to Aux CONFIDENTIAL GRS 320 CONFIDENTIAL FM FCO 042335Z NOV 81 TO FLASH PARIS TELEGRAM NUMBER 483 OF 4 NOVEMBER AND TO FLASH THE HAGUE ROME INFO IMMEDIATE WASHINGTON RIYADH (FOR PS/S OF S) EEC POSTS TEL AVIV SINAI: FROM BULLARD. 1. PLEASE CONTACT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY WITH THE UTMOST URGENCY AND SPEAK AS FOLLOWS. 2. MR HAIG HAS RAEACTED VERY STRONGLY AND VERY NEGATIVELY AGAINST THE PROPOSED STATEMENT BY THE FOUR. HE HAS SAID THAT FOR US TO GO AHEAD ON THIS BASIS WOULD PRODUCE A CRISES OF MAJOR PROPORTIONS IN ISRAEL (POSSIBLY INCLUDING AN ISRAELI INVASION OF LEBANON) AND THAT THERE WOULD THEN BE NO MULTINATIONAL FORCE. HE HAS ASKED US TO DROP FROM OUR STATEMENT THE ENTIRE PASSAGE FROM THE SECOND SENTANCE OF THE SECOND PARAGRAPH TO THE END OF THE THIRD PARAGRAPH: AND ALSO TO CHANGE QUOTE FACILITATING THAT WITHDRAWAL UNQUOTE IN SUB PARA (I) OF THE FOURTH PARAGRAPH TO QUOTE FACILITATING THE PEACE PROCESS UNQUOTE. 3. LORD CARRINGTON'S FIRST REACTION IS THAT IT IS OUT OF THE QUESTION TO AMEND OUR STATEMENT, AND THAT EITHER WE PARTICIPATE ON THE BASIS WE HAVE SPELT OUT OR WE DO NOT PARTICIPATE AT ALL. 4. THE IMMEDIATE REQUIREMENT IS TO STOP OUR AMBASSADORS TAKING ACTION IN ARAB POSTS AS THEY HAD BEEN INTENDING TO DO TOMORROW 5 NOVEMBER. WE HAVE SENT APPROPRIATE INSTRUCTIONS AND SUGGEST THAT THE FRENCH/DUTCH/ITALIANS SHOULD DO THE SAME WITHOUT DELAY. 5. WE SHALL BE IN TOUCH WITH OUR PARTNERS AGAIN EARLY TOMORROW. 6. FOR THE HAGUE: 1 HAVE SPOKEN BY TELEPHONE TO NORBART AT HIS HOME, BUT YOU SHOULD CHECK WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTRY THAT THE NECESSARY INSTRUCTIONS HAVE BEEN SENT. FOR ROME: THE FOREGOING CONFIRMS AND AMPLIFIES TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BULLARD/CULSHAW. 8. FOR PARIS: I HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO REACH ANDREAN, BUT I HAVE SPOKEN TO A DUTY OFFICER AT THE QUAL D'ORSAY WHO MAY HAVE TAKEN THE NECESSARY ACTION, BUT YOU SHOULD CHECK. 9. WASHINGTON ARE TELEGRAPHING A FULL ACCOUNT OF HAIG'S CONVERSATION WITH SIR N HENDERSON AND THIS WILL BE REPEATED TO YOU FOR YOUR BACKGROUND INFORMATION. CARR INGTON STANDARD ADDITIONAL DISTRIBUTION NENAD MAED ARAB/ISRAEL DISPUTE MED ES & SD NAD ERD UND ESID EESD CONS D ECD CONS EM UNIT WED CABINET OFFICE RID CONFIDENTIAL