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BODYSUBJREF NC070958 BEIRUT MONDAY MORNING ENGLISH 5-11 OCT///WITHOUT
PRESCRIBED BORDERS.TAKE 2 OF 3--LEBANON: FADLALLAH ON HOSTAGES, BRIBE CLAIMS
NC071007((TEXT)) ((ABU GHANNAM)) HOW WOULD THE ESCALATION OF THE
GULF WAR AFFECT THE HOSTAGE ISSUE, DO YOU THINK?((FADLALLAH)) I DON'T THINK THERE IS DIRECT INFLUENCE ON
THIS ISSUE, BECAUSE AS WE ALL KNOW IT HAS REACHED A CERTAIN
STAGE WHEREBY THINGS HAVE STARTED MOVING WITHIN BILATERAL
RELATIONS, INSTEAD OF MOVING WITHIN GENERAL POLITICAL
LINES.((ABU GHANNAM)) WHAT IS YOUR VIEWPOINT REGARDING THE
ARAB SUMMIT SCHEDULED TO BE HELD IN AMMAN NEXT NOVEMBER?((FADLALLAH)) I DON'T THINK THIS SUMMIT WILL HAVE A
GREAT CHANCE OF SUCCESS IF IT IS HELD IN THE ABSENCE OF AN
INTERNATIONAL STAND THAT TAKES INTO CONSIDERATION THE
INTERNATIONAL BALANCE IN RELATIONS BETWEEN EAST AND WEST.

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WE KNOW THAT THE ARAB SUMMITS ARE NOT HELD AS A RESULT OF AN INDEPENDENT ARAB RESOLUTION, BUT AS A RESULT OF INTERNATIONAL INTERESTS, WHICH MAY OR MAY NOT BE HARMONIOUS WITH THE ARAB INTERESTS. THUS, THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN POSITIONS IN EAST AND WEST, WITH RESPECT TO THE STRATEGIC INTERESTS OF THE POLITICAL LINES, MAY PREVENT THE CONVENING OF A SUMMIT, AND MAY OBSTRUCT THE SUCCESS OF THIS SUMMIT. A BEST PROOF WOULD BE THAT OF THE ARAB FOREIGN MINISTERS' MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 20, WHICH WAS SUPPOSED TO ISSUE A DECISIVE RESOLUTION CONCERNING FUTURE IRANIAN-ARAB RELATIONS IF A CEASEFIRE IS NOT REACHED. BUT THIS MEETING ENDED WITH NO RESULTS AND THE CONFEREES INSTEAD OF REACHING SUCH A RESOLUTION DECIDED TO HOLD A SUMMIT MEETING WHOSE CHANCES OF SUCCESS MAY NOT BE BETTER THAN THOSE OF ANY RESOLUTION TO SEVER RELATIONS WITH IRAN.

WE DO NOT EXPLAIN THIS IN TERMS OF INTER-ARAB RELATIONS, BUT THROUGH THE GREEN, RED OR YELLOW LIGHTS WHICH ARE MOVING ON THE INTERNATIONAL SCENE, AND IN THE LIGHT THAT THE ARAB SCENE IS ALWAYS TRYING TO BE COMPLEMENTARY WITH THE INTERNATIONAL ONE. I RULE OUT THE CONVENING OF A SUMMIT OF ALL THE ARAB STATES, AND I RULE OUT ITS SUCCESS ON THE BASIS OF WHAT WAS MENTIONED BEFORE AND ON THE BASIS OF PAST EXPERIENCES.

((ABU GHANNAM)) WHAT IS YOUR COMMENT ON WHAT WAS PUBLISHED IN THE PRESS LAST WEEK ABOUT THE 1985 EXPLOSION AT B'IR AL-'ABD AND WHICH WAS BASICALLY AIMED AGAINST YOUR LIFE?

((FADLALLAH)) 1) THE FIRST POINT IS THAT FROM THE VERY BEGINNING I FELT THAT THE ISSUE WAS AMERICAN AND I KNEW THAT IT WAS A RESPONSE TO THE EXPLOSION OF THE MARINES, WHILE THE AMERICAN INTELLIGENCE WAS ACCUSING ME OF BEING BEHIND ALL THIS. THIS IS WHY I DECLARED THE U.S. RESPONSIBILITY FROM THE BEGINNING. THE POSTER IN FRONT OF THE BURNT HOUSES ENTITLED: "MADE IN THE UNITED STATES", WAS THE PROOF. WE KNOW THAT WHEN THE U.S. MOVES, IT DOES NOT HAVE DETAILS ON THIS MATTER, ALTHOUGH WE WERE ABLE TO LAY OUR HANDS ON CERTAIN GUIDE LINES CONCERNING LEBANESE, AMERICAN AND ISRAELI INVOLVEMENT THROUGH THOSE WHO IMPLEMENTED THIS OPERATION. WE WERE NOT ASTONISHED WITH THE INVOLVEMENT OF AMERICAN INTELLIGENCE ON THIS ISSUE, AND OUR INTUITION IN THE PAST AND AT PRESENT ARE CORRECT.

2) THE SECOND POINT IS THAT TALK OF THE RELATION OF A CERTAIN ARAB STATE IN THIS ISSUE IS NOT ASTONISHING, BECAUSE WE KNOW THE FIRM RELATION BETWEEN CERTAIN ARAB STATES AND THE U.S. SUCH A RELATION PROMPTS THEM TO FINANCE ANY AMERICAN OPERATION IN THIS DIRECTION IF THE U.S. OFFICIAL COULD NOT OBTAIN THE APPROVAL OF THE HOUSE OF SENATES ((AS PUBLISHED)).

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