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UNCLAS PARIS 25610

DEPT FOR HIJACK GROUP

E.O. 12356: N/A

TAGS: CASC, PTER, EAIR, CPAS, FR

SUBJECT: STATUS OF PASSENGERS FROM TWA 847

REF: (A) PARIS 25172 AND PREVIOUS, (B) PHONCONS
GROENEWEG-CLARK 6/20/85

1. PARA 2 REFTEL INDICATED 14 PASSENGERS OF TWA 847
PLANNED DEPART PARIS FOR USA ON 6/20/85. THOSE 14 DID
IN FACT DEPART PLUS ONE OTHER I.E. JUDITH DITCHKUS
BROWN. THEIR FLIGHTS AND PORTS OF ENTRY FOLLOWS:

A) NEW YORK CITY (JFK) TWA 803
JUDITH DITCHKUS BROWN
THEOPHILOS TARTAS
ELIZABETH TARTAS
MR. AND MRS TARTAS MADE ONWARD FLIGHT LOS ANGELES VIA
TWA 401

B) ST LOUIS TWA 819
CHRISTOPHER WILLETT
JOSHUA WILLETT
MARSHA WILLETT

C) BOSTON TWA 811
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ANGELES)

LORRAINE ANDERSON

ELAINE GROSSMAYER

MARGARET JOHNSON

JOANN LAZANSKY

PAULA LOFTUS

PATRICK WILLIAM MCDONNELL

EUNICE MILTON

(FATHER MCDONNELL AND HIS GROUP HAD ONWARD CONNECTIONS
FOR CHICAGO.)

2. CONOFF PHONED U.S. IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES AT PORTS
OF ENTRY TO ARRANGE EXPEDITIOUS ADMISSION FORMALITIES.
POST UNDERSTANDS TWA REPRESENTATIVES WERE ALSO ON HAND
AT EACH PORT OF ENTRY TO ASSIST PASSENGERS TO MAKE
CONNECTING FLIGHTS.

3. PLANS OF 6 PASSENGERS REMAINING IN PARIS AS OF COB
6/20/85 ARE SUBJECT OF SEPARATE TELEGRAM. MARESCA

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TO RUEHDH/AMCONSUL DHAHRAN IMMEDIATE 1062
INFO RUEHJI/AMCONSUL JEDDAH IMMEDIATE 6319
RUEHRH/AMEMBASSY RIYADH IMMEDIATE 2159
RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 0512
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UNCLAS PARIS 25611

DEPT FOR HIJACK GROUP

E.O. 12356: N/A

TAGS: CASC, PTER, EAIR, FR

SUBJECT: ASSISTANCE FOR PASSENGERS ON HIJACKED TWA 847
FLIGHT - SAMMIE D PALMER

REF: A) PARIS 25379, B) PHON CON GROENEWEG - KAUTH
6/21/85

1. PURSUANT REF B, CONOFF CONTACTED MRS. PALMER WHO STATED HUSBAND'S IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR IS DR. ANWAR WHO CAN BE REACHED AT AL KHOBAR BY TELEPHONE NUMBER 857-3714. WHILE DR. ANWAR MAY NOT HAVE FINAL SAY ON QUESTIONS RAISED REF A, HE WILL BE ABLE TO REFER DHAHRAN CONOFF TO APPROPRIATE DECISION MAKER. MRS. PALMER AGAIN ASSERTS HER HUSBAND'S COMPANY IS CALLED MARCO AND IS A JOINT VENTURE WITH BORG WARNER, USA.

2. DHAHRAN REQUESTED INCLUDE DEPARTMENT AS ADDRESSEE IN RESPONDING CABLE IN EVENT MRS. PALMER AND HER SON WILL HAVE DEPARTED PARIS BY THE TIME ANY INFORMATION CAN BE DEVELOPED. IN THAT EVENT, MRS. PALMER CAN RECEIVE MESSAGES VIA HER HOME PHONE IN USA 501 666 1974. THE PALMERS' U.S. ADDRESS IS 911 NORTH PINE, LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS. MARESCA

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TAGS: CASC, PTER, EAIR, CPAS, FR
SUBJECT: STATUS OF PASSENGERS FROM TWA 847

REF: PARIS 25172

1. THE 6 TWA 847 PASSENGERS REMAINING IN PARIS AS OF
COB 6/20/85 HAVE MADE DECISIONS AS FOLLOWS:

A) TODAY 6/21/85, CAROLYN AND PAMELA BYRON TRAVELED TO
ENGLAND AND ARE CURRENTLY STAYING AT MARIOTT HOTEL, IN
LONDON NEAR GROSVENOR SQUARE. AMEMBASSY LONDON HAS BEEN
ALERTED TO THEIR ARRIVAL.

B) SAMMIE D PALMER AND JOE DON PALMER REMAIN IN PARIS
BUT HAVE TENTATIVELY DECIDED TO FLY TO USA TOMORROW
(FLIGHT NOT YET SELECTED) UNLESS DEVELOPMENTS IN BEIRUT
CAUSE THEM TO CHANGE THEIR MINDS.

C) SUE ELLEN HERZBERG AND HER FATHER ARE PLANNING TO
TRAVEL TO NEW YORK (JFK AIRPORT) VIA TWA FLIGHT 803 ON
SUNDAY 6/23.

D) KATHERINE DAVIS AND HER FATHER HAVE DECIDED TO
REMAIN IN PARIS UNTIL SUCH TIME AS HOSTAGES ARE
RELEASED ALTHOUGH THEY HAVE INDICATED THEY MAY LEAVE
SUNDAY IF THERE ARE NO DEVELOPMENTS IN BEIRUT.
MARESCA

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TAGS: ECPS, CA, PARM

SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION--BEIRUT HIJACKING, HUMAN RIGHTS

1. THE CANADIAN PRESS AGAIN PROMINENTLY FEATURED STORIES ABOUT THE HOSTAGE SITUATION IN BEIRUT, AND IN THE WAKE OF THE RECENT HUMAN RIGHTS CONFERENCE IN OTTAWA, CARRIED COMMENTARY ON THE SUBJECT OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE SOVIET UNION

2. THERE WERE FRONT PAGE WIRE SERVICE STORIES ON THE HOSTAGE INCIDENT IN MANY MAJOR CANADIAN NEWSPAPERS INCLUDING THE MONTREAL GAZETTE, MONTREAL'S ONLY ENGLISH LANGUAGE DAILY, LA PRESSE, THE LARGEST CIRCULATING FRENCH LANGUAGE DAILY IN MONTREAL, AND THE OTTAWA CITIZEN, OTTAWA'S ONLY ENGLISH LANGUAGE DAILY. THE TORONTO SUN, A TABLOID-STYLE ENGLISH LANGUAGE DAILY, IN PARTICULAR CARRIED TWO FULL PAGES OF STORIES ABOUT THE HOSTAGES. IN AN ARTICLE HEADLINED "UNCLE SAM IS UP AGAINST IT," THE

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SUN'S FOREIGN EDITOR WROTE THAT THE WORDS OF THE NATIONAL ANTHEM "THUS CONQUER WE MUST, WHEN OUR CAUSE IS JUST, AND THIS BE OUR MOTTO: 'IN GOD WE TRUST.' AND THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER IN TRIUMPH SHALL WAVE O'ER THE LAND OF THE FREE AND THE BRAVE." MUST BE "LEAVING A BITTER TASTE IN AMERICAN MOUTHS... (FOR) DESPITE TOUGH WORDS, THERE HAS SO FAR BEEN NO 'TRIUMPH' FOR THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER."

THE PAPER THEN RECOUNTED THE EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK, INCLUDING THE WEDNESDAY NIGHT ATTACK ON THE CAFE IN SAN SALVADOR AND PRESIDENT REAGAN'S DECLARATION THAT THE "U.S. MUST ACT AGAINST INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM." HOWEVER IT NOTED THAT "...PERHAPS AS AMERICANS WATCHED NEWSCASTS AND READ NEWSPAPER REPORTS OF THE SAN SALVADOR BLOODBATH AND THE HOSTAGE DRAMA UNFOLDING IN BEIRUT, THEY RECALLED WHAT WHITE HOUSE SPOKESMAN LARRY SPEAKES SAID WHEN ASKED WHAT THE U.S. RESPONSE TO THE MARINE COMPOUND BOMBING WOULD BE: 'ALL I CAN SAY TO THEM IS WAIT AND SEE,' AMERICA IS STILL WAITING."

IN A RELATED ARTICLE, "AMERICANS POLLED BY LONG-DISTANCE TELEPHONE YESTERDAY CALLED FOR VIOLENT REVENGE AGAINST SHIITE TERRORISTS HOLDING U.S. HOSTAGES IN BEIRUT." THOSE REPONSES INCLUDED:

SAID JOHN FOLEY OF POTTSVILLE PA. "SOMEPLACE ALONG THE LINE YOU HAVE TO DRAW THE LINE...ONCE THE HOSTAGES ARE OUT OF THERE, THERE SHOULD BE SOME FORM OF RETALIATION ...ISRAEL HAS THE RIGHT IDEA."

"KILL THE GUYS," SAID JEFF BILODEAU OF MOBILE ALA. "OTHERWISE IT MAKES US LOOK WEAK."

"I FEEL THAT PRESIDENT REAGAN IS DOING THE RIGHT THING BY NOT TRYING TO RESCUE THE HOSTAGES SAID RACHEL FIELDER OF HOUSTON TX."

"...MEANWHILE THE NEW YORK POST HAS ASKED READERS TO DRIVE WITH THEIR HEADLIGHTS ON TO SHOW THEIR OUTRAGE...THE REACTION IS VERY STRONG...PEOPLE ARE ANGRY--THEY'RE SAYING 'I'M TIRED OF HEARING NOTHING CAN BE DONE.'"

IN A MAN IN THE STREET TYPE POLL, CANADIANS ALSO EXPRESSED STRONG SENTIMENTS SAYING "THEY SHOULD GET THE HOSTAGES OUT AND CAPTURE THE TERRORISTS...NEVER GIVE IN TO TERRORISTS" AND NEGOTIATE BUT "BE FIRM."

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3. LE DEVOIR, MONTREAL'S LEADING FRENCH LANGUAGE DAILY CARRIED AN EDITORIAL BY ALBERT JUNEAU ENTITLED "TO SAVE FACE," WHICH SAID IN PART:

"...HAVE ISRAELIS COMMITTED A POLITICAL ERROR?... THE ILLEGALITY OF ONE PARTY DOESN'T JUSTIFY THE OTHER. THE HOSTAGE TAKING LED BY THE SHIITES MUST BE CONDEMNED. BY CHOOSING AMERICANS AS VICTIMS, THEY (SHIITES) SUCCEEDED IN DIRECTING AMERICAN PUBLIC OPINION TO THE LEBANESE PRISONERS. THUS THEY HAVE PLACED THE AMERICANS IN A DELICATE POSITION. NOT WANTING TO GIVE INTO TERRORISM,

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WASHINGTON MUST SUPPORT ISRAEL EVEN THOUGH THEY CONDEMNED
ITS POLICY REGARDING THE PRISONERS."

"HOWEVER, ISRAEL'S INTERPRETATION ISN'T UNANIMOUSLY
ACCEPTED. SUPPORTED BY THE MAJORITY OF WESTERN COUNTRIES,
THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS COMMITTEE SPECIFIED TO THE
ISRAELIS THAT THEY WERE VIOLATING THE FOURTH CONVENTION
OF THE GENEVA CONVENTION (WHICH THEY THEMSELVES SIGNED)
REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF THE POPULATIONS."

"AS LONG AS THE SHIITE CHIEF, MR. BERRI, RETAINS CONTROL
OF HIS MILITIA, A COMPROMISE IS VERY POSSIBLE. FOR IT IS
REALLY A MATTER OF ACCELERATING AND FINISHING AN OPERATION
WHICH IS ALREADY UNDERWAY--THE LIBERATION OF THE LEBANESE
PRISONERS. TO ACHIEVE THIS GOAL WITHOUT BLOODSHED, EACH

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PARTY MUST BE ABLE TO SAVE FACE. IN THESE CONDITIONS,
THIS TRAGEDY WILL LAST A BIT LONGER."

4. THE INFLUENTIAL TORONTO GLOBE AND MAIL RAN A COLUMN BY
WILLIAM JOHNSON IN WHICH HE SAID THAT:

THE HIJACKING "...HAS TURNED INTO SUCH A SMASHING
TERRORIST SUCCESS THAT TERRORISM HAS TAKEN
OFF...TERRORISTS ACROSS THE GLOBE HAVE GOT THE MESSAGE
(THAT)...TWO PEOPLE COULD TAKE AN AIRPLANE AND HOLD A
COUNTRY HOSTAGE..."

"PRESIDENT REAGAN HAS NO CHOICE...THE U.S. MUST STRIKE
AGAINST TERRORISM EVEN IF IT MEANS THE LOSS OF INNOCENT
LIVES..."

THAT IT IS A "...COUP FOR A HANDFUL OF UNKNOWN INDIVIDUALS
IN A POOR AND DISLOCATED PART OF THE WORLD WHEN THE
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES...SPENDS MOST OF A RARE
PRESS CONFERENCE TALKING ABOUT THEIR DEED...CONFESSING
'I'M AS FRUSTRATED AS ANYONE..."

"HOW EMPTY ARE THE WORDS OF THE PRESIDENT WHEN HE
SAYS: 'LET ME MAKE IT PLAIN TO THE ASSASSINS IN BEIRUT AND
THEIR ACCOMPLICES...THAT AMERICA WILL NEVER MAKE
CONCESSIONS TO TERRORISTS,' WHEN ON TELEVISION HE LOOKED
LIKE A PAPER TIGER, ROARING AT THE GOVERNMENT OF GREECE,
BUT NOT DARING TO THREATEN THE MEN WHO BEAT UP AND
MURDERED AN INNOCENT U.S. CITIZEN...THEY HAVE HUMILIATED
THE PRESIDENT (AND MAY HAVE CONVINCED) THE U.S. AND OTHER
COUNTRIES TO DECLARE WAR WITHOUT QUARTER ON TERRORISM."

5. ON ANOTHER SUBJECT, THAT OF HUMAN RIGHTS, THE TORONTO
STAR, A DAILY WITH A WIDE CIRCULATION, RAN AN EDITORIAL
ENTITLED "SOVIET CREDIBILITY ON THE LINE." SAYING THAT:

"ARTICLES 52 AND 57 OF THE SOVIET CONSTITUTION PROMISE
'FREEDOM OF CONSCIENCE AND RESPECT FOR THE INDIVIDUAL,'
(AS DO) THE HELSINKI ACCORDS, SIGNED BY THE SOVIETS IN
1975...THE GAP BETWEEN WHAT MOSCOW PROFFESSES AND WHAT IT
DELIVERS IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN RIGHTS IS A DEPRESSINGLY
LARGE ONE..."

THE "OTTAWA MEETING PRODUCED NO NEW AGREEMENT ON
FURTHERING THE HELSINKI PLEDGES...THE SOVIETS
REJECTED...THE BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS ENSHRINED IN THE
HELSINKI ACCORDS..."

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QUOTING MAX KAMPLEMAN ON THE PROBLEM OF THE SOVIET FAILURE TO "LIVE UP TO THE ACCORDS, THAT "PEACE IS THE TOTALITY OF THE RELATIONSHIPS...THAT A COUNTRY THAT MAKES WAR ON ITS OWN PEOPLE CANNOT BE TRUSTED TO NOT MAKE WAR ON ITS NEIGHBORS"...THE HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE IS A PROBLEM OF SOVIET CREDIBILITY, AS WELL AS A MORAL CONCERN...IF THE SOVIET DELEGATION HEADS HOME FROM OTTAWA WITH JUST THAT ONE THOUGHT IN MIND, THE CONFERENCE WON'T HAVE BEEN WHOLLY WASTED."

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