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23. Cable	081251Z Dec 84 (2p) <i>PART. 1/02/03 - #183</i>	12/8/84	P1
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25. Cable	081058Z Dec 84 (1p) <i>D. - #185</i>	12/8/84	P1
26. Cable	081113Z Dec 84 (2p) <i>PART. - #186</i>	12/8/84	P1
27. Cable	081112Z Dec 84 (2p) <i>D 5/24/00 " " #187</i>	12/8/84	P1
28. Cable	080055Z Dec 84 (2p) <i>PART. 1/02/03 - #188</i>	12/8/84	P1
29. Cable	081414Z Dec 84 (2p) <i>D 2/27/01 F97-048 #189</i>	12/8/84	P1 <i>B3</i>
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35. Cable	072308Z Dec 84 (1p) D " " #195	12/7/84	P1
36. Cable	072151Z Dec 84 (3p) D " " #196	12/7/84	P1
37. Cable	071814Z Dec 84 (8p) PART. 3/10/00 F97-048/1 #197	12/7/84	P1 B1, B7d
38. Cable	071213Z Dec 84 (4p) PART. 1/02/03 F97-048 #198	12/7/84	P1 B6
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E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR
TAGS: EAIR, PREL, PTER, IR, KU, TC, PX
SUBJECT: HIJACKING OF KUWAIT AIRLINES FLIGHT 221

REF: (A) ABU DHABI 4654 (B) STATE 360565

1. ~~SECRET~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. SUMMARY

END SUMMARY.

3. IN DUBAI DECEMBER 9, AS PART OF CONTINUING DEMARCHE IN SUPPORT OF REF B INSTRUCTIONS, I CALLED UPON SHAIKH MAKTOUM BIN RASHID, UAE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND DUBAI CROWN PRINCE TO DISCUSS KU221 HIJACK. I EXPLAINED KUWAITI AMBASSADOR AND HAD BEEN COORDINATING OUR ACTIVITIES IN THIS REGARD. I ADDED THAT, KUWAIT WAS STATE PRIMARILY TARGETED BY THIS HIJACK, BUT SINCE U. S. CITIZENS HAD BEEN SINGLED OUT FOR MURDEROUS ABUSE ALONG WITH KUWAITIS, AND OF COURSE BECAUSE NUMBER OF AMERICANS FALLING BEFORE SCOURGE OF TERRORISM IN MIDDLE EAST CONTINUES TO RISE, USG WAS INTENSELY INTERESTED IN BRINGING AGONY OF KU221 TO AS QUICK AND SAFE AN END AS POSSIBLE.

4.

I RESPONDED THAT CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THIS HIJACK LED INEVITABLY TO DEEP SUSPICION OF POSSIBLE COMPLICITY OF OTHERS. STATEMENTS OF AMERICAN OFFICIALS INCLUDING THE PRESIDENT, AMBASSADOR OAKLEY, AND DEPARTMENT PRESS OFFICERS MADE CLEAR U.S. VIEW THAT IRANIAN HANDLING OF

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By: CRS, NARA, Date 1/02/03

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THIS AFFAIR WAS QUITE UNUSUAL AND NOT HELPFUL. WE WERE, HOWEVER, SO FAR AVOIDING DIRECT ACCUSATION THAT OFFICIAL IRANIANS WERE ACCOMPLICES. I SAID WE AGREED WITH GOK ON THIS POSITION. RESPONDING TO MAKTOUM'S NEXT QUESTION, I SAID WE HAD NOT YET RECEIVED POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION OF AMERICAN DEAD, BUT FEARED WE ALREADY KNEW THE WORST RE TWO USAID EMPLOYEES. WE ALSO FEARED FOR SAFETY OF REMAINING HOSTAGES ON BOARD -- AMERICANS, KUWAITIS, AND OTHERS. I CONCLUDED I WAS SURE THAT FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF USG POSITION REGARDING THIS TRAGEDY WOULD BE FORTHCOMING AS SOON AS ADDITIONAL FACTS BECAME CLEAR.

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6. COMMENT: THUS, FOR WHATEVER GOOD IT WILL DO IN THIS AGONY, MY NEXT STOP IS THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. I HOPE HIJACK WILL HAVE ENDED BEFORE I GET THERE TOMORROW (DECEMBER 10). DEPUTY PM WAS TRULY APPALLED BY EVENTS IN TEHRAN. NOT JUST THAT THEY WERE SO BLOODY, BUT ALSO BECAUSE KUWAIT, WHICH AS HE SAID, "TRIED HARD TO HAVE NO ENEMIES," WAS CONTINUING TO FIND ITSELF A DIRECT OBJECT OF OUTSPOKEN HATRED AND AGGRESSION FROM RADICALS OF THE SORT IT HAD FOR YEARS SOUGHT NOT TO ALIENATE. END COMMENT.
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E. O. 12356: DECL: OADR
TAGS: PTER, EAIR, KU, TC, PK, IR, PK, US
SUBJECT: HIJACKING OF KUWAITI AIRLINER 221

1. ~~8~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. DCM WAS SUMMONED TO FOREIGN MINISTRY BY FOREIGN SECRETARY NIAZ NAIK AFTERNOON DECEMBER 9 FOR UPDATE ON KU-221 HIJACKING. SECRETARY NAIK SAID THAT SINCE YESTERDAY MORNING DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN THE KUWAITI NEGOTIATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF IRAN HAD BROKEN DOWN. TALKS BETWEEN KUWAITI REPRESENTATIVES AND HIJACKERS HAD ALSO COLLAPSED.

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6. NAIK SAID PIA AIRCRAFT WAS STANDING BY IN KARACHI
AWAITING CLEARANCE FROM GOI AUTHORITIES FOR FLIGHT
TO TEHRAN. PIA PLANE WOULD BRING BACK PAKISTANIS
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AND ANY OTHER PASSENGERS RELEASED BY THE HIJACKERS.
GOP HAS ALSO ORDERED PAKISTANI MEDICAL TEAMS IN
KARACHI TO STAND BY AND WOULD PROVIDE ACCESS TO
RELEASED HOSTAGES TO OFFICIAL PERSONNEL OF
CONCERNED COUNTRIES.

7.

THANKED FOREIGN SECRETARY FOR EFFORTS BEING MADE
BY GOP TO RESOLVE TEHRAN HIJACKING.
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1. S-ENTIRE TEXT.

2. MFA OFFICIAL AL-SARIKH CALLED THE AMBASSADOR AT
11:00 A. M. TO REPORT MOST RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN
TEHRAN AND ELSEWHERE.

3. AL-SHARIKH REPORTED THAT THE KUWAITI DELEGATION IN
TEHRAN HAD DEPARTED FOR ISTANBUL VIA LUFTHANSA EARLIER
THIS MORNING AND WOULD RETURN TO KUWAIT BY SPECIAL
PLANE THIS AFTERNOON.

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5. FINALLY, AL-SHARIKH REPORTED THAT THE KUWAITI
EMBASSY IN TEHRAN HAD AT LAST BEEN GIVEN THE ADDRESS
OF THE HOSPITAL WHERE THE WOUNDED KUWAITI SECURITY
GUARD WAS BEING HELD. THE KUWAITIS HAD BEEN SEEKING

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By CLL, NARA, Date 1/02/03

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THIS INFORMATION FOR SEVERAL DAYS AND AT LAST HAD
RECEIVED IT. A KUWAITI DIPLOMAT IN TEHRAN WAS ON
HIS WAY TO THE HOSPITAL TO INTERVIEW THE SECURITY GUARD.

6. COMMENT: THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE DELEGATION IS
FURTHER EVIDENCE OF KUWAIT'S TOUGH POSITION AND ITS
UNWILLINGNESS EITHER TO NEGOTIATE OR TO BECOME
INVOLVED IN ENDORSING SPECIFIC IRANIAN ACTIONS.
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2. I CONTACTED AL RASHID SHORTLY BEFORE 10:00 P.M. AS HE WAS COMING OUT OF A MEETING WITH THE CABINET. I WENT OVER WITH HIM IN DETAIL THE POINTS CONTAINED REFTEL. I STRESSED TO HIM THAT WE WERE NOT TELLING KUWAIT HOW IT SHOULD MANAGE THE INCIDENT BUT RATHER SHARING WITH HIM THE STARK ALTERNATIVES WHICH THE SITUATION PRESENTED.

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4. RASHID SAID THAT THE GOK HAD DRAFTED A RESPONSE TO IRANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER VELAYATI WHICH CLEARLY STATED THE GOK POSITION. ABOUT AN HALF HOUR LATER RASHID PROVIDED ME WITH HIS OWN INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF A GOK PRESS RELEASE BASED ON THIS RESPONSE. RASHID NOTED THAT THE RELEASE HAD ALREADY BEEN BROADCAST ON KUWAIT RADIO AND ISSUED BY THE KUWAIT NEWS AGENCY.

5. THE STATMENT EXPLICITLY DENIED THAT KUWAIT HAD REFUSED A SUGGESTION BY THE IRANIAN AUTHORITIES TO USE FORCE. GOK SOURCES IT WENT ON (I.E. RASHID) HAD STATED THAT THE KUWAITI POSITION FROM THE START OF THE HIJACKING ORDEAL HAD BEEN TO INSIST THAT IT WAS THE ABSOLUTE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE IRANIAN

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AUTHORITIES TO SAVE THE HOSTAGES AND CREW. KUWAIT WOULD NOT INTERFERE IN ANY STEP THAT IRAN BELIEVED WAS FIT OR USEFUL. SINCE THE PLANE WAS ON IRANIAN TERRITORY ONLY IRAN COULD EVALUATE THE SITUATION AND TAKE THE MEASURES NECESSARY TO LIBERATE THE HOSTAGES AND CREW. THE GOK SOURCES ADDED THAT KUWAIT WAS SURPRISED TO SEE THIS MATTER (THE USE OF FORCE) BEING BROUGHT UP AGAIN NOW THAT MOST OF THE HOSTAGES HAD BEEN RELEASED. THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFEGUARDING THE LIVES OF THE REMAINING PASSENGERS FELL COMPLETELY ON THE SHOULDERS OF IRAN, AND KUWAIT HOPED THAT IRAN WOULD TAKE ALL NECESSARY MEASURES TO SAFEGUARD THE PASSENGERS AND BRING ABOUT THEIR RELEASE AS THEY HAD WITH OTHERS.

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2. AT THE UN SECRETARY GENERAL'S REQUEST HIS OFFICE
CALLED MISSION 2 PM DECEMBER 8 TO SAY IRANIAN AMBASSADOR
HAD JUST CONVEYED FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

A. 38 MORE HOSTAGES HAVE BEEN RELEASED;

B. THREE (3) KUWAITIS ON THE AIRCRAFT ARE BEING
THREATENED. THEY ARE BEING TOLD BY HIJACKERS TO MAKE
AN APPEAL IN ARABIC ON RADIO TEHRAN;

C. OFFICIAL GOI INFORMATION IS THAT ONLY TWO (2)
PASSENGERS HAVE BEEN MURDERED.

3. THE SECRETARY GENERAL RESPONDED THAT THAT WAS
TWO TOO MANY.

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SUBJECT: KUWAITI AIRLINER HIJACKING: DEMARCHE TO QATARI
MINISTER OF STATE

REF: STATE 360565

1. ~~SECRET~~ - ENTIRE TEXT

2. THIS IS AN ACTION MESSAGE.

3. ON DECEMBER 8, I DELIVERED A NON-PAPER BASED ON
THE REFTEL TO QATARI MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN
AFFAIRS AHMAD BIN SAYF AL THANI.

[REDACTED] IN ADDITION, THE QATAR GOVERNMENT
RELEASED A STATEMENT THE SAME DAY CONDEMNING THE
HIJACK AND URGING THE IRANIANS TO DO ALL THEY COULD
TO END THE INCIDENT WITHOUT FURTHER LOSS OF LIFE.

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6. ACTION REQUESTED: IT WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR ME TO HAVE AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE TO SHARE WITH SHAYKH AHMAD CONCERNING THE ROLE THE BRITISH AND OTHERS ARE PLAYING IN SUPPORT OF THE EFFORT TO BRING THE HIJACKING TO AN END. HE SEEMS QUITE PREPARED TO DISCUSS THE HIJACKING, AND I WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE THE DIALOGUE WITH HIM. IF THERE ARE QUESTIONS TO WHICH YOU THINK SHAYKH AHMAD, BECAUSE OF HIS GCC CONNECTION, MIGHT HAVE ANSWERS, PLEASE ADVISE.
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SUBJECT: UAE APPEAL TO IRAN RE KUWAIT AIRLINES HIJACKING

REF: STATE 360565

1. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. I HAVE BEEN COORDINATING WITH KUWAITI AMBASSADOR TO UAE YAGOUT
ALL APPROACHES TO HOST GOVERNMENT RE KU221 HIJACKING.

3. 

FOIA(b)(1)

4. 

5. ADDITIONALLY, REFTEL DEMARCHE WILL NOW BE MADE BOTH TO MINISTER
OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS RASHID ABDULLA AND TO DUBAI CROWN
PRINCE AND UAE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER MAKTOUM BIN RASHID. WHILE
I WILL EXPRESS APPRECIATION FOR ZAYID'S PREVIOUS MESSAGE, I WILL
URGE CONTINUED UAE CONTACT WITH IRAN TO PUT END TO HIJACKING.
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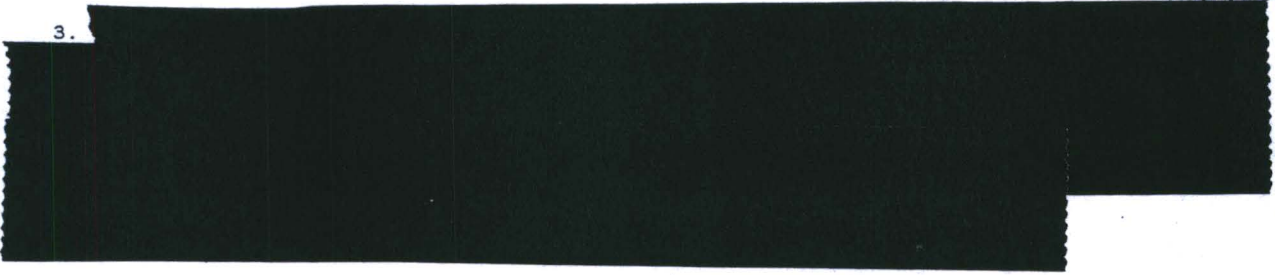
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SUBJECT: SYRIAN DEMARCHE TO IRAN ON HIJACKED KUWAITI
 AIRCRAFT

REF: STATE 359968

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

2. DURING MY MEETING ON DECEMBER 8 WITH SYRIAN FONMIN SHARA', I RAISED THE SUBJECT OF THE HIJACKED KUWAITI AIRLINES AIRCRAFT IN TEHRAN. NOTING THAT PRESIDENT ASAD HAD EXPLAINED ON THURSDAY HIS PROFOUND CONCERN ABOUT THE TRAGEDY AT TEHRAN AIRPORT, I SAID THAT PRESIDENT REAGAN HAD ALSO SENT A PERSONAL MESSAGE OF CONCERN AND SUPPORT TO THE KUWAITI GOVERNMENT. I ASKED SHARA' IF HE HAD ANY FURTHER THOUGHTS ON WHAT ANYONE COULD DO TO BRING THIS TRAGEDY TO AN END, AND OBSERVED THAT OF THE 3 AMERICAN DIPLOMATS ON THE AIRCRAFT, 2 MAY ALREADY MAY HAVE BEEN MURDERED.

3. 

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4. I MENTIONED THAT THE US WAS NOT AS CONVINCED OF IRAN'S DILIGENCE. ALSO, I ASKED SHARA' WHETHER HE KNEW IF ANY KUWAITIS HAD BEEN KILLED, POINTING OUT THAT THE IRANIAN DELEGATE TO THE UN HAD SAID, ACCORDING TO MEDIA REPORTS, THAT NO KUWAITIS HAD DIED.

5. SHARA' REPLIED THAT HE DID NOT KNOW ANY DETAILS OTHER THAN WHAT WAS IN THE MEDIA. 

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WITH THE
KUWAITIS NOW SPECIFICALLY ASKING ASAD TO EXERCISE HIS
SUPPOSED INFLUENCE IN TEHRAN IN A MATTER OF CRITICAL
KUWAITI NATIONAL SECURITY, IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT FOR
THE SYRIANS NOT TO RESPOND AS POSITIVELY AS THEY CAN--
AND BE SEEN TO BE DOING SO. HENCE THE SYRIAN MEDIA'S
FEATURING OF ASAD'S PERSONAL EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE SAFE
RELEASE OF ALL THE PASSENGERS. EAGLETON
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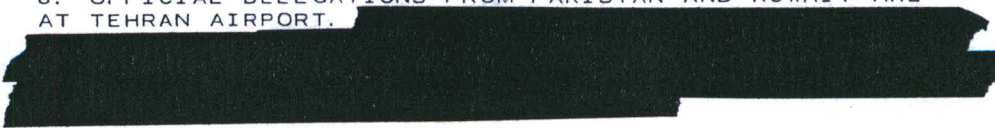
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TAGS: PREL, PTER, US, IR
SUBJECT: HIJACKING IN TEHRAN

REF: A) STATE 360802; B) USUN 3596

1. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ ENTIRE TEXT.
2. UN SECRETARY GENERAL'S OFFICE CALLED USMISSION LATE AFTERNOON DECEMBER 7 TO REPORT ON CONVERSATION THE SECRETARY GENERAL (SYG) HAD JUST HAD WITH THE IRANIAN UN AMBASSADOR RAJAIE.
3. RAJAIE TOLD SYG HE HAD RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM TEHRAN THAT 8 MORE HOSTAGES HAD BEEN RELEASED; TWO PAKISTANIS AND TWO IRANIANS.
4. ONE OF THE HOSTAGES RELEASED, HE SAID, WAS A PHYSICIAN. HE SAID THE PHYSICIAN HAD REPORTED ON THE FATE OF SOME OF THE PASSENGERS. THE PHYSICIAN SAID THAT ONLY TWO REPEAT TWO US CITIZENS HAD BEEN MURDERED, CONTRARY TO MISINFORMATION WHICH HAD BEEN SPREAD BY THE HIJACKERS FOR PURPOSES OF INTIMIDATION.
5. RAJAIE SAID THAT SO FAR ONE HUNDRED AND SEVEN (107) PASSENGERS HAD BEEN RELEASED.
6. OFFICIAL DELEGATIONS FROM PAKISTAN AND KUWAIT ARE AT TEHRAN AIRPORT.  FOIA(b)(1)
7. THE SECRETARY GENERAL TOLD RAJAIE OF HIS APPEAL TO THE HIJACKERS (SEE BELOW) THIS AFTERNOON. RAJAIE THANKED THE SECRETARY GENERAL FOR HIS EFFORTS.
8. STATEMENT WAS ISSUED BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S PRESS SPOKESMAN AT THE NOON BRIEFING FRIDAY DECEMBER 7

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ON THE HIJACK (FIRST TEXT REPRODUCED BELOW). SHORTLY AFTERWARD, THE AMBASSADOR TO THE UN OF KUWAIT CALLED ON THE SECRETARY GENERAL AND APPEALED FOR AN ADDITIONAL STATEMENT WHICH COULD BE MADE DIRECTLY TO THE HIJACKERS TO APPEAL TO THEM TO SPARE HUMAN LIVES. ACCORDINGLY A SECOND STATEMENT WAS ISSUED AT 4 P.M. IT IS ANALOGUS TO THE FIRST STATEMENT BUT APPEALS TO THE HIJACKERS TO RECOGNIZE THE SANCTITY OF THE LIVES OF INNOCENT PASSENGERS.

9. TEXT OF STATEMENT MADE BY UN SPOKESMAN AT NOON BRIEFING ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1984:
"THE SECRETARY-GENERAL IS APPALLED BY THE HIJACKING OF THE KUWAITI AIRLINER THAT IS, AT PRESENT, IN TEHRAN AND BY THE KILLING OF INNOCENT PASSENGERS.

HE IS IN TOUCH WITH THE AMBASSADORS OF IRAN AND KUWAIT AND IS SHORTLY RECEIVING THE DEPUTY PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES. AS I MENTIONED TO YOU LAST NIGHT, IN A MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR RAJAIE-KHORASSANI, THE SECRETARY-GENERAL DISCUSSED -- WHETHER THERE WERE WAYS IN WHICH HE COULD HELP IN AN APPROPRIATE MANNER.

10. TEXT OF STATEMENT ISSUED BY SPOKESMAN AT 4 P.M., FRIDAY 7 DECEMBER 1984:

"THE SECRETARY-GENERAL IS APPALLED AND DEEPLY GRIEVED THAT THE HIJACKING OF THE KUWAIT AIRLINER HAS RESULTED IN THE DEATH OF PASSENGERS ABOARD THE AIRCRAFT. FOR COMPELLING HUMANITARIAN REASONS, HE MOST URGENTLY APPEALS TO THE HIJACKERS TO RECOGNIZE THE SANCTITY OF THE LIVES OF THE INNOCENT PASSENGERS AND TO RELEASE THEM SWIFTLY AND SAFELY WITHOUT FURTHER SUFFERING BEING CAUSED.
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COUNTRY: *[initials]* LEBANON (LE), IRAN (IR)

SUBJECT: *[initials]* /HIJACKING OF
- KUWAITI AIRLINES 221 (U)

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SUMMARY: ~~(S/NOFORN)~~ ALL AVAILABLE INFORMATION ON
IDENTITY OF HIJACKERS WAS TRANSMITTED *[redacted]*
[redacted] KU 221 LANDING AT BIA IS A POSSIBILITY.
AIRPORT SECURITY (CONSISTING MAINLY OF A BN FROM
6TH BRIGADE) WILL SECURE AIRCRAFT. MILITIAMEN (AMAL,
HIZBALLAH, PSP) WILL BE VISIBLY PRESENT OR NEARBY.
GOL WILL ATTEMPT TO NEGOTIATE RELEASE OF HOSTAGES,
BUT WILL NOT TRY TO OVERPOWER HIJACKERS BY FORCE.

TEXT: 1. ~~(S/NOFORN)~~ *[redacted]*
INFORMATION ON HIJACKERS OF KUWAITI AIRLINES
AIRCRAFT *[redacted]* IN SHORT, THE FIVE HIJACKERS
APPEAR TO BE LEBANESE WHO BOARDED AN MEA FLIGHT FROM

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BEIRUT TO GULF. THEY (THE FIVE) DID NOT PROCESS THROUGH CUSTOMS OR IMMIGRATIONS, BUT WERE DIRECTLY TAKEN TO AIRCRAFT BY U/I VEHICLE. [REDACTED] NAMES OF THE FIVE HIJACKERS FROM AN MEA COMPUTER LISTING OF PASSENGERS ON BOARD THE MEA FLIGHT.

2. ~~(S/NOFORN)~~ WE ARE AWARE OF POSSIBILITY OF AIRCRAFT LEAVING TEHRAN AND ARRIVING AT BIA. OUR ASSESSMENT IS THAT IF KUWAITI AIRLINES 221 ATTEMPTS TO LAND AT BIA IT WILL BE PERMITTED TO. AIRPORT SECURITY IS A SEPARATE LAF COMMAND, BUT IS ESSENTIALLY MANNED BY MEMBERS OF THE 6TH BRIGADE. THEY CAN BE EXPECTED TO PROVIDE SECURITY FOR AIRCRAFT. MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS, WALID (JUMBLATT) CAN BE EXPECTED TO CONDUCT NEGOTIATIONS WITH HIJACKERS FOR THE RELEASE OF THE PASSENGERS. AMAL, HIZBALLAH AND PSP MILITIAMEN CAN BE EXPECTED TO EITHER BE VISIBLY PRESENT AT THE AIRPORT (OR CLOSE BY WITH EASY ACCESS). THE MEDIA WILL ALSO BE PRESENT.

PROJ: ~~NOT~~ N/A

COLL: ~~NOT~~ NONE

INSTR: ~~NOT~~ U. S NO

FOIA(b)(3)

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RSO KUWAIT INTERVIEWED [REDACTED]

FOIA (b)(7)(d)

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

SHE WAS RELEASED BY THE HIJACKERS AT APPROXIMATELY
2300 HOURS LOCAL TIME DECEMBER 4, AND MOVED TO THE OLD
HILTON HOTEL (EXETER) IN TEHRAN AND SUBSEQUENTLY RE-
TURNED TO KUWAIT BY KU SPECIAL FLIGHT AT 2200 HOURS LOCAL
ON DECEMBER 6. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

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SHE REQUESTS CONFIDENTIALITY FOR HERSELF AND THE INFORMA-
TION. SHE WAS VERY HELPFUL AND COOPERATIVE, EXPRESSING
A DESIRE TO BE HELPFUL AND CONCERN FOR THE PASSENGERS
AND CREW STILL IN TEHRAN.

FOIA (b)(7)(d)

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

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- OF PASSENGER, DECEMBER 7, 1984.

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2. FOLLOWING ARE NOTES BASED ON CONVERSATION WITH [REDACTED] FOIA(b)(6)
[REDACTED] AMCIT PASSENGER WHO ARRIVED IN KARACHI
FROM TEHRAN DECEMBER 6 AT 1700 HOURS LOCAL ABOARD SPECIAL
IRAN AIR FLIGHT (KARACHI 10342).

3. FOIA(b)(6) [REDACTED] INDICATED TO US THAT THERE WERE FIVE HI-
JACKERS: TWO ENTERED THE AIRCRAFT AT KUWAIT, TWO ENTERED
AT DUBAI AND THE FIFTH ENTERED AT AN UNKNOWN LOCATION.
SHE INDICATED THAT THE HIJACKERS WERE ALL WEARING BLACK
LEATHER JACKETS AND JEANS BUT LATER CHANGED INTO DIFFERENT
CLOTHES WHICH INCLUDED ONE IN A JOGGING SUIT, THREE IN
DENIM JACKETS AND DENIM PANTS, THE FIFTH HIJACKER WAS
SEEN VERY LITTLE BUT SHE SAID THAT HE WAS DRESSED
DIFFERENTLY FROM ALL THE OTHERS AND APPEARED TO SPEND
MOST OF HIS TIME IN THE COCKPIT. THREE OF THE HIJACKERS
SEEMED TO BE THE MOST VISIBLE AND MOVED AROUND THE PLANE
THE MOST. THEY WERE ALL DESCRIBED AS BEING IN THEIR
EARLY TO MID-TWENTIES, AND VERY PROFESSIONAL. THREE
LOOKED IDENTICAL BUT THE LEADER WAS DESCRIBED AS "MORE
HEALTHY AND HAVING A ROUND FACE."

4. HIJACKERS HAD AT LEAST A PISTOL A PIECE AND ONE
HAD A GRENADE. SOURCE DID NOT SEE ANY OTHER EXPLOSIVES
THOUGH THEY WERE TOLD THAT THE HIJACKERS WOULD BLOW
THE PLANE UP IF THEIR DEMANDS WERE NOT MET. ALL
CONVERSATIONS WITH THE HIJACKERS WERE CARRIED ON IN
ARABIC WITH TRANSLATIONS BEING DONE BY THE AIR HOSTESSES
AND STEWARDESSES. THE HIJACKERS SPOKE LITTLE ENGLISH
WITH THE EXCEPTION OF WORDS LIKE AMERICANO OR PASSPORTS.
SOURCE ALSO DESCRIBED A WEAPON WHICH WAS POSSIBLY IDENTI-
FIED AS AN EMERGENCY AXE BEING WORN IN THE BELT OF ONE
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5. SOURCE INDICATED THAT SECURITY AT KUWAIT AIRPORT WAS EXTREMELY LAX, THAT NONE OF HER BAGS WERE CHECKED, AND THAT SHE SAW NO ONE ELSE'S HAND-CARRIED BAGS BEING CHECKED. THEY WERE NOT ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE PLANE IN DUBAI. BUT SOURCE SAW TWO OF THE HIJACKERS ENTER THERE AS THEY STOPPED NEAR THE SEAT TO ASK DIRECTIONS OF THE AIR HOSTESS. SHORTLY AFTER DINNER, SOURCE NOTICED WHAT APPEARED TO BE A FIGHT AND SOMETHING WAS SAID IN ARABIC WHICH WAS TRANSLATED THAT THERE WAS A HIJACK. THE HIJACKERS IDENTIFIED A KUWAITI AND A GUARD (SOURCE FELT THAT THE GUARD MAY HAVE BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH THE KUWAITI AND NOT ASSIGNED TO THE AIRCRAFT). THE HIJACKERS PULLED THE GUARD OFF TO THE SIDE, TOOK HIS GUN AND SHOT HIM THREE TIMES. THE HIJACKERS THEN ORDERED ALL THE FIRST CLASS PASSENGERS TO MOVE TO THE ECONOMY SECTION. THE HIJACKERS CAUTIONED PASSENGERS TO REMAIN CALM AND TO SAY AND DO NOTHING. AT THIS TIME THEY FIRED IN THE AIR THREE OR FOUR TIMES. THEY COLLECTED ALL THE SPOONS AND KNIVES FROM THE DINNER TRAYS AND ORDERED ALL THE MEN TO PUT THEIR HANDS UP. THE HIJACKERS THEN ASKED FOR THE PASSENGERS WHO HAD PASSPORTS AND ORDERED TO GIVE UP THEIR PASSPORTS. NOT EVERYONE COMPLIED WITH THE REQUEST. THE HIJACKERS THEN ASKED FOR THOSE WITH AMERICAN PASSPORTS. THE HIJACKERS POINTED TO ONE AMERICAN AND A GERMAN AND SAID THEY WERE "AMERICANO" AND THEY WERE TOLD TO STAND UP. THE GERMAN TRIED TO EXPLAIN THAT HE WAS NOT AMERICAN BUT THE HIJACKER TOLD HIM TO BE QUIET, PUT THE GUN TO HIS BACK AND TOLD HIM

TO MOVE TO FIRST CLASS. AT ABOUT THIS TIME THE PILOT ANNOUNCED OVER THE LOUD SPEAKER THAT THE PLANE WAS NOT GOING TO KARACHI BUT WAS BEING TAKEN TO TEHRAN. THIS WAS APPROXIMATELY 3:00 AM. THE HIJACKERS RELAXED MORE AFTER ARRIVAL AND TOLD THE AIR HOSTESS TO PASS OUT WATER. THEY ASKED AGAIN ABOUT PASSPORTS. LATER AFTER THE SUN CAME UP THE SOURCE HEARD TWO SHOTS AND THEY WERE THEN ORDERED TO CLOSE THE WINDOW SHADES.

(AT THE HOTEL THE SOURCE WAS TOLD THAT AN AMERICAN HAD BEEN SHOT AND HAD BEEN THROWN FROM THE AIRCRAFT WHILE STILL ALIVE BUT DIED ON THE WAY TO THE HOSPITAL. SOURCE HAD NO PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE OF THESE EVENTS.)

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HIJACKERS ASKED FOR ALL THOSE PASSENGERS WHO WERE DIPLOMATS OR WHO WERE IN THE PAKISTAN MILITARY. THIS LATTER GROUP OF MILITARY WAS COMPOSED OF ABOUT TWENTY SIX (26) PEOPLE WHO SAT TOGETHER ON THE PLANE BUT WERE NOT ACCORDED ANY SPECIAL ABUSE OR TREATMENT. AFTERWARDS ALL THE LADIES WERE ORDERED TO GO TO FIRST CLASS. SOURCE SAW NO ONE IN FIRST CLASS AND SAW NO ONE IN THE TWO OR THREE ROWS OF SEATS IMMEDIATELY BEHIND FIRST CLASS (WHERE BUSINESS CLASS IS FOUND ON OTHER AIRCRAFT). AFTER THEY WERE GATHERED IN THE FIRST CLASS SECTION THEY WERE TOLD THEY WOULD BE RELEASED IF THE IRANIANS PROVIDED FUEL FOR THE PLANE. IF THE FUEL WAS NOT DELIVERED THE PLANE WOULD BE BLOWN UP. WHILE THEY WERE WAITING TWO OF THE HIJACKERS WHO BEHAVED BETTER THAN THE OTHERS TOLD THE AIR HOSTESS THAT THEY COULDN'T HANDLE SEEING THE WOMEN AND CHILDREN AND THEY HAD NOTHING AGAINST THEM. THE SOURCE ALSO SAID THAT TWO KUWAITI DIPLOMATS HAD BEEN CALLED TO THE COCKPIT AND THEY COULD OVERHEAR THE KUWAITIS TALKING ON THE RADIO AND CRYING A LOT. A WOMAN LOOKED AROUND THE CURTAIN AND SAW THE TWO DIPLOMATS WERE BEING PUSHED AROUND IN THE COCKPIT. AFTER THE FUEL WAS RECEIVED, SEVERAL OF THE LADIES AND CHILDREN WERE RELEASED WITH THE REST BEING RELEASED ABOUT TWO HOURS LATER.

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7. UP TO THIS POINT, THE SOURCE HAD NOT IDENTIFIED HERSELF AS AMERICAN NOR HAD SHE GIVEN UP HER PASSPORT. AS SHE WAS LEAVING THE AIRCRAFT THE HIJACKERS AGAIN ASKED FOR HER PASSPORT AND SHE HANDED IT TO THEM AND HE JUST STUCK IT IN HIS POCKET WITHOUT LOOKING AT IT. THE SOURCE WAS VERY CONCERNED AS THE HIJACKERS ON MANY OCCASIONS HAD ASKED FOR THE AMERICANS TO IDENTIFY THEMSELVES. AFTER ANOTHER PERIOD OF TIME, APPROXIMATELY TWENTY (20) MEN WERE RELEASED. ONE OF THE MEN TOLD THE SOURCE THAT THERE HAD BEEN NO FOOD OR WATER LEFT ON THE PLANE AND THAT THE DOORS OF THE PLANE HAD BEEN OPENED TO LET IN AIR. THE MAN ALSO TOLD THE SOURCE THAT ONE OF THE HIJACKERS HAD FALLEN ASLEEP AMONGST THE PASSENGERS WHILE THREE OF THE HIJACKERS WERE IN FRONT BUT NOTHING WAS DONE. THE SOURCE SAID

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THAT SHE SAW ONLY THE FIVE PEOPLE INVOLVED IN THE HI-JACKING BUT COULD NOT TELL IF SOMEONE ELSE WAS INVOLVED BUT NOT VISIBLE. SHE ALSO INDICATED THAT THERE WAS NO APPARENT OUTSIDE HELP FOR THE HIJACKERS AND THAT SHE HAD ONLY HAD CONTACT WITH PAKISTANI EMBASSY AND SWISS EMBASSY PERSONNEL IN TEHRAN.

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8. NOTES ON DECEMBER 7 DEBRIEFINGS OF OTHER KUWAIT AIRLINE 221 PASSENGERS WILL FOLLOW, AFTER INTERVIEWS HAVE TAKEN PLACE. GRAHL
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2. MFA UNDERSECRETARY RASHID CALLED ME AT 2000 HOURS LOCAL TIME TO REPORT ON THE CURRENT SITUATION IN TEHRAN. HE TOLD ME THAT NO ADDITIONAL HOSTAGES HAD BEEN RELEASED, NOTWITHSTANDING THE ASSURANCES OF THE HIJACKERS THAT THERE WOULD BE A MAJOR RELEASE ONCE THE TERRORIST DECLARATION WAS BROADCAST. THE STATEMENT HAS BEEN BROADCAST BUT NO HOSTAGES RELEASED. ACCORDING TO RASHID THE HIJACKERS ARE DEMANDING THAT KUWAIT RADIO ITSELF BROADCAST THE DECLARATION. KUWAIT HAS REFUSED TO DO SO AND HAS TOLD THE IRANIANS THAT SUCH A BROADCAST WOULD ONLY COMPLICATE THE SITUATION. (BY COMPLICATION HE MEANS A SITUATION IN WHICH ONLY THE U.S. AND KUWAITI HOSTAGES REMAINED ON BOARD.)

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3. THE UNDERSECRETARY SAID THEY HAD BEEN FOLLOWING THE USG'S POSITION VERY CAREFULLY AND WERE VERY PLEASED BY WHAT THE PRESIDENT HAD SAID IN HIS NEWS CONFERENCE. IT FULLY REFLECTED THE GOK'S OWN POSITION.

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5. AT 2015 RASHID CALLED AGAIN TO SAY THAT IT NOW APPEARED THAT SOME HOSTAGES WOULD INDEED BE RELEASED. THE PLANE DOOR WAS OPEN AGAIN AND HE EXPECTED EARLY INFORMATION CONFIRMING THE RELEASE. HE DID NOT EXPECT, HOWEVER, THAT THE KUWAITIS AND AMERICANS WOULD BE AMONG THOSE FREED. QUANTON

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