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FOR SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

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TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: JOINT U.S.-SAUDI ECONOMIC COMMISSIONS

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1. PROPOSED MESSAGE TO SAQQAF FOLLOWS. IF YOU CONCUR WOULD YOU REQUEST THIS TELEGRAM BE REPEATED IMMEDIATELY TO MANILA?

2. FOR AMBASSADOR SULLIVAN FROM AMBASSADOR AKINS. WOULD YOU PLEASE PASS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO SAYYID OMAR SAQQAF, SAUDI MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, NOW IN MANILA. BEGIN MESSAGE:

DEAR OMAR: I HAVE JUST RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM SECRETARY KISSINGER ON THE MATTER OF BROADER US-SAUDI COOPERATION WHICH YOU AND I HAVE DISCUSSED SO FREQUENTLY AND WHICH THE SECRETARY RAISED WITH HIS MAJESTY DURING HIS LATEST VISIT TO RIYADH. (PARAGRAPH) THE INSTRUCTIONS INCLUDE PROPOSALS FOR SETTING UP JOINT US-SAUDI COMMISSIONS ON ECONOMIC, TECHNICAL AND MILITARY MATTERS. WE HAD NEVER DISCUSSED ANYTHING REMOTELY COMPARABLE OR AS IMPORTANT WITH ANY OTHER COUNTRY IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND RARELY WITH ANY COUNTRY ANYPLACE. I KNOW YOU WILL BE GRATIFIED BY THIS DEVELOPMENT AS AM I, AND I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO YOUR RETURN WHEN WE CAN GO INTO THE

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DETAILS. I WANTED TO GET THIS TO YOU NOW AND TO GET

THE BENEFIT OF YOUR LATEST THINKING ON THE SUBJECT.
(PARAGRAPH) I WILL BE GOING TO RIYADH SOON AND PLAN TO
TALK ABOUT THIS WITH PRINCES FAHD, SULTAN AND MUSA'ID
AND WITH RASHAD PHARAON AND HISHAM NAZIR. I WILL OF
COURSE SAY, UNLESS YOU OBJECT, THAT I HAD DISCUSSED THIS
MATTER WITH YOU EARLIER, BUT NEITHER YOU OR I KNEW UNTIL
NOW EXACTLY WHAT THE WASHINGTON REACTION WOULD BE.
(PARAGRAPH) WE DON'T WANT ANYTHING LEAKED TO THE PRESS;
YOU KNOW WHAT THEY WOULD DO WITH IT. BUT I SUPPOSE
IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME UNTIL WE READ A FULL ACCOUNT
-- WITH GROSS DISTORTIONS OF COURSE -- IN THE
AMERICAN, FRENCH AND LEBANESE PRESS. I HOPE NOTHING
GETS OUT UNTIL WE'VE HAD A CHANCE TO GO INTO THE MATTER
DEEPLY AND I'VE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO PASS YOUR VIEWS
BACK TO THE SECRETARY. (PARAGRAPH WARM REGARDS. WE'RE
LOOKING FORWARD TO YOUR QUICK AND SAFE RETURN. JIM.
END MESSAGE.
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