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(U) 1 NOVEMBER 1990 (SUBHEAD) THE PRESIDENT'S SECRETARY DISCUSSED WITH US THE ISSUE OF THE ACCURACY OF THE MAPS, AND WE STARTED AN INTENSIVE CAMPAIGN WITH THE MILITARY SURVEY DIRECTORATE TO IMPROVE THE MAPS. IT TOOK A LONG TIME AND A GREAT EFFORT TO ACHIEVE A HIGHER DEGREE OF ACCURACY. TODAY, I ALSO STUDIED A FILE ON AN AIR EXERCISE, WHICH MADE ME REDISTRIBUTE EFFORTS AND MATERIALS. I ORDERED THAT TWO THIRDS OF THE MISSILE UNITS BE SENT TO THE KUWAIT SECTOR AND ONE THIRD BE KEPT OUTSIDE THAT SECTOR. 15 NOVEMBER 1990 (SUBHEAD) WE RECEIVED INFORMATION SAYING THAT TODAY WAS THE DATE FOR THE SO-CALLED DARK NIGHT AIR STRIKE, THAT THE UNITED STATES MIGHT CARRY OUT AN AIR STRIKE USING NUCLEAR-LIKE BOMBS, AND THAT THE ZIONIST ENTITY WOULD ATTACK IRAQI MISSILE POSITIONS IN THE NORTHERN AND WESTERN REGIONS AND CARRY OUT AIR RAIDS ON OUR UNITS IN KUWAIT. THE MATTER APPEARED TO BE A PROVOCATION OR A PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE, BUT I TOOK THE NECESSARY MEASURES TO CHANGE THE SHELTERS AND PREPARE THE STRATEGIC DUTIES. WE WERE READY TO CONFRONT THE ENEMY WHETHER IT CAME IN A DARK OR BRIGHT NIGHT. THE CHALLENGE WAS A BIG ONE, AND WE WERE AT THE LEVEL OF THE CHALLENGE AND CAPABLE TO RETALIATION. 29 NOVEMBER 1990 (SUBHEAD) THE GENERAL INTELLIGENCE PROVIDED US WITH A LIST OF VITAL TARGETS OF THE HOSTILE CONCENTRATIONS IN DIFFERENT DEPTHS OF SAUDI TERRITORIES--AN ISSUE WHICH WE DISCUSSED WITH THE INTELLIGENCE UNTIL 18 JANUARY 1991. THE SECURITY COUNCIL, WHICH HAD BECOME AN AMERICAN COUNCIL, ISSUED TWO RESOLUTIONS AGAINST IRAQ ON 29 AND 30 NOVEMBER, AND OUR DIRECTORATE ISSUED AN ORDER ON THAT DAY THAT THE RESERVE FOURTH AL-

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RA'D MISSILES BATTALION BE FORMED 4 DECEMBER 1988 (SUBHEAD) OUR CAR LEFT BAGHDAD FOR AL-'AMARAH CITY IN MAYSAN GOVERNORATE. I WAS LISTENING TO KORANIC VERSES FROM THE RADIO. TODAY MARKS THE MARTYR'S DAY, THAT PAINFUL DAY ON WHICH THE IRANIAN SIDE KILLED 600 IRAQI POW'S AFTER TYING THEIR HAND BEHIND THEIR BACKS DURING THE AL-BUSAYTIN BATTLE ON 1 DECEMBER 1981, IN CONFLICT WITH INTERNATIONAL LAW BANNING THE KILLING OF POW'S IN MILITARY FIELDS AND CALLING FOR MOVING THEM FROM MILITARY FIELDS TO PROTECT THEM FROM DANGER. WE ARRIVED IN AL-'AMARAH LATE, AND WE CHECKED PREPARATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING DAY TO START THEM AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE. NEXT DAY, I ATTENDED A TEST ON THE ACCURACY OF AL-HUSAYN MISSILE IN ORDER TO REVISE FIRING CHART AND NEW BRIGADE 223. THE FIRING TEST WAS SUCCESSFUL, GOD BE PRAISED. 4 DECEMBER 1990 (SUBHEAD) FINALLY, OUR EFFORTS YIELDED FRUITS AND WE ISSUED THE AL-HUSAYN MISSILE FIRING CHART. IT WAS THE SECOND REVISED EDITION, WHICH I HAD ASKED FOR FOUR TIMES TO CORRECT CERTAIN THE ERRORS. I DO NOT KNOW IF ANY MISSILE UNIT IN THE WORLD USED SUCH A NUMBER OF DRAFT CHARTS. I CAME BACK HOME LATE IN THE NIGHT, AND I WAS BUSY PREPARING A SPECIAL POISON-GAS-PROOF CHAMBER, WHICH WAS CALLED THE CHEMICAL CHAMBER. I ALSO MADE SPECIAL GAS MASKS OF CLOTH. THE CHILDREN USED TO CALL IT THE CHEMICAL CHAMBER. IF I ASKED ONE OF THEM ABOUT SOMETHING, HE WOULD SAY IT WAS IN THE CHEMICAL CHAMBER. WE EXPECTED AN IMMINENT AGGRESSION BY THE ZIONIST ENEMY WITH CHEMICAL WEAPONS. 9 DECEMBER 1990 (SUBHEAD) THE GENERAL MILITARY INTELLIGENCE DIRECTORATE RELEASED NEW INFORMATION ON THE ZIONIST ENTITY'S PREPARATIONS TO CONFRONT THE IRAQI MISSILES. THE ZIONIST PLAN INCLUDED ASSESSMENTS THAT THE IRAQI MISSILES WERE ABLE TO CIRCUMVENT THE ANTIMISSILE WEAPONS AND THAT IT WAS NECESSARY TO LAUNCH A LIGHTNING PREEMPTIVE STRIKE AGAINST THE IRAQI LAUNCHING PADS DURING LAUNCHING PREPARATIONS. (DESCRIPTION OF SOURCE: INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER OFTEN CRITICAL OF GOVERNMENT POLICIES. INTERNET VERSION IS ALSO AVAILABLE AT [HTTP://WWW.ALARAB-ALYAWM.COM](http://www.al-arab-alyawm.com).JO) THIS REPORT MAY CONTAIN COPYRIGHTED MATERIAL. COPYING AND DISSEMINATION IS PROHIBITED WITHOUT PERMISSION OF THE COPYRIGHT OWNERS. (ENDALL) END OF MESSAGE UNCLASSIFIED

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