

TOP SECRET/UMBRA ZARF 271145 Z JUN 74 SPECIAL DESIGNEES

CITE TEHRAN [REDACTED]

PRIORITY

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HANDLE VIA TALENT KEYHOLE CHANNELS

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1. AMBASSADOR HELMS IS OUT OF TEHRAN UNTIL 29 JUNE. HE  
WILL BE VERY INTERESTED IN REF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] THANK YOU FOR FORWARDING THIS SIGNIFICANT  
INTELLIGENCE TO US SO PROMPTLY.

2. THROUGH SAVAK-KURDISH CHANNELS THE SHAH HAS BEEN  
RECEIVING INTELLIGENCE ON SOVIET MATERIAL PHYSICALLY DELIVERED  
TO IRAQ QUITE SOON AFTER IT ARRIVES. WE SHOULD, THEREFORE,  
EXPECT HIM TO LEARN OF THE SCUD ARRIVALS SOON AFTER THE EVENT.  
HIS REACTION WILL BE AS REF MESSAGE PREDICTS: HE WILL WANT  
WEAPONS SYSTEMS TO COUNTER THE SCUD.

3. THE "PARTIAL EASING OF STRAINS" BETWEEN IRAQ AND IRAN  
REFERRED TO IN REF HAVE BEEN MORE COSMETIC THAN REAL. THE  
SHAH CONTINUES PROFOUNDLY TO DISTRUST THE BA'TH REGIME. HIS  
CONTINUED HEAVY SUPPORT TO THE KURDS IS A BETTER INDICATOR OF  
HIS REAL ATTITUDE THAN THE REESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELA-  
TIONS AND THE CESSATION OF DIRECT MILITARY CONFRONTATION OF  
IRAQI AND IRANIAN FORCES IN THE BORDER AREAS. THE IRAQI'S REAL

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PAGE TWO TEHRAN \_\_\_\_\_ ~~TOP SECRET~~/UMBRA ZARF

ATTITUDE TOWARD THE SHAH IS MORE ACCURATELY TO BE READ FROM THE CONTENT OF THE CLANDESTINE RADIO BROADCASTS EMANATING FROM TRANSMITTERS NEAR BAGHDAD THAN FROM THEIR DIPLOMATIC CONVERSATIONS WITH THE IRANIAN AMBASSADOR. EACH REGIME CORRECTLY REGARDS THE OTHER AS "THE ENEMY", HOWEVER THEY MAY CAMOUFLAGE THIS FOR TACTICAL AND CONVENTIONAL REASONS. (THE SHAH SHOWED AT LEAST THE EDGE OF HIS CARD IN HIS INTERVIEW WITH LE MONDE IN PARIS ON 25 M JUNE.)

2 4. THE SHAH IS AWARE THAT THE EGYPTIANS HAVE THE SCUD AND THAT THE SYRIANS PROBABLY HAVE IT TOO. HE HAS EXPECTED THE IRAQIS TO GET THEM BECAUSE HE CONSIDERS IRAQ TO HAVE EMERGED AS THE SOVIETS BEST HOPE FOR ADVANCING THEIR INTERESTS IN THE ARABIAN PENINSULA AND THE BULB. E2, IMPDET.

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