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ISRAEL/LEBANON: MESSAGE TO THE PRIME MINISTER FROM SECRETARY
GENERAL OF THE ORGANISATION OF ISLAMIC CONFERENCE

1. HABIB CHATTY SENT THE PRIME MINISTER A MESSAGE ON 11 JUNE
ABOUT THE ISRAELI INVASION OF THE LEBANON.

2. PLEASE CONVEY THE FOLLOWING REPLY FROM THE PRIME MINISTER:
BEGINS: THANK YOU FOR YOUR MESSAGE OF 11 JUNE. I FULLY SHARE
YOUR CONCERN ABOUT THE ISRAELI INVASION OF LEBANON. BRITISH PEOPLE
HAVE BEEN PARTICULARLY APPALLED BY THE LOSS OF LIFE AND THE SCALE OF
SUFFERING AMONG THE CIVILIAN POPULATION. YOU WILL HAVE SEEN THAT
WE AND OUR EUROPEAN COMMUNITY PARTNERS ISSUED A STRONG STATEMENT
ON 9 JUNE VIGOROUSLY CONDEMNING THE ISRAELI INVASION AS A FLAGRANT
VIOLATION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW AND OF THE MOST BASIC HUMANITARIAN
PRINCIPLES. WE HAVE CALLED ON ISRAEL TO WITHDRAW HER FORCES
IMMEDIATELY AND UNCONDITIONALLY FROM THE LEBANON IN ACCORDANCE WIT
SECURITY RESOLUTION 509. WE HAVE ALSO MADE CLEAR THAT SHOULD
ISRAEL FAIL TO DO SO, THE TEN WILL EXAMINE THE POSSIBILITIES FOR
WE HAVE ALSO MADE OUR VIEWS CLEAR TU THE US ADMINISTRATION.
MEANWHILE WE HAVE MADE HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE BOTH
BILATERALLY AND THROUGH THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY FOR THE VICTIMS
OF THE CONFLICT IN LEBANON.

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