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E.O. 12356: N/A
TAGS: CASC, EAIR, PTER, GR, LE, US
SUBJECT: TWA HIJACKING: GOG STATEMENTS ON ATHENS
- AIRPORT SECURITY

REF: ATHENS 11302
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1. IN THE PAST TWENTY-FOUR HOURS, SENIOR GREEK GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS HAVE ISSUED PUBLIC STATEMENTS WHICH HAVE ATTEMPTED TO SHOW THAT SECURITY MEASURES AT ATHENS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT ARE ON A PAR WITH THOSE OF OTHER AIRPORTS IN WESTERN EUROPE, AND INDICATED THAT THE WEAPONS USED BY THE HIJACKERS OF TWA FLIGHT 847 WERE SMUGGLED ON THE PLANE IN CAIRO. LISTED IN THE PARAGRAPHS BELOW ARE SUMMARIES OF THE STATEMENTS:

2. PRIOR TO THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE U.S. TRAVEL ADVISORY ON GREECE, GREEK MINISTER OF PUBLIC ORDER ATHANASSIOS TSOURAS STATED JUNE 18 THAT THE WEAPONS USED TO HIJACK THE TWA AIRLINER HAD NOT PASSED THROUGH ATHENS AIRPORT SECURITY CONTROLS OR THEY WOULD HAVE BEEN DETECTED AT BOTH THE GREEK POLICE AND TWA SECURITY STATIONS, THE SEMI-OFFICIAL ATHENS NEWS AGENCY (ANA) REPORTED JUNE 19. ACCORDING TO ANA, TSOURAS SAID THAT THE "ALLEGATION" MADE BY HIJACK ACCOMPLICE ALI ATWA THAT THE ARMS HAD BEEN WRAPPED IN FIBER GLASS WAS "UNFOUNDED." TSOURAS SAID THAT AN "EXPERIMENT" SUBSEQUENT TO ATWA'S CLAIM HAD SHOWN THAT THE AIRPORT SECURITY MACHINES WOULD HAVE DETECTED WEAPONS THROUGH SUCH INSULATION. TSOURAS SAID ATWA HAD BACKED DOWN ON HIS STORY OF HOW THE ARMS WERE SMUGGLED ON THE PLANE WHEN PRESENTED WITH THE FINDINGS OF THE EXPERIMENT. TSOURAS NOTED THAT THE PLANE HAD ORIGINATED IN CAIRO AND REMAINED IN ATHENS AIRPORT SEVERAL HOURS PRIOR TO BOARDING FOR FLIGHT 847. HE SAID HE COULD THEREFORE "NOT EXCLUDE THE POSSIBILITY" THAT THE WEAPONS WERE

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ALREADY ON THE PLANE WHEN THE HIJACKERS BOARDED.

3. SIMILARLY, AT A MEETING OF THE EUROPEAN CIVIL AVIATION CONFERENCE IN STRASBOURG, THE GOVERNOR OF THE GREEK CIVIL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION GEORGE TZOUVALIS SAID JUNE 19 THAT THE WEAPONS WERE "PROBABLY" PLACED ON BOARD THE AIRCRAFT IN CAIRO WHERE THE TWA FLIGHT ORIGINATED, AP REPORTED. TZOUVALIS SAID THAT THE HIJACKERS COULD NOT HAVE SMUGGLED THEIR ARMS ON BOARD THROUGH THE DOUBLE SECURITY SYSTEM RUN BY GREEK AUTHORITIES AND TWA AT ATHENS AIRPORT. HE POINTED OUT THAT, AS PART OF A POLICE REORGANIZATION SEVERAL MONTHS AGO, THE GOG HAD STRENGTHENED SECURITY AT ATHENS AIRPORT AND INCREASED SECURITY PERSONNEL AT ALL PASSENGER AND BAGGAGE CHECKPOINTS. THE INTERNATIONAL AIR TRANSPORT ASSOCIATION (IATA), HE SAID, HAD INSPECTED THE NEW SECURITY MEASURES AND FOUND THEM SATISFACTORY.

4. MEANWHILE IN ATHENS, MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS EVANGELOS KOULOUMBIS ISSUED A STATEMENT JUNE 19 DENOUNCING THE "ABSOLUTELY FALSE" CLAIMS IN THE FOREIGN PRESS THAT ATHENS AIRPORT AUTHORITIES HAVE NOT TAKEN APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO FOIL TERRORIST ACTS. KOULOUMBIS SAID THE AIRPORT OBSERVED "ALL ACCEPTED AND ESTABLISHED INTERNATIONAL SECURITY REGULATIONS" REGARDING INFRASTRUCTURE, EQUIPMENT AND TRAINED PERSONNEL. KOULOUMBIS NOTED THAT, ALTHOUGH ATHENS AIRPORT HAD EXPERIENCED THE HIGHEST RATE OF INCREASE IN AIR TRAFFIC IN RECENT YEARS, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF AIR COMPANIES AS WELL AS GERMAN AND U.S. CIVIL AVIATION SERVICES HAD DURING RECENT VISITS HERE EXPRESSED "FULL SATISFACTION" WITH THE SECURITY MEASURES IN EFFECT. AND, AT ITS PARIS CONFERENCE ON FEBRUARY 19, 1985. HE SAID. THE EUROPEAN CIVIL AVIATION COMMITTEE HAD RECOGNIZED IN WRITING THAT SECURITY MEASURES AT ATHENS AIRPORT WERE "ABSOLUTELY SATISFACTORY" AND BT

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SUBJECT: TWA HIJACKING: GOG STATEMENTS ON ATHENS

IN CONFORMITY WITH THOSE OF OTHER MAJOR EUROPEAN
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS. REFERRING TO THREE
UNSPECIFIED INSTANCES OF HIJACKINGS FROM FRANKFURT
AIRPORT, KOULOUMBIS OBSERVED THAT, DESPITE ALL
INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS, AIRPORTS WITH EVEN THE
"MOST PERFECT" SECURITY MEASURES HAVE FAILED TO
"COMPLETELY ELIMINATE" AIR TERRORISM. WITHOUT
BEING SUBJECTED TO THE TYPE OF "SLANDEROUS
CAMPAIGN" CURRENTLY CONDUCTED AGAINST GREECE BY
"WHAT ARE CONSIDERED AUTHORITATIVE INTERNATIONAL
PRESS ORGANS."

5. BEIRUT AND ALGIERS MINIMIZE CONSIDERED.
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E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR
TAGS: PTER, AEMR, GR
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR DEMARCHE:
- BEIRUT HIJACKING/HOSTAGE SITUATION

REF: STATE 187103

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2. GIVEN RECENT CONVERSATIONS ON THIS SUBJECT
BETWEEN OURSELVES AND THE GREEKS BOTH HERE AND IN
WASHINGTON, WE DO NOT PLAN TO TAKE ACTION ON
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SUBJECT: STATUS OF PASSENGERS FROM TWA 847

REF: PARIS 24910

1. AFTER VARIOUS DEPARTURES REPORTED REFTEL AND POST'S SEPTELS OF TODAY, OUR HEAD COUNT (CONFIRMED BY TWA) HAS 21 FLIGHT 847 PASSENGERS REMAINING IN PARIS AS OF COB 6/19/85. THOSE LISTED PARA 2, ARE PLANNING TO LEAVE FOR USA TOMORROW. REMAINDER LISTED IN PARA 3 PLAN TO STAY IN PARIS A BIT LONGER AWAITING FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

2. PLANNING LEAVE TOMORROW 6/20/85: (14 PASSENGERS)

ANDERSON, LORRAINE
BERRY, ALMEDA
BERRY, WILLIAM
GROSSMAYER, ELAINE
JOHNSON, MARGARET
LAZANSKY, JOANN
LOFTUS, PAULA
MCDONNELL, PATRICK WILLIAM
MILTON, EUNICE
TARTAS, ELIZABETH
TARTAS, THEOPHILOS
WILLETT, CHRISTOPHER
WILLETT, JOSHUA
WILLETT, MARSHA

3. STAYING IN PARIS: (7 PASSENGERS)

BROWN, JUDITH DITCHKUS
BYRON, CAROLYN
BYRON, PAMELA
DAVIS, KATHRYN ANN
HERZBERG, SUE ELLEN
PALMER, JOE DON
PALMER, SAMMIE D.

REGARDING PASSENGERS WHO ELECTED TO REMAIN IN PARIS A WHILE LONGER, FAMILY MEMBERS HAVE FLOWN TO PARIS FROM USA TO ASSIST AS FOLLOWS:

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FATHER OF KATHRYN ANN DAVIS
FATHER OF SUE ELLEN DEUTSCH HERZBERG
MOTHER AND SISTER OF JUDITH DITCHKUS BROWN
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SUBJECT: TWA HIJACKING: PUSHING MARWAN HAMMADA

REF: BEIRUT 3599

1. ~~SECRET~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. AS PART OF CAMPAIGN TO PUSH LEBANESE LEADERS TO SPEAK OUT PUBLICLY AND TO PRESSURE BARRI AND OTHERS FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF HOSTAGES UNHARMED AND WITHOUT CONDITIONS (REFTEL), AMBASSADOR TELEPHONED JUMBLATT'S PRINCIPAL LIEUTENANT, MARWAN HAMMADA, AT 1700 HOURS LOCAL JUNE 19 AND DREW ON POINTS CONTAINED REFTEL. AMBASSADOR EMPHASIZED THE NOTIONS THAT THE ATLIT PRISONERS ISSUE AND THE TWA HIJACKING MUST BE DELINKED; THAT, AS THE PRESIDENT SAID ON JUNE 18, THE U.S. STEADFASTLY REFUSES TO GIVE IN TO ANY HIJACKER'S DEMANDS; AND THAT THOSE WHO LINK THE ATLIT AND TWA ISSUES ARE ADOPTING THE HIJACKERS' POSITION.

3. WHILE AT FIRST STATING THAT A WAY MUST BE FOUND TO RELEASE THE HOSTAGES AND THE ATLIT PRISONERS, HAMMADA THEN STATED THAT HE AGREED WITH THE AMBASSADOR THAT THE TWO ISSUES MUST BE DE-LINKED.

4. HAMMADA THEN ASKED, "HOW CAN WE HELP BARRI?" THE AMBASSADOR REPLIED THAT THE ONLY WAY TO HELP BARRI AND RPT AND LEBANON IS TO MAKE HIM RELEASE THE HOSTAGES IMMEDIATELY WITHOUT CONDITION. BUT, HAMMADA ASKED, WHAT ABOUT THE PROBLEM OF THE "OTHER SIX" HOSTAGES NOT UNDER BARRI'S CONTROL? THE AMBASSADOR REPLIED THAT BARRI HAD TOLD HIM THAT HE WAS WORKING TO BRING THESE SIX UNDER HIS MORE DIRECT CONTROL. HAMMADA CONFIRMED THIS.

5. WHEN AMBASSADOR RECALLED THE RECENT CLOSURE OF THE CANADIAN EMBASSY AND MENTIONED POSSIBLE MOVES TO BAN BEIRUT AIRPORT AND TO REFUSE LANDING RIGHTS TO MEA, HAMMADA INTERJECTED THAT JUMBLATT WAS AWARE OF THIS AND CONCERNED ABOUT IT. HE SAID THAT JUMBLATT HAD INITIALLY THOUGHT THE WHOLE AFFAIR WOULD BE OVER IN A DAY.

6. THE AMBASSADOR SAID THAT HE WAS IN THE PROCESS OF CONTACTING A NUMBER OF LEBANESE LEADERS SUCH AS PM KARAMI, EDUCATION MINISTER HUSS, PARLIAMENT SPEAKER HUSSAYNI, ETC., ASKING THEM TO SPEAK OUT AGAINST THE DETENTION OF THE TWA HOSTAGES AND TO DO EVERYTHING IN THEIR POWER TO BRING ABOUT ITS RAPID END. THE AMBASSADOR SAID THAT THIS WAS A MORAL OBLIGATION, BUT IT WAS ALSO OF VITAL INTEREST TO LEBANON. MOREOVER, THE HIJACKING HAS PROBABLY DELAYED THE RELEASE OF THE ATLIT PRISONERS RATHER THAN HASTENING IT.

7. THE AMBASSADOR TOLD HAMMADA THAT HE AND JUMBLATT COULD BE OF HELP, THAT A PUBLIC APPEAL BY THEM WOULD PUT PRESSURE ON BARRI BUT WOULD ALSO HELP BARRI BY GIVING HIM A WAY OUT. MOREOVER, IT WOULD SHOW THE OUTSIDE WORLD THAT THERE ARE STILL RESPONSIBLE LEADERS IN LEBANON. HAMMADA SAID, "I UNDERSTAND EXACTLY AND WILL TALK TO JUMBLATT TONIGHT." HE ADDED, "WE SHOULD ALSO TALK TO BARRI." THE AMBASSADOR URGED HIM TO DO SO.
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SUBJECT: TWA HIJACKING: PRESSING HUSSAYNI

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2. AS PART OF CAMPAIGN TO PUSH LEBANESE LEADERS TO SPEAK OUT PUBLICLY AND TO PRESSURE BARRI AND OTHERS FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF HOSTAGES UNHARMED AND WITHOUT CONDITIONS (REFTEL), AMBASSADOR AFTERNOON 19 JUNE TELEPHONED SPEAKER OF THE PARLIAMENT AND LEADING SHIA FIGURE HUSSAYN HUSSAYNI AND DREW ON POINTS CONTAINED REFTEL (AMBASSADOR HAD POINTS READ TO HUSSAYNI IN ARABIC DURING THE TELCON).

3. AMBASSADOR EMPHASIZED THAT HUSSAYNI, A LEADING SHIA OCCUPYING THE THIRD HIGHEST OFFICE IN THE COUNTRY, HAD A PARTICULARLY STRONG MORAL AND POLITICAL AUTHORITY AND THAT, THEREFORE, HUSSAYNI'S PUBLIC WORDS AND PRIVATE WEIGHING IN COULD HAVE SUBSTANTIAL IMPACT. HE NOTED PRESIDENT REAGAN'S JUNE 18 STATEMENT ADDRESSING THE RESPONSIBILITY OF ALL LEBANESE LEADERS TO HELP FREE THE HOSTAGES PROMPTLY AND WITHOUT CONDITION.

4. HUSSAYNI RESPONDED THAT HE WAS IN PRINCIPLE AGAINST ALL VIOLENCE. THE REALITY WAS RATHER THAN LET THE HIJACKING DISCOURAGE EFFORTS TO HELP LEBANON GET OUT OF ITS CRISIS, IT SHOULD ENCOURAGE THEM. UNFORTUNATELY, LEBANON AND ITS OFFICIALS COULD NOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR THE HIJACKING BECAUSE, AS THE UNITED STATES KNOWS, THEY DID NOT HAVE THE RIGHT TOOLS TO COPE WITH IT.

5. THE AMBASSADOR ASSERTED THAT ALL LEBANESE WERE RESPONSIBLE BECAUSE THEY AND LEBANON ITSELF WOULD BE AFFECTED BY THE CONSEQUENCES. HE ACKNOWLEDGED HUSSAYNI'S REMARKS ON THE LIMITS OF WHAT SOME MIGHT BE ABLE TO DO, BUT STRESSED THAT A STRONG PUBLIC DECLARATION AND STRONG WORDS TO BARRI AND OTHERS FROM MEN SUCH AS HUSSAYNI WERE IN FACT "TOOLS" THAT COULD HELP. THEY CAN ENCOURAGE AND SUPPORT BARRI TO MOVE IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. THEY CAN SHOW THE WORLD THAT NOT ALL OF LEBANON SUPPORTS SUCH HOSTAGE TAKING AND TRADING.

6. HUSSAYNI SAID HE WAS TRYING TO HELP, AND WOULD CONTINUE HIS EFFORTS. HE SAID THAT HE WANTED TO ADVISE THE UNITED STATES TO TREAT THIS WHOLE AFFAIR WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT LEBANON WAS STILL SUFFERING A CRISIS RESULTING FROM THE ISRAELI INVASION. LEBANON HAD A RIGHT TO HOPE FOR OUR HELP. IT NEEDED HELP TO CHANGE PRECISELY THE SITUATION WHICH HAD CREATED THE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH SUCH THINGS AS THE HIJACKING COULD OCCUR.

7. THE AMBASSADOR SAID THAT IT WAS PRECISELY SUCH TERRORIST ACTIONS AS HIJACKING THAT WOULD DISCOURAGE THE KIND OF UNDERSTANDING AND HELP THAT LEBANON NEEDED, NOT ONLY FROM THE UNITED STATES, BUT FROM THE WORLD COMMUNITY AT LARGE. HE STRESSED AGAIN THAT HUSSAYNI MUST SPEAK OUT AGAINST THE HIJACKING AND TALK TO THOSE WHO ARE

INVOLVED IN IT TO MAKE CLEAR THE COSTS, FUTILITY AND IMMORALITY OF THEIR ACTION.

8. HUSSAYNI SAID AGAIN HE WAS AGAINST THE HIJACKING AND WOULD TRY TO HELP.

9. COMMENT: WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT, GIVEN THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO, HUSSAYNI WILL ALSO RELAY THE AMBASSADOR'S POINTS TO SHIA HIGHER COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT MAHDI SHAMS AD-DIN, A LEADING SHIA RELIGIOUS FIGURE. HUSSAYN HUSSAYNI WILL VERY PROBABLY WORK IN THE RIGHT DIRECTIONS PRIVATELY, WHETHER HE WILL SPEAK OUT PUBLICLY REMAINS TO BE SEEN.
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2. ANY DEMARCHE AS REQUESTED REFTEL WOULD LIKELY BE COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE IN CUBA, OWING TO A) CURRENT STATE OF CUBAN-U.S. RELATIONS; B) CUBAN SUPPORT FOR TERRORISM AND REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENTS AROUND THE WORLD; AND C) CUBAN PENCHANT TO BLAME THE UNITED STATES FOR AIRCRAFT HIJACKINGS IN GENERAL, BASED UPON ALLEGED FAVORABLE TREATMENT ACCORDED TO PERSONS FLEEING CUBA ON HIJACKED AIR AND MARINE CRAFT SOON AFTER CASTRO'S REVOLUTION.
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E.O. 12356: OADR
TAGS: ICRC, PHUM, PTER, AEMR
SUBJECT: ICRC INVOLVEMENT IN THE TWA HIJACKING

REF: (A) GENEVA 5647, (B) GENEVA 5654

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2. ALTHOUGH YOU PROBABLY HAVE ALREADY THOUGHT OF IT, I HOPE YOU MIGHT FIND AN OPPORTUNITY IN YOUR MEETING JUNE 21 WITH THE PRESIDENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS, ALEXANDER HAY, TO THANK HIM FOR THE ASSISTANCE WHICH THE ICRC RENDERED ON THE TWA HIJACKING DURING THE WEEKEND OF JUNE 15-16. IN PARTICULAR, YOU MIGHT NOTE ICRC'S POSITIVE RESPONSE TO YOUR PERSONAL REQUEST ON SUNDAY THAT IT CONTACT THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT CONCERNING THE INCIDENT. EARLIER ICRC HAD TOLD US THEY DID NOT THINK THIS WAS APPROPRIATE. HOWEVER, UPON LEARNING THAT YOU HAD PERSONALLY REQUESTED THIS ACTION, ICRC REVERSED ITS DECISION AND MADE THE APPROACH. TO DO THIS THEY HAD TO INTERCEPT THEIR REPRESENTATIVE TO ISRAEL WHO WAS RETURNING TO GENEVA IN THE ZURICH AIRPORT AND ORDER HIM BACK TO TEL AVIV WHERE HE MET WITH THE ISRAELIS SUNDAY EVENING.

3. ON SATURDAY ICRC DISPATCHED A FIVE-MEMBER TEAM FROM GENEVA TO ALGIERS WHERE THEY WENT ABOARD THE AIRCRAFT AND MET WITH THE HIJACKERS. THIS VISIT RESULTED IN THE RELEASE OF THREE PASSENGERS AND PROVIDED THE FIRST LOOK AT CONDITIONS ABOARD THE PLANE. THE TEAM INCLUDED A RED CROSS DOCTOR WHO WE UNDERSTAND WAS ABLE TO HELP SOME OF THE PASSENGERS. THIS MISSION WAS UNDERTAKEN IN PART IN RESPONSE TO OUR REQUESTS FOR ICRC INVOLVEMENT AND WAS SENT WITHIN HOURS AFTER OUR FIRST CONTACT.

4. WE HAVE EXPRESSED OUR THANKS FOR ICRC HELP IN GENEVA, BUT I BELIEVE IT WOULD BE PARTICULARLY APPRECIATED COMING FROM YOU IN WASHINGTON. CARMEN

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SUBJECT: BEIRUT HOSTAGES--RUMORED ALGERIAN COMPROMISE

1. CBS CORRESPONDENT ANDELMAN SAID JUNE 19 THERE WERE
REPORTS FROM ABU DHABI AND BEIRUT TO EFFECT ALGERIAN
AMBASSADOR IN HIS JUNE 18 MEETING WITH BARRI HAD SUGGESTED
A COMPROMISE WHEREBY HOSTAGES WOULD BE RELEASED
IMMEDIATELY UPON U.S. ASSURANCES SHIA DETAINEES IN ISRAEL
WOULD BE RELEASED ON A DEFINITE DATE.

2. AMBASSADOR REFERRED ANDELMAN TO APS AS TO ALGERIAN
AMBASSADOR'S ACTIVITIES. U.S. POLICY WAS AS STATED BY
THE PRESIDENT JUNE 18.
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4. NOT UNEXPECTEDLY, KILIC POINTED OUT WHAT HE TERMED
THE LAX SECURITY SITUATION AT THE ATHENS AIRPORT AND,
IN THAT CONNECTION, THE NEED, AS STRESSED BY THE GOT,
OF GREATER INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION TO PREVENT OR
PRECLUDE SUCH TERRORIST ACTS FROM HAPPENING.

5. BOTH OFFICIALS ASSURED DCM THAT SUBSTANCE OF DEMARCHE
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PEEL

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1. ROBERT PEEL ARRIVED IN PARIS AS SCHEDULED JUNE 18.
HE SPENT NIGHT AT CONCORDE LAFAYETTE HOTEL AND DEPARTED
FOR ST LOUIS JUNE 19 ABOARD TWA 819 WITH HIS WIFE
(ESTER LOU), DAUGHTER (KRISTIN GAY) AND SON WHO HAD
COME FROM USA TO ASSIST MOTHER.

2. POST TELEPHONED US IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES AT
ST LOUIS TO ARRANGE EXPEDITIOUS ENTRY FORMALITIES.
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HOSTAGE SITUATION -- GOS RESPONSE

REF: STATE 187103

1. (~~C~~ ENTIRE TEXT.)

2. ON JUNE 19, DCM AND POLOFF MET WITH MFA STATE SECRETARY, AMBASSADOR BRUNNER, AND MADE POINTS AS PER PARAGRAPH 3 OF REFTEL. BRUNNER SAID THAT GOS HAD DECIDED TO SEND A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM FOREIGN MINISTER PIERRE AUBERT TO NABIB BERRI, REMINDING BERRI OF THEIR PREVIOUS MEETING DURING AUBERT'S VISIT TO LEBANON, AND ASKING BERRI TO RELEASE ALL THE HOSTAGES "FOR HUMANITARIAN REASONS." THE MESSAGE WOULD BE SENT BY 7:00 PM, LOCAL TIME IN BERN, JUNE 19. AUBERT WILL ALSO TELL BERRI IN THE LETTER THAT SWITZERLAND IS PREPARED TO BE THE RECEIVING POINT FOR THE HOSTAGES, IF THEY ARE RELEASED. AUBERT'S COMMUNICATION WILL TELL BERRI THAT THE RELEASE CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH THE SWISS RED CROSS, OR THROUGH THE SWISS GOVERNMENT ITSELF.

3. BRUNNER SAID THE GOS HAS DECIDED TO PROCEED FOR THE MOMENT WITH PRIVATE DIPLOMACY. HE FELT THIS MIGHT HELP PROVIDE BERRI WITH A FACE-SAVING DEVICE FOR RELEASE OF THE HOSTAGES, IF BERRI WERE SEEKING SUCH A COVER. (NOTE: IT SHOULD BE RECALLED THAT THE MFA - BRUNNER - DIRECTLY COMMUNICATED WITH BERRI DURING SWITZERLAND'S OWN BEIRUT HOSTAGE CRISES, LAST WINTER.)

4. BRUNNER SPECULATED THAT BERRI MAY: (A) NOT ANSWER AT ALL, (B) SAY THAT THE RELEASE IS NOT POSSIBLE, OR (C) ASK THE SWISS TO HELP HIM "GET HIS SHIITES" OUT OF ISRAEL. BRUNNER SAID THAT WHATEVER DEVELOPED, THE GOS WOULD IMMEDIATELY INFORM THE EMBASSY, AND WOULD TAKE NO FURTHER ACTION UNTIL IT HEARS FROM THE U.S. GOVERNMENT. BRUNNER SAID THAT COPY OF THE AUBERT COMMUNICATION WAS ALSO BEING SENT TO THE LEBANESE GOVERNMENT.

5. PRESSED BY THE DCM AS TO WHETHER THE GOS WOULD NONE-
THELESS ISSUE A PUBLIC CONDEMNATION IF THERE WERE NO
ANSWER FROM BERRI, BRUNNER STATED THAT THE GOS SHARES IN
FULL THE U.S. CONCERNS ABOUT HIJACKINGS AND TERRORISM,
AND THAT IT CONDEMNS ANY AND ALL VIOLATIONS OF INTERNA-
TIONAL AGREEMENTS IN THIS REGARD. HE SAID THAT GOC
BELIEVES. HOWEVER, THAT FOR THE TIME BEING IT IS BEST NOT
TO MAKE A PUBLIC STATEMENT TO THIS EFFECT. HE NOTED THAT
THE GOS, LIKE MANY OTHER COUNTRIES, HAD PUBLICLY CON-
DEMNED THE TEHRAN HOSTAGE-TAKING AT THE TIME, TO NO
AVAIL AND WITH NO IMPACT ON THE SITUATION. HE CLEARLY
LEFT OPEN THE POSSIBILITY, HOWEVER, THAT, SHOULD BERRI
FAIL TO COOPERATE. THE GOS MAY CONSIDER A PUBLIC ANNOUNCE-
MENT.

6. EMBASSY WILL IMMEDIATELY PROVIDE DEPARTMENT WITH GOS
RESPONSE WHEN RECEIVED.

7. BEIRUT MINIMIZE CONSIDERED.
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2. USING TALKING POINTS REFTEL, DCM MADE SUBJECT
DEMARCHE TO MFA DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR POLITICAL
AFFAIRS MATOS PROENCA AFTERNOON OF JUNE 19. MATOS
PROENCA RESPONDED POSITIVELY AND SAID HE WOULD
DISCUSS U.S. REQUEST FOR A PUBLIC STATEMENT WITH
FOREIGN MINISTER LATER IN THE DAY. HE PROMISED
TO GET BACK TO US WITH GOP RESPONSE.

3. COMMENT: WHILE THE GOP IS LIKELY TO ISSUE A
STATEMENT CONDEMNING THE HIJACKING THERE IS LITTLE
MORE IT CAN DO. THE LITTLE INFLUENCE IT MIGHT
HAVE WITH THE GOL IS ATTENUATED BY THE FACT THAT
THE PORTUGUESE AMBASSADOR IS CURRENTLY IN LISBON
AND NOT SCHEDULED TO RETURN AT AN EARLY DATE.
MOREOVER, TO OUR KNOWLEDGE NO MIDDLE EAST AIRLINES

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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR DEMARCHE: BEIRUT HIJACKING/HOSTAGE

1. IN THE ABSENCE OF THE FOREIGN MINISTER I SAW DIRECTOR OF CABINET, AMBASSADOR MOISE AKA, AFTERNOON JUNE 19. I URGED THAT THE GOIC MAKE A PUBLIC DECLARATION CONDEMNING THE HIJACKING AND MAKING CLEAR ITS READINESS TO CONSIDER APPROPRIATE ACTION IF THERE IS NO EARLY RESOLUTION OF THE HIJACKING. I ALSO AS INSTRUCTED, URGED THAT ANY GOIC STATEMENT SHOULD CALL ON THOSE CONTROLLING THE SITUATION IN LEBANON TO DESIST AT ONCE FROM HOLDING INNOCENT PEOPLE HOSTAGE TO THE VAGARIES OF THE MID-EAST CONFLICT. FINALLY, AS IVORY COAST IS SIGNATORY OF BOTH THE HAGUE AND MONTREAL CONVENTIONS, I URGED THAT THE GOIC CONSIDER BANNING LANDING RIGHTS FOR MIDDLE EAST AIRLINES AS WELL AS THE USE OF BEIRUT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. I RECITED THE TALKING POINTS PARAGRAPH THREE REFTEL AS SUPPORTING ARGUMENTS TO MY DEMARCHE.

2. AKA IMMEDIATELY EXPRESSED AGREEMENT THAT THE HIJACKING WAS NOT AN ACT THAT COULD BE CONDONED BY CIVILIZED NATIONS AND THAT IT DESERVED TO BE CONDEMNED. HE WENT ON TO SAY, HOWEVER, THAT THE GOIC DID NOT NORMALLY MAKE SUCH PUBLIC DECLARATIONS AND THAT HE DOUBTED THAT IT WOULD BE WILLING TO DO SO IN THIS CASE. HE SAID NEVERTHELESS THAT

HE WOULD REPORT MY DEMARCHE TO HIS SUPERIORS TO SEE WHAT ACTIONS THEY MIGHT DECIDE TO TAKE. HE WENT ON TO SAY THAT, IF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY WERE TO AGREE THAT SOME CONCERTED ACTION WERE SUITABLE, HE WAS CONFIDENT THE GOIC WOULD ASSOCIATE ITSELF WITH SUCH ACTION. WE AGREED TO STAY IN TOUCH ON THE MATTER.

3. COMMENT: IVORY COAST DOES NOT NORMALLY ENGAGE IN HIGH PROFILE ACTIONS SUCH AS WE ARE ASKING. MIDDLE EAST AIRLINES HAS REGULAR FLIGHTS STOPPING IN ABIDJAN, AND THERE IS A VERY LARGE AND PREDOMINANTLY SHIITE LEBANESE COMMUNITY HERE WHICH PROBABLY ADD TO IVORY COAST'S NORMAL RELUCTANCE TO ADOPT A VERY PUBLIC STANCE ON A THIRD-PARTY ISSUE. WILL REPORT DEVELOPMENTS. END COMMENT.

4. DEPARTMENT REPEAT AS DESIRED. MILLER
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