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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER
FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM
SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ITEMS

GREEK EX-PRESIDENT PAPADOPOULOS AND OTHER JUNTA LEADERS
ARRESTED: EX-PRESIDENT GEORGE PAPADOPOULOS AND FOUR OTHER
LEADERS OF THE APRIL 21, 1967 GREEK COUP WERE ARRESTED AT
THEIR HOMES EARLY ON OCTOBER 23 AND DEPORTED TO THE ISLAND
OF KEA. ACCORDINGCBTO A RADIO ANNOUNCEMENT, THE FIVE LEADERS
OF THE COUP WERE INVOLVED IN CONSPIRATORIAL ACTIVITIES DIS-
TURBING PUBLIC ORDER AND SECURITY. PAPADOPULOS WAS PLACED
UNDER HOUSE ARREST EARLIER THIS MONTH ALLEGEDLY FOR CONSPIRING
AGAINST THE STATE. IN AN ADDITIONAL DEVELOPMENT RELEVANT TO
LEGAL PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE EX-PRESIDENT, THE ATHENS APPEALS
COURT IS SCHEDULED TO DECIDE ON OCTOBER 24 WHETHER TO INSTIGATE
CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS ON CHARGES OF HIGH TREASON AGAINST PAPA-
DOPOULOS AND OTHER MILITARY LEADERS FOR THE APRIL 21, 1967
COUP D'ETAT.

THE ARREST AND EXILE OF EX-PRESIDENT PAPADOPOULOS AND OTHER
LEADERS OF THE 1967 MILITARY COUP ARE DESIGNED TO SATISFY
PUBLIC SENTIMENT THAT JUSTICE SHOULD BE DONE AND LEADING
PERSONALITIES OF THE EX-JUNTA PUNISHED.

THIS HAS BECOME A MAJOR ELECTION ISSUE. THE DEPORTATION TO
A NEARBY ISLAND IN THE AEGEAN IS REPORTEDLY TO ALLOW THEIR
EASY ACCESS TO ATHENS FOR TRIAL. PRIME MINISTER KARAMANLIS
MAY ALSO BE REACTING TO REPORTS THAT PAPADOPOULOS AND OTHER
EX-JUNTA MEMBERS WERE PLANNING TO FORM A POLITICAL PARTY.
CHARGES HAVE ALSO BEEN BROUGHT AGAINST GREEK STRONGMAN IOANNIDIS
WHO IS NOW UNDER INVESTIGATION.

THE RABAT ARAB SUMMIT: A PREVIEW: LESS THAN TWO DAYS BEFORE
THE FORMAL OPENING OF THE ARAB SUMMIT IN RABAT, REPORTING FROM
VARIOUS SOURCES HAS BEGUN TO SHARPEN THE FOCUS ON POTENTIAL
PROBLEMS IN THE POSITIONS OF KEY PARTICIPANTS, CENTERING AROUND
THE CRITICAL ISSUES OF THE PALESTINIANS AND MOVING TO THE NEXT
PHASE OF NEGOTIATIONS. AT THE SUMMIT, THE ATTITUDES OF AND

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INTERPLAY BETWEEN FOUR PRINCIPAL PARTIES WILL BE IMPORTANT:

- EGYPT/SAUDI ARABIA: SADAT HAS ENDORSED A GRADUALIST APPROACH TO FURTHER SETTLEMENT EFFORT IN THE MIDDLE EAST, AND WILL WORK TO NEUTRALIZE OPPOSITION TO THIS AS WELL AS SEEK A RECONCILIATION OF THE CONFLICTING INTERESTS OF JORDAN AND THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION (PLO) ON THE ISSUE OF WHO IS TO NEGOTIATE FOR THE FUTURE OF THE JORDANIAN WEST BANK. HOWEVER, SADAT'S ULTIMATE SUCCESS WILL DEPEND HEAVILY ON THE CONTINUED SUPPORT OF SAUDI ARABIA AT THE SUMMIT TO HELP NEUTRALIZE RADICAL OPPOSITION. THE SAUDIS HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR VIEW THAT THE BEST APPROACH TO A SOLUTION IS THE GRADUALIST ONE, AND ALSO SEEK TO RESOLVE THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN JORDAN AND THE PLO. NEVERTHELESS, THE SAUDIS HAVE SHOWN EXTREME RELUCTANCE IN THE PAST TO EXPOSE THEMSELVES TO OTHER ARAB CRITICISM FOR ANY POSITION THEY MIGHT TAKE, AND THEY RECOGNIZE THAT ON BOTH THESE ISSUES THEY WOULD STAND ALONE WITH SADAT.
- SYRIA : THE SYRIANS APPEAR TO BE MOVING TOWARD FULL ENDORSEMENT OF THE VIEW THAT ONLY THE PLO CAN NEGOTIATE FOR THE WEST BANK. THEIR CAMPAIGN AMONG OTHER ARABS AGAINST EGYPT'S GRADUALIST APPROACH MAY ALSO BE SUCCESSFUL.
- THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION : THERE IS LITTLE EVIDENCE THAT THE PLO WILL GO FOR LESS THAN A FULL SUMMIT AFFIRMATION OF ITS RIGHT TO NEGOTIATE FOR THE RETURN OF THE WEST BANK.
- JORDAN: : JORDAN HOPES TO EMERGE FROM THE SUMMIT WITH AN ENDORSEMENT TO NEGOTIATE FOR THE WEST BANK, RELYING ON ITS TRUMP CARD THAT ISRAEL WILL NOT NEGOTIATE WITH THE PLO. REALISTICALLY, HOWEVER, HUSAYN MUST KNOW THAT HE HAS LITTLE SUPPORT ON THIS ISSUE; NEVERTHELESS, HE HAS INDICATED THAT IF HE DOES NOT RECEIVE SUCH SUPPORT, HE MAY WITHDRAW COMPLETELY FROM THE SUMMIT AND HAS THREATENED WITHDRAWAL FROM FUTURE PEACE TALKS AT GENEVA. AS REPORTED BY EMBASSY AMMAN, JORDAN IS ENTERING THE SUMMIT IN AN ISOLATED, COMPETITIVE, AND SELF-VINDICATING MOOD.

IF THE SUMMIT IS TO EMERGE WITH A RESOLUTION RECONCILING THE JORDANIAN AND PLO POSITIONS AND GIVING EGYPT A MANDATE TO PROCEED WITH A GRADUAL APPROACH TO NEGOTIATIONS, MAINTAIN AN UNBREACHED POSITION IN SUPPORT OF SADAT.

CASTRO INTERVIEW AIRED: IN AN INTERVIEW FOR CBS AIRED TUESDAY NIGHT, CUBAN PRIME MINISTER CASTRO REITERATED HIS PRONOUNCEMENT THAT THE ONLY PRECONDITION FOR DISCUSSION ON NORMALIZATION OF U.S.-CUBAN RELATIONS IS THE LIFTING OF THE U.S.-SUPPORTED HEMISPHERIC BLOCKADE OF THE ISLAND. THE INTERVIEW WAS FILMED JUST DAYS AFTER CASTRO'S ANTI-AMERICAN SPEECH DURING THE RECENT VISIT OF SENATORS JAVITS AND PELL.

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CASTRO BELIEVES THAT AN IMPROVEMENT IN RELATIONS UNDER YOUR ADMINISTRATION MAY BE POSSIBLE, NOTING THAT "IN CONTRAST TO PRESIDENT NIXON," YOU HAVE NO PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT WITH COMMUNIST REVOLUTIONARY ELEMENTS.

ARGENTINE "NATIONALIZATION" OF ITT SUBSIDIARY: LAST WEEK PRESIDENT PERON ANNOUNCED PLANS TO NATIONALIZE STANDARD ELECTRIC OF ARGENTINA, AN ITT SUBSIDIARY, ALONG WITH TWO OTHER FOREIGN-OWNED TELECOMMUNICATIONS FIRMS. THE ANNOUNCEMENT APPARENTLY WAS TRIGGERED BY AN ITT REQUEST FOR A GOVERNMENT TAKEOVER (WITH THE GOVERNMENT ASSUMING ITS NEARLY \$100 MILLION IN DEBTS) AFTER AN EARLIER OFFER TO SELL FOR BOOK VALUE PLUS GOVERNMENT ASSUMPTION OF ITS DEBTS WAS REJECTED BY THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT. (LOW)

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ON SOUTH AFRICA - 8 3/07) 89,, EMBASSY PARIS REPORTS THAT THE BRITISH MISSION THERE HAS BEEN TOLD FRANCE WOULD VOTE "NO" ON EXPULSION IF THE U.S. AND THE UK DID THE SAME. THE BRITISH SOURCE SAID HE WAS REPORTING THIS TO LONDON WITH A COMMENT THAT IT SHOULD BE TAKEN WITH A GRAIN OF SALT, SINCE FRANCE HAS NOT VETOED SINCE 1956. (HORAN)

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