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Tn: FROM: GENERAL SCOWCROFT SECRETARY KISSINGER

PLEASE HAVE WINSTON LORD CONVEY THE FOLLOWING AS SOON AS

POSSIBLE FROM ME TO THE LAUNDRYMEN:

IN THE SPIRIT OF CLOSE CONSULTATION BETWEEN THE PRC AND US, I WANT TO INCORM THE CHINESE LEADERS IN ADVANCE OF THE FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT WHICH HAS JUST BEEN AGREED UPON AND WHICH WILL BE MADE AT THE WHITE HOUSE AROUND 1:00 P.M. TODAY

(WEDNESDAY):

"THE DISCUSSIONS CONDUCTED BY UNITED STATES SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER WITH SYRIA AND ISRAEL HAVE LED TO AN AGREEMENT ON THE DISENGAGEMENT OF SYRIAN AND ISRAELI FORCES. THE AGREEMENT WILL BE SIGNED BY SYRIAN AND ISRAELI MILITARY REPRESENTATIVES IN THE EGYPTIAN-ISRAELI MILITARY WORKING GROUP OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE ON FRIDAY, MAY 31ST, 1974, IN GENEVA."

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THE DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT TSELF FOLLOWS THE MODEL OF THE EGYPTIAN-ISRAELI AGREEMENT OF JANUARY. IT IS INTENDED AS THE FIRST STEP TOWARD ACHIEVEMENT OF A JUST AND DURABLE PEACE SETTLEMENT IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

ALL THE RELEVANT DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED, AND THE SIGNING AT GENEVA WILL BE PURELY CEREMONIAL. UNITED STATES AND SOVIET REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE PRESENT AT THE SIGNING AND WHILE TECHNICAL DETAILS OF IMPLEMENTATION ARE BEING WORKED OUT

BY THE PARTIES IN THE GENEVA MILITARY WORKING GROUP. I WANT THE CHINESE LEADERS TO KNOW THAT I PAID A HALF-HOUR COURTESY CALL ON GROWYKO IN DAMASCUS AFTER MIDNIGHT TUESDAY NIGHT, ON MY WAY TO THE AIRPORT. IT WAS PURELY A COURTESY CALL AND TOOK PLACE AFTER THE NEGOTIATIONS HAD BEEN COMPLETED.

State Dept. review completed

ON-FILE NSC RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS APPLY

THE CHINESE LEADERS WILL APPRECIATE THAT ALL OF THE EFFORT THAT HAS BEEN MADE BY THE UNITED STATES IN THE NEGOTIATION HAS BEEN IN PURSUANCE OF THE BASIC STRATEGY WHICH HAS BEEN DISCUSSED

*WHSR COMMENT *

SCOWCROFT, MCFARLANE, RODMAN, SECFLE

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MANY TIMES WITH THE CHINESE SIDE. PLEASE CONVEY MY WARM PERSONAL REGARDS TO ALL MY CHINESE FRIENDS.

I WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH THE CHINESE SIDE AT AN EARLY DATE AFTER MY RETURN TO WASHINGTON TO DISCUSS OTHER FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

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