

ON-FILE NSC RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS APPLY

043015  
OO WTE34  
DE WTE 43358 2461643  
O 031640Z SEP 74  
FM THE SITUATION ROOM//TOMAK 15//  
TO COMPERT FOR THE SECRETARY  
ZEM  
TOP SECRET SENSITIVE CONTAINS CODEWORD VIA BLACK PATCH WH42582  
TOMAK 15

SEPTEMBER 3, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM

SUBJECT: NOON NOTES

PLO DENIES READINESS TO NEGOTIATE WITH U.S. OFFICIALS: AN OFFICIAL SOURCE AT THE PLO HAS DENIED THAT THE ORGANIZATION HAS EXPRESSED ITS READINESS TO BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES CONCERNING THE PALESTINE PROBLEM. IN AN EXCLUSIVE STATEMENT TO AN INA CORRESPONDENT IN BEIRUT, THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE ORGANIZATION DID NOT HOLD ANY CONTACTS WITH THE UNITED STATES. ANY STATEMENTS NOT ISSUED BY THE PLO, HE ADDED, ARE NOT CONSIDERED OFFICIAL STATEMENTS NOR DO THEY REPRESENT THE PLO'S VIEWS. PRESS SOURCES CLOSE TO THE PLO IN CAIRO SAID TODAY THAT THE PLO IS PREPARED TO CONDUCT A DIALOG WITH WASHINGTON ON THE CONDITION THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS BE PUBLIC.

JAPAN'S PRIME MINISTER IN HOSPITAL FOR CHECKUP: PRIME MINISTER KAKUEI TANAKA WAS ADMITTED BY THE OOKYO TEISHIN HOSPITAL TUESDAY FOR A MEDICAL EXAMINATION. TANAKA'S SECRETARIES DESCRIBED THE EXAMINATION AS A ROUTINE CHECKUP IN PREPARATION FOR HIS FORTHCOMING OVERSEAS TRIP. HOWEVER, THE PRIME MINISTER HAS BEEN EXHAUSTED BY THE SUMMER HEAT.

25X1

SOVIET AIRCRAFT PRODUCTION: SOVIET AIRCRAFT PRODUCTION FOR THE FIRST HALF OF 1974 TOTALED ABOUT 900 PLANES, OF WHICH ABOUT 45 PERCENT WERE FIGHTERS. PRIORITY PROGRAMS INCLUDE THE BACKFIRE STRATEGIC BOMBER, THE SU-19 FIGHTER, AND THE IL-76 JET TRANSPORT. BACKFIRE IS THE ONLY BOMBER CURRENTLY BEING PRODUCED. ALTHOUGH OUTPUT REMAINS ONE PER MONTH, AN INCREASE IS EXPECTED DURING THE SECOND HALF OF 1974. SOME 30 ARE ESTIMATED TO HAVE BEEN BUILT, AND INITIAL OPERATIONAL DEPLOYMENT IS EXPECTED AT ANY TIME. MONTHLY PRODUCTION OF THE FENCER A, A VARIABLE-GEOMETRY-WING FIGHTER, REACHED THREE. ABOUT 45 HAVE BEEN PRODUCED, AND DEPLOYMENT IS EXPECTED THIS YEAR. MIG-25 AND SU-15 OUTPUT CONTINUED AT FIVE AND SEVEN PER MONTH, RESPECTIVELY.

DOS, OSD Reviews Completed

END OF PAGE 01

C 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100

THE UPGRADED SU-17 VARIANT IS BEING BUILT AT A MONTHLY RATE OF EIGHT. MIG-21 AND MIG-23 OUTPUT FOR SOVIET FORCES HAS DECLINED, BUT PRODUCTION FOR EXPORT REMAINS CONSTANT. NINE IL-76s ARE ESTIMATED TO HAVE NOW BEEN BUILT, AND THE HEAVY CARGO TRANSPORT SHOULD BE DEPLOYED IN 1975. TWO PLANTS ARE PRODUCING A TOTAL OF NINE MI-24 MEDIUM HELICOPTERS MONTHLY. SOME 230 HAVE BEEN BUILT. OUTPUT OF ASW AIRCRAFT WAS THE LOWEST SINCE PRODUCTION BEGAN IN THE MID-1960S.

0458  
#5358

NNNN