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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

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SUBJECT: Proposed State-DoD Message to Beirut With Guidance on *FCI*
Liaison Between Marines and IDF (U) -- ACTION MEMORANDUM *recheck- RCR*

As you know, the 24 March agreement between USMNF Commander Col. Mead and IDF BG Lifkin, for regular exchange of operational information, is not being adhered to by the Israelis. On two occasions, IDF representatives have said that the Lebanese Army cannot be trusted with IDF operational information. Responding to Col. Mead's request for guidance, USCINCEUR suggested further consultations between the US and Israeli commanders to work out this problem, within the parameters of the 24 March meeting guidance (Tab A). Ambassador Dillon in Beirut notified State that he believed guidance was needed from State and Ambassador Habib, not USCINCEUR. Ambassador Draper sent in his own suggestions for such guidance to Col. Mead (Tab B).

State has been working on a final guidance message, and seeks DoD concurrence. General Vessey has non-concurred for JCS, saying that Col. Mead will receive his guidance from DCINCEUR (General Willy Y. Smith), who arrives in Beirut today, 7 April, and from Ambassadors Dillon and Draper. General Vessey says he has spoken to the field by telephone, and that no message from Washington is needed at this time.

Despite the view of CJCS, State intends to pass instructions to Beirut. Therefore I believe your input to such instructions should be made. Accordingly it is recommended that you concur in the draft message at Tab C.

Attachments

- Tab A -- USCINCEUR Message
- Tab B -- Amb. Draper Message
- Tab C -- Proposed State-DoD Message

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