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TERRORIST INCIDENT WORKING GROUP (TIWG) MEETING


Thursday, December 6, 1984
2:00-3:00 p.m.
White House Situation Room

- I. INTELLIGENCE CIA
 - A. Kuwaiti hijacking update
 - ➔ B. Info being shared with other governments

- II. PRESENT SITUATION. State/CIA
 - A. Diplomatic contacts regarding hijacking
 - B. Kuwaiti intentions
 - C. Ability to use incident to further U.S. goals in combatting terrorism

- III. NEXT STEPS/OPTIONS.. . . . Chairman



- IV. CONGRESSIONAL/PUBLIC AFFAIRS GUIDANCE. . . . Chairman
 - A. Timing of public diplomacy effort 
 - B. Congressional briefings?
 - C. Press guidance/information re U.S. citizens

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TAGS: PTER, OPDC, PREL, US, SA, KU, IR

SUBJECT: KUWAITI HIJACKING: MESSAGE FROM THE
PRESIDENT FOR KING FAHD

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2. FOLLOWING IN PARAGRAPH THREE IS THE TEXT OF A LETTER
FROM THE PRESIDENT TO KING FAHD WHICH SHOULD BE DELIVERED
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

3. BEGIN TEXT: YOUR MAJESTY: THE PAINFUL SITUATION
INVOLVING THE HIJACKED KUWAITI AIRLINER TO TEHRAN HAS NOW
ENDED. I WANT TO EXPRESS TO YOU MY SINCERE GRATITUDE AND
APPRECIATION FOR YOUR PERSONAL EFFORTS AND THOSE OF YOUR
GOVERNMENT IN BRINGING THIS UNFORTUNATE SITUATION TO AN
END. YOUR PERSONAL INTERVENTION WITH THE IRANIAN
LEADERSHIP AND THE OTHER STEPS YOUR GOVERNMENT TOOK TO
PUT PRESSURE ON THE IRANIAN GOVERNMENT TO LIVE UP TO ITS
RESPONSIBILITIES CLEARLY HAD A POSITIVE EFFECT. I HOPE
OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS AND OTHERS OF LIKE MIND CAN CONCERT
QUIETLY ON HOW BEST TO GENERATE EFFECTIVE ACTION ~~TO DEAL~~ *FOR DEALING*
WITH THE LONGER-TERM PROBLEM OF IRANIAN-INSPIRED
TERRORISM. AS YOUR MAJESTY IS WELL AWARE, THAT THREAT
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SUBJECT: LETTER FROM PRESIDENT REAGAN TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SWISS CONFEDERATION

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2. FOLLOWING IN PARAGRAPH THREE IS THE TEXT OF A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SWISS CONFEDERATION, LEON SCHLUMPF, WHICH SHOULD BE DELIVERED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

3. BEGIN TEXT: DEAR PRESIDENT SCHLUMPF: THE PAINFUL SITUATION INVOLVING THE HIJACKED KUWAITI AIRLINER TO TEHRAN HAS NOW ENDED. I WANT TO EXPRESS TO YOU MY SINCERE GRATITUDE AND APPRECIATION FOR THE UNSTINTING EFFORTS BY MEMBERS OF YOUR GOVERNMENT IN BRINGING THIS UNFORTUNATE SITUATION TO AN END. IN PARTICULAR, I WOULD LIKE TO COMMEND THE OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE OF AMBASSADOR SALVI AND HIS ABLE STAFF IN TEHRAN WHO, ACTING TO PROTECT AMERICAN INTERESTS, USED THEIR INFLUENCE AND GOOD OFFICES REPEATEDLY BOTH TO ENCOURAGE THE IRANIAN AUTHORITIES TO LIVE UP TO THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES AND, LATER, TO ARRANGE FOR THE SHIPMENT OF THE REMAINS OF THE TWO AMERICAN VICTIMS AND THE REPATRIATION OF THOSE WHO

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SINCERELY, RONALD REAGAN. END TEXT. 44

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TAGS: PREL, PTER, US, KU, PK

SUBJECT: LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT TO PRESIDENT ZIA AL-HUQ ON THE KUWAIT AIRLINER HIJACKING

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2. FOLLOWING IN PARAGRAPH THREE IS THE TEXT OF A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT TO PRESIDENT ZIA AL-HUQ WHICH SHOULD BE DELIVERED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

3. BEGIN ^{ASBURE} TEXT: DEAR ^{OF} PRESIDENT ZIA: THE PAINFUL SITUATION INVOLVING THE HIJACKED KUWAITI AIRLINER TO TEHRAN HAS NOW ENDED. DURING OUR COMMUNICATIONS OVER THE PAST SEVERAL DAYS, WE HAD BOTH AGREED ON THE IMPORTANCE OF ADOPTING MEASURES AND TAKING STEPS TO END THIS CURRENT TRAGEDY WITHOUT FURTHER LOSS OF INNOCENT LIVES. I WANT ~~TO EXPRESS~~ TO YOU MY SINCERE GRATITUDE AND APPRECIATION FOR YOUR PERSONAL EFFORTS AND THOSE OF YOUR GOVERNMENT IN BRINGING THIS UNFORTUNATE SITUATION TO AN END. IN PARTICULAR, I WOULD LIKE TO COMMEND THE OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE OF YOUR AMBASSADOR IN TEHRAN WHO CONTINUALLY USED HIS INFLUENCE TO ENCOURAGE THE IRANIAN AUTHORITIES TO LIVE UP TO THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES.

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SINCERELY, RONALD REAGAN. 44

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