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COUNTRY: (U) ISRAEL (IS); WEST BANK (WE); GAZA
(GZ);
EGYPT (EG).

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(b)(1), Sec. 1.4(c)

SUBJECT: (b)(3):10 USC 424 01/30 MAR (b)(3):10 USC 424 ON AL-
AQSA INTIFADA AND EGYPT (U)

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SUMMARY: (~~S/NF~~)

(b)(1); Sec. 1.4(c)

EXPRESSES PESSIMISM ABOUT INTIFADA AND REAFFIRMS IDF WILL TAKE A MORE PROACTIVE APPROACH. REVEALS THAT EGYPTIAN GID DIRECTOR VISITED ISRAEL TWO WEEKS AGO TO DISCUSS INTIFADA VIOLENCE.

TEXT: 1. (~~S/NF~~)

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REPEATED FAMILIAR THEMES ON THE INTIFADA AND SAID THAT HE IS "QUITE PESSIMISTIC ABOUT THE FUTURE" AND THAT HE CANNOT "SEE ANY AGREEMENT". IN RESPONSE TO A QUERY ABOUT ISRAEL'S NEXT STEP IN THE TERRITORIES, (b)(1); Sec. 1.4(c) THE IDF'S CHALLENGE IS "TO FIGHT ONLY THOSE WHO FIGHT US AND TO EASE THE SITUATION ON THE PEOPLE." HE SAID THIS IS VERY DIFFICULT BECAUSE "WE DON'T KNOW WHO THE ENEMY IS" BECAUSE THERE IS NO COORDINATION BETWEEN THE IDF AND THE PA SECURITY FORCES.

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THE IDF WILL TRY TO EASE THE CLOSURES WHEN POSSIBLE, BUT WILL ALSO TRY TO INCREASE "DELIBERATE ACTIONS AGAINST THE ENEMY, EVEN THOUGH IT MIGHT ESCALATE THE SITUATION."

(b)(3):10 USC 424; (b)(1); Sec. 1.4(c)

2. (~~S/NF~~) ON THE SUBJECT OF EGYPT.

CAIRO DOES NOT WANT ISRAEL TO REACH AN AGREEMENT WITH THE PALESTINIANS. HE SAID HE

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BELIEVES THE EGYPTIANS WOULD LIKE ISRAEL TO "REMAIN EMBROILED IN PROBLEMS AND ATTRITION WARS", BECAUSE THIS
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TENDS TO DIMINISH ISRAEL'S STATUS AS A REGIONAL POWER. OF NOTE, HE SAID THAT THE EGYPTIAN DIRECTOR OF THE GENERAL INTELLIGENCE DIRECTORATE MG OMAR MAHMOUD ((SOLIMAN)) HAD BEEN IN ISRAEL TWO WEEKS AGO ON AN OFFICIAL VISIT "TO EXPLORE WAYS TO KEEP THE VIOLENCE DOWN TO A MANAGEABLE LEVEL". (b)(1), Sec 1.4(c)
EGYPT IS CONTENT WITH THE INTIFADA AS LONG AS IT DOES NOT ESCALATE TOO MUCH AND THREATEN THEIR OWN INTERNAL STABILITY.

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