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TO IMMEDIATE FCO  
TELEGRAM NUMBER 1033 OF 19 JUNE  
INFO IMMEDIATE WASHINGTON, BEIRUT, TEL AVIV,  
INFO ROUTINE DAMASCUS, AMMAN, PARIS, CAIRO, JEDDA.

MY TELS 1026 - 1028: ISRAEL/LEBANON

1. DE NANTEUIL (FRANCE), WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE, CALLED A SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING THIS AFTERNOON (19 JUNE) TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION ON THE HUMANITARIAN ASPECTS OF THE LEBANESE SITUATION. HE WAS IT SEEMED ACTING ON FIRM INSTRUCTIONS FROM PARIS.
2. THIS PIECE OF UNTARNISHED FRENCH PROPAGANDA UPSET THE AMERICANS (WITH BEGIN'S MEETING WITH REAGAN ON 21 JUNE IN MIND) AND THE SECRETARIAT (WHO WERE BEGINNING TO HAVE SOME SUCCESS IN PERSUADING THE ISRAELIS INFORMALLY TO ACCEPT UN HUMANITARIAN SERVICES). HOWEVER, BY CALLING THE COUNCIL WITHOUT PRIOR CONSULTATION WITH THE AMERICANS AND THE SECRETARY-GENERAL, DE NANTEUIL, PRESUMABLY DELIBERATELY, CREATED MOMENTUM WHICH COULD NOT BE DEFLECTED. AFTER SOME HOURS OF WRANGLING INCLUDING A TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

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AFTER SOME HOURS OF WRANGLING INCLUDING A TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN HAIG AND CHEYSSON THE AMERICANS RELUCTANTLY AGREED TO GO ALONG WITH A TEXT. I ADVISED THEM TO SWALLOW AND GET IT OVER THIS EVENING SINCE THE ISRAELIS WERE LIKELY TO GET MORE DIFFICULT AS THE BEGIN/REAGAN MEETING DREW CLOSER, AND DE NANTEUIL WAS INSISTENT THAT THERE COULD NOT BE A POSTPONEMENT OVER THE WEEKEND.

3. THE COUNCIL EVENTUALLY MET IN THE EVENING AND UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED THE TEXT IN M.I.F.T. AS SCR 512. JAPAN AND THE US SPOKE BRIEFLY AFTER THE VOTE. JAPAN ANNOUNCED A CONTRIBUTION OF US DOLLARS 1 MILLION THROUGH THE ICRC FOR RELIEF EFFORTS. THE US SAID THAT IT WAS GIVING US DOLLARS 15 MILLION FOR RELIEF AND ANTICIPATED GIVING A FURTHER US DOLLARS 20 MILLION. BLUM (ISRAEL) MADE AN UNPLEASANT AND PROVOCATIVE STATEMENT. TUENI (LEBANON) BRIEFLY THANKED THE COUNCIL AND THE SECRETARY-GENERAL. OVINNIKOV (USSR) LOOSED OFF BRIEFLY AGAINST THE UNITED STATES AND ISRAEL. BLUM, LICHENSTEIN (US) AND OVINNIKOV EXCHANGED SHOTS AND THE COUNCIL ADJOURNED.

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