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MEMORANDUM FOR: GENERAL SCOWCROFT

FROM:

WILLIAM B. QUANDT *B.2.*

SUBJECT:

Protection for Syrian Diplomat in Washington

You may want to be aware of a problem which is being brought to the attention of Fred Buzhardt. The Syrian Minister in Washington, Salah Kabbani, asked Secretary Kissinger last week if we could provide him with protection at his residence (Embassy Row Hotel) and at his office. The Secretary asked Roy Atherton to take care of this and to insure that Kabbani receives full protection.

The Protocol Office at State has now discovered that the Executive Protective Service will not provide protection at any hotel on its own authority. Protocol is therefore asking Buzhardt to instruct Secret Service to order EPS to provide the requested protection.

It may be worth calling Buzhardt to underscore the need to be as responsive as possible to the request to provide protective services for Kabbani.

RECOMMENDATION: That you call Fred Buzhardt.

_____ Agree

_____ Other

*Buzhardt advised that he took this -
to Buzhardt on 2/26/74*

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