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DATE: 29 October 1973
TIME: 1630 EDT

SUBJECT: MIDDLE EAST HOSTILITIES

REFERENCE:

[Redacted]

1. GENERAL

a. (TSU) Despite a high state of military alert in Egypt, the cease-fire continues in effect.

[Redacted]

b. (U) The Syrian front remains quiet.

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2. EGYPTIAN FRONT

a. (TSU) Egyptian forces remain on a high state of alert. Naval units in the Red Sea area were on full alert in expectation of an Israeli attack in retaliation for the sinking of the Liberian tanker SERIUS.

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Both sides appear nervous about encroachment onto occupied territories.

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b. (S/NFD/LIMDIS) [Redacted] believes that Israeli forces finally got possession of SA-6/GAINFUL equipment on 27 October. The Israelis now possess two burned-out GAINFUL missiles with electronics intact and a damaged transporter-erector launcher, [Redacted]

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3. SYRIAN FRONT

(U) Nothing to report.

4. OTHER ARAB ACTIVITY

a. IRAQ

(S) On 29 October, Baghdad said it plans to withdraw its combat forces not only from Syria but from Egypt as well. Iraq has a HAWKER HUNTER squadron based in Egypt.

b. SAUDI ARABIA

(S/NFD/CD) As of the 27th, 800 Palestinian volunteers from the Jidda area departed for the Syrian front in vehicles provided by the Saudi Government.

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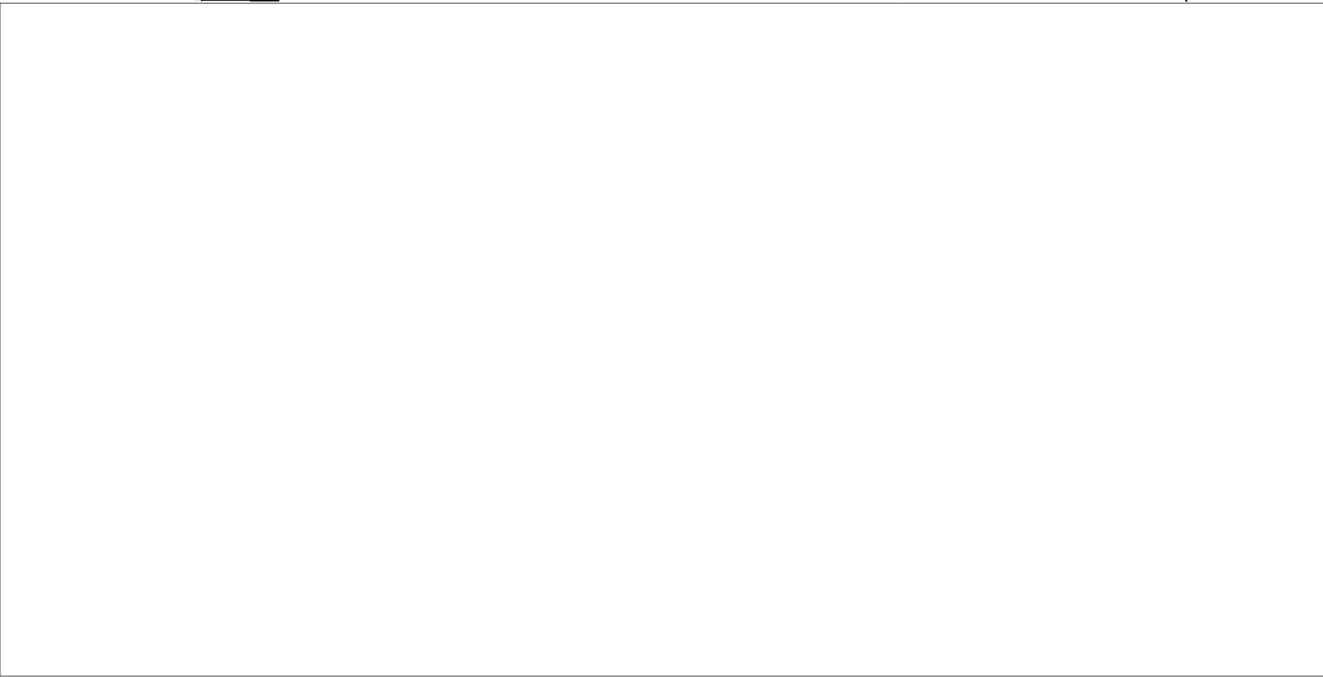
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5. SOVIET ACTIVITY

a. GROUND:

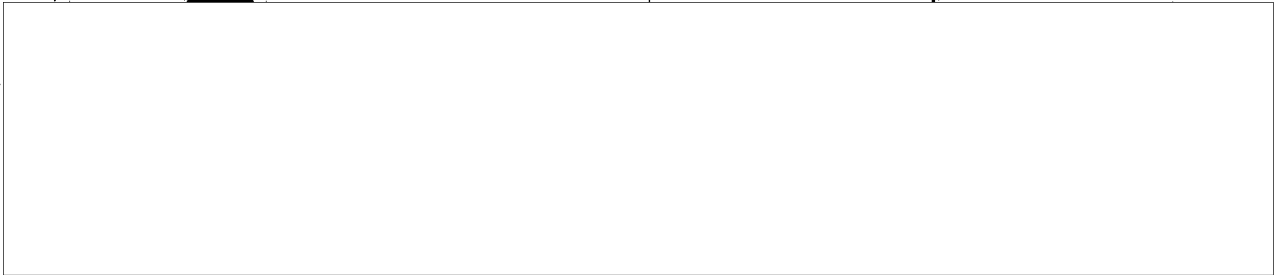
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b. NAVY:



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c. AIR:



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d. POLITICAL:

Nothing significant to report.

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ESTIMATED PRISONERS
1700 EST 29 OCT 73

ISRAEL

3,265 Egyptian

354 Syrian

17 Iraqi

5 Moroccan

1,000 Unknown

4,641 Total

EGYPT

425-450 Israeli

SYRIA

125-150 Israeli

550-600 Total*

* The IDF stated earlier today that its estimated POWs total 319, with 220 held by Egypt, 97 by Syria, and 2 by Lebanon.

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