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MY TELNOS 1018-1020 (NOT TO ALL): ISRAEL/LEBANON

1. AT THE INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL THIS AFTERNOON (18 JUNE) THERE WAS THE EXPECTED WRANGLE BETWEEN TROYANOVSKY (USSR) AND MRS KIRKPATRICK (US) OVER THE TEXT IN MY TEL NO 1019. MRS KIRKPATRICK RESISTED THTROYANOVSKY'S ATTEMPT TO HAVE RESOLUTIONS 508 AND 509 RE-AFFIRMED IN AN OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH. AFTER A LABORIOUS BUT MODERATELY GOOD-HUMOURED DISCUSSION, CONSENSUS WAS REACHED ON THE TEXT IN MIFT.
2. THE COUNCIL THEN PROCEEDED TO A FORMAL MEETING AND THE TEXT IN MIFT WAS PUT IMMEDIATELY TO THE VOTE AND WAS ADOPTED 13-0-2 AS SCR 511. THE USSR AND POLAND ABSTAINED AS CUSTOMARY ON UNIFIL MANDATE RESOLUTIONS.
3. MRS KIRKPATRICK MADE A BRIEF STATEMENT EXPRESSING PLEASURE AT THE EXTENSION OF THE MANDATE BUT INSISTING THAT IT DID NOT IMPLY AN EXTENSION OF UNIFIL'S FUNCTIONS, SCOPE OR AREA. SHE SAID THAT THERE WOULD BE AN OPPORTUNITY WHILE THE SITUATION IN LEBANON STABLISED TO STUDY WHAT WOULD BEST SERVE ITS PEOPLE AND THE PEACE OF THE REGION. DORR (IRELAND) ATTACKED THE ISRAELI INVASION AND THE CONTEMPT SHOWN BY ISRAEL FOR UNIFIL. HE EMPHASISED THE FRAGILITY OF UN PEACE-KEEPING OPERATIONS AND THE NEED FOR FULL CO-OPERATION BY ALL PARTIES IF UNIFIL WAS TO CARRY ON. HE ALSO STRESSED THAT THE EXTENSION OF UNIFIL'S MANDATE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS NO MORE THAN A TEMPORARY HOLDING OPERATION.
4. TROYANOVSKY (USSR) ATTACKED ISRAEL AND THE US ON FAMILIAR LINES. HE REITERATED THAT EVENTS IN THE REGION COULD NOT BUT AFFECT SOVIET INTERESTS.
5. THE TEXT OF MY STATEMENT IS IN MY SECOND MIFT. *(Draft forwarded to you earlier. Text attached.)*
6. THE NETHERLANDS AND SWEDEN SPEAKING AS TROOP CONTRIBUTORS CRITICISED THE ISRAELI INVASION AND THE LACK OF RESPECT SHOWN TO UNIFIL. SCHELTEMA (NETHERLANDS) SAID THAT THE PRESENCE OF ISRAELI TROOPS IN UNIFIL POSITIONS AND THE LIMITATIONS IMPOSED BY THE ISRAELIS ON THE UNIFIL TROOPS' FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT MADE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE FORCE TO PERFORM ITS DUTIES PROPERLY. LIKE SWEDEN, HOWEVER, THE NETHERLANDS WAS WILLING TO MAINTAIN ITS FORCE IN UNIFIL FOR AN INTERIM PERIOD.
7. BLUM (ISRAEL) REPEATED THAT ISRAEL HAD NO TERRITORIAL AMBITIONS IN LEBANON BUT DEMANDED THAT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE SO THAT IT COULD NO LONGER SERVE AS A STAGING GROUND FOR TERRORIST ACTIONS AGAINST ISRAEL. HE SAID THAT REPORTS OF THE SITUATION IN LEBANON HAD BEEN GREATLY EXAGGERATED. THE RED CROSS WERE ONLY TREATING 300 WOUNDED AND THE MEDICAL SITUATION IN TYRE AND SIDON WAS UNDER CONTROL. AFTER GIVING DETAILS OF ISRAELI RELIEF EFFORTS, HE WENT ON

30% WOUNDED AND THE MEDICAL SITUATION IN TYRE AND SIDON WAS UNDER CONTROL. AFTER GIVING DETAILS OF ISRAELI RELIEF EFFORTS, HE WENT ON TO LAUNCH A STRONG ATTACK ON MOST OF THE PREVIOUS SPEAKERS SINGLING OUT IN PARTICULAR TROYANOVSKY, DORR AND MYSELF. HE SAID THAT THE UK'S POSITION AS A PERMANENT MEMBER ABLE TO BLOCK RESOLUTIONS INIMICAL TO ITS VITAL INTEREST CONFERRED NO MORAL SUPERIORITY.

8. FATTAL (SYRIA) MADE A TYPICALLY BOMBASTIC STATEMENT WHICH AVOIDED VIRTUALLY ALL MENTION OF SYRIAN INVOLVEMENT IN THE CONFLICT OTHER THAN TO SAY SYRIA WOULD SPARE NO EFFORT TO STAND BY LEBANON AND THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE. HE CALLED FOR ISRAEL'S EXPLUSION FROM THE UN AND IMPLEMENTATION OF CHAPTER 7 SANCTIONS.

9. TUENI (LEBANON) THANKED PREVIOUS SPEAKERS FOR THEIR SUPPORT FOR LEBANON AND ATTACKED BLUM'S ATTEMPT TO MINIMISE THE DAMAGE AND SUFFERING CAUSED THERE. HE SAID THAT THE FUTURE OF LEBANON WOULD NOT BE CONSTRUCTED IN THE SHADOWS OF GUNS OF OCCUPATION. LEBANON WAS FOR THE LEBANESE ALONE AND THEY ALONE WOULD DECIDE ITS FUTURE.

10. THE OTHER SPEAKERS WERE CHINA, ZAIRE, POLAND AND MAKSOUD (ARAB LEAGUE). THE PLO SPOKE BRIEFLY. DE NANTEUIL (FRANCE) MADE A SHORT CONCLUDING STATEMENT IN WHICH HE SAID THAT THE INTERIM EXTENSION OF UNIFIL'S MANDATE MUST BE FOLLOWED BY A REDEFINITION OF THAT MANDATE. FRANCE WAS DEVASTATED BY THE SUFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE IN LEBANON. THERE WERE A NUMBER OF RIGHTS OF REPLY TO BLUM.

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