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COUNTRY: (U) ISRAEL (IS); LEBANON (LE).

SUBJ: (U) MEMBER OF KNESSET, RAFAEL ((EITAN)), CALLS FOR EXPANSION OF SECURITY ZONE IN SOUTH LEBANON. (U)

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TEXT: 1. (U) AFTER LAST WEEKS DEATH OF A 14 YEAR OLD BOY IN KIRYAT SHEMONA FROM A KATUSHA ROCKET ATTACK, RAFAEL ((EITAN)), FORMER IDF CHIEF OF STAFF AND CURRENT MEMBER OF KNESSET, HAS MADE A DEMAND ON THE GOVERNMENT THAT THE SECURITY ZONE IN SOUTHERN LEBANON BE EXTENDED SUFFICIENTLY TO PROTECT THE RESIDENTS FROM TERRORIST WEAPONS. CURRENTLY THE SECURITY ZONE IS SHALLOWER THAN THE 22 KILOMETER RANGE OF THE KATUSHA ROCKETS USED BY THE TERRORISTS. HE FURTHER WARNS THAT IF THE TERRORISTS CHANGE TO WEAPONS WITH LONGER RANGES, THE SECURITY ZONE SHOULD BE EVEN FURTHER EXTENDED TO WHATEVER IS REQUIRED TO PROTECT CITIZENS ON THE NORTHERN BORDER.

2. (U) EITAN BELIEVES THE IDF IS COMPETENT TO DEAL

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WITH THE HIZBULLAH BUT FEELS IT MUST TAKE THE INITIATIVE. HE ARGUES THAT FIRST INTELLIGENCE MUST EXPEND ADEQUATE EFFORT AGAINST HIZBULLAH TARGETS AND THEN A COMBINED AIR, SEA AND LAND OPERATION MUST BE INITIATED AND CONTINUED UNTIL THE THREAT IS NEUTRALIZED.

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