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Secretary Kissinger

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F: How are you?

K: Okay, how are you?

F: Hmm -- did you finish your dinner?

K: Just about finished it. Yes.

F: Henry, I wanted to talk to you now before tomorrow about the Security Council.

K: Yes.

F: I am giving you my thoughts only and it is up to you to decide what you want to do. I think it is much better that Scali works hard too that at the very end to not veto or be forced to do so, you know. Because if this is going to take place then it should be a very bad thing to have a bad effect on the Syrian business, you know. This is what I am saying now.

K: Yeh, but if we vote for an anti-Israeli resolution it will also have a terrible effect.

F: Yeh, but you see, I thought that saying -- that he should work very hard and if he can't do it you have to send somebody to help him you know so that at the very end you have a tough resolution that you can support -- especially the Russians would be very happy at this moment you know to prove that they are supporting the Lebanese and you are not supporting them -- and if you can succeed to have a resolution for which you and the Russians support. . .

K: But how can we do that?

F: Either paragraph or so water down to make it a little bit more balanced.

K: Yes.

F: It is not difficult.

K: And will the Lebanese accept it?

F: Oh yes, the Foreign Minister is there and he is ready to do it. I spoke to him and I spoke to Ora -- their representative you know. At any rate my advice is that the best thing is that you will vote for a resolution which is going to be passed. It has to be balanced you know and then for that you will be able to vote for it.

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K: Well if it is balanced, we will vote for it.

F: But I mean your people should try to work hard -- even if they need time -- they should work for it. And last if you cannot support it then abstain on it. But the worse thing is to veto it.

K: Yeh.

F: This would ve very -- I mean -- very bad. It won't help even your trip you know.

K: But if we vote for a bad one, it won't help my trip either -- the major problem -- I'm not kidding you. I have not yet got Israeli approval for what we are discussing.

F: I agree, but you see the point -- you see the Russians now are making so much propaganda even in Lebanon itself even inside in these papers you know.

K: Yeh.

F: I don't want you to vote in a way which either embarrasses the Israelis or the Lebanese or the Syrians or you. This is the main point.

K: Okay, I'll look into it the first thing in the morning.

F: Yeh, the best solution is if you can reach an agreement on a resolution which you can support

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K: Yeh. Yeh.

F: If it is not possible, then have the _____ abstain. To veto any resolution now it will be a calamity.

K: Well let me do my best. I'll have to look at where the resolution stands now.

F: And I will speak to -- I spoke already to the Lebanese FonMin -- Ora the Permanent Representative -- so they are receptive to make it balanced now. But even if they give you information that there was a small group from the non-allied which were -- was invested to conduct the other members, you know. Maybe that they will at the very beginning start with an extreme draft but the French can work on it, the British . . .

K: The French won't work on it.

F: [REDACTED] **REDACTED** -- and by the way I am not sure about this story but apparently Jobert gave a statement to the LaMonde and he was accusing us directly because of our new relations.

K: Of what?

F: Our new relations . . .

K: No he didn't do it quite that much . . .

F: I'm checking with our ambassador there.

K: Well I've seen it but it wasn't very good.

F: [REDACTED]

K: We minimized what was done -- he said the Egyptian disengagement wasn't much of an achievement.

F: Yes, but apparently he said that you know the Egyptian government or the Egyptian state must bear the responsibility or something like that, I don't know -- [REDACTED]

K: Yeh.

F: So Think about it very seriously.

K: I will think about it and I will do something first thing in the morning. And the appointment with the President was tentatively set for 11:30 in the morning, but frankly I am going to try to move it to the afternoon. Because I have my foreign ministers from Latin America here and I hate to leave them.

F: The Latin Ministers and then me -- now I am jealous.

K: Well you have no reason -- well after what I saw of you and [REDACTED] I have to take some alternatives.

F: Okay. But don't put it very late in the afternoon so I want to go back as soon as possible.

K: No, I won't put it beyond 3:00.

F: This will be fine and by the way, please work hard on this draft.

K: I'll do it first thing in the morning.

F: Even if you need to send Sisco incognito like that, it's maybe a good thing.

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K: Right.

F: Okay.

K: Right.

F: Bye, thank you.

