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COUNTRY: UAR

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SUBJECT: CURRENT STATUS OF UAR PRESIDENT NASIR'S
HEALTH

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1.

EVERY TWO DAYS UAR PRESIDENT NASIR
HAS A BLOOD TEST TAKEN BY HIS PERSONAL PHYSICIAN, DR. AHMAD
GHARIB. THE RESULTS OF THE TESTS HAVE SHOWN THAT HIS
GLUCOSE LEVEL HAS RISEN TO 6.5 GRAMS ON AN ACETONE BASE,

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WHICH IS KNOWN TO BE MEDICALLY DANGEROUS NASIR IS PALE, NERVOUS, AND HAS LOST ABOUT 15 POUNDS. HE IS ON A STRICT VEGETARIAN DIET AND NO LONGER PLAYS HIS USUAL GAME OF TENNIS AT 1700 IN THE EVENING. [REDACTED] COMMENT. ACCORDING TO A PREVIOUS REPORT, [REDACTED]

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NASIR'S DIABETIC CONDITION WAS AT THAT TIME DIAGNOSED AS OUT OF CONTROL, WITH A GLUCOSE LEVEL OF 3.50 GRAMS ON AN ACETONE BASE. ACCORDING TO MEDICAL ADVICE AVAILABLE TO THIS OFFICE, THE GLUCOSE COUNT REPORTED IN PARAGRAPH ONE ABOVE IS INORDINATELY HIGH AND WOULD ALMOST CERTAINLY RESULT IN THE ONSET OF DIABETIC SHOCK, PARTICULARLY IN THE CASE OF A PATIENT SUBJECTED TO THE TENSIONS AND STRAIN THAT HAVE BESET NASIR IN THE LAST TWO MONTHS. THERE HAVE BEEN NO RECENT REPORTED INDICATIONS THAT NASIR HAS SUFFERED A DIABETIC SHOCK.)

2. NASIR VERY RARELY LEAVES HIS HOUSE NOW AND RECEIVES ONLY THOSE PEOPLE WHOM HE MUST. HE APPEARS TO HAVE WITHDRAWN INTO HIS FAMILY, DEPENDING INCREASINGLY ON THE COMPANY OF HIS CHILDREN AND WIFE. HE INVITES HIS MARRIED DAUGHTER OVER TO WATCH TELEVISION ALMOST EVERY EVENING. ALSO HE IS NOT READING AS MUCH AS HE USED TO. WHEN NASIR TALKS TO PEOPLE, HE TENDS TO AVOID MEETING THEIR EYES. HIS TONE OF SPEECH HAS BECOME MUCH MORE MILD, AND HE USES THE WORD "PLEASE", WHICH HE NEVER USED TO DO.

3. NASIR DID NOT INVITE THE ARAB HEADS OF STATE TO VISIT CAIRO IN MID-JULY. THEY ANNOUNCED THAT THEY WERE COMING, AND HE HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO RECEIVE THEM.

AT THE END OF JUNE, NASIR WAS OPPOSED TO THE IDEA OF MAKING A SPEECH ON THE 23 JULY ANNIVERSARY. IN THE END HE CHANGED HIS MIND, BUT GAVE AN ORDER THAT WORK

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WAS TO GO ON AS USUAL THAT DAY. ON HIS WAY TO THE UNIVERSITY AUDITORIUM TO DELIVER HIS SPEECH, HE HAD ONLY A MOTORCYCLE ESCORT AND THERE WAS NO PARADE.

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