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FM TELRUT 291014Z AUGUST 82  
TO IMMEDIATE FCC  
TELEGRAM NUMBER 487 OF 9 AUGUST 82  
INFO IMMEDIATE USUAL POSTS, JERUSALEM AND CAIRO  
INFO SAVING PARIS

BY TEL NUMBER 485:

**LEBANON**

1. DRAPER GAVE ME A FULL ACCOUNT EARLY THIS MORNING. PLEASE PROTECT SOURCE OF THIS AND MY TWO IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING TELEGRAMS.
2. THE AMERICANS HAD WORKED OUT A PLAN WITH THE LEBANESE AND PALESTINIANS FOR THE PHASED WITHDRAWAL OF PALESTINIANS FROM WEST BEIRUT AND THEIR REPLACEMENT BY THE MULTI-NATIONAL FORCE. THEY HAD DISCUSSED IT WITH SHARON ON 8 AUGUST AND FOUND HIM "PARANCIAC" (SEE MIFT).
3. THE PLAN WAS A GOOD ONE. IT CONTAINED ALL SORTS OF PRECAUTIONS INCLUDING A PROVISION WHICH TERMINATED THE MANDATE OF THE FORCE AS SOON AS THE LAST PALESTINIAN HAD LEFT. THEY WERE NOW PROVIDING A FINAL WRITTEN VERSION TO BE PUT TO THE LEBANESE AND ISRAELIS TODAY.
4. FORMALLY THE POSITION WAS THAT THEY AWAITED THE COMMENTS OF THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT, SHARON HAVING SAID THAT HE WAS NOT EMPOWERED TO ACCEPT THE PLAN AND THAT IN HIS OPINION THERE WAS NOT YET A POLITICAL AGREEMENT. THE LEBANESE AND PALESTINIANS WOULD ACCEPT THE PLAN.

5. DRAPER SAID THAT HADID HAD MADE IT CLEAR TO SHARON THAT THERE WOULD BE GRAVE CONSEQUENCES IF THE ISRAELIS ASSAULTED BEIRUT WHEN A COMPLETE PLAN HAD BEEN HAMMERED OUT. HE ADDED THAT HADID WAS NOT BLUFFING. MT

6. THE PROBLEM OF PERSUADING EGYPT, OR RATHER MUBARAK, TO ACCEPT A FULL QUOTA OF PALESTINIANS REMAINED. MUBARAK WAS STILL BARCAINING FOR LINKAGE. THE AMERICANS, HOWEVER, WERE PUTTING GREAT PRESSURE ON THE EGYPTIANS DIRECTLY AND INDIRECTLY.

ROBERTS...

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