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TEXT

SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION/PRESS REVIEW, JULY 8, 1986

SOFAER MAY GET AGREEMENT ON TABA" (JERUSALEM POST).

2. JORDAN-PLO CRISIS.

"JORDAN SHUT DOWN FATAH'S AMMAN OFFICES" (ALL MEDIA),  
"ISRAEL APPLAUDS MOVE, FORESEES DROP IN WEST BANK  
TERROR" (MAARIV AND YEDIOT), "WEST BANKERS FURIOUS"  
(HA'ARETZ), "PLO TO MOVE BACK INTO LEBANON" (ISRAEL TV).

3. MISS LIBERTY TURNS 100:

"MISS LIBERTY" (MAARIV EDITORIAL), "A LADY CALLED  
LIBERTY" (HA'ARETZ).

4. KURT WALDHEIM'S INAUGURATION:

"ISRAELI, AMERICAN, SOVIETS TO STAY AWAY FROM CEREMONY"  
(ISRAEL RADIO AND MAARIV), "JEWISH WORLD CONGRESS  
SUBMIT NEW EVIDENCE ON WALDHEIM'S WARTIME CRIMES  
AGAINST JEWS" (ALL MEDIA), "ISRAEL TO DOWNGRADE  
DIPLOMATIC TIES WITH AUSTRIA" (ISRAEL RADIO), "PROTEST  
DEMONSTRATIONS OUTSIDE PARLIAMENT AS WALDHEIM IS SWORN  
IN" (YEDIOT).

D) SUPPORTIVE TEXT:

1. THE TABA CONTROVERSY:

I. MAARIV AND HA'ARETZ REPORTED THAT STATE DEPARTMENT  
LEGAL ADVISER ABRAHAM SOFAER YESTERDAY SUGGESTED IN  
JERUSALEM A WAY TO GET AROUND THE DISPUTE OVER THE  
EXACT BORDER POINTS, UNDER WHICH AN  
AMERICAN-ISRAELI-EGYPTIAN TEAM WILL JOINTLY CONDUCT A  
SURVEY OF THE AREA AND SUBMIT ITS FINDINGS TO THE  
ARBITRATORS. MAARIV QUOTED AMERICAN OFFICIALS TO THE  
EFFECT THAT "SOFAER IS DETERMINED TO HAVE THE  
REMAINING OUTSTANDING ISSUES RESOLVED IN THE NEAR  
FUTURE." ACCORDING TO HA'ARETZ POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT  
AKIVA ELGAR, "ISRAEL AND EGYPT ACCEPTED SOFAER'S  
COMPROMISE."

II. THE JERUSALEM POST REPORTED THAT PM PERES YESTERDAY  
TOLD THE KNESSET DEFENSE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
THAT "SOME PROGRESS HAS ALREADY BEEN ACHIEVED IN  
SOFAER'S LATEST SHUTTLE: 'THE LAST FEW DIFFERENCES ARE  
NOW BEING TACKLED,' PERES SAID, ADDING THAT 'I HAVE  
RECEIVED MESSAGES FROM PRESIDENT MUBARAK THAT A NEW  
CHAPTER IN ISRAELI-EGYPTIAN RELATIONS WILL OPEN AFTER  
THE COMPROMISE HAS BEEN SIGNED'."

2. JORDAN-PLO CRISIS:

I. YEDIOT ARAB AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT YEHUSHUA HALAMISH

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AND POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT RONI SHAKED WROTE IN A  
FRONTPAGE STORY: "THE SHUTTING DOWN OF 25 PLO OFFICES  
IN AMMAN IS THE HEAVIEST BLOW DEALT TO ARAFAT'S PLO  
SINCE IT WAS DRIVEN OUT OF LEBANON .... THE PLO'S  
MASSIVE PRESENCE IN JORDAN WAS NO DOUBT ARAFAT'S MOST  
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