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CAIRO RADIO: WILL ISRAELI MILITARY THWART KISSINGER?

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(IBRAHIM WAHBI COMMENTARY: "U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER'S TOUR IN THE MIDDLE EAST AREA IN THE LIGH. OF THE RACE BETWEEN PEACE AND WAR")

(TEXT) U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER SAID, AFTER TODAY'S MEETING WITH PRESIDENT ANWAR AS-SADAT, THAT WE ARE MOVING QUICKLY TOWARD PEACE. THIS STATEMENT IN ITSELF IS IMPORTANT. BUT THERE IS SOMETHING MORE IMPORTANT, NAMELY THAT THE MOVE TOWARD PEACE MUST FOLLOW THE MOVE TOWARD THE RESUMPTION OF FIGHTING AND MUST OVERCOME IT.

WE MUST RECALL IN THIS INSTANCE THAT WE HAVE COME CLOSE TO PEACE MANY TIMES BEFORE. BUT THIS PEACE WAS ALWAYS DESTROYED BECAUSE OF ISRAELI ARROGANCE AND INTRANSIGENCE AND THE FALSE FEELING OF THE ISRAELI MILITARY ORGANIZATION THAT IT IS INVINCIBLE AND THAT THE EGYPTIAN FORCES COULD NOT CROSS THE CANAL.

ON THIS BASIS, ISRAEL MISLED THE WORLD AND WAS ABLE TO CHALLENGE THE UN RESOLUTIONS AND CHARTER, REJECTING ALL RESOLUTIONS AND SETTLEMENTS. IT OBSTRUCTED THE MOVES OF THE UNITED STATES, FORCED WILLIAM ROGERS TO ABANDON HIS PEACE INITIATIVE AND EMPLOYED WORLD ZIONISM TO PRESS FOR GUARANTEES OF CONTINUED U.S. MILITARY AID AND POLITICAL SUPPORT. THEREFORE, WHENEVER PEACE CAME CLOSE IT WAS DESTROYED BY THE ISRAELI ILLUSION THAT IT WAS IN A POSITION OF STRENGTH, ALLOWING IT TO IMPOSE ITS WILL ON THE AREA AND ON THE WORLD.

PERHAPS THE SITUATION HAS CHANGED; AS KISSINGER SAID: IT IS MOVING TOWARD PEACE AFTER THE WORLD AND THE UNITED STATES LEARNED THAT ISRAEL IS NO LONGER IN A POSITION OF STRENGTH.

THE EGYPTIAN FORCES HAVE CAUSED ISRAEL TO LOSE THIS POSITION. AS THE WORLD HAS EXPOSED THE FALSEHOOD OF ISRAEL'S ALLEGATIONS ABOUT THE ILLUSIONS IT HAD ATTRIBUTED TO ITSELF, ISRAEL SHOULD HAVE CONVINCED ITSELF THAT IT MUST RETURN WHAT IT HAD TAKEN. WE THINK PERHAPS THE CHANGE IN THE MILITARY MAP ACHIEVED BY OUR ARMED FORCES IN THE AREA IS THE BASIS FOR THE NEW POSITIVENESS IN THE U.S. MOVE.

WE DO NOT RULE OUT AN IMPORTANT FACTOR, WHICH WE MUST TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION WHILE WE ARE WATCHING THE RACE BETWEEN WAR AND PEACE. IT IS TRUE THAT ISRAEL SUFFERED LOSSES IN THE 6 OCTOBER WAR WHICH EXCEEDED ITS ABILITY, AND THESE LOSSES ALMOST PARALYZED ITS ACTIVITIES IN ALL FIELDS; IT IS TRUE THAT THE THEORY OF ISRAEL'S SECURITY ADVOCATED BY THE ISRAELI LEADERS HAS BEEN DESTROYED AND COLLAPSED; IT IS TRUE THAT INTERNATIONAL ISOLATION—WHETHER BY EUROPE, AFRICA OR ASIA—HAS TIGHTENED THE SEIGE ON THE ISRAELIS; IT IS TRUE THAT THE ARABS HAVE COHERED MORE AGAINST ANYONE WHO WISHED TO HELP THE ISRAELIS TO CONTINUE THEIR AGGRESSION; AND IT IS TRUE THAT ISRAEL'S CONTINUING THE WAR WOULD BE NO MORE THAN RECKLESS DESPERATION.

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HOWEVER, ISRAEL IS RULED BY A MILITARY ORGANIZATION WHICH THE ISRAELIS NOW BLAME FOR ALL THEIR MATERIAL, MILITARY, POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC LOSSES. THUS THE QUESTION FACING THE MILITARY ORGANIZATION BECOMES ONE OF ITS CONTINUED EXISTENCE IN ISRAELI POLITICAL LIFE. SINCE WE HAVE REACHED THIS POINT, WE HAVE THUS REACHED A NEW CONCLUSION. WOULD THE OUTCOME FACING THIS MILITARY ORGANIZATION—BEING COMPLELLED TO RETURN THE LAND IT USURPED IN 1967, AND THE ENORMOUS LOSSES IT HAS INFLICTED ON THE ISRAELIS—MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR THIS MILITARY ORGANIZATION TO HAVE A FUTURE EXISTENCE AT ALL? WE DO NOT THINK SO.

ON THE BASIS OF THIS CONCLUSION, WE DO NOT RULE OUT THE POSSIBILITY

THAT THE ISRAELI MILITARY ORGANIZATION WILL CARRY OUT A NEW ADVENTURE IN AN ATTEMPT TO IMPROVE ITS POSITION, EVEN IF AT THE EXPENSE OF THE ISRAELIS AND THEIR INTERESTS. WHEN THIS ORGANIZATION SAID "NO" TO WILLIAM ROGERS AND HIS INITIATIVE, THE ISRAELIS PAID FOR THIS IN BLOOD, WOUNDED AND PRISONERS OF WAR TAKEN IN THE THOUSANDS. IT HAS ALSO PLACED ITS ALLY IN A CRITICAL SITUATION, EXPOSING ITS INTERESTS TO DANGER.

IS THIS ORGANIZATION NOW READY TO SAY "NO" TO HENRY KISSINGER AND HIS MOVES, AND TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONSEQUENCES? WE BELIEVE THE ISRAELI MILITARY ORGANIZATION HAS NOT REACHED THE POINT OF SHOULDERING INTERNATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY. IT MAY SEEK TO DRAG THE AREA INTO A WAR ONCE AGAIN, IN SPITE OF KISSINGER'S CLAIM THAT WE ARE MOVING QUICKLY TOWARD PEACE. THE UNITED STATES SHOULDERS AN INTERNATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY, ESPECIALLY SINCE INSRAEL'S POSITION IS ENDANGERING PEACE AND SECURITY AS WELL AS INTERNATIONAL DETENTE.

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