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The Sadat Assassination

JACK ANDERSON: The Central Intelligence Agency has completed a preliminary post-mortem on the Sadat assassination. I've had access to this secret assessment.

Now, what will be the most likely repercussions? Well, here's what the CIA predicts will happen in Egypt without Anwar Sadat.

First, the CIA predicts the loss of Sadat will not be catastrophic. The new government is expected to continue Sadat's policies. The stability of Egypt will depend upon the Army, which is expected to remain loyal.

Second, the CIA believes Israeli confidence in the peace process will be shaken by the Sadat shooting. Prime Minister Menachem Begin is expected to have trouble keeping his Cabinet in line. President Reagan's Mideast adviser and negotiator, Philip Habib, has recommended tying up the loose ends of the Camp David pact and searching for a new approach.

Third, the CIA anticipates a continuing crackdown on dissidents in Egypt. Sadat's killers probably will be held incommunicado and the world will be given only an official version of the assassination. The CIA has no clear idea who was behind the plot, but the agency believes the least likely culprits would be Egyptian Army dissidents.

Meanwhile, U.S. military forces have been put on alert. There are five stages of alertness. Number five is normal. Number one means ready for action. Well, the armed forces have been brought up from a five to a three alert until the crisis in Egypt settles down.