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LEBANON: SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

... I attach a draft which has been tabled in the Security Council by Spain and Jordan. UKMIS New York expect a vote to take place soon, perhaps by 5 p.m. our time.

The position of other delegations is not entirely clear. The French have not yet taken a decision on how to vote but seem prepared to vote in favour, despite the commitment in the last paragraph of the Resolution to adopt mandatory sanctions against Israel. The Americans are so far without instructions but will presumably veto.

Mr Hurd recommends that we should ~~seek to amend the Resolution~~ firstly by toning down the reference to 'atrocities' in the first paragraph and, secondly, ^{by} ~~to amend~~ ^{ing} the final paragraph ~~to commit the Council only to considering the adoption of effective ways and means in accordance with Chapter 7 of the Charter.~~

Only support the resolution if it were amended,

Omit the reference to Chapter VII

UKMIS New York consider that there is no chance of removing a reference to Chapter 7 altogether. ^{nevertheless} If these amendments ^{could} can be secured, Mr Hurd recommends that we should vote in favour. If not, we should abstain with a strong Explanation of Vote.

In Beirut, the Israelis appear to have halted their advance into West Beirut for the time being. They are from 1-2 kms. into the western half of the city. The Israeli Government is still insisting that this does not represent an all out assault on West Beirut. *But this is playing with words,*

I should be grateful for confirmation that the Prime Minister agrees with Mr Hurd's recommendation so that instructions can be telephoned to New York.

A draft message to President Reagan will follow later for the PM's ~~approval~~ consideration

S M J Lamport
Private Secretary/Mr Hurd



LEBANON: DRAFT SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

The Security Council

Deeply shocked and alarmed by the atrocities committed by the Israeli forces in the invasion of Beirut on 3 August 1982:

- 1) Reconfirms its resolutions 508, 509, 512, 513, 515 and 516:
- 2) Confirms once again its demand for an immediate ceasefire and withdrawal of Israeli forces from Lebanon:
- 3) Condemns Israel for its failure to comply with the above resolutions:
- 4) Calls for the prompt return of Israeli troops which have moved subsequent to 1325 EST 1 August:
- 5) Expresses its appreciation for the efforts and steps taken by the Secretary General to implement the provisions of SCR 516 and authorises him as an immediate step to increase the number of UN observers in and around Beirut:
- 6) Requests the Secretary General to report to the Security Council on the implementation of the present resolution as soon as possible and not later than 3 hours from now:
- 7) Decides to meet after 3 hours from now in order to consider the report of the Secretary General and in the case of failure to comply by any of the parties to the conflict, to ^{consider} adopt^{ing} effective ways and means in accordance with Chapter VII of the Charter.''



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From the Private Secretary

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Thank you for your letter of 4 August.

The Prime Minister agrees that, provided the Resolution is amended to remove the reference to "atrocities" and the further reference to Chapter 7, we should vote in favour. If not, we should abstain.

I should add that the Prime Minister considers that the deadline of three hours imposed in paragraph 6 of the Draft Resolution is unrealistic but she would not insist on its amendment.

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