISRAEL AND THE U.S. AGREE ON WITHDRAWAL UF ALL FOREIGN FORCES FROM LEBANON." ISRAEL TV LED WITH "THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION BELIEVES THAT ISRAEL DOES NOT HAVE TO IMMEDIATELY WITHDRAW FROM LEBANON, AT LEAST NOT BEFORE LEBANON GETS STRUNGER, ALL FUREIGN TROUPS ARE PULLED BUT AND A MULTINATIONAL FURCE IS CREATED TO DEFEND A LEBANTN-ISKAEL BUFFER ZONE." MAARIV BANNERS: "U.S., ISRAEL SEARCH FOR WAYS TO SPEED UP THE CREATION OF A STRUNG LEBANSE GOVERNMENT." C) ISRAFL TV QUOTED SOURCES IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S PARTY TO THE FFFECT THAT "THERE WERE NO THREATS AGAINST ISRAEL" IN THE COURSE OF THE MEETING. HOWEVER, THERE WERE "SOME TOUGH NUMENTS, WHEN THE PRESIDENT CRITICIZED A NUMBER OF ISRAELI ANVES. "TV WASHINGTUN CURK. DAN RAVIV AND UTHERS NOTE THE "COOL RECEPTION" AT THE WHITE HOUSE AND THE "GRIM FACES! OF BOTH THE PRESIDENT AND THE PRIME MINISTER AS THEY WENT INTO THEIR MEETING. CORR. PAVIV SPECULATES THAT THIS HIGHT HAVE BEEN A DELIBERATE AMERICAN SHOW FUR VIEWERS ACROSS THE ATLANTIC. D) ISRAFL RADIO WASHINGTUN CURR. SHALOM KITAL QUOTES BOTH ISRAELI AND AMERICAN SOURCES, THAT "THE ADMINISTRATION DISPLAYED GREAT CONCERN UVER THE STABILIZATION OF THE BEIRUT CEASFFIRE. THE PRESIDENT CALLED FOR AN END TO VIOLENCE AS WELL AS FOR AN IMMEDIATE ACTION UN THE HUMANITAKIAN ASPECTS OF THE WAK ... " CURR. KITAL AND OTHERS REPORT ON "BARBED REMARKS" BETWEEN BEGIN AND SECRETARY WEINBERGER IN THE WORKING LUNCH AFTER THE MEETING. B-T

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BEGIN .... MIGHT NOT SURVIVE AN ISRAELI ATTACK ON WEST BEIRUT .... " 3. DEFMIN SHARON ON ISRAEL'S PULICY IN LEBANUN: ALL MEDIA REPORT THAT SHAFON YESTERDAY TOLD A CABINET SEE-LEBANON-TOUR, THAT ALTHOUGH "ALL THE MILITARY UNJECTIVES SET BY THE GOT HAVEBEEN ACCOMPLISHED, THAT DOES NUT MEAN THAT THE TERRORISTS ARE TO BE GRANTED IMMUNITY ANYWHERE ... " 4. THE WAR, ISRAEL'S ECONUMY AND THE U.S.: IN THE COURSE OF ITS REPORTING ON HOW THE WAR AFFECTS ISRAEL'S ECONOMY, TV ECONOMIC CORR. ELISHA SHPIGELMAN SAID THAT "THE FEELING IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE IS THAT THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION IS PREPARED TO HELP ISRAEL FUOT THE BILL OF THE INCREASED EXPENDITURES ABROAD. THE AMERICANS RECENTLY SAID SOME 80 MILLION DOLLARS IN ASSISIANCE MONEY WILL BE SHIFT D FROM CREDITS TO GRANTS. IN ADDITION, THE PRIME MINISTER HAS BEEN GIVEN A LIST OF ISRAELI REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL U.S. ASSISTANCE. THE WORD FROM WASHINGTON IS THAT THE ADMINISTRATION IS PREPARED TO INCREASE IT." D. WHO NEFDED THE HUGE MILITARY CACHES IN LEBANON: MAARIV EDITOR-IN-CHIEF SHMUEL SCHNITZER POINTS OUT THAT, ON THE UNE HAND, THE NUMBER OF TERRURISTS IN LEBANDN IS ESTIMATED AT SOME 15,000, AND ON THE OTHER HAND, THE MILITARY HARDWARE DISCOVERED BY THE ISRAELI ARMY "COULD ARM A MILLION MAN ARMY." WRITER SCHNITZER CONCLUDES THAT "THE ARMS STECKPILES DID NOT BELONG TO THE PALESTINIAN TERRORISTS, BUT TO ALL TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS IN THE WESTERN WORLD AND THEY WERE USED BY THE SOVIET UNION TO FOSTER SUBVERSION ON A GLOBAL SCALE."

6. THE FRONT:

- A) ISRAFL TV REPORTED LAST NIGHT THAT "RELIABLE" ISRAELI ESTIMATES, BASED ON THE SPOT CHECKING, PUT CASUALTY FIGURES AMONG CIVILIAN PUPULATION IN SIDON AND TYRE AT A FAR LOWER NUMBER THAN WHAT FOREIGM NEWS MEDIA HAVE BEEN REPORTING. ACCURDING TO THE ISRAELI FIGURES, SOME 100 PEOPLE WERE KILLED IN TYRE, 50 IN SIDON. THE NUMBER OF HOSPITALIZED WOUNDED IN THE TWO CITIES DOES NOT EXCEED 200-400.
- B) IDF SPOKESMAN DENIED SOVIET CHARGES THAT THEIR BEIRUT EMBASSY WAS HIT BY ISRAELI FIRE.
- C) ISRAFLI MEDIA CITE FOREIGN STURCES TO THE EFFECT THAT "ARTILLERY DUFL CONTINUES IN BETRUT."
- 7. MINIMIZE CONSIDERED FOR BEIRUT AND DAMASCUS. LEE

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PRESIDENT ENDORSED THE PULICY OF GREATER UNDERSTANDING VIS-A-VIS ISRAEL..." EDITORIALIST FROL GUINEY CUNCLUDES BY URGING "CLUSE U.S.-ISRAELI CUUPFRATION ON THE WAYS TO

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2. COMMENCE TEXT. ISRAELI AUTHURITIES HAVE NOT YET REPLIED TO A REQUEST BY THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS IN GENEVA TO VISIT PLO MEN TAKEN PRISONER IN LEBANON, A UPI REPORT FROM GENEVA SAID, OUDTING THE IRC SPOKES-MAN.

-- THE FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN IN JERUSALEM SAID THAT ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO DETAINEES WERE WITHIN THE PURVIEW OF THE ISRAEL DEFENSE FORCES AND THE DEFENSE MINISTRY.

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--CHIEF OF STAFF RAV-ALUF RAFAEL EITAN SAID YESTERDAY THAT A PRISON CAMP WILL BE SET UP FOR THE CAPTURED PLOMEN IN LEBANON.

--ON A BRIEFING FOR MINISTERS TOURING LEBANON, EITAN SAID THE CAPTIVES WILL NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO ISRAEL. HE SAID THE LEBANESE GOVERNMENT WILL HAVE TO DECIDE EVENTUALLY WHAT TO DO WITH THE CAPTIVES. END TEXT. BROWN BT

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