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MUBARAK CALLS FOR AN ARAB SUMMIT

1. IN A JOINT PRESS CONFERENCE AT THE END OF GENSCHER'S 2 DAY VISIT, MUBARAK MADE THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

(A) THE ONLY WAY TO CONFORMT THE PRESENT CONFLICTS IN THE ARAB WORLD - LEBANON, IRAN/IRAQ AND ETHIOPIA/SOMALIA -- WAS FOR ARAB LEADERS TO BURY THEIR DIFFERENCES, FACE CURRENT REALITIES, AND GET TOGETHER FORTHWITH TO FORMULATE A UNIFIED POLICY.

(B) HE WAS PERSONALLY READY TO GO ANYWHERE IN THE ARAB WORLD TO ATTEND SUCH A MEETING.

(C) GETTING THE PALESTINIANS OUT OF BEIRUT WAS NOT THE SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM IF IT MEANT THAT THEY WOULD BE SPLIT UP AROUND THE ARAB WORLD WITHOUT ANY PROSPECT OF ANY OVERALL SETTLEMENT. IF THE PALESTINIANS HAD AGREED TO JOIN IN THE AUTONOMY TALKS THE PRESENT SITUATION WOULD NOT HAVE ARISEN.

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INEVITABLY COME, AS WOULD A PALESTINIAN STATE. THE
AMERICANS SHOULD OPEN A DIRECT DIALOGUE WITH THE PLO. THE
EUROPEAN COMMUNITY SHOULD EXERT PRESSURE ON THE AMERICANS TO
THIS END.

(E) AS TO THE IRAN/IRAQ WAR, EGYPT HAD DENOUNCED THE
CONFLICT FROM THE START, AND NOW CONDEMNED IRANIAN SEIZURE
OF IRAQI TERRITORY AS IT HAD CONDEMNED THE REVERSE. SHE WAS
HELPING THE IRAQIS IN THE FACE OF IRANIAN AGGRESSION BUT
CALLED ON THE PARTIES TO SETTLE THEIR DISPUTE BY
NEGOTIATION.

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