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I. PRIORITIES

RIGHT-WING CONSOLIDATION CONTINUES IN LEBANON AS FIGHTING ESCALATES

DEC. 8 (IPS) — IN AN EFFORT TO CONSOLIDATE RIGHT-WING FORCES IN LEBANON, LEBANESE MOSLEM "MODERATE" LEADERS ABDULLAH YAFFI AND TAKIDDIH SOLH MET YESTERDAY WITH SYRIAN DICTATOR HAFEZ ASSAD. ASSAD, WHO IS TAKING ON AN OPEN "MEDIATING" ROLE, HAD PREVIOUSLY CONSULTED WITH GEMEYAL, THE LEADER OF THE OPENLY FASCIST CHRISTIAN PHALANGE.

YESTERDAY'S BALTIMORE SUN REPORTS SEVERE SPLITS IN THE RIGHT-WING PHALANGE AND ACCUSES YOUNGER MORE MILITANT MEMBERS AS HAVING STARTED THE LATEST ROUND OF FIGHTING. OTHER REPORTS INDICATE THAT THE PHALANGE IS EXECUTING ITS OWN MEMBERS WHO ARE OPPOSING THE LEADERSHIP OF THE PARTY.

REPORTS IN TODAY'S NEW YORK POST INDICATE THAT LEFTIST FORCES IN BEIRUT ARE DRIVING THE PHALANGE AND THEIR RIGHT-WING ALLIES TOWARDS THE SEA. IN WHAT THE LEBANESE GOVERNMENT RADIO CALLED THE "WORST FIGHTING" OF THE EIGHT-MONTH WAR, A LEFTIST PINNER MOVEMENT HAS VIRTUALLY SURROUNDED PHALANGE FORCES.

THE ESCALATION IN THE FIGHTING FOLLOWS A "MASSACRE" IN WHICH MUTILATED BODIES OF MORE THAN 140 KIDNAP VICTIMS THAT WERE SCATTERED THROUGHOUT THE CITY.

BLACK SEPTEMBER LEADER ENDORSES KISSINGER'S GOLAN SHUTTLE

DEC. 9 (IPS) — ABU IYAD, CIA AGENT AND NUMBER TWO MAN IN THE PALESTINIAN LIBERATION ORGANIZATION (PLO) AND LEADER OF THE BLACK SEPTEMBER TERRORIST OPERATION,, HAS OPENLY ENDORSED U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER'S EFFORTS TO ENGINEER A PROVOCATIVE GOLAN HEIGHTS DISENGAGEMENT PACT BETWEEN SYRIA AND ISRAEL.

IN AN INTERVIEW IN THE DEC. 7 LONDON OBSERVER, IYAD DECRIED "THE IMPASSE (THAT) HAS BLOCKED THE KISSINGER STEP-BY-STEP PROCESS." THE "IMPASSE" THAT AGENT IYAD CITED WAS THE GROWING RESISTANCE TO KISSINGER'S SHUTTLE DIPLOMACY AMONG KEY PRO-DEVELOPMENT LAYERS OF THE ARAB AND ISRAELI LEFT AND CONSERVATIVE GOVERNMENT FACTIONS.

BRITAIN SETS ECONOMIC MOVES AGAINST JAPAN

DEC. 9 (IPS) — BRITAIN IS EXPECTED TO ANNOUNCE LIMITED IMPORT CONTROLS THIS WEEK, ACCORDING TO GOVERNMENT SOURCES QUOTED IN YESTER-

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DAY'S NEW YORK TIMES. THE CONTROLS WILL REPORTEDLY AFFECT TELEVISION TUBES, SOME TEXTILES, SOME APPAREL, AND POSSIBLY AUTOMOBILES.

THE CONTROLS WILL FALL MOST HEAVILY ON IMPORTS FROM JAPAN, AND ARE EXPECTED TO BECOME A MAJOR FOCUS OF THE UPCOMING GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TRADE AND TARIFF (GATT) TALKS.

BRITISH PRESS NOTES WILSON-CALLAGHAN ROLE IN DIVIDING NORTH AND SOUTH

DEC. 9 (IPS) — THE LONDON SUNDAY TIMES SAID IN AN EDITORIAL THAT ALTHOUGH FOREIGN SECRETARY JAMES CALLAGHAN'S "REAL MOTIVES" FOR DEMANDING A SEPARATE SEAT AT THE NORTH-SOUTH CONFERENCE "MUST REMAIN A MATTER OF SPECULATION," CALLAGHAN'S BEHAVIOR WAS "TANTAMOUNT TO SAYING THAT HE WAS WILLING AND READY TO BRING THE CONFERENCE TO A STOP BEFORE IT HAD EVEN STARTED..."

THE TIMES SAID THAT THE CONFERENCE IS "POTENTIALLY AN IMMENSELY IMPORTANT MEETING BETWEEN THE INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS AND THE PROVIDERS OF RAW MATERIALS."