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MOSCOW RADIO SAYS ISRAEL MUST FULFIL UN RESOLUTION 242

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(TEXT) THE SECURITY COUNCIL'S APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT RESOLUTION OF THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED STATES ON THE MIDDLE EAST IS ANOTHER CONFIRMATION OF THE (?INESCAPABLE) FACT THAT THE FUNDAMENTAL BASIS FOR A MIDDLE EAST SETTLEMENT LIES IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL'S NOVEMBER RESOLUTION NO. 242. AS IS KNOWN, THIS RESOLUTION EMPHASIZES THE IMPERMISSIBILITY OF ACQUIRING TERRITORY AS THE RESULT OF WAR, AND IT OUTLINES THE PRINCIPLES UPON WHICH IT IS POSSIBLE TO ESTABLISH A JUST AND LASTING PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. THE FIRST PRINCIPLE IN THE RESOLUTION FORESEES A WITHDRAWAL OF THE ISRAELI ARMED FORCES FROM THE TERRITORIES OCCUPIED (?ILLEGALLY). THE SECOND PRINCIPLE CALLS FOR (WORDS INDISTINCT) THE ARAB COUNTRIES AS WELL AS RESPECT FOR THEIR (WORDS INDIS. INCT) SOVEREIGNTY, TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY AND POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE OF ALL THE STATES IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND THEIR RIGHT TO LIVE IN PEACE WITHIN STABLE AND SECURE FRONTIERS, FREE FROM THE THREAT OR USE OF FORCE.

THE NOVEMBER RESOLUTION STRESSES THE NEED TO GUARANTEE FREEDOM OF NAVIGATION ON INTERNATIONAL WATERWAYS IN THAT REGION, THE ATTAINMENT OF A JUST SETTLEMENT OF THE REFUGEE PROBLEM, AND PROPOSES THAT THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY GENERAL SEND A SPECIAL ENVOY TO THE MIDDLE EAST IN ORDER TO PROMOTE A MIDDLE EAST SETTLEMENT.

THUS, THE NOVEMBER RESOLUTION TAKES INTO ACCOUNT THE INTERESTS OF ALL THE COUNTRIES PARTICIPATING IN THE MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT. FOR THE ARAB COUNTRIES IT GUARANTEES THE RETURN OF THE ISRAELI-OCCUPIED LANDS.

FULFILMENT OF THE RESOLUTION WILL BRING TO AN END THE PROTRACTED ARAB-ISRAELI WAR AND INSURE ALL THE STATES IN THE MIDDLE EAST, INCLUDING ISRAEL, THE RIGHT TO LIVE IN PEACE AND HAVE RELIABLE, (?SAFEGUARDED) FRONTIERS.

FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF ISRAEL'S INTERESTS, (?LEADING) PORTIONS OF THE NOVEMBER RESOLUTION ENVISAGES ITS RIGHT TO USE THE INTERNATIONAL WATERWAYS IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

HOWEVER, THE ARAB COUNTRIES DECLARED THEY ACCEPT THE NOVEMBER RESOLUTION OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL AND (?EXPRESSED) THEIR READINESS TO COOPERATE WITH THE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UN SECRETARY GENERAL, GUNNAR JARRING. ISRAEL, (?UP TO THE RECENT WAR), TOOK AN OBSTRUCTIONIST STAND. THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT OPENLY PROCLAIMED AN ANNEXATIONIST COURSE, WITH CLAIMS TO THE REGION OF GAZA, THE GOLAN HEIGHTS, THE ARAB PART OF JERUSALEM AND CERTAIN OTHER TERRITORY. CONTRARY TO ALL RESOLUTIONS AND DEMANDS OF THE UNITED NATIONS, ISRAEL CONDUCTED TACTICS OF SO-CALLED CREEPING ANNEXATION IN THE OCCUPIED LANDS, BUILT ISRAELI SETTLEMENTS, AND PLUNDERED THE NATIONAL WEALTH THAT RIGHTFULLY BELONGED TO THE ARAB PEOPLES.

IN THE MEANTIME, IT IS ABSOLUTELY CLEAR THAT PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST COULD NOT AND CANNOT BE ESTABLISHED AT THE EXPENSE OF RECARVING THE GEOGRAPHICAL MAP OF THAT REGION IN FAVOR OF ISRAEL. THE ARAB COUNTRIES, WHICH DISPLAYED GOODWILL AND SINCERE INTEREST IN ESTABLISHING A JUST PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST, (WORD INDISTINCT) IN CONDITIONS OF ISRAEL'S STUBBORN REFUSAL TO (WORDS INDISTINCT) OF THE MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT ON THE BASIS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL'S NOVEMBER RESOLUTION, HAD GROUNDS FOR USING ALL THE MEANS AT THEIR DISPOSAL FOR LIBERATING THE ARAB TERRITORIES SEIZED BY ISRAEL IN 1967 AND RESTORING THE LEGITIMATE RIGHTS OF THE ARAB COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES, INCLUDING THE ARAB PEOPLE OF PALESTINE.

BY REFUSING TO FULFIL RESOLUTION NO. 242, THE ISRAELI RULERS ARE PLAYING A DANGEROUS GAME WITH FIRE. THEY COULD NOT COUNT ON GOING UNPUNISHED, DELAYING A SETTLEMENT OF THE MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT FOR LONG OR COMPELLING THE ARABS TO RECONCILE THEMSELVES TO THE OCCUPATION OF THEIR LANDS. IT IS QUITE NATURAL THAT THE COALS THAT WERE SMOULDERING BECAUSE OF ISRAEL FLARED UP ONCE AGAIN ON THE 6TH OF OCTOBER. THE ARAB PEOPLES GAVE THE ISRAELI RULERS A VIVID LESSON. BY THEIR COURAGE AND STAMINA IN THE BATTLES AGAINST THE ISRAELI AGGRESSORS THEY HAVE WON RESPECT THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. FURTHERMORE, THEY HAVE SHOWN THE INCOMPATIBILITY OF ISRAEL'S MILITARY BRASSHATS IN CALLING ON A NEW BLITZKRIEG.

THE ADOPTION BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE DRAFT RESOLUTION OF THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED STATES ON THE MIDDLE EAST LAYS REAL CONDITIONS FOR STOPPING THE ARMED ACTIONS IN THAT REGION AND FOR THE BEGINNING OF NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE INTERESTED SIDES FOR ESTABLISHING

A JUST AND LASTING PEACE. THE INTERESTS OF INTERNATIONAL SECURITY MUST NOT ALLOW THE FLAMES OF WAR TO BURN IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

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