PRIME MINISTER

HIGHJACKING OF KUWAITI AIRCRAFT

It seems likely that matters are moving towards a conclusion. There are indications that the Iranians have finally decided to mount an assault on the aircraft. The airport has been closed. Two Syrian aircraft have arrived and have gone to the military side of the airport. Their role is not clear. The highjackers claim that they have now wired the aircraft up with explosives.

That is the situation as we know it at $2.30\ \mathrm{pm}$

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