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DELIVER TO BREMER FOR THE SECRETARY  
FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM  
MAY 15, 1974

ON-FILE NSC RELEASE  
INSTRUCTIONS APPLY

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TO: SECRETARY KISSINGER  
FROM: AMBASSADOR EILTS

1. FAHMY ASKED ME TO CALL AT 1930 LOCAL TODAY. HE HAD JUST SPOKEN TO THE PRESIDENT IN MIT ABUL KUM WHO HAD INSTRUCTED HIM TO PASS ON THE FOLLOWING:
2. THE PRESIDENT HAS NOW SEEN YOUR SEVERAL MESSAGES (THROUGH STATE CHANNELS) OF EARLIER TODAY. THE PRESIDENT APPROVES OF FAHMY'S FIRST REACTION AND OF THE MINISTER'S EMPHASIS ON GETTING A PUBLIC COMMENTMENT FROM ASSAD AND ISRAEL TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO WASHINGTON TO CONTINUE THE TALKS IF YOU CANNOT FINALIZE A DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT ON THIS TRIP.
3. FAHMY HAD HEARD NEWS REPORTS THAT THE THREE FEDAYEEN TERRORISTS HAD BEEN KILLED AND THAT THE ISRAELI CHILDREN HAD SUFFERED ONLY MINOR INJURIES. HE EXPRESSED HIS PERSONAL PLEASURE ABOUT THIS NEWS. REGARDING YOUR REQUEST OF EARLIER TODAY ON PUBLIC MEDIA HANDLING OF THE INCIDENT, FAHMY SAID THE PRESIDENT HAS GIVEN ORDERS TO THE EGYPTIAN PRESS THAT THERE ARE TO BE NO HEADLINES AND TO PLAY THE AFFAIR IN LOW KEY. ONLY NEWS AGENCY SOURCES WILL BE REPORTED WITHOUT COMMENTARY. THERE MAY, HOWEVER, BE SOME EDITORIALS TOMORROW DEPLORING THE SACRIFICES AND LOSS OF LIFE OF INNOCENT PERSONS AS A RESULT OF THE MAD ACTIONS OF SHORTSIGHTED INDIVIDUALS.
4. FINALLY, FAHMY ASKED ME TO PASS ON TO YOU THE FOLLOWING STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT TO BE GIVEN TO MRS. MEIR, DAYAN, RABIN OR ANY ISRAELI LEADER YOU SEE FIT:
  - A) THE INCIDENT THAT TOOK PLACE TODAY SHOULD NOT DISCOURAGE THE ISRAELIS. ON THE CONTRARY, IT SHOULD ENCOURAGE THEM TO PROCEED WITH DISENGAGEMENT SINCE IT PROVES DISENGAGEMENT IS IMPERATIVE.
  - B) ONCE DISENGAGEMENT IS FINALIZED AND IF ISRAEL HELPS IT

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TO SUCCEED, THE PRESIDENT WILL WHEN YOU COME HERE BE PREPARED TO WORK OUT WITH YOU A JOINT PROCEDURE ON HOW TO COPE WITH AND PREVENT SUCH INCIDENTS IN THE FUTURE.

5. IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE, FAHMY CONFIRMED THAT WHEN YOU COME ON EITHER FRIDAY OR SATURDAY, YOU SHOULD COME TO CAIRO. HE COULD NOT YET BE SURE, HOWEVER, WHETHER THE PRESIDENT WILL BE IN CAIRO OR MIT ABUL KUM.

6. NEW SOVIET AMBASSADOR PULYAKOV WAS PAYING INITIAL COURTESY CALL ON FAHMY RIGHT AFTER I LEFT THE MINISTER THIS EVENING. FAHMY SAID HE WAS NOT LOOKING FORWARD TO THE CALL.

7. WARM REGARDS.

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