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1. ISRAEL-LEBANON-IRAN: SITUATION REPORT [REDACTED] b3
CAR BOMBING IN SECURITY ZONE

FIVE ISRAELI SOLDIERS WERE WOUNDED IN A SUICIDE CAR BOMBING IN THE SECURITY ZONE IN SOUTHERN LEBANON. HIZBALLAH CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ATTACK, CALLING IT A PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO IRANIAN LEADER KHAMENEI. [REDACTED] b3

COMMENT: TEL AVIV WILL WANT TO DEMONSTRATE ITS HANDS ARE NOT TIED BY THE HOSTAGE CRISIS, WHICH ISRAELI OFFICIALS PUBLICLY HAVE SAID COULD CONTINUE FOR MONTHS, AND ALMOST CERTAINLY WILL RETALIATE FOR THE SUICIDE ATTACK- PROBABLY WITH AIRSTRIKES- WITHIN THE NEXT

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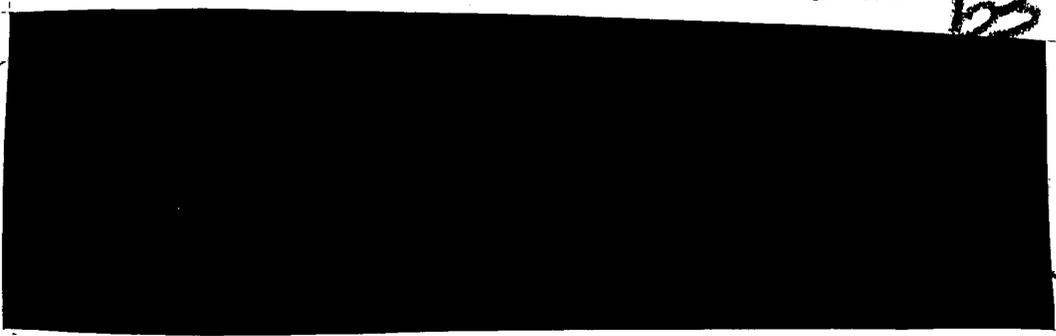
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FEW DAYS. A HIZBALLAH CAR BOMBING LAST OCTOBER PROVOKED AN AIR RAID AGAINST HIZBALLAH STRONGHOLDS IN THE SOUTHERN BEKAA VALLEY TWO DAYS LATER. AN ISRAELI MILITARY RESPONSE PROBABLY WOULD RENEW THE SPIRAL OF VIOLENCE SET OFF BY THE KIDNAPPING OF SHAYKH UBAYD.



2. INDIA-PAKISTAN: SIKH VIOLENCE MAY HARM RELATIONS

HEIGHTENED SIKH VIOLENCE IN NORTHERN INDIA IN THE PAST TWO DAYS COULD SHARPEN INDIAN FEARS OF PAKISTANI SUPPORT TO SIKH TERRORISTS AND UNDERMINE ATTEMPTS TO IMPROVE RELATIONS.

A BOMB EXPLODED ON A BUS BOUND FOR NEW DELHI YESTERDAY, KILLING 13 AND INJURING 25 HINDUS. JAMMU CITY IN THE STATE OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR WAS PLACED UNDER INDEFINITE CURFEW AFTER A SIKH ATTACK ON HINDUS KILLED FIVE, INJURED 10, AND SPARKED WIDESPREAD VIOLENCE.

INCREASED SIKH TERRORISM AND ALLEGATIONS OF RENEWED PAKISTANI SUPPORT WILL MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR PRIME MINISTER GANDHI TO IMPROVE RELATIONS WITH PAKISTAN. THE OCCURRENCE OF SIKH-HINDU VIOLENCE OUTSIDE ITS USUAL LOCALE IN PUNJAB AND EXTENSIVE PRESS COVERAGE WILL MAKE GANDHI VULNERABLE TO OPPOSITION CHARGES THAT HE IS IGNORING NATIONAL SECURITY.

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X--FRONTLINE STATES MEET TODAY IN ZAMBIA . . . LIKELY TO DISCUSS ANGOLAN RECONCILIATION, NAMIBIAN TRANSITION TO INDEPENDENCE, SOUTH AFRICA'S REGIONAL OVERTURES . . . MAY ALSO ENDORSE MOZAMBIKAN PEACE TALKS, REACH CONSENSUS ON ANC NEGOTIATING STRATEGY TOWARD PRETORIA. [REDACTED]

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