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NEWS SUMMARY  
 MAY 30, 1974  
 (WEDS. NETS, WIRES)

THE MAJOR STORIES OF THE DAY:

-- "TONITE, MORE THAN EVER BEFORE, PERMANENT PEACE IN M-E SEEMS W/IN REACH, "LED CROWKITE AS ALL NETS HAD 7-9 MINUTES OF REPORTS ON GOLAN DISENGAGEMENT PACT. "HAK DID IT," LED CHANCELLOR AND REASONER NOTED THE TRIUMPH WAS ALL HAK'S. BROKAW NOTED THAT THO WH HAD BEEN EMPHASIZING RV'S INTEREST IN NEGOTIATIONS, REFERRING TO RH-HAK CONTACTS, RH IN ANNOUNCING AGREEMENT GAVE FULL CREDIT TO HAK. CLIPS ON ALL NETS OF RH CALLING PACT A "MAJOR DIPLOMATIC ACHIEVEMENT" AND SAYING AK "DESERVES ENORMOUS CREDIT" FOR KEEPING NEGOTIATIONS GOING TIL AGREEMENT WAS REACHED. BASED ON SUCCESS IN REACHING SINAI AND GOLAN DISENGAGEMENTS, RH DESCRIBED PROSPECTS FOR REACHING PERMANENT M-E PEACE AS THE BEST THEY'VE BEEN IN 25 YEARS. BROKAW NOTED ANNOUNCEMENT SPURRED GOOD DEAL OF SPECULATION RE: RN'S ROLE IN DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE THAT M-E PEACE AS ALL NETS NOTED RN WILL PROBABLY MAKE WEEK-LONG M-E SWING BEGINNING BETWEEN JUNE 6TH AND 10TH. NBC NOTED ACTUAL SCHEDULE AND ITINERARY CAN'T BE ARRANGED TIL AFTER RH-HAK CONFER UPON HAK'S RETURN.

---ABC/NBC NOTED 33-DAY NEGOTIATIONS WERE HAK'S MOST COMPLICATED EVER. CHANCELLOR CALLED IT "1 OF THE MOST REMARKABLE DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS EVER MADE" AND THE MOST UNUSUAL EVER PRACTICED BY A US SEC'Y OF STATE. THO CHANCELLOR SAID HAK WAS WORN OUT AND LOOKED IT, HAK ON CBS SAID HE COULD HAVE RECEIVED "NO GIFT GREATER THAN THE POSSIBILITY OF TRUE AND LASTING PEACE." AND VALERIANI SAID HAK REGARDS PACT AS "HISTORIC TURNING POINT" W/EVEN MILITANT ARABS DECIDING ON DIPLOMATIC RATHER THAN MILITARY MEANS AS THE WAY TO SETTLE ARAB-ISRAELI DIFFERENCES." MEIR ON ABC/NBC TOLD

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HAK IT'D BEEN A JOY AND A PLEASURE TO WORK W/HIM AS SHE EXPRESSED HER HOPE PACT IS THE BEGINNING OF REAL AND LASTING PEACE BETWEEN ARABS-ISRAELIS. IN WHAT KALB TERMED HER FAREWELL TO HAK AND POWER MEIR ON CBS EXPRESSED ISRAELI'S "GREAT APPRECIATION, ADVIRATION AND WONDER" AT HOW HAK DOES IT....FILM ON ALL NETS AS SHE EVOKED LAUGHTER W/HER QUIP AFTER KISSING HAK THAT SHE NEVER THOUGHT HE'D KISS A WOMAN.

---AS JUDICIARY COMPLETED FIRST PHASE OF IMPEACHMENT INQUIRY LISTENING TO 4/16 TAPES OF RN-DEAN, DOAR GAVE WHAT NBC CALLED A "GRAVE" ASSESSMENT OF PRESENTMENT. DOAR ON NBC, JENNER ON ABC SAID MATTERS "OF EXTREME SERIOUSNESS" HAD BEEN RAISED. BUT CONN. REACTION WAS MIXED AND DIVIDED ALONG PARTY LINES.

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AP LEADS : "IN A DRAMATIC DIPLOMATIC TRIUMPH FOR HAK, ISRAEL AND SYRIA AGREED TODAY TO SEPERATE THEIR HOSTILE ARMIES ON THE GOLAN HEIGHTS FRONT. THE ACCORD RAISED HOPES FOR A MORE DURABLE PEACE IN THE ME."

ABC'S DUNSMORE TERMED ISRAELI RECEPTION FOR HAK A "SPIRITUAL HIGH."

AP LEADS: " HAK SEALED HIS BARGAIN ON A SYRIAN-ISRAELI DISENGAGEMENT TODAY W/A KISS ON THE CHEEK FOR MEIR THAT MOMENTARILY STUNNED THE 76 YEAR OLD LEADER."...NOTING HER REMARK RE: HAK'S KISSING A WOMAN, CHANCELLOR NOTED THIS WAS A MATTER "NOT ALL THAT DEADLY SERIOUS" WHICH FOLLOWED THE SETTLING OF A DEADLY SERIOUS MATTER. ... ON CBS MEIR HOPED THE DAY WOULD BRING IMMEDIATE QUIET TO ISRAEL'S NORTHERN BORDER AND PERMIT MOTHERS, WIVES, AND CHILDREN TO SLEEP W/OUT TERROR AND NOT DREAM ANXIOUSLY WHETHER THEIR DEAR ONES WOULD BE COMING BACK ALIVE. ...ABC NOTED IT WAS MEIR'S FINAL NIGHT AS PM. AND CBS NOTED HER CABINET'S LAST AND HISTORIC DECISION TO APPROVE HAK COMPROMISE: IN RETURN FOR NOT DEMANDING EXPLICIT SYRIAN PROMISE TO CURB TERRORISM, US WOULD "UNDERSTAND " ISRAELI RETALIATION AGAINST TERRORISTS ATTACKS. (ALSO NOTED BY ABC) KALB CALLED THE PACT THE "CULMINATION" OF MEIR'S 5-YR REIGN.

ABC LED THAT PEOPLE CLOSE TO HAK SAID THE LONG MONTH OF TALKS WAS PROBABLY THE MOST DIFFICULT JOB HAK EVER HAD AND THAT THE SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME MAY BE THE BIGGEST STEP YET TOWARDS ME PEACE.

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"THE MAJOR TRIUMPH WAS ALL HIS." ABC NOTED IT FIRST TIME IN HISTORY US SECY OF STATE SPENT THAT LONG OF TIME IN THE DETAILS OF ARMISTICE OF TWO NATIONS. ...KALB ON CBS SAID IT'LL BE A LONG TIME BEFORE HAK SPENDS 33 DAYS IN ME AGAIN. BUT HE BELIEVES AGREEMENT WAS WORTH THE EFFORT IF IT FACILITATES PROCESS OF ACCOMMODATION BETWEEN ARABS-ISRAELIS. IT'LL "CONSIDERABLY IMPROVE US DIPLOMATIC POSITION IN ME." ...JARRIEL NOTED AGREEMENT REDUCES THE POSSIBILITY OF FLASH-FIGHTING IN ME BUT LEAVES UNRESOLVED THE DEEP SMOLDERING DISPUTE OVER TERRITORIAL CLAIMS AND THE RESENTMENT OF THE PALESTINIAN REFUGEES. ABC'S DUNSMORE CALLED PACT ONE OF HAK'S MOST DIFFICULT AND PERHAPS SIGNIFICANT ACHIEVEMENTS. HE NOTED A SR. US OFFIC'L SAID IT WAS AN EXTREMELY IMPORTANT AGREEMENT. DUNSMORE SAID FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 26 YEARS, THE "RADICAL" GOVT OF SYRIA AND ISRAEL AGREED TO SOMETHING AND THERE'S THE HOPE IT WILL PROVIDE ENCOURAGEMENT TO THE OTHER ARAB STATES TO SEEK DIPLOMATIC RATHER THAN MILITARY METHODS." AND THE PACT LED TO A POSITIVE EVOLUTION WHICH WILL RESULT IN A REAL PEACE." JARRIEL NOTED HAK'S EXPECTED BACK IN DC LATE THURS. HAK WILL IMMEDIATELY BRIEF HILL LEADERSHIP AND RN/HAK WILL MAKE DETAILED PLANS FOR RN'S ME VISIT TO "ENGAGE IN SOME SHUTTLE DIPLOMACY BEFORE THE GLOW WEARS OFF THIS LATEST PAPER PEACE." ...NOTING RN WOULD BE FIRST PRESIDENT TO VISIT ME, UPI SAYS TRIP WOULD UNDERSCORE US PEACEMAKING ROLE IN WHAT'S BEEN ONE OF WORLD'S MOST DANGEROUS TROUBLE SPOTS AND WOULD GREATLY ENHANCE RN'S PERSONAL PRESTIGE AT A TIME HE NEEDS IT MOST. ...PN'S LOOKING FORWARD TO TRAVELING TO ME W/RN AND HAILED GOLAN PACT AS "SUCH GOOD NEWS." PN SAID SHE'S BEEN "PRAYING FOR IT FOR A LONG TIME. MY PRAYERS HAVE BEEN ANSWERED."

VALERIANI NOTED HAK RETURNED UNEXPECTEDLY TO DAMASCUS TO GET FINAL APPROVAL OF PACT -- AND GOT IT. BUT THE REAL BREAKTHRU APPARENTLY CAME MON. THO PUBLIC INDICATIONS WERE OTHERWISE. VALERIANI NOTED SYRIANS FOUGHT OVER EVERY ISSUE, CONCEDED NOTHING. AND ABC TERVED SYRIAN'S "TENACIOUS NEGOTIATORS IN EVERY POINT, BIG AND SMALL." FROM DAVASCUS HAK RETURNED FOR EARLY AM SESSION W/ISRAELI NEGOTIATING TEAM DURING WHICH FINAL ACCORD WAS NAILED DOWN. ONLY ISRAELI CABINET APPROVAL WAS NEEDED. AND, "IN KEEPING W/THE CLIFF-HANGING ATMOSPHERE WHICH CHARACTERIZED THESE NEGOTIATIONS", ABC NOTED, CABINET MEETING ENDED W/OUT ANY OFFICIAL WORD AS TO ITS POSITION, BUT ITS RECESS WAS A GOOD CLUE AND DELAY WAS ONLY TO ACCOMODATE TO AN AGREED UPON TIME FOR THE ANNOUNCEMENT. CBS NOTED 1 DETAIL ARRANGED WAS RN'S BEING 1ST TO MAKE THE ANNOUNCEMENT, A MOVE UPI

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SUGGESTS SYRIAN AND ISRAELI LEADERS AGREED TO AS A GESTURE OF APPRECIATION FOR HAK'S EFFORTS.

ABC NOTED RN "GAVE THE WORD HIMSELF TO US ON NAT'L TV... JARRIEL SAID RN MADE 1 OF HIS INFREQUENT APPEARANCES IN WH PRESS ROOV. REPORTERS WERE ADVISED IN ADVANCE HE'D NOT ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS AND REPORTERS WERE LEFT AS ONLOOKERS. JARRIEL NOTED RN, SO FREQUENTLY THE OBJECT OF BAD NEWS, PERSONNALLY CONVEYED THE GOOD NEWS.

ABC NOTED AGREEMENT'S MODELLED AFTER SUEZ DISENGAGEMENT... PROVISION CALL FOR C-F AND EXCHANGE OF POWS WHEN PACT'S FORMALLY SIGNED FRI., ESTABLISHMENT OF BUFFER ZONE INHABITED BY SYRIAN CIVILIANS AND AN ARMED UN FORCE OF 1250, 12-MILE "THINOUT" ON BOTH SIDES OF ZONE AND COMPLETE ISRAELI W/DRAWAL FROM '73 SALIENT AND QUNEITRA AREA. W/OUT NOTING US-ISRAELI "UNDERSTANDING" NBC REPORTED THERE ARE US COMMITMENTS TO ISRAEL THAT WON'T BE PUBLISHED BUT WILL BE MADE KNOWN TO FOREIGN RELATIONS.

PERES ON ABC FILM SAID CABINET ACCEPTED AGREEMENT UNANIMOUSLY. HE PRAISED BOTH RN AND HAK FOR THEIR EFFORTS.

CBS/ABC NOTED USSR-SYRIA SAID DISENGAGEMENT MUST BE FOLLOWED IMMEDIATELY BY COMPLETE ISRAELI W/DRAWAL FROM ALL OCCUPIED TERRITORY. BUT PACT WAS CALLED "1ST STEP AND INDIVISIBLE PART OF OVERALL SETTLEMENT"...ABC NOTED RUSS PLEDGED CONTINUED SUPPORT TO SYRIA IN NEGOTIATIONS AHEAD... ABC/NBC NOTED A SR. US OFFC'L SAID RUSS ROLE WASN'T "OBSTRUCTIVE." CHANCELLOR SAID FROMYKO'S VISIT REPORTEDLY DID NOTHING TO HINDER AGREEMENT AND MAY HAVE HELPED.

CBS/NBC NOTED THE DISENGAGEMENT VIRTUALLY ELIMINATES THE THREAT OF FURTHER ARAB OIL CURTAILMENTS AGAINST THE US. WILHELM OF FEO SAID "I THINK WE HAVE THIS IMPEDIMENT REMOVED. WE CAN BE REASONABLY ASSURED THAT ARAB OIL PRODUCTION WILL INCREASE, ESPECIALLY IN SAUDI ARABIA."

ABC/NBC NOTED ISRAELI PLANES STRUCK GUERRILLA TARGETS IN LEBANON AS ARTILLERY DUELS CONT'D AS THEY HAVE FOR THE LAST 78 DAYS. ...NBC'S BURRINGTON REPORTED THAT THE SHELLING OCCURRED AS USUAL THERE'D HAVE BEEN MUCH MORE FIGHTING W/OUT PACT FOR ISRAELIS PLANNED BLITZKRIEG INSIDE SYRIA, A PLAN ONLY W/DRAWN SUN. WHEN AGREEMENT SEEMED CLOSE. BURRINGTON

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NOTED THAT THO ISRAEL LOST <sup>Classification</sup> IT'S DEYAND ITS SETTLEMENT FARMERS NOT BE W/IN RANGE OF SYRIAN FIRE, ISRAEL DID WIN THE RIGHT TO KEEP ITS SETTLEMENTS.

CRONKITE SAID HAK "ADDED ANOTHER FEATHER TO HIS DIPLOMATIC CAP" AS HE INTRODUCED LIGHT OSGOOD LOOK AT HAK'S "RECORD THAT MAY STAND FOREVER": MOST JERUSALEM-DAMASCUS SHUTTLES IN 32 DAYS. BACKED BY A DIZZYING SEQUENCE OF HAK CLIPS BOARDING AND DISEMBARKING PLANES, FINDING AGREEMENT NEAR AND FAR, LOOKING GOOD AND LOOKING BAD, OSGOOD WONDERED IF THIS WAS WHAT NANCY HAD ANTICIPATED. OSGOOD NOTED THAT SELDOM HAVE SO FEW BEEN RECEIVED BY SO MANY MANY SO OFTEN IN SO MANY DAYS. HE SUGGESTED THE HAKS MIGHT WANT TO COME HOME AND TAKE A LITTLE TRIP SOMEWHERE.

## OTHER FOREIGN AFFAIRS

ACCORDING TO HEARST'S SVITH, "EUR. ALLIES ARE BECOMING INCREASINGLY CONCERNED THAT RN MAY BE TEMPTED TO MAKE CRUCIAL CONCESSIONS TO USSR TO OBTAIN SPECTACULAR NEW US/USSR ACCORD THAT'D DISTRACT ATTN. FROM IMPEACHMENT PROCEEDING AND STRENGTHEN SUPPORT FOR HIS RETENTION."

FLANIGAN SAID THERE'S VIRTUALLY NO CHANCE LEGIS GRANTING RUSS MFN WILL CLEAR HILL BEFORE SUMMIT.

US ARMY COMV. IN EUR., GEN. MICHAEL DAVISON, SAYS MILITARY MANPOWER TRIMMED FROM HQS AND SUPPORT WILL BE USED TO STRENGTHEN COMBAT UNITS RATHER THAN BE RETURNED TO US. AP SAYS THIS COUNTERS PERSISTENT REPORTS THAT US WOULD CUT GIS BY ABOUT 20,000.....DAVISON ALSO DISPUTED REPORTS SUGGESTING US MIGHT REDUCE SHARPLY ITS TACTICAL NUKE WEAPONS IN EUR. HE SAID THAT'S UNDER STUDY CONSTANTLY AND NUMBER OF SUCH WEAPONS WOULD BE ADJUSTED BUT HE EXPECTS "NOTHING OF ANY SIGNIFICANCE" IN CHANGED DEPLOYMENTS.

## ECONOMY

ABC/NBC NOTED LEADING INDICATORS DROPPED .7 PERCENT IN APRIL, 1ST MONTHLY DECLINE SINCE 1.6 PERCENT DROP IN DEC. ....DECLINE IN THE LENGTH OF AVG WORK WEEK FROM 40.4 TO 39.5 HOURS CONTRIBUTED MOST TO FALL-OFF. CHANCELLOR CALLED

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THE ECONOMIC NEWS "UNFAVORABLE."

AP LEADS: "STOCK MKT, SEEMINGLY IGNORING (M-E) AGREEMENT, TUMBLED TO NEW '74 LOWS IN RELATIVELY LIGHT TRADING." D-J PLUNGED ALMOST 19 TO 795, LOWEST FINISH SINCE IT HIT A THREE-YEAR LOW OF 788 ON DEC. 5, IN MIDST OF E-CRISIS WORRIES. 12.3 " VOL.

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AT RUSH'S SWEARING-IN RN Praised him as a man who'd bring needed ideas to battle against inflation. RUSH CREDITED RN w/ "INCREDIBLE PROGRESS IN YOUR GREAT GOAL OF A GENERATION OF PEACE." (SILENT NBC FILM OF RUSH TAKING OATH FROM POWELL). UPI NOTES WH COUNSFLOORS USUALLY TAKE POSITIONS W/OUT MUCH FANFARE, BUT RN APPARENTLY WANTED TO DRAMATIZE ADDITION OF HIS NEW ECONOMIC COORDINATOR TO HIGH POLICY LEVEL.

UPI NOTED SPECULATION RUSH MAY BE ASKED TO SIT IN ON HI-LEVEL DISCUSSIONS OF W\*GATE AND IMPCHMNT POLICY AS WELL AS OVERSEE POLICY. CHANCELLOR NOTED HE MAY ALSO BE ASKED TO RELIEVE HAIG OF SOME OF HIS DUTIES AND WILL SIT W/CABINET AND NSC. CHANCELLOR NOTED HIS MEDIATOR'S ROLE BETWEEN ASH-SIMON, WHO "DON'T ALWAYS SEE EYE-TO-EYE."

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