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FM THE SITUATION ROOM TOHAK 23

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TO PETER RODMAN FOR DR. KISSINGER

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INSTRUCTIONS APPLY

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CIA 19113
//NOFORM IN SLANTS//
HW MIDDLE EAST SITREP NUMBER 99 FOR 1130, 20 OCT 73.
THE MILITARY SITUATION
GENERAL

1. //AN ISRAELI MILITARY SPOKESHEN SAID THIS MORNING THAT FIGHTING CONTINUED ON BOTH SIDES OF THE SUEZ CANAL AND CLAIMED THAT ISRAELI FORCES WERE EXPANDING THEIR AREAS OF OPERATION. THE SYRIAN FRONT IS DESCRIBED AS RELATIVELY QUIET BY TEL AVIV, // NO DETAILS ON THE GROUND WAR ON EITHER FRONT ARE AVAILABLE FROM OTHER SOURCES.

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EGYPTIAN FRONT

3. //AN ISRAELI MILITARY SPOKESHEN SAID THIS MORNING THAT FIGHTING WAS CONTINUING IN THE CENTRAL SECTOR ON BOTH SIDES OF THE SUEZ CANAL AND CLAIMED THAT ISRAELI FORCES WERE EXPANDING THEIR AREA OF OPERATIONS. // CAIRO CLAIMS TO HAVE

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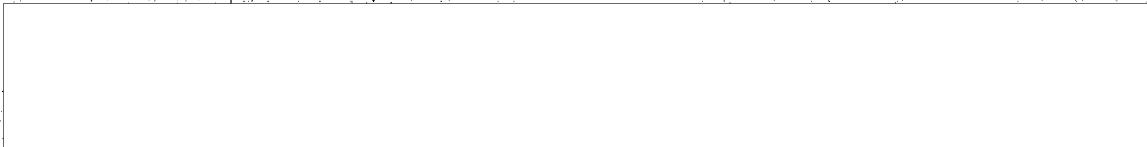
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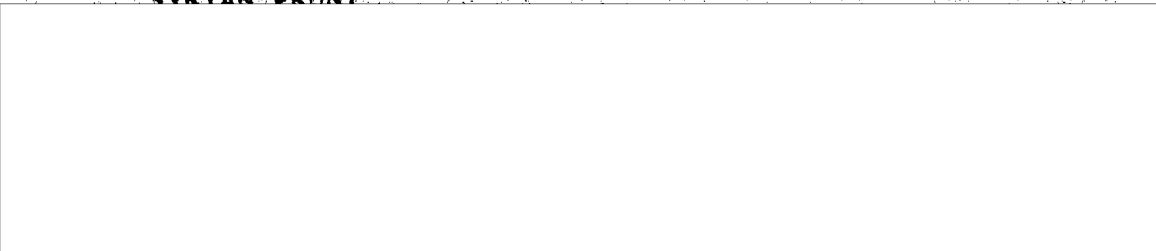
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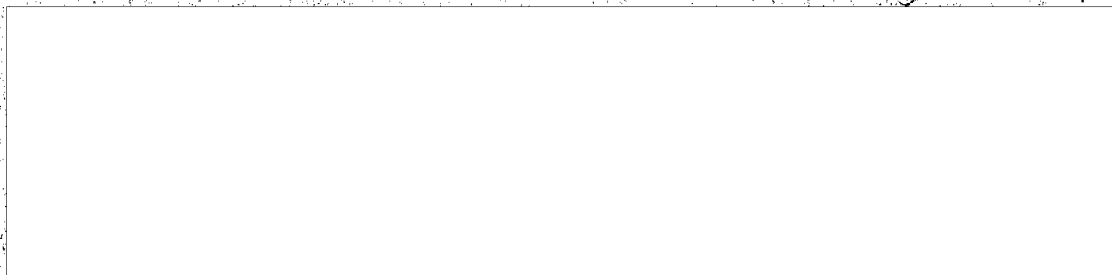
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5. GROUND ACTIVITY ON THE SYRIAN FRONT IS RELATIVELY LOW TODAY AFTER THE HEAVY FIGHTING OF YESTERDAY. ISRAELIS AND SYRIANS ARE EXCHANGING ARTILLERY FIRE NEAR TELL AANTAR, BUT NO MAJOR TANK ENGAGEMENTS APPEAR TO BE UNDER WAY. ISRAELI AIR ACTIVITY ON THE FRONT IS ALSO MODERATE TODAY.



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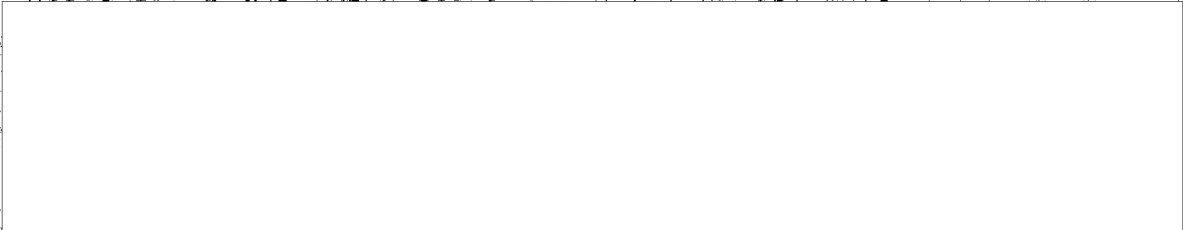
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SOVIET POLITICAL REACTION

10. PRESS COVERAGE ON 19 AND 20 OCTOBER FOCUSED MORE SHARPLY ON THE US RESUPPLY EFFORT TO ISRAEL. QUOTING US PRESS STORIES, TODAY'S PRAVDA CITES THE SHIPMENT OF SOPHISTICATED WEAPONS, AND CARRIES A PENTAGON ACKNOWLEDGMENT THAT US MILITARY PERSONNEL ARE IN ISRAEL TO SERVICE THE SUPPLY FLIGHTS. IZVESTIA DRAWS ON WESTERN PRESS COVERAGE OF THE ENERGY SHORTAGE TO NOTE THAT ARAB WILLINGNESS TO USE OIL AS A WEAPON IS CAUSING STRAINS IN US RELATIONS WITH THE WEST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES AND JAPAN.

11. SOVIET MEDIA CONTINUE TO REFRAIN FROM DIRECT REFERENCE TO THE USSR'S RESUPPLY EFFORT. THEY HAVE, HOWEVER, REPORTED US STATEMENTS THAT ITS SHIPMENTS ARE AIMED AT PRESERVING THE MILITARY BALANCE IN THE AREA AND QUOTED WESTERN SOURCES ON THE EFFECTIVENESS OF SOVIET WEAPONS IN THE WAR.

12. THUS FAR, THE PRESS HAS CARRIED ONLY THE TASS ANNOUNCEMENT OF KOSYGIN'S VISIT TO CAIRO. RADIO MOSCOW CARRIED THE WHITE HOUSE ANNOUNCEMENT OF SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER'S TRIP TO MOSCOW, BUT ADDED NO COMMENT.



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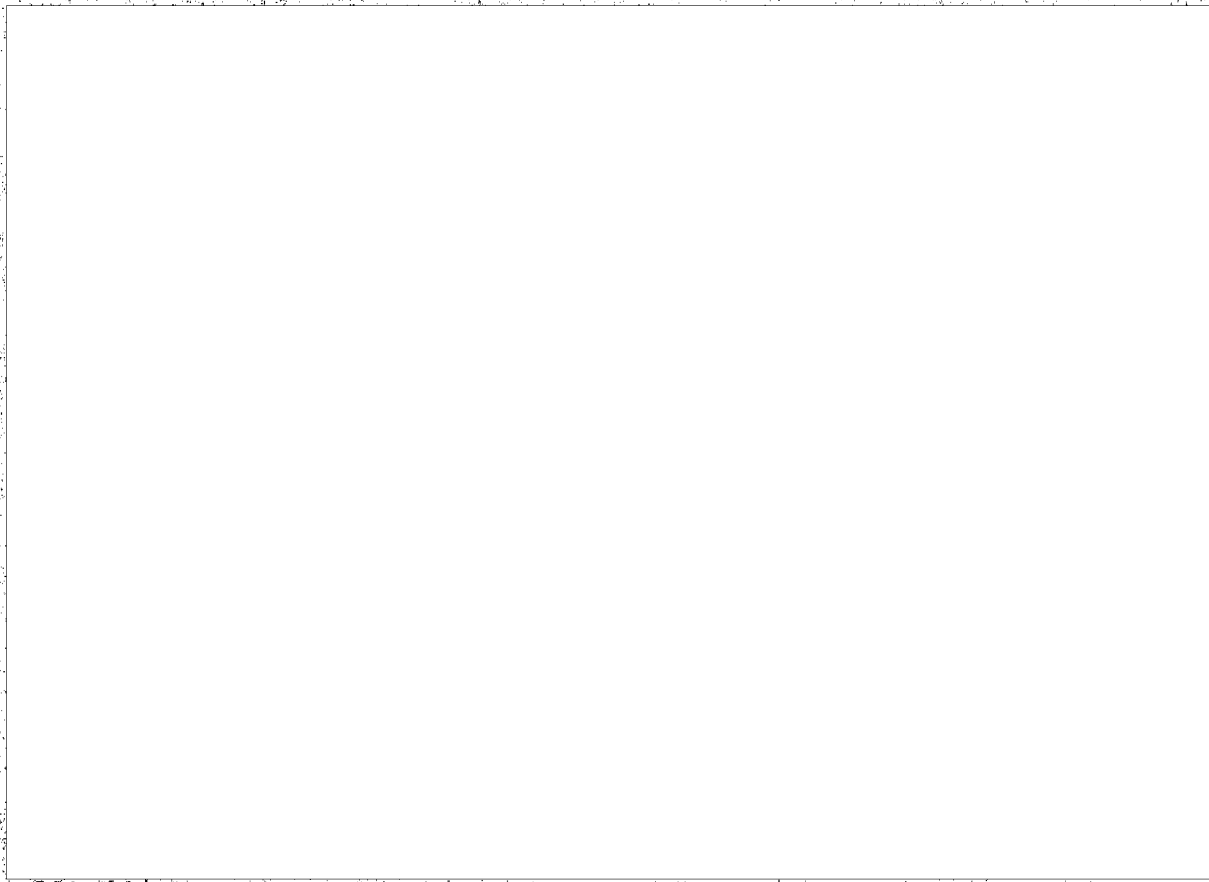
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MIDDLE EAST FORCES STATIONING AGREEMENT ENDED BY BAHRAIN

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17. //BAHRAIN FORMALLY SERVED NOTICE ON THE US TODAY OF THE TERMINATION OF THE MIDEASTFOR STATIONING AGREEMENT. THE FOREIGN MINISTER CONFIRMED BAHRAIN'S INTENTION TO HONOR THE PROVISION REQUIRING ONE YEAR'S NOTICE FROM 20 OCTOBER 1973 AND STRESSED THAT THE MOVE IN NO WAY AFFECTS DIPLOMATIC OR OTHER TIES TO THE US. HE COMMENTED, HOWEVER, THAT BAHRAIN WOULD PREFER AN EARLIER DEPARTURE OF THE US NAVY, IF FEASIBLE.//

18. //THE FOREIGN MINISTER STATED THAT BAHRAIN'S ACTION WAS PROMPTED BY PRESIDENT NIXON'S SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS OF "THE LARGE EMERGENCY SECURITY ASSISTANCE BILL." HE ADDED, MOREOVER, THAT THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE ARAB OIL CUT-BACK BROUGHT PRESSURE TO BEAR ON BAHRAIN, WHICH HAS NO SIGNIFICANT OIL LEVERAGE, TO IMPOSE SOME OTHER SANCTION AGAINST THE US.//

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