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C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 195659

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E.O. 12065: RDS 7/14/02 (VELIOTES, NICHOLAS A.)

TAGS: PEPR, MILI, MOPS, PLO, SY, LE, IS, XF, US

SUBJ : LEBANON: GUIDANCE FOR BRIEFING HOST

GOVERNMENTS

REF: STATE 187116

1. ~~(C)~~ ENTIRE TEXT

2. POSTS MAY DRAW UPON THE GUIDANCE BELOW TO RESPOND TO HOST GOVERNMENT QUERIES ON THE SITUATION IN LEBANON AND THE STATUS OF AMB. HABIB'S NEGOTIATIONS. IN ADDITION, NEA POSTS SHOULD ALSO DRAW UPON MIDDLE EAST PORTIONS OF SECRETARY-DESIGNATE SHULTZ' TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE (SEPTCL).

3. SITUATION IN LEBANON:

--A CEASEFIRE IS HOLDING IN LEBANON AS OF JULY 14, ALTHOUGH VIOLATIONS CONTINUE TO RECUR. THE CROSSING

POINTS BETWEEN EAST AND WEST BEIRUT ARE OPEN TO TRAFFIC, BUT THE FLOW OF FOOD SUPPLIES TO THE BELEAGUERED WESTERN PART OF THE CITY IS STILL SUBJECT TO INTERRUPTION. POWER AND WATER HAVE BEEN RESTORED TO WEST BEIRUT.

--THE INTENSE ISRAELI SHELLING ON JULY 9-10 OF THE ENVIRONS OF WEST BEIRUT AND THE PALESTINIAN REPRISALS

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MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

INTO EAST BEIRUT AND UPON ISRAELI POSITIONS INDICATE THE DANGER THAT WILL HANG OVER BEIRUT UNTIL THE PROBLEM OF THE PLO IN WEST BEIRUT IS SOLVED.

--THE U.S. CONTINUES TO DO THE UTMOST TO ASSURE SCRUPULOUS OBSERVANCE OF THE CEASEFIRE AND THE PROVISION OF PROMPT HUMANITARIAN RELIEF TO LEBANON'S INHABITANTS.

4. HABIB MISSION:

--THE U.S. REMAINS FULLY COMMITTED TO A PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF THE WEST BEIRUT PROBLEM, AS THE ESSENTIAL FIRST STEP IN OUR BROADER EFFORT TO SUPPORT THE LEBANESE GOVERNMENT'S OBJECTIVES TOWARD: THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A STRONG CENTRAL GOVERNMENT IN LEBANON; A PERMANENT CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES; WITHDRAWAL OF ALL FOREIGN FORCES FROM LEBANON; RESTORATION OF CONTROL BY THE LEBANESE GOVERNMENT THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY; AND FORMATION OF A PEACEKEEPING FORCE IN SOUTHERN LEBANON TO ASSURE ISRAEL'S SECURITY.

--PHIL HABIB'S ENERGIES REMAIN FULLY ENGAGED IN PUTTING TOGETHER A PACKAGE BETWEEN THE LEBANESE GOVERNMENT AND THE PLO THAT WOULD ENTAIL THE WITHDRAWAL FROM BEIRUT OF THE PLO LEADERS AND FIGHTERS. THE GENERAL SHAPE OF THIS PACKAGE IS ESSENTIALLY IN PLACE, BUT THE DETAILS STILL HAVE TO BE WORKED OUT.

--LET ME MAKE CLEAR THAT IT IS NOT OUR GOAL TO HUMILIATE OR ELIMINATE THE PLO LEADERSHIP, BUT TO RESOLVE THE THREAT TO WEST BEIRUT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE WISHES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF LEBANON. A MEASURE OF THE IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO THIS GOAL IS THE PRESIDENT'S DECISION IN PRINCIPLE--TO CONTRIBUTE U.S. FORCES TO A MULTI-NATIONAL FORCE (MNF) FOR BEIRUT.

--THE MODALITIES FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A MNF, INCLUDING ITS NUMBER, PLACEMENT AND TIMING, WILL BE PART OF THE AGREEMENT OF ALL PARTIES ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR A PLO DEPARTURE FROM WEST BEIRUT. THE FORCE WOULD BE IN PLACE NO LONGER THAN 30 DAYS; THE FRENCH HAVE ALSO AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO PARTICIPATE. DISCUSSIONS CONTINUE ON THE

NECESSARY CONDITIONS TO BE MET PRIOR TO EMPLOYMENT OF THE FORCE.

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MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

--A CENTRAL PROBLEM THAT HAS ARISEN IN THE NEGOTIATIONS AND THAT THREATENS THEIR PROGRESS IS DETERMINING A DESTINATION FOR THE PLO LEADERSHIP AND FIGHTERS WHO WILL LEAVE BEIRUT AND LEBANON.

--THE U.S. HAS BEEN WORKING INTENSIVELY TO OVERCOME THIS OBSTACLE. NO RECIPIENT STATE HAS YET BEEN FOUND, EITHER AS A LONG-TERM OR TEMPORARY SAFEHAVEN FOR THE PLO. WE ARE CONTINUING OUR EFFORTS WITH THE COOPERATION OF KEY ARAB STATES.

--THIS ESSENTIAL POINT MUST BE SOLVED SOON. ISRAELI IMPATIENCE IS GROWING, INCREASING THE POSSIBILITY OF A RESORT TO MILITARY FORCE TO END THE WEST BEIRUT PROBLEM. WE FIND IT A PARADOX THAT THE U.S. IS DOING ALL IT CAN TO TRY TO FIND AN HONORABLE MEANS FOR THE PLO IN BEIRUT TO DEPART LEBANON IN SAFETY, YET THE ARAB STATES THEMSELVES HAVE BEEN UNWILLING TO CONTRIBUTE TO A SOLUTION WHICH ADDRESSES THE PLIGHT OF THE PLO, NOT TO MENTION THE THOUSANDS OF INNOCENT PALESTINIANS AND LEBANESE WHO SHARE WEST BEIRUT WITH THE PLO.

5. FOR TUNIS: SUGGEST THAT YOU USE THE ABOVE IN YOUR MEETING WITH ARAB LEAGUE SEC GEN KLIBI.

6. BEIRUT, DAMASCUS MINIMIZE CONSIDERED. STOESEL

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