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1. FOLLOWING THE WALL STREET JOURNAL STORY (MY TEL NO 4186),  
BRZEZINSKI EVIDENTLY WENT OVER THE GROUND WITH HENRY BRANDON  
(AND 3 OR 4 OTHERS) IN SOME DETAIL : BRANDON ASKED ME WHETHER  
THERE HAD BEEN A DIVISION OF LABOUR WHEREBY WE WORKED ON THE  
OMANIS AND THE AMERICANS ON THE SAUDIS (I DENIED THIS).  
AS AGREED WITH THE PRIVATE SECRETARY. I CONFIRMED TO HIM  
UNATTRIBUTABLY THAT WE AND THE AMERICANS HAD WORKED TO PREVENT  
THE WAR SPREADING TO THE LOWER GULF. WE CAN EXPECT THE STORY TO  
BREAK OUT IN FAIRLY FULL AND CIRCUMSTANTIAL TERMS.

2. TRANSCRIPT OF SOFS'S BBC INTERVIEW NOW AVAILABLE HERE.

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