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2. BASHIR GEMAYEL'S JULY 24 SPEECH ANNOUNCING HIS CANDIDACY IMMEDIATELY EXCITED EXPECTATIONS THAT BASHIR WAS BUILDING UP AN OVERWHELMING MOMENTUM AND THAT PARLIMENT WOULD BE CONVENED WITHIN TWO WEEKS AT MOST FOR ELECTIONS. THE LASSAGE OF A WEEK HAS BROUGHT AROUT A SHIFT IN THE PERCEPTIONS. BASHIR IS STILL SEEN AS A DEFINITE AND FAVORED CANDIDATE, BUT THE PROSPECT OF AN IMMINENT ELECTION HAD FADED. THE DEVELOPMENT OF A STRONG AND UNIFIED SUNNI MUSLIM OPPOSITION TO BASHIR'S CANDIDACY, GROUPING BOTH NATIONAL MOVEMENT FIGURES AND TRADITIONAL SUNNI LEADERSHIP, HAS MADE IT CLEAR THAT BASHIR'S BID FOR THE PRESIDENCY MAY LEAD TO AN EXPLOSION. THERE IS NO INDICATION THAT BASHIR HAS CHANGED HIS MIND OR IS LIKELY TO DO SO, BUT AS THE DANGERS OF THE SITUATION BEGAN TO SINK IN THEY HAVE ENGENDERED A SENSE THAT IT MIGHT BE BETTER TO PROCEED SLOWLY. PARLIAMENTARY SPEAKER KAMAL AL-ASSAD HAS COMPLETED ONE ROUND OF CONSULATIONS WITH THE VARIOUS DEPUTIES; IT IS PROBABLE THAT THERE WILL BE OTHERS. 3. AS IS TYPICAL IN LEBANON, THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SITUATION IN WHICH EXTREMES COME INTO CONFLICT (BASHIR'S CANDIDACY VS. MUSLIM OPPOSITION) HAS BROUGHT ABOUT SPECU-LATION ON A COMPROMISE. THE MUST FREQUENTLY MENTIONED POSSIBILITIS ARE (A) AN EXTENSION OF SARKIS AND (B) CAMILLE CHAMOUN. IN SPITE OF HIS AGE (81),

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CHAMOUN HAS HINTED ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS THAT HE IS INTERESTED IN THE PRESIDENCY, AND IN THE WEEK SINCE BASHIR'S SPEECH, HIS PUBLIC STATEMENTS INDICATE THAT THE HAS NOT DROPPED THE IDEA. FOR EXAMPLE, HE ANNOUNCED SEVERAL DAYS AGO THAT WHILE HE PERSONALLY FAVORED BAHSIR'S CANDIDACY, HE CULD NOT COMMIT HIS NATIONAL LIBERAL PARTY WITHOUT CONSULTATIONS. THEREFORE, THE LEBANESE FRONT THE (PHALANGE, THE NLP AND SEVERAL SMALLER GROUPD) COULD NOT TAKE A FINAL POSITION. PERHAPS INEVITABLY, AS AN EARLIER BELIEF THAT BASHIRIS ASCENSION TO THE PRESIDENCY WAS IMMENENT IS TEMPERED BY AN AWARENESS OF THE POLITICAL COMPLICATIONS INVOLVED, A PERCEPTION IS GROWING THAT BASHIR IS LOSING GROUND WHILE CHAMDUN IS GAINING. WHILE THIS MAY NOT BE THE CASE, WE DO HAVE THE SENSE THAT A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF CONSULTATIONS, NEGOTIATION, AND PLUTTING IS UNDERWAY, ALL OF WHICH MAKE IT LIKELY THAT IT MAY BE SOME TIME YET BEFORE PARLIAMENT ACTUALLY GETS DOWN TO THE BUSINESS OF ELECTING A PRESIDENT. 4. MINIMIZE DAMASCUS CONSIDERED. DILLON BT #5011 NNNN

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E.O. 12065: GDB 7/31/88 (DILLON, RUBERT S.) UR-M

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SUBJECT: AMERICAN ATTITUDE TOWARD BOMBING AND SHELLING OF BEIRUT

REF: (A) DAMASCUS 05441, (B) TEL AVIV 11605

1. REF A REPORTS SYRIAN PRESS ALLEGATION THAT SHELLING OF BEIRUT IS PART OF AMERICAN PLAN TO PRESSURE PALESTINIANS INTO ACCEPTING HABIB'S PLAN. SYRIAN PRESS ALSO, APPARENTLY

ACCURATELY, QUOTES ISRAELI FONMIN SHAMIR THAT ISRAEL AND U.S.

HAVE SOME GOALS.

2. REF B HAS UNIDENTIFIED QUESTIONER ASKING ISRAELI FORMIN SHAMIR IF U.S. DEMANDING ISRAEL HALT ITS BUMBING, ETC., AND IF THERE ARE SUBSTANTIAL DIFFERENCES OF OPINION BETWEEN ISRAEL AND U.S. ON ISSUE. SHAMIR: " WOULD NOT SAY THERE ARE DIFFERENCES OF OPINION CONCERNING DBJECTIVES OF THE ACTION INLEBANON AND BEIRUT, ETC." QUESTIONER FOLLOWS UP: " HAVE THE AMERICANS NOT DEMANDED THAT WE REDUCE THE PRESSURE IN THAT WE HALT THIS MASSIVE BOMBING OF BEIRUT?" ANSWER: "THEY HAVE NOT DEMANDED THIS. SOMETIMES IT SEEMS TO THEM IT IS EXCESSIVE, BUT THEY HAVE NOT DEMANDED THIS." 3. I THOUGHT THERE WERE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN DURSELVES AND THE ISRAELIS ON THE MASSIVE USE OF VIOLENCE IN BEIRUT. SHAMIR'S STATEMENTS FEED CYNICISM IN THIS PART OF THE WORLD, AND I SUSPECT OTHER PARTS AS WELL, REGARDING AMERICAN PULICY. HAVE WE DEMANDED ISRAEL HALT THE MASSIVE BOMBING/SHELLING OF BEIRUT? LET'S SAY IT CLEARLY. WHY

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- JULY 31, 1982 THE FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE PRESS CUNFERENCE HELD BY CODEL RAHALL IN THE EMBASSY IN JIDDA JULY 31 AFTER THEIR CALLS ON FOREIGN MINISTER SAUD AND KING FAHD.
- RAHALL: WE HAVE CONCLUDED DUR VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA. WE ARRIVED YESTERDAY IN DHAHRAN, AND VIEWED THE ARAMCU OPERATION THERE AND WERE FULLY BRIEFED ON ITS OPERATIONS IN THIS COUNTRY. TODAY WE HAD THE VERY HIGH HONOR OF HAVING FIRST A MEETING WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTER PRINCE SAUD AL-FAISAL, THEN THE VERY HIGH PRIVILEGE OF HAVING AN AUDIENCE WITH KING FAHD. OUR MEETINGS WERE VERY BENEFICIAL TO DUR THINKING AND TO DUR INFORMATION ON THE VERY IMPORTANT ROLE THAT SAUDI ARABIA HOLDS AND WILL CONTINUE TO HOLD IN INFLUENCING THE COURSE OF EVENTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST. WE FOUND HIS MAJESTY, THE KING, TO BE IN A VERY PHILOSOPHICAL MOUD AND ONE IN WHICH WE HAD A

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VERY WARM DISCUSSION WITH HIM. THE BASIC MESSAGE I BELIEVE THE KING WAS TELLING US IS THAT SAUDI ARABIA AND, INDEED, ALL ARAB COUNTRIES MERELY DESIRE WHAT IS JUST AND WHAT IS RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE EAST. IT IS TIME FOR THE UNITED STATES, AND, INDEED, IT IS TIME FOR THE WORLD, TO WAKE UP AND REALIZE WHAT IS IN THEIR BEST INTEREST IN THIS PART OF THE WORLD. THE SITUATION IN LEBANON HAS FAR-REACHING REPERCUSSIONS, THE KING TOLD US, AND IF THE UNITED STATES IS NOT CAREFUL, THEN THE ONLY BENEFICIARY IN THE CURRENT SITUATION IN LEBANON WILL BE THE SOVIET THE SOVIET UNION WILL BE THE ONLY COUNTRY THAT WILL BENEFIT FROM U.S. POLICY AND, INDEED, WORLD POLICY TOWARD THE MIDDLE EASTERN COUNTRIES. "WE WILL NOT ABANDON THE PALESTINIANS," THE KING TOLD US, AND, INDEED, IF THEIR HOMELAND IS ACHIEVED ON THE WEST BANK, THEN THEY WILL BE ABLE TO LIVE IN PEACE WITH JORDAN, WITH SYRIA, WITH EGYPT AND WITH ISRAEL, AND WITH ALL ITS NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES IN THE MIDDLE EAST. THAT IS DUR HOPE AND THAT IS OUR FEELING AS TO THE ONLY MANNER FOR ACHIEVING THAT COMPREHENSIVE PEACE WE ALL SEEK IN THE MIDDLE EAST. SAUDI ARABIA IS A FRIEND OF THE UNITED STATES. THE KING WAS MOST APPRECIATIVE OF OUR COUNTRY FINALLY PROVIDING THE SOUGHT-AFTER AWACS PLANES FOR THE DEFENSE OF THIS COUNTRY. HE STATED HIS COUNTRY'S INTEN-TION TO NEVER USE THESE PLANES OR ANY WEAPONS THAT THEY RECEIVE FROM THE UNITED STATES, FOR OFFENSIVE PURPOSES, AS WE ARE CONVINCED IS BEING DONE BY THE STATE OF ISRAEL WITH AMERICAN WEAPONS IN THE COUNTRY OF LEBANON AT THE CURRENT TIME. IN THE END WE FOUND DUR MEETING TO BE A VERY FRIENDLY, VERY WARM MEETING WITH BOTH THE FOREIGN MINISTER AND WITH THE KING. WE HOPE, AS FRIENDS UF SAUDI ARABIA IN THE AMERICAN CONGRESS, TO TAKE HIS MESSAGE BACK TO DUR COLLEAGUES AND TO CONTINUE THE FRIENDLY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES. THANK YOU.

DAKAR: LET ME JUST SAY THAT TWO OF DUR PARTY MEMBERS - NICK RAHALL AND MYSELF - HAPPEN TO BE ARAB AMERICANS; AND I MUST SAY THAT I AM VERY PROUD OF THE MODERATE SAUDI ARABIAN GOVERNMENT AND WHAT IT STANDS FOR. IT IS DRVIOUS THAT YOU ARE A NATION OF GREAT PEACE, AND YOU GIVE HOPE TO THE ARAB WORLD AS WELL AS TO THE ENTIRE WORLD. SO, I AM JUST VERY, VERY HAPPY TO BE HERE, AND I HAVE FOUND OUR MEETINGS HERE EXTRAORDINARLY HELPFUL TO US. WE ARE THE FIRST GROUP FROM THE CONGRESS, I BELIEVE, TO PERSONALLY HAVE SEEN THE TRAGEDY IN WEST BEIRUT, AND WE WERE APPALLED AT WHAT WE SAW. WE ARE CERTAINLY

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GOING TO GO BACK TO OUR COLLEAGUES AND, INDEED, TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE TO TELL THEM OF THE TRAGEDY THAT WE SAW AND THE SENSELESSNESS OF IT. I MYSELF BELIEVE THAT WHAT YOUR VERY FINE AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES, AND HIS VERY EXCELLENT WIFE WHO IS LEADING A KIND OF PEACE CRUSADE IN OUR COUNTRY, STAND FOR IS WHAT THE BT #5681 NNNN

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14. Q: ARE THERE ANY RESERVATIONS ON THE PART OF SOME OF THE COUNTRIES ON TAKING THESE ARMED MEN?

15. RAHALL: I'M NOT AWARE OF ANY RESERVATIONS. MANY OF THE COUNTRIES WERE WILLING TO ACCEPT PLO FIGHTERS ONLY WITH SOME HOPE COMING FROM THE OTHER SIDE THAT THE ULTIMATE SOLUTION WAS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PALESTINIAN HOMELAND. THEY WANT TO SEE SOME TYPE OF PROGRESS IN

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THAT REGARD.

16. DAKAR: ONE POINT I MIGHT ADD IS THAT THE PRINCE DID EXPRESS REGRET THAT AFTER THE ARAB SUMMIT MET AND DREW UP CERTAIN POINTS, THERE WAS ANOTHER BOMBING OF BEIRUT AS A REPLY, AND THAT CERTAINLY DOESN'T HELP THE CAUSE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS ON THIS ISSUE.

17. Q: HAS THERE BEEN ANY AGREEMENT ON THE ULTIMATE

DESTINATION OR DESTINATIONS?

18. RAHALL: I'M NOT GOING TO SAY THAT THERE IS ANY FORMAL AGREEMENT AT THIS POINT.

19. Q: YOU DON'T SEE THIS AS A PROBLEM?

20. RAHALL: I'M ENCOURAGED THAT IT WILL ALL BE RESOLVED PEACEFULLY.

21. O: WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN AFTER THE PLU LEAVE BEIRUT?

22. RAHALL: IT'S GOING TO BE UP TO THE LEBANESE GOVERNMENT TO ESTABLISH UNITY AMONG ALL THE MANY FACTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN THERE. AT THE TOP OF THAT AGENDA, OF COURSE, WOULD BE THE ELECTION OF A PRESIDENT AND IT WILL BE UP TO THE NEW PRESIDENT TO ENSURE THAT THERE IS HARMONY AND UNITY ESTABLISHED AMONG THE MUSLIMS AND THE CHRISTIANS AND AMONG THE MANY OTHER FACTIONS AND GROUPS THAT EXIST IN THAT COUNTRY. WE ARE VERY STRONG IN OUR BELIEF THAT THE LEBANESE SHOULD RUN THE COUNTRY OF LEBANDN. THEIR LEADER SHOULD BE ELECTED IN A FREE AND DEMOCRATIC MANNER AND I HOPE THAT THIS CAN BE DONE WHEN THE OCCUPYING FORCES GET OUT.

23. DAKAR: AND THE REMOVAL OF TRUDPS WOULD OBVIOUSLY BE THE MOST EXPEDIENT AND MOST IMPORTANT SECOND PHASE; AND, OF COURSE, ULTIMATELY THERE REALLY CAN'T BE ANY JUSTICE WITHOUT THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE HAVING SOMEWHERE PERMANENT TO GO THAT THEY CAN CALL HOME. EVERY PERSON WANTS A HOME AND OBVIOUSLY THEY SHOULD HAVE A HOME. THAT'S THE LINKAGE THAT WE HAVE HEARD OVER AND OVER AGAIN IN EGYPT, IN JORDAN, AND SO ON.

24. MC CLOSKEY: I JUST WANTED TO ADD DNE THING, ALL OF US WHO SAW LEBANON AND WERE THERE WHEN IT WAS BEING SHELLED AND BOMBED, FEEL THAT IT IS HIGHLY UNDERSTANDABLE THAT MANY ARAB PEOPLE WOULD BE UPSET WITH THE UNITED STATES SINCE OUR BOMBSAND OUR SHELLS ARE DESTROYING PEOPLE IN BEIRUT. BUT I HOPE THAT THE ARAB PEOPLE WOULD ALSO NOTE AND UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS THE UNITED STATES THAT IS MAKING THE PRIMARY EFFORT TO SEE THAT THE PALESTINIAN LIBERATION ORGANIZATION CAN GET OUT OF BEIRUT AND THAT THE EFFORTS OF AMBASSADOR HABIB, WHICH ARE SD ESSENTIAL BT



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