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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, EG, IS, SA
SUBJ: MIDDLE EAST: ~~DISENGAGEMENT NEGOTIATIONS~~

FOR AMBASSADOR FROM SECRETARY.

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING ORAL MESSAGE FROM ME TO SAQQAF.

2. BEGIN TEXT: I WANT TO LET YOU KNOW, AND WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR INFORMING HIS MAJESTY, THAT WE SHALL BE ANNOUNCING AT NOON TODAY THAT I AM LEAVING THURSDAY NIGHT FOR EGYPT AND THEN ISRAEL FOR WHAT I HOPE WILL BE CONCLUSIVE DISCUSSIONS ON THE QUESTION OF DISENGAGEMENT AND SEPARATION OF FORCES BETWEEN EGYPT AND ISRAEL. I INDICATED TO YOU DURING MY MOST RECENT VISIT TO RIYADH THAT I INTENDED TO INTENSIFY MY EFFORTS TO MOVE THE PEACE-MAKING PROCESS FORWARD FOLLOWING THE ISRAELI ELECTIONS. THE ACHIEVEMENT OF AN EGYPTIAN/ISRAELI DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT WOULD CONSTITUTE AN IMPORTANT INITIAL PHASE IN THAT PROCESS AND WOULD RESULT IN A MAJOR AND TANGIBLE CHANGE IN THE PRESENT SITUATION. I REMAIN HOPEFUL THAT SUCH AN AGREEMENT WILL BE CONCLUDED IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE.

3. MEANWHILE, I WANTED TO SEND THIS ADVANCE WORD OF MY FORTHCOMING TRIP TO HIS MAJESTY AND TO YOU. SINCE THE IMMEDIATE PURPOSE IS TO MOVE THE EGYPTIAN/ISRAELI DISENGAGEMENT NEGOTIATIONS TOWARD A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION AND BECAUSE OF THE PRESSURES ON MY TIME, I DO NOT PRESENTLY PLAN TO VISIT SAUDI ARABIA OR ANY OTHER COUNTRIES IN THE AREA ON THIS TRIP, UNLESS HIS MAJESTY FEELS THAT I SHOULD. WARM PERSONAL REGARDS.
END EXT. KISSINGER.

DRAFTED BY NEA: ALATHERTON
APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY
NEA: JJSISCO
S/S - MR. LUERS

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