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TAGS: SUPN, IS, JO
SUBJECT: JERUSALEM AND WEST BANK MEDIA REPORT JULY 12,
INCLUDING JULY 10 AND 11.

1. SUMMARY:

--GAZA MAYOR SHAWWA DISMISSED BY ISRAELI CIVILIAN
ADMINISTRATION

--DIR DIBWAN COUNCIL DISMISSED

--SOLDIER INJURED IN DEMONSTRATIONS FOLLOWING
FRIDAY'S NOON PRAYERS AT AL AQSA MOSQUE.

END SUMMARY.

2. GAZA MAYOR SHAWWA DISMISSED BY ISRAELI CIVILIAN
ADMINISTRATION.

--GAZA MAYOR RASHAD SHAWWA WAS DISMISSED ON FRIDAY,
JULY 9, BY THE LOCAL ISRAELI CIVILIAN ADMINISTRATOR
FOLLOWING HIS REFUSAL TO COMPLY WITH A DEMAND TO RENEW

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FULL MUNICIPAL SERVICES AND REFRAIN FROM ALL POLITICAL ACTIVITY. THE GAZA MUNICIPAL COUNCIL WILL BE ALLOWED TO REMAIN IN OFFICE, BUT COUNCIL MEMBERS HAVE REPORTEDLY BEEN INFORMED THAT HAMZA EL-TURKAMANI, A LOCAL RESIDENT IN CHARGE OF THE OFFICES OF THE INTERIOR MINISTRY IN THE GAZA STRIP, WILL NOW BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS. SHAWWA, WHO WAS APPOINTED BY THE ISRAELIS IN 1975, IS THE SIXTH MAYOR IN THE TERRITORIES TO BE DISMISSED THIS YEAR.

--THE JERUSALEM POST OBSERVES THAT THE RECENT DISMISSALS OF MAYORS HAVE BEEN A SOURCE OF "DEEP CONCERN" IN WASHINGTON SINCE ISRAEL'S ACTIONS "MAKE IT HARDER TO FIND MODERATE PALESTINIAN LEADERS WITH WHOM TO CONDUCT AUTONOMY NEGOTIATIONS." THE POST QUOTES DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN DEAN FISCHER AS EXPRESSING "DEEP REGRET" OVER THE DISMISSALS OF SHAWWA WHO FISCHER DESCRIBED AS A "REPRESENTATIVE AND MODERATE SPOKESMAN FOR THE CONCERNS OF HIS PALESTINIAN CONSTITUENTS."

--DISMISSED MAYOR BASSAM SHAK'AH REPORTEDLY TELEPHONED SHAWWA THE DAY AFTER HIS DISMISSAL TO "EXPRESS SUPPORT AND APPRECIATION" FOR SHAWWA'S REFUSAL TO SUBMIT TO THE CIVILIAN ADMINISTRATION'S "POLICY OF HUMILIATION", AL FAJR QUOTES SHAK'AH AS TELLING SHAWWA: "I STAND BY YOU IN BOYCOTTING THE CIVILIAN ADMINISTRATION".

--THERE WAS NO EDITORIAL COMMENT ON THE DISMISSAL.

3. DIR DIBWAN COUNCIL DISMISSED

--THE ISRAELI CIVILIAN ADMINISTRATION IN THE WEST BANK HAS DISMISSED THE APPOINTED MUNICIPAL COUNCIL IN THE TOWNSHIP OF DIR DIBWAN NORTH OF RAMALLAH. THE DISMISSAL WAS ORDERED AFTER THE COUNCIL REFUSED TO LIFT ITS BOYCOTT OF THE CIVILIAN ADMINISTRATION; A COMMITTEE OF THREE EMPLOYEES OF THE ISRAELI INTERIOR MINISTRY HAS REPORTEDLY BEEN APPOINTED TO REPLACE THE COUNCIL.

4. ISRAELI SOLDIER INJURED IN DEMONSTRATIONS

FOLLOWING FRIDAY'S NOON PRAYERS AT AL AQSA MOSQUE.

--AN IDF SOLDIER AND AN EAST JERUSALEM CAB DRIVER WERE SLIGHTLY INJURED ON FRIDAY BY STONES THROWN BY ARAB DEMONSTRATORS NEAR HEROD'S GATE IN EAST JERUSALEM. ACCORDING TO THE JERUSALEM POST, THE STONETHROWERS WERE PART OF A CROWD OF RAMADAN WORSHIPPERS WHO GATHERED NEAR DAMASCUS GATE FOLLOWING FRIDAY NOON SERVICES AT AL AQSA MOSQUE. THE DEMONSTRATORS

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1. HIGHLIGHTS:

- ALL MEDIA REPORT ON "FRUSTRATION AND DISAPPOINTMENT" IN JERUSALEM, OVER THE EVOLVING WAR OF ATTRITION IN BEIRUT.
 - YEDYOT BANNERS: "KIMCHE WILL TELL HABIB: ISRAEL SHALL NOT TOLERATE MORE FOOT-DRAGGING."
 - ISRAEL TV AND OTHERS QUOTE PRIME MINISTER BEGIN AS HAVING TOLD THE CABINET THAT "THE SITUATION IN LEBANON CANNOT GO ON LIKE THAT INDEFINITELY. OTHER OPTIONS ARE UNDER CONSIDERATION."
 - ACCORDING TO MAARIV, AMB. HABIB LAST NIGHT ASKED ISRAEL "TO LET DIPLOMACY TAKE ITS COURSE." JERUSALEM, HOWEVER, TOLD THE U.S. THAT "THE TERRORISTS ARE ABOUT TO LOSE THEIR CHANCE TO LEAVE BEIRUT WITH DIGNITY - AND ALIVE."
 - THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE IS REPORTED TO HAVE DENIED A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT REAGAN THAT, ACCORDING TO TIME NEWS MAGAZINE, CONTAINED A "THREAT" TO ESTABLISH DIRECT CONTACTS WITH THE PLO, IF ISRAEL DOES NOT COOPERATE IN THE DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS IN LEBANON.
 - SENATORS DODD AND LEVIN ARE SAID TO HAVE COME BACK FROM A VISIT TO LEBANON WITH THE IMPRESSION THAT "ALL LEBANESE WANT EVERYBODY OUT - FIRST AND FOREMOST THE PLO."
- END HIGHLIGHTS.

2. ALL MEDIA REPORT THAT WHILE THE CABINET YESTERDAY TOOK "NO OPERATIONAL DECISIONS," AND CONCLUDED "TO GIVE HABIB MORE TIME," MANY CABINET MINISTERS WERE "SKEPTIC"

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ABOUT THE U.S. SPECIAL ENVOY'S CHANCES, AS WELL AS ABOUT THE PLO'S PLANS. AL-HAMISHMAR BANNERS "FRUSTRATION AND DISAPPOINTMENT IN JERUSALEM. NEGOTIATIONS BELIEVED DEADLOCKED." HATZOFI BANNERS: "HABIB'S PLANS FAILED, CABINET SAYS TIME IS RUNNING OUT." DAVAR BANNERS: "PLO TOUGHENS STAND, OFFICIALLY REJECTS EVACUATION PLAN."
3. ALL MEDIA FRONTPAGE "FIERCEST INCIDENTS IN BEIRUT TO DATE." AL PARTS OF BEIRUT ARE SAID TO HAVE SUFFERED FROM THE HEAVY ARTILLARY DUELS ("OVER 10,000 SHELLS AND ROCKETS IN THE LAST 24 HOURS.") IDF SPOKESMAN REPORTED THAT 28 ISRAELI SOLDIERS WERE WOUNDED AND 3 KILLED YESTERDAY. LEBANESE SOURCES REPORT "HUNDREDS" OF LEBANESE CASUALTIES. LATEST REPORTS SAY THAT THE FIGHTING STOPPED LATE LAST NIGHT.

4. ISRAEL TV POLITICAL CORR. ELIMELECH RAM LAST NIGHT QUOTED PRIME MINISTER BEGIN AS HAVING TOLD THE CABINET THAT "THE SITUATION IN LEBANON CANNOT GO ON LIKE THAT INDEFINITELY. OTHER OPTIONS ARE UNDER CONSIDERATION." BEGIN REPORTEDLY DID NOT SPECIFY. AN UNNAMED CABINET MINISTER SAID AFTER THE MEETING, REPORTS CORR. RAM, THAT "HABIB IS FOOLING HIMSELF OR HE MAY BE TRYING TO FOOL" ISRAEL. NOTING THE VERY COMPLEX SITUATION IN LEBANON, CORR. RAM OBSERVED THAT "UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, IT IS DOUBTFUL WHETHER THE OPTIMISM STILL DISPLAYED BY THE AMERICANS IS VERY REALISTIC."

5. ACCORDING TO HA'ARETZ, FOREIGN MINISTRY'S DIRECTOR GENERAL DAVID KIMCHE WILL TODAY GO AGAIN TO BEIRUT FOR FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS. IN HIS BRIEFING TO THE CABINET YESTERDAY, KIMCHE REPORTEDLY SAID THAT "DESPITE THE OBSTACLES, THERE IS A DEFINITE CHANCE TO GET AROUND THEM."

6. HA'ARETZ AND OTHER PAPERS REPORT THAT THE CABINET WAS TOLD THAT DAS MORRIS DRAPER CAME AWAY FROM HIS MEETINGS IN DAMASCUS FEELING THAT SYRIA'S REFUSAL TO TAKE THE PLO IN IS NOT FINAL.

7. THE CABINET REPORTEDLY DECIDED YESTERDAY TO EXTEND BY THREE MONTHS THE TERM OF ALL ARMY SOLDIERS.

8. THE JERUSALEM POST REPORTS THAT A SENIOR ISRAELI OFFICIAL YESTERDAY TOLD NEWSMEN THAT "HABIB HAD PREDICTED A BREAKTHROUGH BY THE WEEKEND AND NOW HAD TO EXPLAIN WHY THAT HAD NOT HAPPENED. THIS IS NOT THE FIRST TIME HABIB'S OPTIMISM HAS PROVED UNFOUNDED."

9. MAARIV REPORTS THAT AMB. HABIB LAST NIGHT ASKED ISRAEL TO LET DIPLOMACY TAKE ITS COURSE AND EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT DESPITE YESTERDAY'S SERIOUS DEVELOPMENTS, IT WAS STILL POSSIBLE TO GET THE TERRORISTS OUT BY DIPLOMATIC

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MEANS. FOR ITS PART, SAYS MAARIV, "ISRAEL TOLD THE U.S. LAST NIGHT, AFTER THE LONGEST DAY OF FIGHTING IN BEIRUT, THAT THE TERRORISTS ARE ABOUT TO LOSE THEIR CHANCE TO LEAVE BEIRUT WITH DIGNITY - AND ALIVE." MAARIV FURTHER REPORTS THAT BEGIN AND SHARON ARE FOR A "TOUGH LINE" IN LEBANON, IN LIGHT OF YESTERDAY'S INCIDENTS. A NUMBER OF CABINET MINISTERS, WHO USED TO OPPOSE A MILITARY MOVE IN BEIRUT, NOW FEEL THAT THE TERRORISTS ARE MAKING THAT UNPLEASANT DECISION UNAVOIDABLE. ACCORDING TO THE MAARIV STORY, "THE U.S. SUPPORTS PLO'S DEMANDS" TO HAVE THE MULTINATIONAL FORCE IN BEFORE THEY GO OUT AND TO RETAIN IN BEIRUT A POLITICAL OFFICE.

10. YEDIOT BANNERS: "HABIB'S MISSION ON THE VERGE OF COLLAPSE. KIMCHE WILL TELL HABIB: ISRAEL SHALL NOT TOLERATE MORE FOOT-DRAGGING."

11. NOTING THAT "HABIB'S BEST MAY NOT BE ENOUGH TO BEND ARAB INTRANSIGENCE," AND THAT "THE VERY WAR OF ATTRITION WE WANTED TO AVOID AT ALL COST ON BOTH SIDES OF THE INTERNATIONAL BORDER WITH LEBANON IS NOW DEVELOPPING IN BEIRUT." MAARIV ARGUES THAT "ISRAEL MIGHT SOON BE FORCED TO TELL ALL PARTIES CONCERNED THAT THE TIME OF INDEFINITE DIPLOMATIC BREAKS IS UP."

12. ISRAEL RADIO AND NOON PAPERS HIGHLIGHT A TIME MAGAZINE STORY ABOUT A "THREATENING MESSAGE" FROM PRESIDENT REAGAN TO PRIME MINISTER BEGIN, THAT THE U.S. MIGHT GET IN DIRECT CONTACT WITH THE PLO IF ISRAEL DOES NOT COOPERATE IN THE DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS IN BEIRUT. THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE REPORTEDLY SAID IT KNEW NOTHING

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ABOUT SUCH A MESSAGE. THE PM'S OFFICE IS ALSO SAID TO HAVE DENIED CHARGES BY SENATOR CHARLES PERCY, AT THE MEET THE PRESS SHOW TALK, THAT BY GOING TO WAR IN LEBANON, ISRAEL HAS BROKEN ITS PROMISE TO THE U.S. TO NEVER AGAIN SURPRISE WASHINGTON.

13. A.I.D.'S PETER MCPHERSON IN ISRAEL: ISRAEL RADIO AND THE JERUSALEM POST REPORT ON MCPHERSON'S TALKS IN JERUSALEM ON THE SITUATION IN LEBANON. FONMIN SHAMIR IS SAID TO HAVE TOLD MCPHERSON THAT ISRAEL WILL PERMIT THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS TO VISIT PLO MEN CAPTURED IN LEBANON. ISRAEL RADIO NOTED REMARKS BY THE CHIEF OF A.I.D. ON U.S. AND ISRAELI RELIEF EFFORTS IN LEBANON.

14. SENATORS DODD AND LEVIN ON LEBANON: ISRAEL TV, RADIO AND THE JERUSALEM POST REPORT ON THE SENATORS' PRESS CONFERENCE ACCOUNTS IN JERUSALEM OF THEIR VISIT TO LEBANON. THE TWO SENATORS' "MAJOR IMPRESSION" IS SAID TO HAVE BEEN THAT THE LEBANESE POPULATION WANTED "EVERYBODY OUT, FIRST AND FOREMOST THE PLO...." THE SENATORS ARE ALSO SAID TO HAVE CRITICIZED U.S. MEDIA FOR FAILING TO REPORT COMPREHENSIVELY ON THE SITUATION IN LEBANON.

15. CONGRESSMAN MICKEY LELAND ON LEBANON: MAARIV REPORTS ON A VISIT TO LEBANON BY REP. LELAND FROM TEXAS, WHO IS IN ISRAEL ON A PRIVATE VISIT. MOST OF THE MAARIV STORY CONCERNS LELAND'S MEETING WITH AN 80-YEAR OLD SIDON RESIDENT, WHO TOLD THE CONGRESSMAN THAT "OF COURSE I AM HAPPY THAT THE IDF IS HERE....,THEY DROVE THE TERRORISTS AWAY....."

16. BEIRUT MINIMIZE CONSIDERED. LEE

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SUBJECT: CAIRO PRESS REVIEW FOR JULY 12
1. HIGHLIGHTS:
--LEBANON: MUBARAK MEETS WITH AMBASSADOR ATHERTON.
--NIMEIRI EXCORIATES "ARAB DESPOTS".
--EGYPT CAUTIONS ISRAEL ON ACTIONS IN OCCUPIED TERRITORIES.
--PLO COMMENTS ON A CAIRO-BASED GOVERNMENT IN EXILE.
END HIGHLIGHTS.
2. LEBANON: LEAD STORY IN AHRAH AND FRONT PAGE PHOTOS
IN ALL THREE DAILIES FOCUS ON AMBASSADOR ATHERTON'S
JULY 11 MEETING WITH PRESIDENT MUBARAK TO DELIVER A RES-
PONSE FROM PRESIDENT REAGAN TO MUBARAK'S JULY 4 MESSAGE
ON THE LEBANON CRISIS. RELATED ITEMS ON LEBANON INCLUDE
REPORTS THAT:
--FRANCE IS EXPECTED TO SUBMIT A DRAFT PEACEKEEPING
RESOLUTION TO THE UNSC TODAY;
--UNSYG MAY BE ASKED TO EXPAND THE SIZE OF UNIFIL;
--FORMIN ALI HAS INSTRUCTED GDE DELEGATION TO THE JULY 15
EMERGENCY NACB MEETING IN CYPRUS TO CONDEMN THE ISRAELI
INVASION AND CALL FOR IMMEDIATE ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL;

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--FORMIN ALI HAS POSTPONED HIS TRIP TO ASIA BECAUSE OF THE LEBANON CRISIS.

3. NIMEIRI INTERVIEW: IN AN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW WITH AKHBAR, PRESIDENT NIMEIRI PRAISED EGYPTIAN DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS TO RESOLVE THE LEBANESE CRISIS AND COMMENTED THAT HAD THE PALESTINIANS TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF THE CAMP DAVID OPTION, THEIR SITUATION WOULD BE DIFFERENT. NIMEIRI ALSO REPORTEDLY SAID TIME HAS COME FOR A CHANGE OF LEADERSHIP IN ARAB COUNTRIES RULED BY DESPOTS, CITING SYRIA AND LIBYA AS CASES IN POINT. HE ACCUSED ASAD AND QADHAFI OF HAVING "SHUT OFF THEIR MINDS AND GIVEN FREE REIN TO THEIR THROATS, BELIEVING THE ILLUSIONS AND SLOGANS THEY SHOUTED..." AHRAH NOTES THAT MUBARAK WILL HOST A WORKING DINNER FOR NIMEIRI THIS EVENING AT ALEXANDRIA.

4. OCCUPIED TERRITORIES: ALL PAPERS REPORT THE GOE HAS CAUTIONED ISRAEL NOT TO CONTINUE ITS "IRRESPONSIBLE BEHAVIOR" TOWARD PALESTINIANS IN THE WEST BANK AND GAZA. THE EGYPTIAN WARNING FOLLOWED NEWS OF GAZAN MAYOR SHAWA'S DISMISSAL AND ALSO REFERRED TO THE ALLEGEDLY VIOLENT SUPPRESSION OF DEMONSTRATORS IN WEST BANK SCHOOLS AND VILLAGES. THE GOE REPORTEDLY ASKED GOI TO UNDERTAKE CONFIDENCE-BUILDING MEASURES INSTEAD OF REPRESSIVE ACTS THAT CAN ONLY HINDER THE PEACE PROCESS. GUMHURIYYA EDITORIAL ENDORSES GOE STAND AGAINST ISRAELI POLICIES IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES.

5. PLO GOVERNMENT-IN-EXILE: CAIRO MENA REPORTS (FBIS NC112322) THAT SAID KAMAL, MEMBER OF THE PALESTINIAN NATIONAL COUNCIL AND PLO FUNCTIONARY IN CAIRO TOLD THE NDP WEEKLY "MAYO" THAT THE PLO WILL ACCEPT EGYPT'S OFFER TO ALLOW THE FORMATION OF A PALESTINIAN GOVERNMENT-IN-EXILE IN CAIRO ON CONDITION THAT IT WOULD BE GUARANTEED RECOGNITION BY THE U.S. KAMAL PRAISED EGYPTIANS DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF THE PLO IN LEBANON AND NOTED THAT THE FINAL DECISION ON WHETHER TO SHIFT THE ORGANIZATION'S LEADERSHIP AND FIGHTERS TO ANOTHER COUNTRY OR COUNTRIES RESTS SOLELY WITH ITS HIGH-COMMAND IN BEIRUT.

6. EDITORIALS: SEE USICA SEPTEL. ATHERTON

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IS A CIVIL SERVANT IN THE ISRAELI MINISTRY OF DEFENSE WHO HAS REPORTED RELIABLY IN THE PAST AND HAS DIRECT ACCESS TO THE INFO REPORTED.

8. SUMMARY: (C/NF) ON 11 JUL 82, HEAVY EXCHANGES OF FIRE CONTINUED BETWEEN IDF AND PLO FORCES IN THE BEIRUT AREA. THE PLO USED A VARIETY OF WEAPONS, AND THE IDF RETURNED FIRE WITH ARTILLERY AND TANKS. DURING THE DAY, THE IDF SUFFERED 28 CASUALTIES, INCLUDING THREE (3) KIA; CASUALTY FIGURES FOR THE PLO UNKNOWN.

9A. DETAILS: [REDACTED] 25x1
ACTIVITIES IN THE BEIRUT AREA FOR 11 JULY BY DESCRIBING THE ACTION AS A HEAVY EXCHANGE OF FIRE BETWEEN IDF AND PLO FORCES DURING THE DAY. [REDACTED] 25x1 THE FIRING WAS CONCENTRATED IN THE AIRPORT AND B'ABDA (3350N 3532E) SECTORS. SOURCE 1 SAID THAT THE PLO WERE USING BAZOOKAS, SAGGER MISSILES, KATYUSHAS, ARTILLERY, AND LIGHT WEAPONS TO STRIKE IDF FORWARD POSITIONS IN THE AREA. AT ABOUT 1000Z, THE PLO EXPANDED THEIR FIRE AND STRUCK CIVILIAN TARGETS IN THE B'ABDA AREA WITH KATYUSHAS. [REDACTED] 25x1

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AL BIRAJINAH (3350N 3530E), AL LAYLAKAH (3350N 3531E), AND AL OUZAI (NFI). AFTER PINPOINTING THESE TARGETS, THE IDF RETURNED FIRE, USING ARTILLERY AND TANKS. DURING THE DAY, THE IDF HAD 28 WIA WITH MOST OF THE CASUALTIES RESULTING FROM SNIPER FIRE. AT 120716Z JUL, SOURCE 1 REPORTED THAT THREE (3) IDF SOLDIERS HAD BEEN KILLED ON 11 JUL DURING THE EXCHANGE OF FIRE. PREP OFF CONTACTED SOURCE 2 TO ASK FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE DAY'S ACTIVITIES. [REDACTED] 25x1

LITTLE TO ADD TO [REDACTED] 25x1 THE PLO HAS ARTILLERY, KATYUSHA, AND SMALL ARMS DEPOTS IN THE BEIRUT AREA. HE THEN SAID THAT NO ONE SHOULD BELIEVE THAT THE PLO ARE FINISHED YET AND SAID THAT THE PLO "ARE FIRING ALOT," USING RPG'S, SAGGERS, KATYUSHAS, ARTILLERY, AND SNIPER FIRE. [REDACTED] 25x1

PLO HAVE ADOPTED THE TACTIC OF FIRING SALVOS TOWARDS IDF POSITIONS AND THEN INVITING WESTERN TV CREWS, WHO ARE STAYING IN WEST BEIRUT, TO WATCH THE IDF RESPONSE.

9B. (C/NF) ORIG CMTS: THERE IS ALWAYS THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE CEASEFIRE WHICH WENT INTO EFFECT ON 11 JUL WILL NOT HOLD, ESPECIALLY IF THE PLO DOES HAVE SUFFICIENT ARMS CACHES IN THE BEIRUT AREA TO CONTINUE ACTIONS AGAINST IDF FORCES. FROM OBSERVATIONS OF JUST A LIMITED AMOUNT OF PLO CAPTURED ARMS [REDACTED] 25x1

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THEY ARE PROBABLY EQUIPPED WELL ENOUGH TO CONTINUE SUCH EXCHANGES FOR SOME TIME. IF THE PLO ARE INVITING THE WESTERN TV NEWS SERVICES TO OBSERVE THE IDF RETURN FIRE BUT NOT THAT OF THE PLO, IT SHOWS THAT THEY ARE COGNIZANT OF THE PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPACT THIS WILL MAKE ON THE TV VIEWERS.

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SUBJECT: DODD/LEVIN PRESS CONFERENCE
1. FOLLOWING IS TRANSCRIPT OF PRESS CONFERENCE BY
SENATORS CHRISTOPHER DODD AND CARL LEVIN AT THE
KING DAVID HOTEL IN JERUSALEM, JULY 11, 1982:
QUESTION: SENATORS, WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF YOUR
VISIT TO LEBANON, WHAT YOU SAW THERE COINCIDE WITH WHAT
YOU THOUGHT YOU MIGHT SEE?
SENATOR DODD: WELL, IF YOU SPEND THE REST OF THE
PRESS CONFERENCE TALKING ABOUT IMPRESSIONS RATHER
THAN FEELING LIKE FORTY-EIGHT HOURS, IT HAS FELT
LIKE FORTY-EIGHT DAYS, I SUPPOSE. IT WAS A PROFOUND
AND DRAMATIC OCCURANCE FOR BOTH OF US, WITHOUT ANY
QUESTION AT ALL. SEEING THE CENTER OF BEIRUT,
WHAT USED TO BE THE CENTER OF BEIRUT, SEEING THE

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PEOPLE OF TYRE AND THE PEOPLE OF SIDON, SEEING DAMOR, WHAT IT ONCE WAS, I CAN ONLY IMAGINE, GIVEN THE NUMBER OF BUILDINGS AND SO FORTH, SITTING ON THE TOP OF A ROOF IN THE ALEXANDER HOTEL, WATCHING ROCKETS FIRED FROM THE GREEN LINE, AND BACK AND FORTH, SEEING A CITY AGLOW, AT THE SAME TIME YOU SEE PEOPLE SWIMMING, PEOPLE GOING TO NIGHTCLUBS, IT'S ALMOST SURREALISTIC. IF YOU HAVEN'T WITNESSED IT TO SEE ALL THE CONTRAST OCCUR IN A NATION LIKE THAT, ONE THING I THINK THAT WE BOTH FEEL STRONGLY ABOUT AND IT'S OBVIOUSLY WE DIDN'T TALK TO EVERYONE, BUT ONE THING COMES THROUGH LOUD AND CLEAR - THERE IS A COMMON DENOMINATOR, I THINK, THAT I SENSED ANYWAY AMONG THE LEBANESE, WHETHER YOU ARE TALKING TO CHRISTIANS, WHETHER YOU ARE TALKING TO MOSLEMS, SHI'ITES, SUNIS, ORTHODOX, CATHOLICS, GREEK ORTHODOX, MARONITES, IS THAT THEY WANT EVERYBODY OUT. THEY WANT THE PLO OUT, THEY WANT THE SYRIANS OUT, AND THEY WOULD LIKE ISRAEL TO LEAVE AS WELL. THEY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THEIR OWN COUNTRY BACK. IT'S BEEN SEVEN LONG YEARS. AND THEY HAVE BEEN BLED WHITE, AS A NATION. AND THEY DESPERATELY ARE LOOKING TO REGAIN THEIR COUNTRY. AND THAT MUCH IS CLEAR. THEY MAY TELL YOU HOW THEY WOULD LIKE IT DONE DIFFERENT WAYS. SOME WILL TELL YOU THEY WOULD LIKE THE ISRAELIS TO GO IN AND CLEAN OUT WEST BEIRUT - MILITARILY. OTHERS WOULD SAY WE WOULD LIKE IT DONE PEACEFULLY. WE'D LIKE TO SEE IT NEGOTIATED OUT AND THE PLO LEAVE QUIETLY. SOME THINK IT SHOULD TAKE PLACE IN TWO DAYS. SOME MAY BE IN TWO WEEKS OR A MONTH. AND THEY WILL ARGUE ABOUT THAT, BUT THE THING THAT IS COMMON AMONG ALL OF THEM IS THEY WANT EVERYBODY OUT AND FIRST AND FOREMOST THEY WANT THE PLO OUT. SENATOR LEVIN: YOU WOULD EXCUSE ME IF I COULD RESPOND. WE WILL BOTH TRY TO RESPOND TO EACH QUESTION. THERE IS DISAGREEMENT AS TO HOW, AND THERE IS DISAGREEMENT AS TO WHEN, AND THERE IS DISAGREEMENT AS TO WHO IS GOING TO GET THE PLO OUT OF BEIRUT. BUT THERE IS NO DISAGREEMENT ON THE QUESTION OF WHETHER TO GET THE PLO OUT OF BEIRUT. NOW THAT FEELING EXISTS EVERYWHERE THAT WE WENT. ISRAEL WANTS THE PLO OUT OF BEIRUT. THERE IS ONE GROUP OF PEOPLE EVEN MORE THAN ISRAEL THAT WANT THE PLO OUT, AND THAT'S THE LEBANESE.

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QUESTION: YOU TALKED SOME (FORTY) MINUTES TO SHAMIR,
DID HE EXPRESS SOME CERTAIN AMOUNT OF PESSIMISM OF THE
SLOW DOWN OF NEGOTIATIONS?

SENATOR DODD: HE CERTAINLY WOULD, AS WE ALL WOULD,
HAVE LIKED THEM TO HAVE BEEN CONCLUDED, OR WOULD HAVE
LIKED TO FEEL THEY WERE GOING TO BE CONCLUDED
SUCCESSFULLY AS SHORTLY AS POSSIBLE, SO THAT
IN THAT SENSE, YES, THERE IS A STRONG SENSE OF

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PESSIMISM. I THINK EVERYONE FEELS IT HAS BEEN
DRAGGING ON NOW. BUT I READ INTO YOUR QUESTION
WHETHER OR NOT WE ANTICIPATE SOME PRECIPITOUS
MILITARY ACTION ON THE PART OF ISRAEL. I DIDN'T
LEAVE WITH THAT SENSE AT ALL. I LEFT WITH THE
SENSE THAT NEGOTIATIONS ARE NOT LIMITLESS IN TIME,
BUT I DIDN'T GET THE SENSE THAT SOMETHING IS APT
TO HAPPEN IN THE NEXT TWENTY-FOUR OR FORTY-EIGHT
HOURS. BOTH SENATOR LEVIN AND I HAVE STRONGLY
URGED AND CONTINUE TO URGE GIVING MR. HABIB
AS MUCH RUNNING ROOM AS POSSIBLE, TO EXHAUST
EVERY POSSIBLE PEACEFUL MEANS, IF YOU WILL, OF
RESOLVING THIS ISSUE. MR. SHAMIR, I THINK, AGREES
WITH THAT. THAT WAS MY SENSE, LEAVING OUR MEETING
WITH HIM. BUT HE ALSO MADE IT QUITE CLEAR TO US,
THAT THAT FEELING WOULD NOT PREVAIL INDEFINITELY,
SENATOR LEVIN: I DIDN'T FIND THE MINISTER PARTICULARLY
OPTIMISTIC, THAT THERE WOULD BE A PEACEFUL

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SOLUTION. BUT HE IS NOT WITHOUT HOPE. HE STILL HAS SOME HOPE. MAYBE A HOPE AGAINST HOPE THAT THERE WILL BE A PEACEFUL SOLUTION, BUT I DID NOT FIND HIM VERY OPTIMISTIC THAT THERE WILL BE, NOR DID WE FIND THAT HE WOULD BE WILLING TO WAIT FOREVER.

QUESTION: ARE YOU GOING TO FURNISH US WITH A NUMBER OF CIVILIAN CASUALTIES IN SOUTHERN LEBANON?

SENATOR LEVIN: IN ONE PLACE I THINK WE GOT A VERY DEFINITIVE STATEMENT ON CASUALTIES. WE COULD NOT PUT TOGETHER IN THE FEW DAYS THAT WE WERE THERE A CASUALTY LIST. IN THE CITY OF TYRE WE ASKED THE MAYOR HOW MANY CIVILIAN CASUALTIES IN TYRE, THIS MORNING - WE ASKED HIM, AND THE ANSWER WAS SIXTY-TWO, THAT THEY HAD COUNTED THE CIVILIAN CASUALTIES IN TYRE AND THAT THE FIGURE WAS SIXTY-TWO. NOW THAT'S VERY DIFFERENT FROM THAT ORIGINAL ESTIMATE, WHEREVER IT CAME FROM, OF ONE TO TWO THOUSAND KILLED CIVILIANS, LEBANESE CIVILIANS IN TYRE. TRAUMATICALLY DIFFERENT FROM THAT ORIGINAL ESTIMATE. STILL A LOT OF TRAGEDY (REPORTER: LEBANESE?) YES. A LOT OF TRAGEDY FOR A LOT OF PEOPLE (INTERRUPTED BY REPORTER). THEY DO NOT HAVE THE COUNT ON THE PALESTINIANS. THEY ARE NOT ABLE TO COUNT THE EXACT NUMBER OF THE PALESTINIANS, BECAUSE MANY OF THOSE TOOK PLACE AWAY FROM THE TOWN. BUT IN THE TOWN OF TYRE, THE LEBANESE CIVILIANS THAT WERE KILLED WERE SIXTY-TWO ACCORDING TO THE MAYOR. AND THAT'S ABOUT AS GOOD EVIDENCE, IT SEEMS TO ME, AS ONE CAN GET.

QUESTION: WELL, HOW GOOD EVIDENCE IT IS (INAUDIBLE)?

SENATOR LEVIN: I AM JUST GIVING YOU THE ONE FIGURE WHICH I CONCENTRATE ON. ALL KINDS OF FIGURES THAT ARE FLOATING AROUND. THERE ARE MANY, MANY FIGURES THAT WERE FLOATING AROUND. ONE OF THEM WAS HOW MANY LEBANESE CIVILIANS WERE KILLED IN TYRE. AND THAT ONE I CONCENTRATED ON THIS MORNING, BECAUSE THAT WAS THE FIGURE THAT WE COULD FOCUS ON. THAT WAS THE FIGURE THAT WAS SAID TO BE ONE TO TWO THOUSAND LEBANESE CIVILIANS KILLED IN TYRE. THAT WAS THE ONLY FIGURE THAT I COULD CHECK. I COULD NOT CHECK ON EVERY PLACE THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CASUALTIES. WE DID NOT TALK TO THE OFFICIALS WHO COULD GIVE US THAT INFORMATION IN EVERY PLACE. BUT WE WERE ABLE TO MEET WITH THE MAYOR OF TYRE. HE IS GOOD AUTHORITY. IN THAT ONE CITY THE TOP AUTHORITY WHO SHOULD KNOW THE MOST

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SAID THERE WERE SIXTY-TWO LEBANESE CIVILIAN DEATHS
IN TYRE. AND THAT'S THE ONE FIGURE THAT WE CAN
REPORT FROM THE HIGHEST AUTHORITY AND IT'S
VERY, VERY MUCH DIFFERENT, AS TRAGIC AS SIXTY-
TWO IS, IT IS VERY, VERY MUCH DIFFERENT FROM
A THOUSAND TO TWO THOUSAND CIVILIAN LEBANESE
DEATHS WHICH WERE ORIGINALLY REPORTED BY SOME

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SOURCE OR ANOTHER.
QUESTION: DO YOU THINK THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE GETTING
AN ACCURATE PICTURE OF WHAT HAPPENED IN LEBANON?
AND IF NOT, WHAT IS THE STORY THAT WAS NOT
UNDERSTOOD PROPERLY?
SENATOR DODD: MY FEELING IS THAT -- I WOULDN'T
CHARACTERIZE IT AND WOULD BE RELUCTANT ABOUT
DISTORTED OR CORRECT. IT'S ALWAYS PUTTING A LABEL
ON THOSE THINGS, BUT I THINK THERE ARE A COUPLE
OF POINTS THAT I THINK ARE NOT PROBABLY GETTING
THROUGH AS CLEARLY AS THEY SHOULD. ONE IS THAT THIS
WAR DIDN'T BEGIN ON JUNE 6TH. IT BEGAN IN 1975
AND THAT'S SOMETHING I WAS NOT FULLY AWARE OR
CONSCIOUS OF. I DON'T THINK WE'VE BEEN AS
AWARE OF THE FACT THAT THERE HAVE BEEN ROUGHLY
A HUNDRED THOUSAND LEBANESE WHO HAVE LOST THEIR
LIVES IN SEVEN YEARS. THAT THERE ARE OVER THREE
HUNDRED THOUSAND PEOPLE WHO WERE SERIOUSLY INJURED,

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OR ANYWHERE FROM FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND TO A MILLION REFUGEES IN SEVEN YEARS. THAT'S A STAGGERING SET OF STATISTICS, AND I JUST DON'T THINK THE WORLD COMMUNITY HAS BEEN AS AWARE OF THE CARNAGE IN THAT COUNTRY AND THE TREMENDOUS VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS. THAT'S SOMETHING I THINK HAS BEEN LOST UPON PEOPLE. SECONDLY, IS THE ISSUE OF WHAT THE LEBANESE WANT. WE TALK ABOUT WHAT WE WANT IN THE UNITED STATES. WE TALK ABOUT WHAT WESTERN EUROPEANS WANT. WE TALK ABOUT WHAT THE ISRAELIS WANT. WE SEEM TO BE TALKING ABOUT WHAT THE PLO WANTS. WE TALK ABOUT WHAT EVERYBODY WANTS, EXCEPT WHAT THE LEBANESE WANT. IT'S THEIR COUNTRY. IT'S THEIR LAND. IT HAS BEEN TORN APART AND NO ONE SEEMS TO BE FOCUSING ENOUGH ON THEIR NEEDS. YOU HAVE GOT A PLO ARMY THERE. THEY HAVE INVADDED THAT COUNTRY AND TURNED IT INTO A WAR, A WEAPONS DEPOT OVER THE LAST SEVEN YEARS. YOU HAVE GOT THE SYRIANS THERE WHO CAME IN ALLEGEDLY TO GET THE PLO OUT AND NOW ARE VIRTUALLY IN THE SAME CAMP WITH THEM. THE ISRAELIS ARE THERE NOW AND THIS COUNTRY IS VIRTUALLY AN OCCUPIED TERRITORY. AND THEY HAVE NO CONTROL OVER THEIR OWN LIVES FOR SEVEN YEARS. IN ONE COMMUNITY AFTER ANOTHER THERE VIRTUALLY HAS BEEN NO GOVERNMENT. THERE IS NO LEBANESE GOVERNMENT. IT IS A NATION IN NAME ONLY, ON A MAP SOMEPLACE. IT DOESN'T EXIST IN THE NORMAL SENSE OF NATIONHOOD. AND I DON'T THINK THAT MESSAGE HAS GOTTEN THROUGH VERY SUCCESSFULLY. SENATOR LEVIN: I WOULD JUST ADD ONE OTHER THING TO THAT. I THINK THAT THE AMERICAN PUBLIC AND PERHAPS THE WORLD PUBLIC IS NOT FULLY AWARE OF THE EXTENT TO WHICH A PART OF LEBANON BECAME A PLO STATE. ARMED, EQUIPPED, TRAINED BY THE SOVIET UNION. I DO NOT THINK THAT THAT IS FULLY KNOWN IN THE UNITED STATES OR IN THE WORLD. THE PLO TOOK OVER, RULED, GOVERNED, CONTROLLED THE SIGNIFICANT PART OF SOUTHERN LEBANON. WE SAW TODAY THE WAY WE SAW A FEW DAYS AGO, BY THE WAY, SOME OF THE SOVIET WEAPONRY WHICH WAS TAKEN OUT OF SOUTHERN LEBANON. THE ESTIMATES THAT WE HAVE SEEN ARE SIX THOUSAND TONS OF AMMUNITION PULLED OUT OF SOUTHERN LEBANON. THAT BECAME A SOVIET TRAINED, DOMINATED STATE ON THE EASTERN SHORES OF THE MEDITERRANEAN WITH TERRIBLE IMPLICATIONS FOR THE UNITED STATES!

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STRATEGIC POSITION IN THE WORLD AND I THINK FOR
PEACE IN THE WORLD AS WELL.
QUESTION: SENATOR LEVIN, HOW DO YOU ACCOUNT FOR THE
FACT THAT THE WORLD IS NOT AWARE OF THE SITUATION?
SENATOR LEVIN: I DON'T TRY TO ASSESS THE REASONS
OR THE BLAME. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT THE FULL
STORY BE TOLD. IT IS A VERY NORMAL AND PROPER THING
TO CONVEY TO THE WORLD THE TERRIBLE SUFFERING WHICH
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IS GOING ON. I THINK THAT SHOULD BE CONVEYED, BUT
IT ALSO SHOULD BE CONVEYED THE ORIGINS OF THAT
SUFFERING. AS SENATOR DODD JUST SAID, A HUNDRED
THOUSAND PEOPLE KILLED IN LEBANON BEFORE THE ISRAELIS
MOVED IN A FEW WEEKS AGO BETWEEN 1975 AND NOW. DEATH
IS NOT AN EASY MESSAGE TO CONVEY WITH CURRENT MEDIA.
CURRENT MEDIA, OF COURSE, NORMALLY AND PROPERLY
COVERS THE CURRENT SUFFERING, BOTH IN SOUTHERN
LEBANON AND NOW IN BEIRUT. BUT THE FULL PICTURE,
THE FULL PICTURE HAS TO INCLUDE THE CAUSES, WHAT
HAS HAPPENED, AND THIS DID NOT ALL HAPPEN IN THE
LAST FEW WEEKS.
SENATOR DODD: LET ME ADD ANOTHER REASON I THINK MAY BE
A PART TO IT. IT'S A PERSONAL OPINION. BUT ONE
OF THE THINGS THAT HAS STRUCK ME DURING THE LAST
MONTH IS THE SILENCE IN EFFECT, OF THE SO-CALLED
ALLIES OF THE PLO IN THE MIDDLE EAST. IT HAS
BEEN INCREDIBLE TO ME HOW PEOPLE WHO HAVE

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SUPPORTED THIS ORGANIZATION FINANCIALLY HAVE
SPOKEN UP FOR, RECOGNIZED IT, HAVE DONE EVERYTHING
POSSIBLE FOR IT AS AN ORGANIZATION OVER THE PAST
TEN OR FIFTEEN OR MORE YEARS HAS BEEN VIRTUALLY
SILENT IN THE LAST FOUR MONTHS. I SUSPECT THAT IN
PART IT IS DUE TO THE FACT THAT AS LONG AS THE PLO
WAS OCCUPYING LEBANON AND NOT THEIR COUNTRY, THEN
IT WAS PALATABLE. IT WAS ACCEPTABLE. AND AS
LONG AS NO ONE WAS MAKING MUCH OF A FUROR
ABOUT WHAT WAS HAPPENING IN LEBANON, THEN IT
WAS TO THEIR ADVANTAGE. I THINK THE EVIDENCE
OF THAT IS THE FACT THAT TODAY WE DON'T SEE
ANYONE REALLY OFFERING TO TAKE THE PLO. I JUST
HEARD ON THE NEWS COMING IN THAT THE SYRIANS NOW
WANT SIXTEEN OR FOURTEEN BILLION DOLLARS TO TAKE
THE PLO - AN ORGANIZATION WHICH THEY CLAIM THEY
HAVE SUPPORTED AND BEEN BEHIND. AND NOW THEY
PUT A PRICE TAG ON BRINGING THEM INTO THEIR
COUNTRY. AND THEY ARE THE ONLY NATION OF THEIR
ALLIES IN THIS PART OF THE WORLD THAT ARE WILLING
TO LET THEM IN. SO I SUSPECT THAT LEBANON WAS
A VERY CONVENIENT PLACE, BECAUSE IT WASN'T THEIR
BACKYARD. AND I THINK THAT PROBABLY HAS AS MUCH
TO DO WITH IT AS ANYTHING.

QUESTION: COULD YOU REMEMBER THAT THERE HAS BEEN GRIEVOUS
DISCREPANCY IN BEIRUT THE OTHER EVENING BETWEEN
YOUR REMARKS AND OUR OBSERVATIONS. YOU TOLD
US THAT MR. BEGIN HAS TOLD YOU THAT HE IS READY TO
BELIEVE, THAT THERE WOULD BE NO FOOD BLOCKADE ON
WEST BEIRUT, WHEREAS WE SAW THE EVIDENCE OF THE FOOD
BLOCKADE YOU SAID YOU WOULD RAISE IT?

SENATOR DODD: WE JUST DID. ONE OF THE MAJOR POINTS
WE JUST RAISED OVER WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTER - THE
FIRST POINT, AND IF WE SPENT SIXTY OR SEVENTY PERCENT
OF OUR TIME IT WAS TALKING ABOUT THAT ISSUE. WE BOTH
AGREE, AT LEAST, I THINK HE AGREES WITH US. HE
DIDN'T STATE SPECIFICALLY THAT IT WAS OR WAS NOT GOING
IN, BUT OUR POINT TO HIM WAS THE PLO IS CERTAINLY
GETTING FOOD AT THE ORGANIZATION. AND THE TWO
HUNDRED OR FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND, WHATEVER THE
NUMBER IS OF WEST BEIRUT CIVILIANS WHO ARE NOT
COMBATANTS ARE THE ONES WHO ARE PAYING THE DEAR PRICE
INDEED, AND OUR FEELING WAS THAT THAT WAS A MISTAKE,
AND THEY OUGHT TO ALLOW FOOD TO GET IN THERE.

SENATOR LEVIN: IN OTHER WORDS, NOT ONLY IS THERE
THE HUMANITARIAN QUESTION, THERE IS ALSO THE QUESTION

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OF EFFECTIVENESS. IT IS NOT WORKING AGAINST THE
PEOPLE AGAINST WHOM THEY WANT IT TO WORK.
QUESTION: ON THE ISSUE OF FACT, HAS MR. BEGIN MISLEAD
US? DID THE ISRAELIS TELL YOU TODAY THAT YES, THERE IS
A BLOCKADE AND MR. SHAMIR SAID.....
SENATOR DODD: NO, HE DID NOT TELL US THAT.

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QUESTION: WHAT STATE OF FACT DID THE ISRAELIS DESCRIBE
TO YOU TODAY ON FOOD?
SENATOR LEVIN: A VERY CONFUSED PICTURE.
QUESTION: INTENTIONALLY? DO YOU THINK HE WAS TRYING
TO CONFUSE YOU?
SENATOR LEVIN: I WOULD NOT ATTRIBUTE THAT INTENTION IN
THAT KIND OF CONFUSED STATE OF AFFAIRS, NO.
QUESTION: SENATORS DODD AND LEVIN, FOREIGN MINISTER
SHAMIR SAID THAT HE WAS NOT VERY OPTIMISTIC IN HOPE
AGAINST HOPE, WHAT WAS YOUR IMPRESSION OF THE
OTHER OPTIONS THAT HE MIGHT CONSIDER IF THE NEGOTIATIONS
DO NOT SUCCEED (INAUDIBLE)?
SENATOR LEVIN: I THINK THEY ARE AWARE OF TWO THINGS -
NUMBER ONE, THAT THE PLO MUST GO. EVERYBODY BELIEVES
IT. AGAIN, THE LEBANESE IF ANYBODY MORE THAN THE
ISRAELIS WANT TO GET THE PLO OUT, BUT I THINK HE ALSO
IS AWARE, AND THE GOVERNMENT IS AWARE THAT IT'S
NOT ONLY IMPORTANT THAT THEY GO, BUT THAT THE

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WAY THAT THEY GO IS IMPORTANT AS WELL. AND THAT THEY GO AFTER EVERY OPPORTUNITY FOR PEACEFUL NEGOTIATIONS HAS BEEN EXHAUSTED, THAT THEY GO AFTER EVERY OPPORTUNITY FOR THE CIVILIANS TO LEAVE HAS BEEN EXHAUSTED, THAT THEY GO IN IN A WAY WHICH THE WORLD WILL SEE CAME AFTER ALL EFFORTS WERE MADE FOR PEACEFUL NEGOTIATIONS. ALL EFFORTS MADE TO HAVE THE LEBANESE PARTICIPATE IN THAT DECISION. AFTER ALL THE LEBANESE WANT THE PLO OUT AND THEY SHOULD PARTICIPATE IN THE REMOVAL OF THE PLO. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT THEY SO PARTICIPATE. AND I THINK THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS AWARE OF THE FACT THAT IT'S NOT ONLY IMPORTANT THAT THEY GO, BUT THE WAY THEY GO IS ALSO IMPORTANT.

QUESTION:..... YOU ARE DRAWING A CONCLUSION AS THOUGH CERTAIN MOTIONS MUST BE GONE THROUGH BEFORE WHAT HAPPENS AFTERWARDS.

SENATOR LEVIN: NOT MOTIONS. VERY SERIOUS ACTIONS TO REDUCE THE CASUALTIES AND THE SUFFERING WHICH WOULD RESULT IF THERE WERE NOT A PEACEFUL SOLUTION OF THE BEIRUT PROBLEM.

QUESTION: BUT YOU DON'T SOUND AS THOUGH YOU ARE OPTIMISTIC OR EVEN HOPEFUL THAT THERE WILL BE SUCH A THING (INAUDIBLE) EXHAUSTING ALL THE OPTIONS?

SENATOR LEVIN: I AM ALWAYS HOPEFUL AND NOT THAT OPTIMISTIC.

SENATOR DODD: ANYTHING ELSE?

QUESTION: DID YOU GENTLEMEN FIND AMONG THE CIVILIAN POPULATION THAT YOU SAW IN TYRE AND SIDON AND THE PLACES IN BETWEEN THAT THE POPULATION WAS IN A STATE OF DISTRESS AS FAR AS FOOD AND WATER AND SHELTER?

SENATOR DODD: THERE ARE REAL PROBLEMS TO THAT. I WENT THIS MORNING AS A CATHOLIC, WENT TO MASS AND TYRE AT THE MARONITE FACILITIES THERE AND WE MET AFTERWARDS WITH ONE OF THE PARISH PRIEST - THE BISHOP WAS NOT THERE, AND TALKED WITH HIM ABOUT THE INFRASTRUCTURE PROBLEMS. THERE IS A GROWING POPULATION IN THAT COMMUNITY IS REFUGEES AND IN EFFECT MOVED FROM THE BEIRUT AREA, I GATHER SOUTH, AND ARE A CITY THAT WOULD BE NORMALLY, I GUESS, OF SOME TWENTY-FIVE TO THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND PEOPLE IS SWELLING AND THEN GIVEN THE FACT THAT SO MUCH OF THEIR INFRASTRUCTURE HAS BEEN DESTROYED, IT ONLY COMPLICATES PROBLEMS. AND SO THERE IS A REAL NEED IN THOSE COMMUNITIES FOR SOME STRONG HUMANITARIAN AID. I MIGHT ADD THAT SENATOR LEVIN AND I STRONGLY URGED UPON THE FOREIGN

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MINISTER OF ISRAEL TO PROVIDE AS MUCH OF THAT
HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE AND CLEAN-UP OPERATION
SO THAT THOSE CITIES COULD GET BACK ON THEIR
FEET. BUT IT IS A SERIOUS PROBLEM. THOSE ARE
JUST THE BASICS OF NECESSITIES OF LIFE --
SEWAGE, WATER, ELECTRICITY AND SO FORTH THAT
NEED TO BE PUT BACK IN PLACE AND THAT OPERATION
OUGHT TO BEGIN IMMEDIATELY. I THINK THAT WOULD
BE EVIDENCE OF ISRAEL'S INTENT TO BE NOT JUST
A FORCE OF OCCUPATION NO MATTER HOW LONG OR HOW
SHORT, BUT THAT THEIR INTENTIONS ARE TO HELP
LEBANON GET BACK ON ITS FEET AGAIN. AND IT
WOULD CERTAINLY, I THINK, SERVE THE STATE OF ISRAEL'S
INTEREST IN DEMONSTRATING THAT TO THE WORLD IF THEY
WERE TO DO THAT.
SENATOR LEVIN: THERE IS NOT ONLY CRITICAL NEED
FOR HUMANITARIAN AID WHICH HOPEFULLY ISRAEL WILL HELP
SUPPLY, ON AN URGENT BASIS, BUT AMONG THAT, IN THE

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MIDST OF THAT RUBBLE AND DUST THERE WAS A FEELING IN THAT TOWN OF TYRE THIS MORNING THAT THEY ARE FREE AGAIN TO MOVE ABOUT, WITHOUT TERROR, WITHOUT FEAR, AND YOU CAN FEEL THAT SENSE AMONG THE PEOPLE WE MET - ALL RELIGIONS.

SENATOR DODD: WE TALKED TO SHOPKEEPERS - WHY DON'T I JUST GIVE YOU AN IDEA OF WHAT WE TRIED TO DO - WE TRIED TO MAKE SURE THAT THE ISRAELI MILITARY PEOPLE WERE NOT WITH US WHEN WE WENT AND TALKED TO PEOPLE, CONSCIOUS OF THE FACT THAT SOME PEOPLE CAN BE INTIMIDATED INTO GIVING DIFFERENT ANSWERS WHEN THEY SEE SOMEONE IN A UNIFORM. THEY ARE NOT FOOLS, AND THEY MAY WORRY ABOUT HOW THEIR ANSWERS ARE GOING TO AFFECT THEM AFTERWARDS. AND LITERALLY, JUST AT RANDOM WALKING ALONG AND THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO SPEAK ENGLISH AND WHO UNDERSTAND ENGLISH, AND THERE IS THAT COMMON DENOMINATOR. I WOULD LIKE TO TELL YOU THAT I FOUND ONE OR TWO OR A CERTAIN PERCENTAGE THAT SAID WE WANT THOSE ISRAELIS OUT OF HERE - IT WAS TERRIBLE WHAT THEY DID. THEY SAID THINGS LIKE THAT THE BOMBING MAYBE WAS TOO MUCH, BUT HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT BEFORE YOU COME IN? BUT THE CLEAR MESSAGE WAS WE WANT THIS COUNTRY FOR OURSELVES. WE HAVE BEEN VIRTUALLY AN OCCUPIED NATION. WE WERE NOT MAKING ANY DECISIONS FOR OUR OWN OR FOR OURSELVES AS LONG AS THE PLO WAS HERE. THEY VIRTUALLY DOMINATED OUR STREETS. OUR WIVES AND OUR CHILDREN COULD NOT LEAVE THE HOUSE AFTER SIX O'CLOCK AT NIGHT FOR FEAR OF THEIR LIVES OR BODILY HARM. THERE WAS VIRTUAL CONTROL OF THESE COMMUNITIES. I THINK THE WORLD HAS NEVER REALLY KNOWN THAT IN SOUTHERN LEBANON. THERE WAS VIRTUALLY NO CONTROL.

SENATOR LEVIN: IF YOU CAN BREATHE FREEDOM AMONG DUST, LET ME TELL YOU, YOU CAN DO IT IN TYRE. NOW THAT'S SIGNIFICANT, BUT IT'S PART OF THE PICTURE WHICH HAS TO BE MADE KNOWN AND THERE IS A LOT OF SUFFERING AND NO ONE SHOULD EVER MINIMIZE THAT SUFFERING. AND THERE IS A LOT OF SUFFERING MY FRIENDS TO BE AVOIDED. AND WE SHOULD MAKE EVERY CONCEIVABLE EFFORT TO MINIMIZE FUTURE SUFFERING. BUT WE ALSO CANNOT MINIMIZE THE NEED TO BE FREE OF TERRORISM.

THANK YOU.

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