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[REDACTED] FOLLOWING ORAL REPLY
FROM ME TO ORAL MESSAGE FROM DR. YAMANI CONVEYED 25X1
[REDACTED] NOVEMBER 11.

BEGIN TEXT: I APPRECIATED RECEIVING YOUR ORAL MESSAGE OF NOVEMBER 11, WHICH TOOK SOME DAYS TO REACH ME BECAUSE OF MY TRAVELS. DURING MY TALKS IN RIYADH, I TRIED TO CONVEY TWO MAIN POINTS: FIRST, THAT I AM TOTALLY SERIOUS IN SAYING THAT THE PRESIDENT AND I ARE COMMITTED TO A MAJOR EFFORT TO BRING ABOUT A PEACE SETTLEMENT IN THE MIDDLE EAST THAT WILL END THE CONDITIONS WHICH LED TO THIS LATEST WAR; SECOND, THAT WE CANNOT DO THIS, WITH ALL THE STRAINS IT WILL ENTAIL, IF AT THE SAME TIME WE ARE FACED WITH THE KIND OF PROBLEMS DOMESTICALLY AND WITH OUR ALLIES THAT A CONTINUING OIL SHORTAGE WILL CAUSE.

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I HAVE ALWAYS WORKED ON THE PRINCIPLE THAT IT IS NOT WHAT WE SAY, BUT WHAT WE DO THAT IS IMPORTANT. IN FACT THE MORE WE SAY PUBLICLY, THE MORE DIFFICULT THE JOB BECOMES. I KNOW YOU RECOGNIZE THAT ONLY THE UNITED STATES CAN DO THE JOB THAT NEEDS DOING. BUT WE MUST HAVE TIME TO DO IT, WITHOUT PRESSURES AND DIVERSIONS, AND IN OUR OWN WAY.

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HAVING SAID THAT, I ALSO RECOGNIZE THE PROBLEMS HIS MAJESTYFACES IN THE ARAB WORLD, AND HIS NEED TO HAVE SOMETHING TO POINT TO AS A BASIS FOR RELAZING THE OIL RESTRICTIONS. I CANNOT PROMISE SUDDEN AND DRAMATIC DEVELOPMENTS. BUT I AM HOPEFUL THAT WE SHALL SEE MORE STEADY, STEP-BY STEP PROGRESS OF THE KIND THAT RESULTED IN THE RECENT SIX POINT AGREEMENT BETWEEN EGYPT AND ISRAEL, AND THAT I BELIEVE WILL SOON RESULT IN THE CONVENING OF A CONFERENCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF NEGOTIATING

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THE TERMS OF A JUST AND DURABLE SETTLEMENT,
MEANWHILE I WILL LOOK FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO
BE HELPFUL, SUCH AS MY STATEMENT
ABOUT ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL ON NOVEMBER 12 IN AN INTERVIEW WITH
CORRESPONDENTS OF THE THREE MAJOR AMERICAN TELEVISION
NETWORKS.

I REGRET THE DELAY IN REPLYING TO YOUR ORAL
MESSAGE, AND VERY MUCH APPRECIATE HAVING RECEIVED IT.
I HOPE YOU WILL COME TO SEE ME WHEN YOU ARE NEXT IN
WASHINGTON, PERHAPS AS A DETOUR FROM GENEVA - SO THAT
WE MAY HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS THESE MATTERS MORE
INTIMATELY AND IN GREATER DETAIL. END TEXT.

WARM REGARDS

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