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PROJECT NUMBER: 8808 SESSION NUMBER: 90
DATE OF SESSION: 19 MAY 88 DATE OF REPORT: 19 MAY 88
START: 1000 END: 1115
METHODOLOGY: WRV VIEWER IDENTIFIER: 079

1. (S/NF/SK) MISSION: Phase I of this mission determined that LTC William (Rich) Higgins is alive and described his mental and emotional status. The second part of the mission consists of determining his current location.

2. (S/NF/SK) VIEWER TASKING: Conduct a search and determine the current location of LTC Higgins.

3. (S/NF/SK) COMMENTS: No inclemencies noted. High degree of correlation exists with other viewers regarding the immediate surroundings of LTC Higgins.

4. (S/NF/SK): EVALUATION:

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SUMMARY

At this time, Date Time Group 191030Z MAY 88, USMC LTC William Higgins is being held in a very small rowboat located at Grid Indicator "C-7", estimated as being located at about 9.5 statute miles west of a point slightly higher than the geographical location known as "Al Khidr". See Grid Reading "H-3". Higgins will be moved from this position within the next twenty-eight hours. His captors have been unsuccessful in bringing (delivering) LTC Higgins to Beirut. They reached the southern outskirts of Beirut in an area located in the vicinity of Ayat, Aynnub and Alayn (Grid Indicator H-3); while at these locations, the captors received assistance locally but were unable to proceed further. Their trek north towards Beirut was curtailed as a result of the infighting in southern Beirut by the rival Shiite factions, the Hezbollah and the Amal groups. LTC Higgins will be released when he is driven to the outskirts of Beirut in an area described as soft and grassy. Prior to his release, he will be allowed (forced) to see the other US hostages. Notification of his release by the captors will be telephonic. Subsequent to his release from captivity, LTC Higgins will be transported home by ship. LTC Higgins is acutely aware of the fact that he is being held in a very small craft (boat).

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day after higgins release date soon on or about june 2nd
20 hours from now--

lets show you where higgins is

we must show you exact way of travel in and around areas of city

holes THE TRUTH WILL BE HERE

GO TO BERUIT AND LET US SHOW YOU

MOVE HIM FREQUENTLY

CAN'T GET HIM SITUATED LIKE THEY WANTED, BECAUSE OF INTERNAL
FACTIONS

GO UPWARD TO CITY

WAIT SEVERAL HOURS 20 TO 28 HOURS
SITUATION IS EXTREME

HE WAS TAKEN IN AND AROUND - OUT

SEE THE HILL COMING IN CLOSE TO CITY - LOW HILL GOING UP INTO THE
CITY OF BERUIT.

THEY CAN'T GET INTO THE CITY BECAUSE OF FIGHTING ACTIVITIES
CURTAILED

NOT GOOD - NOT GOOD FOR THEM TO BE HERE TO MUCH LINE OF SIGH

THIS WAS A HELP TO THE HOSTAGES

THEY NEVER MADE IT INTO THE CITY - THEY TRIED TO MOVE HIM TO THE
OTHER HOSTAGES

HIDING HIM IN WATER HOLES - TINY BOATS

HE IS OK

THEY ARE PLACING HIM

NOT STRICT CONTROL BUT HE HAS NO PLACE TO GO

THE CAPTORS ARE WITH HIM SOMETHIMES BUT THEY HAVE MORE MOBILITY

EMERGENCE

HE WILL SURFACE SOON

WATER IS DIFFICULT TO KEEP HIM FOR LONG - HBE WILL EMERGE SOON

HE REALIZES HE IS ON WATER - NOT LONG HAS HE BEEN IN WATER 2 DAYS

MAYBE TWO MORE

WAS A DUMB MOVE BUT GIVES CAPTORS BREATHING ROOM - COMING FROM
WATER TO LAND - HE COMES HOME IN BIG SHIP - CRESSED IN WHITE,
SHORT SLEEVE UNIFORM

HE LOVES US VERY MUCH

THE TERRORIST WILL BE ABLE TO GIVE HIM UP READILY- EASILY

HIGGENS WILL BE ABLE TO GO TO OTHER HOSTAGES AND SEE THEM

HIGGENS' TERRORIST GO TO TERRAIN OF SOFT GRASS, RADIO IN - PICKED
UP ALONE, STANDING, GIVE HIM UP READILY, AVAILABLE

THEY DO NOT WISH TO SPEAK TO ANYONE - NEAR THE OUTSKIRTS OF
BERUIT

HE WILL DRIVE NEAR OUTSKIRTS NORTH

HE WILL BE ASSOCIATED WITH MILITARY

TERRORISTS ARE TIRED

THEY ARE READY

BECAUSE THEY CANNOT GET HIM SITUATED WITH OTHERS