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SUBJ: SAQQAF REPORTS NO SYRIAN TORTURE OF POW'S

REF: JIDDA 4792 (NOTAL)

AMBASSADOR INQUIRED TODAY OF MINSTATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS SAQQAF CONCERNING RESULTS OF HIS INQUIRY TO SYRIAN AMBASSADOR ABOUT POSSIBLE TORTURE OF ISRAELI POW'S. SAQQAF STATED THAT SYRIAN AMBASSADOR, AFTER CHECKING WITH DAMASCUS, ASSURED SAQQAF THAT SUCH STORIES WERE ISRAELI FABRICATIONS. AMBASSADOR STRESSED ADVERSE REACTION IN WORLD PRESS SHOULD ALLEGATIONS OF SYRIAN TORTURE BE TRUE, AND SAQQAF AFFIRMED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS POINT.
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