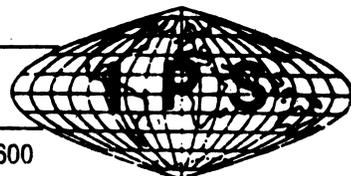


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SYRIANS SABOTAGE ARAB LEAGUE INTERVENTION, PRESS ON TOWARD BEIRUT; FIGHTING HEAVY

NEW YORK, June 11, 1300 hrs EDT (NSIPS)—The planned intervention into Lebanon by Arab League peace-keeping forces has "come to an end and is no longer operable," as Syrian forces with "all the authority they could muster have said that they plan to stay in Lebanon until the job is finished," WINS radio here has just reported. According to the station, substantial fighting was renewed last night in which at least 80 people were killed.

Earlier reports from European media sources similarly reported that the Syrian invasion is proceeding apace and is provoking heavy fighting in Lebanon. Citing a Palestinian spokesman, French radio reports that "there has never been a real ceasefire." West Germany's Deutschlandfunk radio claims that "the fighting has increased on all fronts. The Syrian troops are advancing toward Beirut and shooting at Palestinian refugee camps."

Swedish radio reported this morning that "further Syrian troops have entered Lebanon and it seems that the Syrians are out for a military solution. Earlier information that a pan-Arab peace force has arrived in Lebanon appears to be wrong. The arriving forces were Syrian troops."

Reached for comment in Washington this morning, an Arab diplomatic source reported that Syrian units are now being airlifted into Beirut International Airport for further fighting. CBS radio reports that a Palestine Liberation Organization communique also claims that large numbers of Syrian troops were airlifted into Beirut. The communique also reports that Syrian ground-to-ground missiles have been installed to the south and east of Beirut.

"FEVERISH CONSULTATIONS" LEAD TO "TOTAL REVISION" OF ISRAELI POLICY

June 11 (NSIPS)—"Feverish consultations" were held over the night of June 9-10 that led to a "total revision" of Israeli policy in respect to Lebanon, today's L'Humanite, newspaper of the French Communist Party, reports. Citing the Israeli rightist newspaper Maariv, L'Humanite states that the Israeli government decided to

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take upon itself the right to take any actions needed to face the arrival of new Arab units in Lebanon.

Also citing Maariv, the French daily Le Figaro today reports the original concept of the "red line" conditions under which Israel would intervene into Lebanon if Syrian intervention went beyond a certain point "is no longer reliable after the arrival of Arab extremist units in Lebanon. A new situation is being created."

At the same time, Israeli Chief of Staff General Mordechai Gur told a group of Israeli soldiers yesterday that Palestinian guerrillas now fighting in Lebanon were gaining battle experience that they would later use against Israel. According to the New York Times, Gur warned that "if the fighting ends in Lebanon, we must expect these forces will be turned against us."

MAPAM DEMANDS RABIN REPUDIATE DAYAN AND PERES, MOVE FOR ISRAELI PEACE PLAN

June 11 (NSIPS)--At a national party convention currently being held in Israel, the leftist Mapam Party "made it clear" that it was prepared to pull out of the ruling coalition with the Labour Party if Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin did not "come up with a clear plan for peace with the Arab states and declare its official opposition to Israel's hawks, personified by General Moshe Dayan and supported in the Cabinet by Mr. Peres," yesterday's London Daily Telegraph reports.

Attending the conference, Rabin declared that "Israel is available to make major territorial concessions to the Arab countries, if they agree to deal with Israel for a peaceful and definite solution of the Middle East conflict," the Italian Socialist Party newspaper, Avanti, today reports. Avanti comments that "it is remarkable that this declaration came at the peak of the Lebanon conflict."

EVANS AND NOVAK: ASSAD HAS GONE TOO FAR TO TURN BACK

June 11 (NSIPS)--Writing in today's New York Post, CIA conduit columnists Roland Evans and Robert Novak state that Syrian President "Assad's adventure (in Lebanon) has gone too far to be turned back. If he fails and is overthrown, Israel's watch-and-wait and see policy may also be overthrown, to be replaced by an Israeli invasion of southern Lebanon....Down that road lies Middle Eastern war and a turn of the clock back to October 1973, when the U.S. and the Soviet Union hovered on the brink of World War III."

The columnists quote a Ford Administration official as saying that "Assad has a tiger by the tail and he may not be able to let go. What he is trying to do may not be doable."

While Israeli "hawks," they say, have long "been hoping that a pretext would someday present itself for occupying the southern portion of defenseless Lebanon up to the Litani River," Washington assurances that Assad is only interested in wiping out "Moslem left-wing extremists, including the hated Palestine Liberation Organization," have so far persuaded Israel to hold back.

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Now, however, Assad's tanks have met stiff and unexpected resistance from "well-armed, bandit type gangs which roam at will" in Lebanon. Moreover, "clandestine propaganda...from Syria points to an anti-Assad reaction beginning to bubble." Assad's failure in Lebanon could prove "fatal," they state, and if "he is replaced by a more radical regime, Israel would confront...a more dangerous Lebanon...a newly-radicalized Syria...together with new Syrian bellicosity in the Israeli-occupied Golan Heights."

The other "tragedy" that points to an escalation in the Mideast war danger, the columnists write, "is the importance of today's U.S. Mideast policy," which is totally intermeshed, according to them, with the success or failure of Assad's intervention in Lebanon.

FORD DISPATCHES TOP AIDE TO MIDEAST

WASHINGTON, D.C., June 11 (NSIPS)—Director of the Office of Management and Budget James Lynn will leave for the Mideast soon to investigate the parameters of various foreign aid programs to countries in that region. The dispatch to the Mideast of Lynn, who is a holdover from the Nixon Administration and who is known to be close to President Ford, rather than a State Department official, is viewed as unusual by Washington observers.

INFLUENTIAL JEWISH SOURCE SAYS "OUTSIDE FORCES" TRYING TO RESTRAIN ISRAEL

CHICAGO, June 11 (NSIPS)—An influential source in the American Jewish community said today that there are "strong efforts coming from the outside to restrain Israel" in the current tense situation in the Mideast. The source indicated that President Ford as well as influential private citizens are in close contact with the Israelis and trying to prevent them from acting in Lebanon.

The major problem, the source indicated, is President Ford's continued refusal to fire his war-mongering Secretary of State, Henry Kissinger, because of what Ford perceives as the Reagan threat.

LEBANON'S FALANGE OPPOSES ARAB LEAGUE MOVE, BACKS SYRIA

June 11 (NSIPS)—Lebanon's still-untoppled fascist President Suleiman Franjeh "has opposed the Arab League's call for dispatch to Lebanon of a security force" that would include units from various nations and "has backed the Syrian military intervention," the Washington Post reports today. According to Post reporter Douglas Watson from Beirut, Franjeh stated, "We warn against any decision that may be taken about Lebanon without our approval because it would be null and void."

Further public attacks against the Arab League move came from the leader of the fascist Falange party, Pierre Gemayel, who stressed, "There is no need for an Arab united army to come to Lebanon to bring security, because we already have the Syrian forces here to pacify the country." Watson notes that the Lebanese rightists are still actively pushing for a French military

intervention and that if they continue to oppose the Arab League peace-keeping force proposal, "its chances of success will be substantially reduced."

Reporting on these right-wing activities, the French Communist Party's newspaper, L'Humanite, notes that Franjieh has called for a "military mobilization" against Arab League intervention in Lebanon and is getting full backing on this from fascist Interior Minister Camille Chamoun. "This right-wing attack against the left was very probably engineered by Syria, who pushed Franjieh for this," L'Humanite comments.

LOPEZ PORTILLO CONDEMNS OAS MEETING AS FASCIST

June 11 (NSIPS)—Mexican President Luis Echeverria's successor Jose Lopez Portillo three days ago made clear that Mexico's decision not to attend the Organization of American States (OAS) meeting being held in Chile was taken "so that our absence underlines our decision to repudiate fascism." Portillo made these statements at a Presidential campaign rally, on the eve of the arrival of U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger for a four-day visit to Mexico on his way back from the OAS conference.

After a strong condemnation of fascism, which he referred to as "the dark shadow which is beginning to cover Latin America," Lopez Portillo made a call for fighting fascism "and its unequivocal expressions of terrorism" both at home and abroad. His statements were reported yesterday by Excelsior, a Mexico City daily.

MEXICAN FINANCE MINISTER PLEDGES FURTHER AUSTERITY

June 11 (NSIPS)—Speaking as the guest of honor at a dinner given by the American Chamber of Commerce in Mexico on June 9, Mexican Finance Minister Ramon Beteta reaffirmed his belief that Mexico's huge foreign debt "is within our capacity for payment" and that inflation would be fought by managing "aggregate demand." In addition, according to the Mexican daily El Sol, Beteta told his audience that his economic policies were designed to fight inflation "within what is realistically possible, so that expenditures are adjusted to income, within a policy of budgetary discipline."

The Mexican Finance Minister, speaking a day before U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger addressed the same Chamber in Mexico City, also claimed that foreign investments and debt-servicing led to the growth of the productive capacity of the country. Warning against one-sided views against making payments on the 22 billion dollar Mexican foreign debt, Beteta pleased his U.S. backers by telling them that "if this (positive) side is not taken into account, one runs the risk of being partial in judgment and of only seeing the black side of the moon, without seeing the side that shines so beautifully on earth."

MONTERREY GROUP AGENT CALLS FOR FASCIST LABOR POLICIES FOR MEXICO

June 11 (NSIPS)—Institute for Policy Studies Mexican agent R. Guajardo Suarez three days ago charged that the Agrarian Reform

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(the government policy designed to equitably distribute land to the peasantry, which dates from the 1910 Mexican Revolution) "has come to its end." Guajardo Suarez, a representative of the powerful right-wing group of industrialists known as the "Monterrey Group," made his statements two days ago at a meeting of IEPES, the ruling PRI party's group of experts in charge of elaborating the program for Jose Lopez Portillo, Mexico's next President. Instead, Guajardo Suarez proposed a fascist labor policy of "full employment," which, he says, "should be intimately tied to productivity," especially in agriculture, within a new system of land tenure which would do away with communal land holdings by turning them into "private property."

Guajardo Suarez elaborated his genocidal proposals in an article the same day in the Mexico City daily El Universal, in which he calls for "intensive hand labor" instead of technology for agriculture so as not to "reduce the possibilities of employment."

Guajardo Suarez' statements at the IEPES meeting were reported in Excelsior, a Mexico City daily.

LOAN CUT-OFF IN MEXICO CITY TO CUT GROWTH

June 11 (NSIPS)—A liquidity crisis now shaking up the Mexican banking system will result in a drop in economic growth during the fall and winter quarters, according to leading Mexican bankers interviewed yesterday by the newspaper El Sol. "The private banking sector has instituted a 'virtual freeze' in loans" in the industrial Mexico City area, bankers told the Mexican newspaper, stressing that "this situation will not improve in the short run."

PERUVIAN UNION BLAMES RIGHT-WING POLICEMEN, GUARDIA CIVIL, FOR PROVOKING RIOT

LIMA, June 11 (NSIPS)—Peru's Guardia Civil has been accused of provoking a major six-hour riot June 4 involving 4,000 workers, police and residents of the area in Lima, Peru. The accusation was made by the leadership of the striking workers NYLON SA union affiliated to Peruvian Communist Party (CPP)-led General Confederation of Peruvian Workers (CGTP). Maoists armed with Molotov cocktails, Guardia Civil policemen and workers fought on a five-mile stretch of highway. Over 60 were injured and two reportedly died.

The right-wing-dominated Guardia Civil was implicated previously in provoking the Feb. 5, 1975 riots in a destabilization operation against the progressive government of then-President Velasco Alvarado.

NEW YORK TIMES GOES AFTER FORD AND THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

June 11 (NSIPS)—The New York Times served notice yesterday that it will resort to any trick in Goebbels' book to sabotage the reelection campaign of President Gerald Ford and destroy the Republican Party in the process.

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In a front-page article based on a New York Times poll in California, Ohio and New Jersey, the New York Times today predicts that as many as 35 per cent of Republican Party voters will defect from the GOP in November to vote for Democrat Jimmy Carter. This survey found that both Ford and Reagan supporters would abandon their party en masse "if their Republican favorite was not the nominee." According to the same account, there would be minimal defection from the Democrats, and Carter would win back two-thirds of the Democrats who defected to Nixon in 1972.

An editorial on Ford then cites "disinterested political observers" that Reagan would give Carter "a much stiffer battle for the electoral votes of the South than would the President." Meanwhile, the Republican Party will incur "increasing risks of personal bitterness and ideological disappointment."

Times columnist William Safire goes even further, outlining how in the next six weeks the bandwagon-jumping in the Democratic Party will elevate Carter in the polls and will produce polls that show that neither Ford nor Reagan can win against him. Safire predicts that uncommitted Republicans will decide to go with their "sentimental favorite," Reagan, if neither can win and they're just "going for the ride." The other possibility is that they will reason that if any Republican is to win, he will have to take California and Texas and the Wallace votes in the South, and only Reagan could accomplish that.

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