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TAGS: ENRG, PFOR, SA, XF
SUBJECT: SAUDI WARNING TO EUROPEAN COMMUNITY

SUMMARY: SAUDI DEPARTMENT OF STATE CALLED IN AMBASSADORS FROM EEC TO WARN THEM THAT UNLESS THEY PLACE EFFECTIVE PRESSURE ON US TO CHANGE ITS POLICY TOWARD PRESENT CONFLICT, KING MAY RPT MAY HAVE TO DECREASE OIL PRODUCTION. SAG POINTED OUT EEC STATES WOULD BE FIRST TO BE AFFECTED. UK EMBASSY SOURCE FEELS WARNING MADE IN CONTEXT THAT SAG RELUCTANT TO TAKE SUCH URGENT STEP. END SUMMARY.

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1. UK EMBASSY COUNSELOR HAS INFORMED US THAT ALL AMBASSADORS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF EEC WERE CALLED IN AT 1300 LOCAL TIME TODAY (1000Z) BY DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER IBRAHIM MASIUD TO RECEIVE WRITTEN AIDE MEMOIRE FROM SAG, CONTENTS OF WHICH WERE DEALT WITH POSITION SAG FOUND ITSELF IN AFTER RE-SUPPLY EFFORT BEGUN BY UNITED STATES HAD BECOME KNOWN.

2. AIDE MEMOIRE, ACCORDING TO COUNSELOR, HAS BEEN TRANSMITTED TO LONDON (AND PREVIOUSLY OTHER EUROPEAN CAPITALS PER ADDRESSEES OF THIS TEL). MEMOIRE STATED SUCCINCTLY IN ARABIC THAT SAG WAS FACING WITH A NEED TO RESPOND TO THE AMERICAN RE-SUPPLY OF ISRAEL AND WANTED TO WARN THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMON MARKET THAT THE KING MAY FIND IT NECESSARY (ACTUAL WORD USED WAS "SAWFA" EXPRESSING INTENTION SLIGHTLY STRONGER THAN MAY) TO REDUCE OR DECREASE THE PRODUCTION OF OIL. IT WAS UP TO EEC STATES TO TRY TO GET US TO CHANGE ITS POLICY IN THE CONFLICT, PARTICULARLY ON SUPPLY OF ARMS AT THIS TIME TO ISRAEL. NOTE STATED THAT EUROPE WOULD BE FIRST TO BE AFFECTED BY ANY REDUCTION.

3. UK AMBASSADOR WAS ONLY MEMBER PRESENT TO RESPOND, SAYING THAT HE HAD TO RESERVE HIS GOVERNMENT'S ATTITUDE TOWARDS THIS INITIATIVE. UK COUNSELOR SAID THAT MEETING HELD IN ATMOSPHERE OF DEEP REGRETS OF SAG IN TAKING THIS STEP IF IT CHOSE TO DO SO AND THAT DECISION WAS NOT YET FINAL AND IRREVOCABLE.

4. WE HAVE CONFIRMED THAT MINPET YAMANI AND HIS ABU DHABI COUNTERPART DIABRI DEPARTED RIYADH FOR KUWAIT MEETING ON OCT 15.

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NOTE BY OC/IT: NOT PASSED CAIRO OR BAGHDAD.