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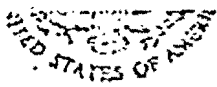
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1. AT 1430 LOCAL TIME I RECEIVED WORD FROM FONHIN THAT NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WOULD BE CONVENING AT 1600 AND THAT THIS WOULD BE FOLLOWED BY CABINET MEETING COMMENCING AT 1800. THESE TWO RODIES, IT WAS EXPLAINED, WERE THE ONES THAT MUST ACT ON CEASEFIRE PROPOSALS.

2. I OBJECTED TO SUCH A SLOW PACE AND URGED THAT TIMING OF BOTH BE ADVANCED. I WAS TOLD THIS WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE.  
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FOR SECRETARY FROM SISCO

1. PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE, INFORMED AMBASSADOR MACOMBER AT 10 P.M. JULY 20 THAT ECEVIT STILL IN MEETING WITH MILITARY COMMANDERS AND CONSEQUENTLY UNABLE MEET ME UNTIL EARLY JULY 21. THEY PROMISED CALL LATER IN EVENING TO SET HOUR OF MEETING. NO CALL CAME.
2. EARLY JULY 21 I CALLED BAYULKEN OF FOREIGN MINISTRY AND TOLD HIM IN STRONGEST LANGUAGE I HAVE EVER USED TO FOREIGN DIPLOMAT THAT CONTINUING TURKISH FAILURE TO MEET ME WAS FORCING ME TO CONCLUDE THAT TURKEY NOT INTERESTED IN CONTINUING ITS CLOSE RELATIONSHIP WITH US. I TOLD HIM THAT TREATMENT ACCORDED SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF PRESIDENT IS SHABBY AND THAT I WOULD SOON HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO TAKE PLANE BACK TO UNITED STATES AND REPORT THAT TURKEY NO LONGER CARES ABOUT UNITED STATES OR NATO. I TOLD HIM THAT YOU HAD REPEATED TO TURKISH AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON WHAT I HAD SAID HERE ABOUT TURKEY JEOPARDIZING ENTIRE RANGE BILATERAL RELATIONS, INCLUDING MILITARY SUPPLY AND ASSISTANCE. ALL OF THIS FOR SAKE OF GAINING ANOTHER 100 METERS ON GROUND.
3. I TOLD BAYULKEN I EXPECTED CALL FROM WITHIN FIFTEEN MINUTES (07:45 LOCAL) SETTING TIME FOR EARLY MEETING.
4. MEETING SCHEDULED AT FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICE AT 06:15.

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FOR SECRETARY FROM SISCO

1. IN MEETING WITH TURKISH FORMIN HE GAVE ME PIECE OF PAPER (TEXT FOLLOWS) IN WHICH PRIME MINISTER ACCEPTS, SUBJECT TO USG ASSURANCE OF GREEK ACCEPTANCE, STAND-STILL CEASE FIRE AS PROVIDED IN SO RES. FORMIN ALSO PROMISED ME TURKISH REP WOULD BE SENT TO LONDON (PROBABLY JULY 23 OR 24) PROVIDED CEASE FIRE IN EFFECT. FORMIN ALSO SAID THAT IN ORDER TO PREVENT IRREPARABLE DAMAGE TO PROSPECTS FOR CEASE FIRE, GREEK FLEET NOT APPROACHING CYPRUS MUST BE STOPPED.
2. I AGREED TO TAKE THE TURKISH PROPOSAL TO ATHENS AND TO SEE WHAT I COULD DO PROMPTLY TO SLOW DOWN OR STOP THE GREEK FLEET. I BERAYED THE TURKS AT THIS POINT, SAYING "THIS IS THE REASON WHY WE TRIED TO GET YOU TO TALK WITH US ALL NIGHT." IT IS TURKISH STALLING THAT HAS BROUGHT US TO THIS CRITICAL POINT. I ALSO SAID I WOULD NOT UNDERTAKE ANY SUCH ACTION WITH ATHENS UNLESS I WAS GIVEN A CATEGORICAL ASSURANCE THAT NO BOMBING OR ANY OTHER MILITARY ACTION WOULD BE TAKEN AGAINST THESE GREEK SHIPS WITHOUT FURTHER PRIOR CONSULTATION WITH THE US. I POINTED OUT, WITH COMMUNICATIONS BEING WHAT THEY ARE, AND DECISION-MAKING PROCESSES BEING WHAT THEY ARE IN GOG, THIS WOULD TAKE SOME TIME, AND I URGED GOT TO EXERCISE UTMOST RESTRAINT.
3. TEXT OF TURKISH PM'S PAPER FOLLOWS:

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"AS THE PRIME MINISTER OF A COUNTRY WHO ALWAYS RESPECTS UN RESOLUTIONS, I SHOULD LIKE TO INFORM YOU THAT I INTEND TO PUT INTO FORCE THE CEASAFIRE IN CYPRUS AS FORSEEN IN THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL.

"HOWEVER AS YOU WOULD APPRECIATE A UNILATERAL APPLICATION OF A CEASAFIRE IS NOT POSSIBLE AND IT IS A MUST THAT GREECE SHOULD ALSO APPLY AND RESPECT THIS RESOLUTION.

"AS SOON AS THE GOVERNMENT OF THE USA GIVES US A COMMITMENT THAT GREECE SHALL HONOR AND APPLY THE CEASEFIRE AS PROVIDED IN THE RESOLUTION I WILL CONVENE THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS TO REACH A DECISION ON THIS MATTER.

"I HAVE NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS SHOULD NOT ACCEPT MY PROPOSAL FOR THE CEASEFIRE IN CYPRUS, PROVIDED THAT WE ENSURE OURSELVES THAT GREEKS WILL ABIDE BY HER WORD. FOR REASONS WHICH I HAVE EXPLAINED TO YOU IN DETAIL, WE HAVE LOST OUR CONFIDENCE IN ANY WORD WHICH MIGHT BE GIVEN BY GREECE.

"AT THIS TIME, AS A PROOF OF THEIR GOOD FAITH WE SHOULD LIKE TO SEE THE GREEK WARSHIPS PRESENTLY ON A COURSE TO CYPRUS, TO DIVERT THEIR COURSE AWAY FROM THE ISLAND AND REFRAIN FROM ENTERING THE WATERS WHICH WE HAVE DECLARED AS A "DANGER ZONE" AROUND CYPRUS."

4. FONMIN ASKED THAT THIS MESSAGE ALSO BE CONSIDERED REPLY TO MESSAGE SECRETARY KISSINGER SENT TO TURKISH AMBASSADOR TO WASHINGTON LAST NIGHT.

5. IN ORDER LOWER TENSION DURING PERIOD WHEN CEASEFIRE BEING NEGOTIATED, TURKISH FONMIN SAID ORDERS HAD BEEN GIVEN TO TURKISH ARMY ON CYPRUS NOT TO ATTACK GREEK CONTINGENT ON ISLAND AND DE FACTO CEASEFIRE BEING APPLIED IN SEA AROUND ISLAND WHICH DECLARED FORBIDDEN ZONE BY TURKEY.

6. I HAVE INFORMED AMBASSADOR TASCA AND SECRETARY KISSINGER OF ABOVE BY PHONE AND AM PROCEEDING IMMEDIATELY TO ATHENS WHERE I WILL FACE A MAJOR SELLING JOB. SO CEASEFIRE LANGUAGE PROVISIONALLY ACCEPTED BY TURKEY IS CEASEFIRE IN PLACE. CEASEFIRE PROPOSED BY GREEKS PROVIDED FOR CONCENTRATION OF TURKISH TROOPS IN ENCLAVES.

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*Kennedy  
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CEASE-FIRE (TOPS)

(WASHINGTON) -- THE STATE DEPARTMENT SAYS GREECE AND TURKEY HAVE AGREED TO A CEASE-FIRE OVER CYPRUS. THE ANNOUNCEMENT BY STATE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN ROBERT MCCLOSKEY SAYS THE CEASE-FIRE WILL TAKE PLACE AT 9 A.M. MONDAY, ATHENS TIME.

MCCLOSKEY SAYS THE ACCEPTANCE IS THE RESULT OF A U-S PROPOSAL THAT WAS SENT TO THE GREEK AND TURKISH GOVERNMENTS BY SECRETARY OF STATE-KISSINGER LATE SUNDAY.

MCCLOSKEY SAYS THE ANNOUNCEMENT WILL BE CONFIRMED BY THE GREEK AND TURKISH GOVERNMENTS AT 3A.M. EDT MONDAY.

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was a Greek LST that brought  
rotational troops in yesterday.  
The troops were not dropped  
as planned, but apparently remained  
aboard. Included in the "flotilla"  
were some National Guard boats  
in the Paphos area.

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-BULLETIN- (AP)

(ANKARA, TURKEY) -- THE TURKISH GENERAL STAFF ANNOUNCED  
TONIGHT THAT TURKISH AIR AND NAVAL FORCES HAD INTERCEPTED  
A GREEK FLOTILLA OFF PAPHOS (PAH'-SOHS) IN CYPRUS. THE  
ANNOUNCEMENT SAID THERE WERE HEAVY CASUALTIES ON THE  
GREEK SHIPS.  
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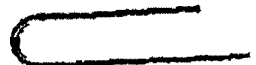
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THE BATTLE WAS THE FIRST KNOWN ENCOUNTER BETWEEN TURKEY'S  
FORCES AND GREEK FORCES FROM THE MAINLAND.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT SAID THE ACTION OCCURRED WHILE THE GREEK  
SHIPS WERE ATTEMPTING TO PUT TROOPS ASHORE AT PAPHOS (PAH'-FOHS)  
ON THE WESTERN COAST OF CYPRUS.

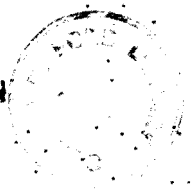
THE TURKISH GENERAL STAFF SAID THE GREEK LANDING OPERATION  
HAD BEEN HALTED.

IT SAID THE SHIPS HAD COME AS FAR AS PAPHOS DESPITE TURKISH  
WARNINGS SENT THEM STARTING EARLY THIS MORNING.  
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1. FOLLOWING INFORMATION RECEIVED BY MISSION FROM GEN SEITH'S OFFICE, SHAPE, WAS COMMUNICATED TO SYG LUNS BY CHAIRMAN, NATO MILITARY COMMITTEE (HILL-NORTON) 1200Z JULY 21.

A. GREEK NATIONAL MIL REP INFORMED SHAPE THAT GREECE INTENDS TO PULL GREEK STAFF OFFICERS OUT OF SHAPE, AND REQUESTED SHAPE ASSISTANCE TO ARRANGE TRANSPORTATION TO BRUSSELS FOR FURTHER TRANSFER TO GREECE.

B. INDICATIONS EXIST THAT WE MAY BE ABLE TO TURN THIS AROUND.

C. GREEK OFFICERS AT SHAPE HAVE EXPRESSED STRONG SENTIMENTS TO PROTECT THE ALLIANCE AND NOT BE PULLED OUT OF STAFF ASSIGNMENTS AT SHAPE.

D. SENIOR GREEK OFFICER ON SHAPE STAFF (NAVY CAPTAIN) DISCUSSED THIS SITUATION WITH THE CHIEF OF THE GREEK NAVY WHO SAID HE HAD COUNSELED AGAINST PULLING OUT OF SHAPE BUT HAD BEEN OVERRULED BY THE GREEK GOVERNMENT. HE WILL TRY AGAIN IN THE CAUSE OF PUTTING THE ALLIANCE TOGETHER AFTER THE FLAP DIES DOWN.

E. DEP SACEUR HAS DISCUSSED THE SITUATION WITH THE GREEK NATIONAL MIL REP AT SHAPE WHO IS SENDING A MESSAGE TO THE CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE GREEK ARMED FORCES. THIS MSG WILL REQUEST THE GREEK OFFICERS REMAIN.

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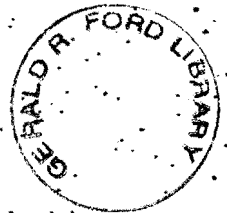
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2. LUNS HAS RECEIVED AGREEMENT FROM GREEK PERM REP (CHORAFAS) TO RECOMMEND TO AUTHORITIES THAT AT MINIMUM GREECE LEAVE FAMILIES AND SMALL NUMBER OF OFFICERS IN PLACE AT SHAPE.

3. LUNS WAS UNABLE TO DETERMINE FROM CHORAFAS WHETHER INSTRUCTION WAS FROM GREEK GOVERNMENT OR FROM GREEK MILITARY AUTHORITIES. LUNS INDICATED CHORAFAS IS RECEIVING PRACTICALLY NO INFORMATION OR GUIDANCE FROM ATHENS.

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AT APPROXIMATELY 1840, LOCAL TIME SECGEN FONMIN EREZ CALLED BERGUS TO REPORT THAT TURKISH AIR FORCE HAD JUST BOMBED SEVERAL GREEK SHIPS. HE SAID THREE GREEK SHIPS SUNK, TWO FLEEING THE AREA. A PATROL BOAT WITH GREEK FLAG HAD ALSO BEEN SUNK BUT IT HAD LATER TURNED OUT TO BE CYPRIOT. BERGUS ASKED FOR TIME THIS ACTION HAD TAKEN PLACE. EREZ SAID HE DID NOT KNOW. BERGUS ASKED IF ACTION HAD TAKEN PLACE IN PAPHOS AREA. EREZ SAID "SO FAR AS I KNOW."  
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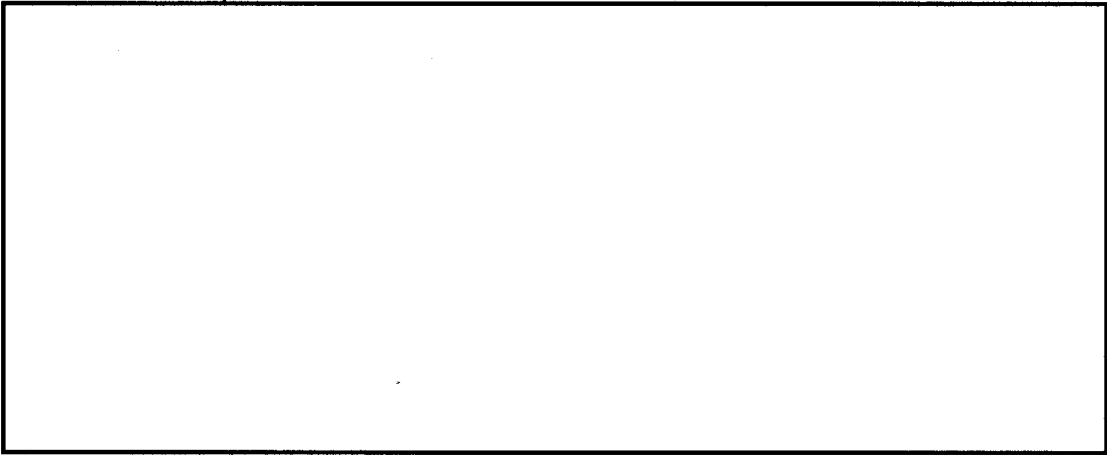
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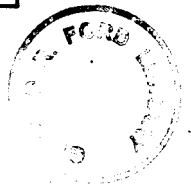
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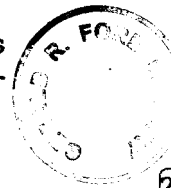
Situation Report Number 18  
(As of 1500 EDT)

(All times cited are Nicosia time, unless otherwise specified)

GENERAL MILITARY SITUATION

1. Heavy fighting continues throughout the island. Turkish regular forces continue to meet stiff resistance from the Greek Cypriot National Guard. The Turks are well established on the beachhead around Kyrenia, but they have made little progress consolidating newly-won territory en route to Nicosia. The Greek Cypriots have apparently counterattacked along the western edge of the beachhead near Karavas, and there are reports of plans for further attacks. The Turkish air force made a number of attacks around the international airport at Nicosia this morning, but air attacks tapered off by mid-day.

2. Greek Cypriot forces clearly hold the upper hand in intercommunal fighting. Turkish Cypriot forces have suffered heavy casualties, surrendered several important towns and are under heavy attack in others.



3. On the mainland, the Greek forces that moved into Thrace yesterday are now believed to be in position near the Evros river. Greek military leaders continue to exude confidence about conditions on Cyprus and may be considering launching a preemptive attack in Thrace against Turkish forces.

FIGHTING ON CYPRUS

4. Intercommunal fighting between the two ethnic groups is widespread and will probably intensify. There are reports that the Greek Cypriot National Guard is arming Greek civilians with arms taken from other parts of the island.

5. In the northern part of the island, Turkish forces are joining with Turkish Cypriot units in an effort to clear the mountain range between Kyrenia and Nicosia. Turkish units on the Kyrenia-Nicosia road have come under artillery fire at Geunyeli, and the Greeks last night apparently were successful in cutting the road at one point. It is not known if they were able to maintain this position, however.



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7. In Nicosia, there was heavy fighting this morning, but it has now slackened. The Greek Cypriot National Guard still controls Nicosia International Airport. Turkish aircraft attacked the airport again this morning, but thus far the Turks have not been able to dislodge the defenders.

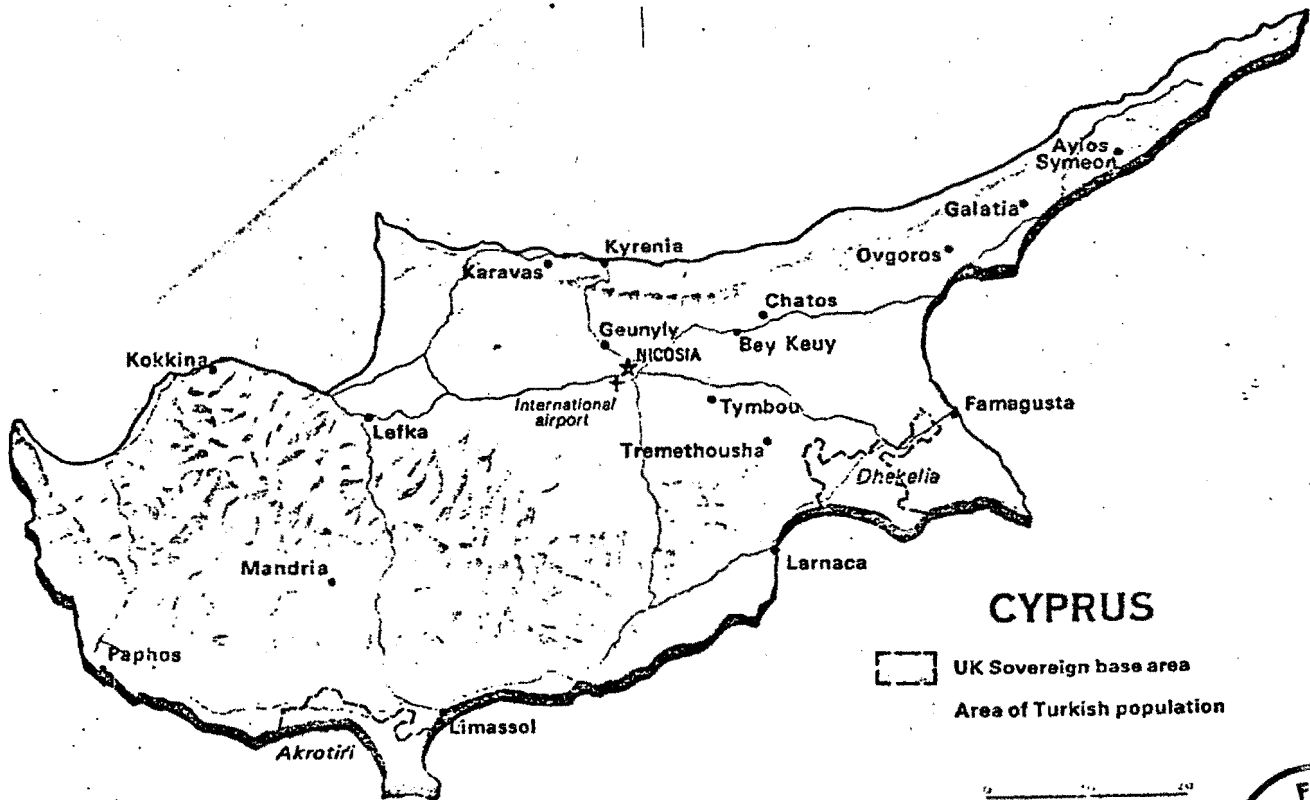
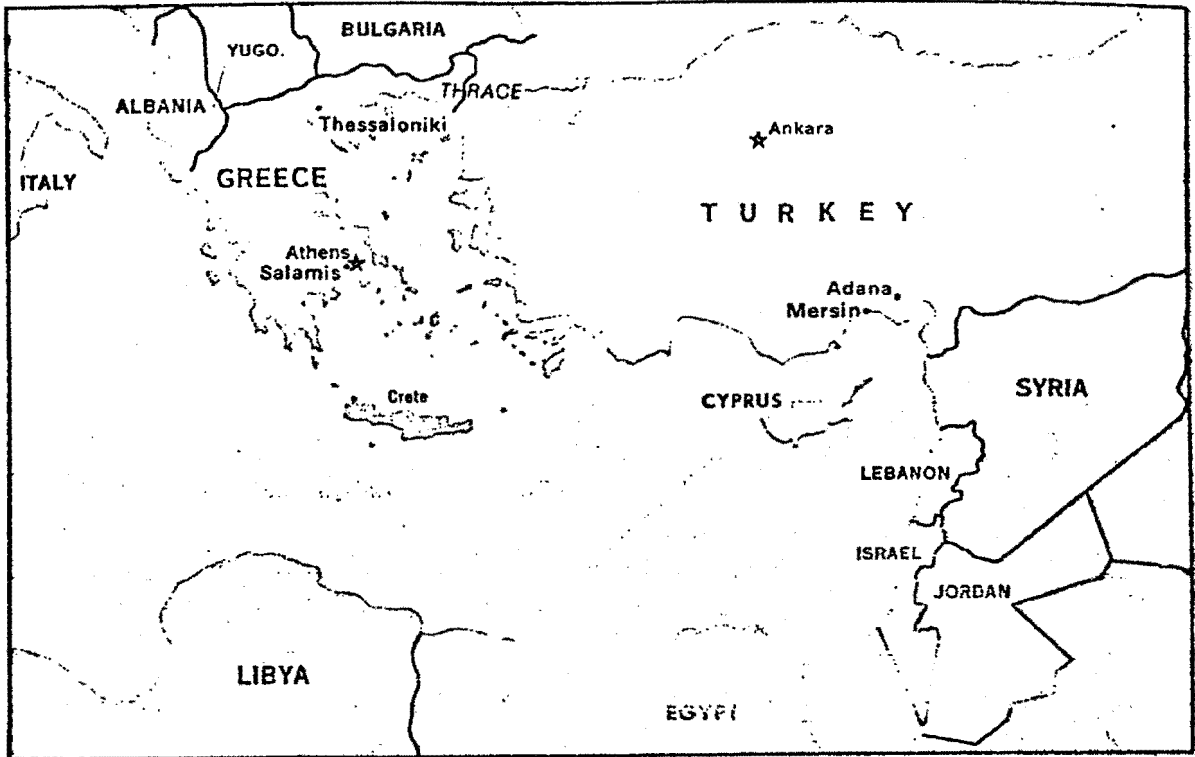
8. Greek Cypriot forces appear to be gaining control over the island to the east of Nicosia.



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9. The Greek Cypriots also control the Chatos area, on the eastern side of the island. They have captured the towns of Bey Keuy, Tremethousha, and Tymbou.

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10. The Greeks also are extending their control to the major cities along the coast of Cyprus. The latest information from Famagustsa indicates that the Greek National Guard entered the city this morning and that the situation was critical for Turkish forces. At Larnaca, Turkish Cypriots are attempting to surrender, but National Guard troops continue to fire on both Turkish and UN forces. Limassol, the second largest city on Cyprus, has been quiet since its capture by the National Guard yesterday.

11. Some Turkish resistance at Paphos continues, but Turkish Cypriot forces there are under heavy attack. Turkish aircraft conducted strikes this afternoon at Paphos and the Turkish navy shelled the area, but Turkish Cypriot forces there indicated that the air strikes would not prevent Greek Cypriots from seizing the city.

12. National Guard units have also captured Mandria on the western part of the island and are conducting operations against Turkish villages in the Lefka area. Greek Cypriots are generally extending their control over those areas where they are not opposed by regular Turkish troops of the invasion force.

13. Both Greek and Turkish Cypriots have suffered heavy casualties in the bitter fighting. According to the press, diplomatic sources on Cyprus are claiming that large numbers of Turkish Cypriot civilians are being slaughtered by the Greek Cypriots.

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14. UN forces in Cyprus today reported that the Turkish ambassador in Nicosia has agreed that the city would not be attacked by Turkish planes if the National Guard removes its artillery from the city. The Commander of the National Guard is said to have agreed to the proposal.

MAINLAND MILITARY ACTIVITIES

15. The Greek military buildup in Thrace continues and the Hellenic army appears to be in a position to begin operations if a decision is made to expand the conflict, [REDACTED] reported earlier today that a Greek attack in the north was imminent.

16. There is also some evidence that Athens intends to send reinforcements to Cyprus. [REDACTED]

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17. The US defense attache in Ankara reports that the Turkish First Army appears to have deployed reserve forces from an armored division and a mechanized division into forward positions near the Greek border. Heavy military traffic, consisting of trucks and armored personnel carriers, were observed moving west last night from Istanbul. Light military activity continued moving west today.

18. The Turks have also set up a forward general staff tactical headquarters in Adana to coordinate military operations on Cyprus. [REDACTED]

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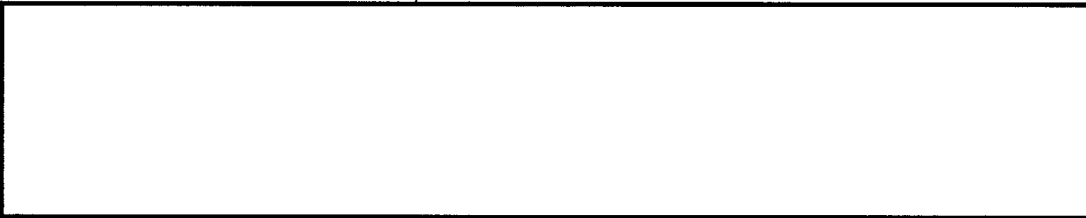


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GREEK FLOTILLA

19. There have been fragmentary reports from Turkish sources throughout the day of a Greek flotilla composed of 13 ships sailing towards Cyprus. The Turkish general staff reported that it had intercepted such a flotilla off the western coast of Cyprus. Heavy losses were inflicted on destroyers and landing craft in the convoy, according to this account.



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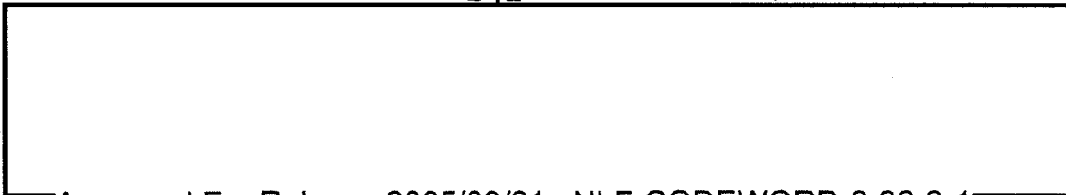
have been involved in the recent rotation of Greek officers on the island, and it may have attempted to return troops to Paphos. Several small Greek patrol boats are stationed at Cyprus, and they could have supported the landing.

21. A US reconnaissance aircraft sighted 13 ships in the general area of the reported conflict at the time of the incident. Five were identified as probably Soviet, four are believed to have been US, and four were unidentified.

EVACUATION

22. About 300 US civilians have been safely evacuated from Nicosia to the British sovereign base at Dhekelia. The US citizens were part of a large multi-national convoy made up of some 4000-5000 people in approximately 1000 vehicles. The convoy, which began from the Hotel Hilton in Nicosia, apparently made the 30 mile trip to Dhekelia with no casualties.

23. Both US and British officials have been seeking to arrange for the evacuation of foreign national from the north coast. The

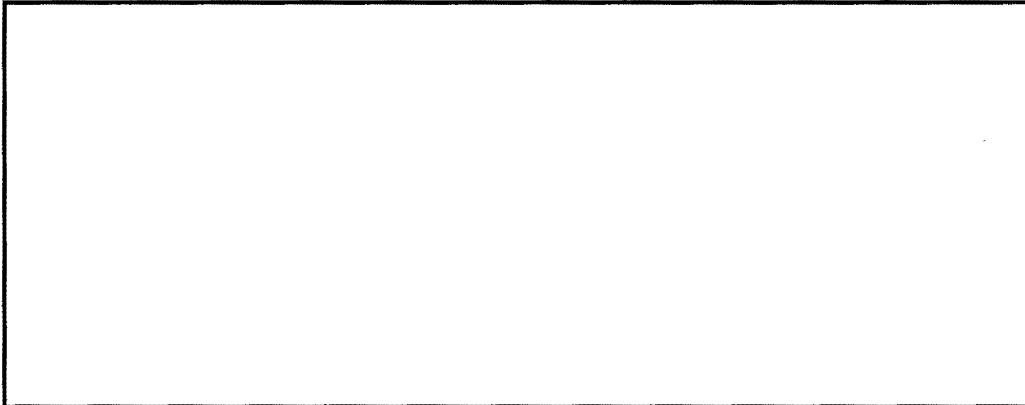


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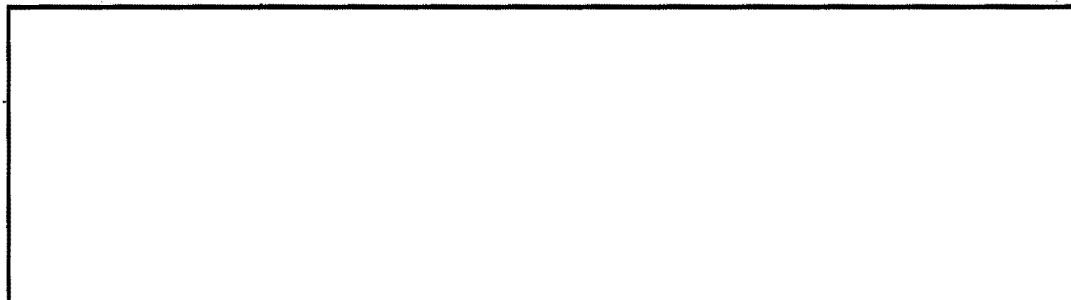
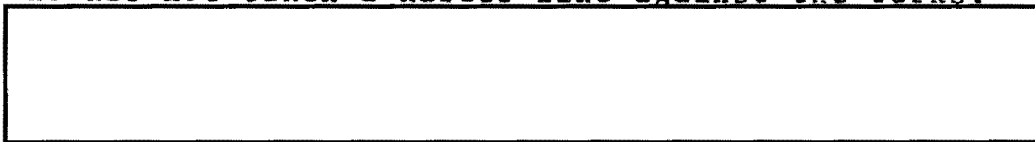
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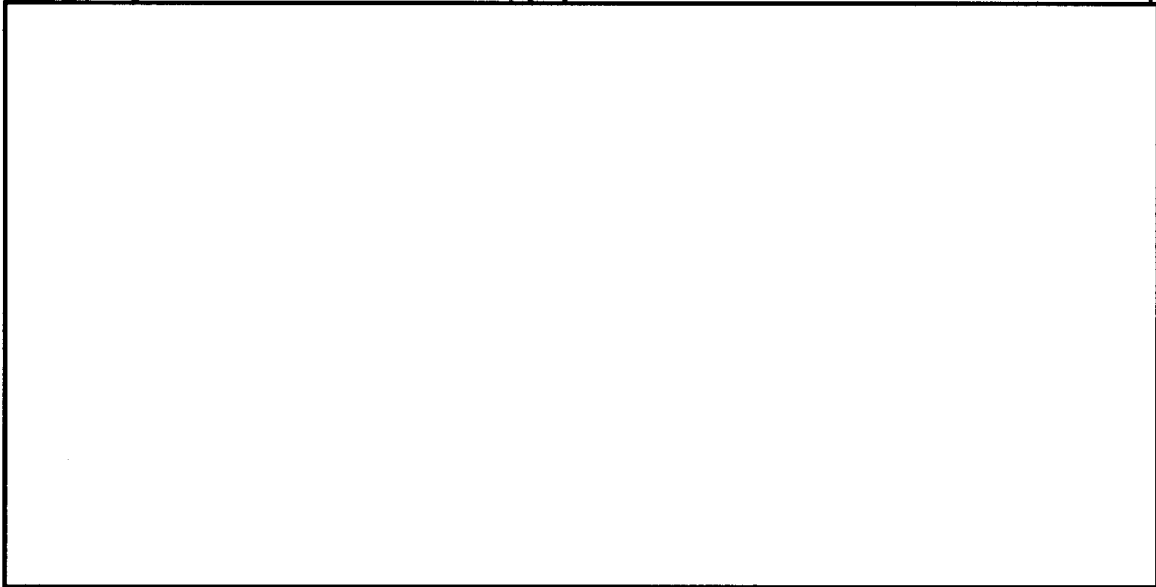


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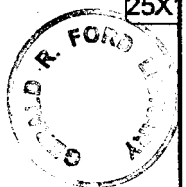
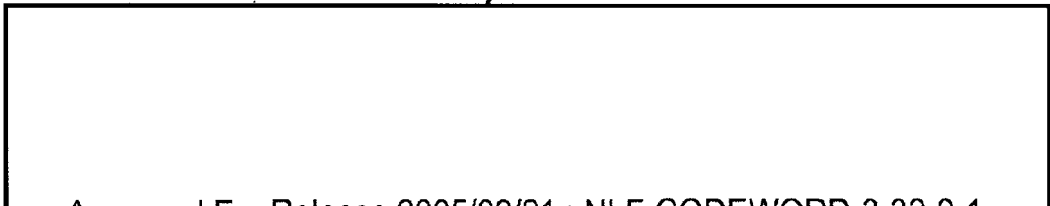
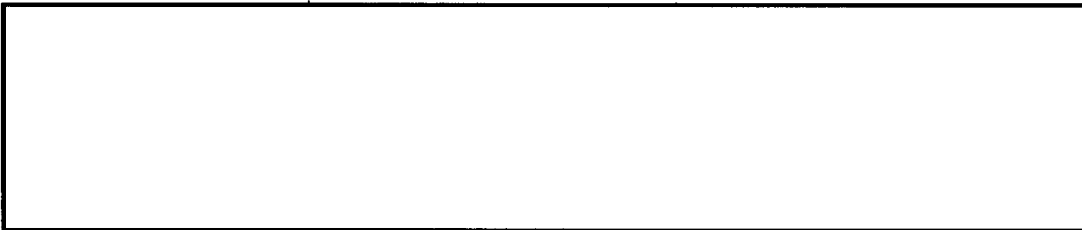
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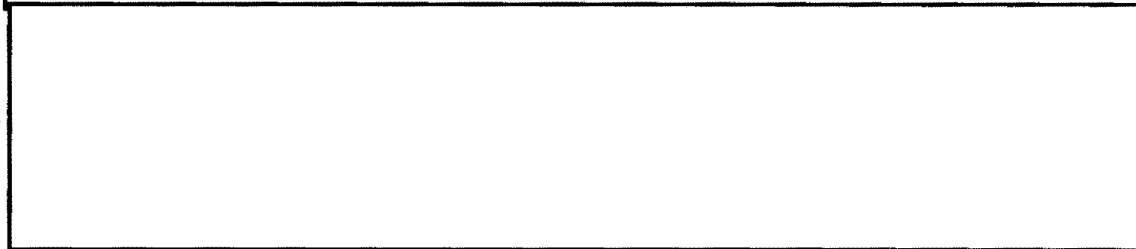
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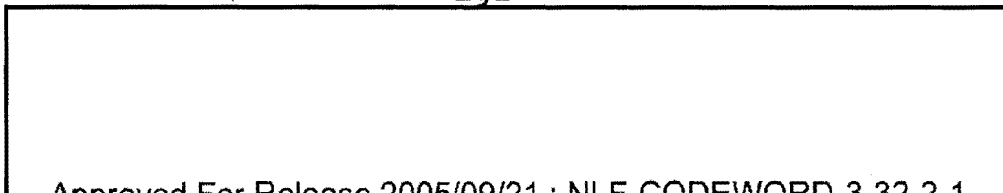
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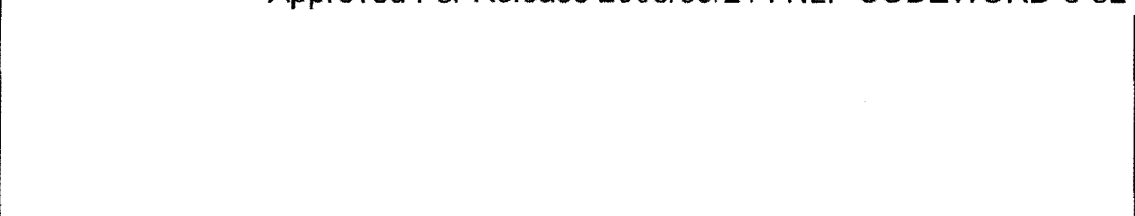
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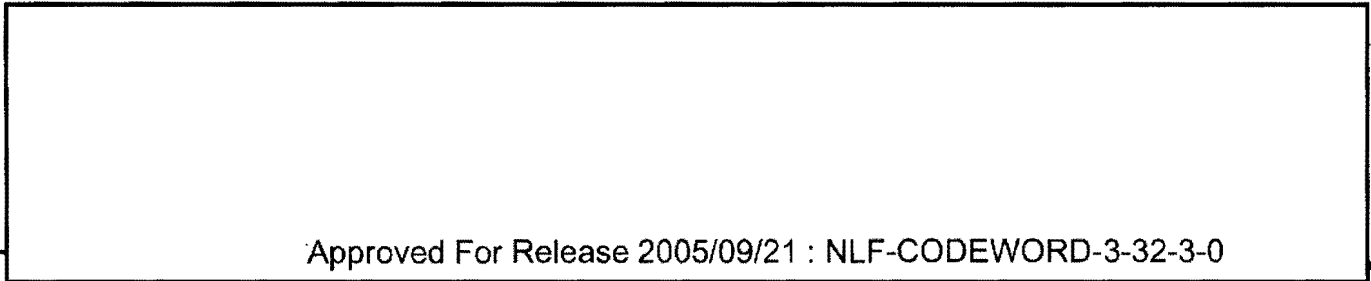
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GENERAL MILITARY SITUATION

1. Heavy fighting continues throughout the island. Turkish regular forces continue to meet stiff resistance from the Greek Cypriot National Guard. The Turks are well established on the beachhead around Kyrenia, but they have made little progress consolidating newly-won territory en route to Nicosia. The Greek Cypriots have apparently counterattacked along the western edge of the beachhead near Karavas, and there are reports of plans for further attacks. The Turkish air force made a number of attacks around the international airport at Nicosia this morning, but air attacks tapered off by mid-day.

2. Greek Cypriot forces clearly hold the upper hand in intercommunal fighting. Turkish Cypriot forces have suffered heavy casualties, surrendered several important towns and are under heavy attack in others.



3. On the mainland, the Greek forces that moved into Thrace yesterday are now believed to be in position near the Evros river. Greek military leaders continue to exude confidence about conditions on Cyprus and may be considering launching a preemptive attack in Thrace against Turkish forces.

#### FIGHTING ON CYPRUS

4. Intercommunal fighting between the two ethnic groups is widespread and will probably intensify. There are reports that the Greek Cypriot National Guard is arming Greek civilians with arms taken from other parts of the island.

5. In the northern part of the island, Turkish forces are joining with Turkish Cypriot units in an effort to clear the mountain range between Kyrenia and Nicosia. Turkish units on the Kyrenia-Nicosia road have come under artillery fire at Geunyeli, and the Greeks last night apparently were successful in cutting the road at one point. It is not known if they were able to maintain this position, however.

7. In Nicosia, there was heavy fighting this morning, but it has now slackened. The Greek Cypriot National Guard still controls Nicosia International Airport. Turkish aircraft attacked the airport again this morning, but thus far the Turks have not been able to dislodge the defenders.

8. Greek Cypriot forces appear to be gaining control over the island to the east of Nicosia.



9. The Greek Cypriots also control the Chatos area, on the eastern side of the island. They have captured the towns of Bey Keuy, Tremethoussa, and Tymbou.

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10. The Greeks also are extending their control to the major cities along the coast of Cyprus. The latest information from Famagusta indicates that the Greek National Guard entered the city this morning and that the situation was critical for Turkish forces. At Larnaca, Turkish Cypriots are attempting to surrender, but National Guard troops continue to fire on both Turkish and UN forces. Limassol, the second largest city on Cyprus, has been quiet since its capture by the National Guard yesterday.

11. Some Turkish resistance at Paphos continues, but Turkish Cypriot forces there are under heavy attack. Turkish aircraft conducted strikes this afternoon at Paphos, and the Turkish navy shelled the area, but Turkish Cypriot forces there indicated that the air strikes would not prevent Greek Cypriots from seizing the city.

12. National Guard units have also captured Mandria on the western part of the island and are conducting operations against Turkish villages in the Lefka area. Greek Cypriots are generally extending their control over those areas where they are not opposed by regular Turkish troops of the invasion force.

13. Both Greek and Turkish Cypriots have suffered heavy casualties in the bitter fighting. According to the press, diplomatic sources on Cyprus are claiming that large numbers of Turkish Cypriot civilians are being slaughtered by the Greek Cypriots.

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MAINLAND MILITARY ACTIVITIES

15. The Greek military buildup in Thrace continues and the Hellenic army appears to be in a position to begin operations if a decision is made to expand the conflict. [redacted] reported earlier today that a Greek attack in the north was imminent.

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17. The US defense attache in Ankara reports that the Turkish First Army appears to have deployed reserve forces from an armored division and a mechanized division into forward positions near the Greek border. Heavy military traffic, consisting of trucks and armored personnel carriers, were observed moving west last night from Istanbul. Light military activity continued moving west today.

18. The Turks have also set up a forward general staff tactical headquarters in Adana to coordinate military operations on Cyprus. [redacted]

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GREEK FLOTILLA

19. There have been fragmentary reports from Turkish sources throughout the day of a Greek flotilla composed of 13 ships sailing towards Cyprus. The Turkish general staff reported that it had intercepted such a flotilla off the western coast of Cyprus. Heavy losses were inflicted on destroyers and landing craft in the convoy, according to this account.

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22. About 300 US civilians have been safely evacuated from Nicosia to the British sovereign base at Dhekelia. The US citizens were part of a large multi-national convoy made up of some 4000-5000 people in approximately 1000 vehicles. The convoy, which began from the Hotel Hilton in Nicosia, apparently made the 30 mile trip to Dhekelia with no casualties.

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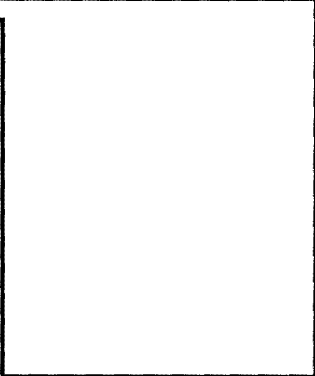
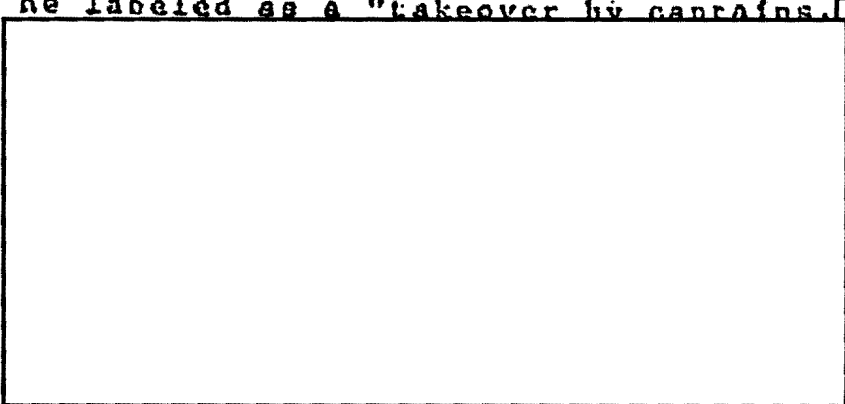


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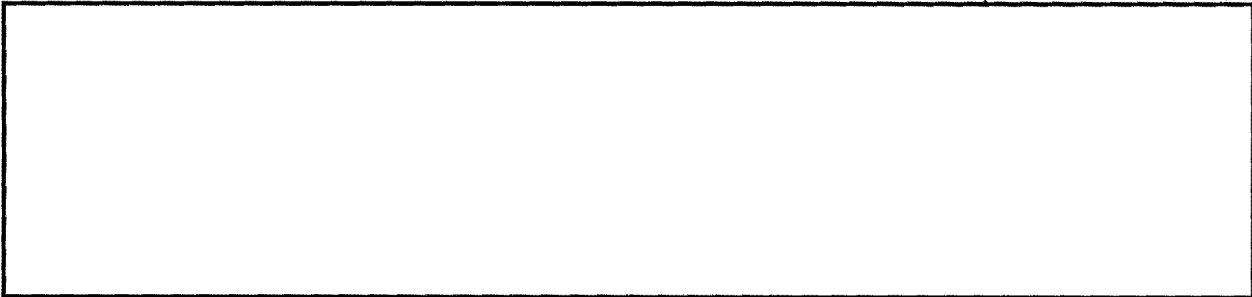
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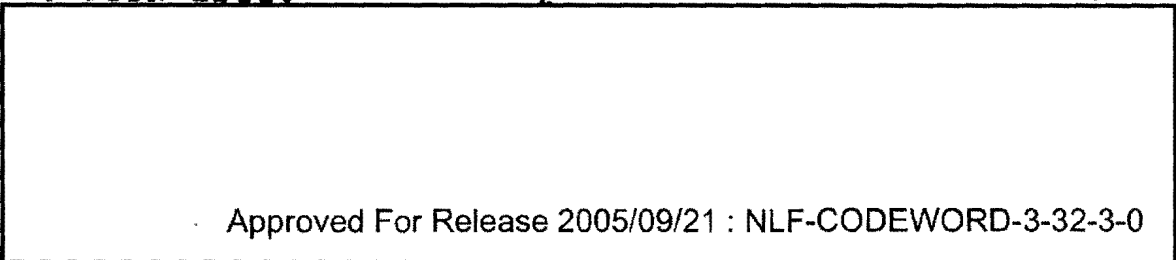
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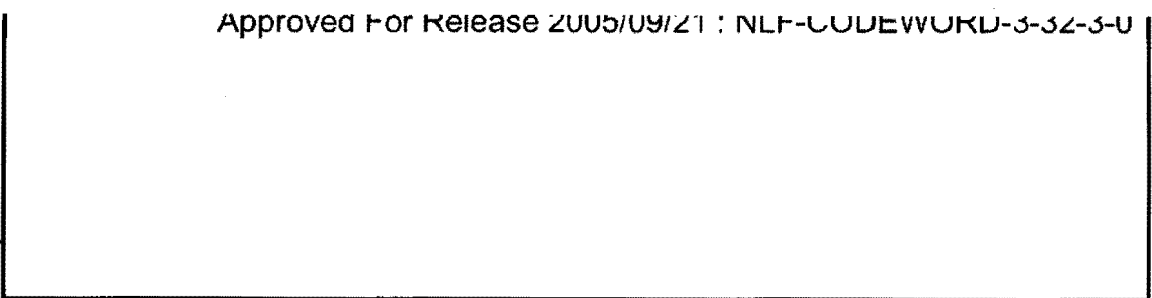


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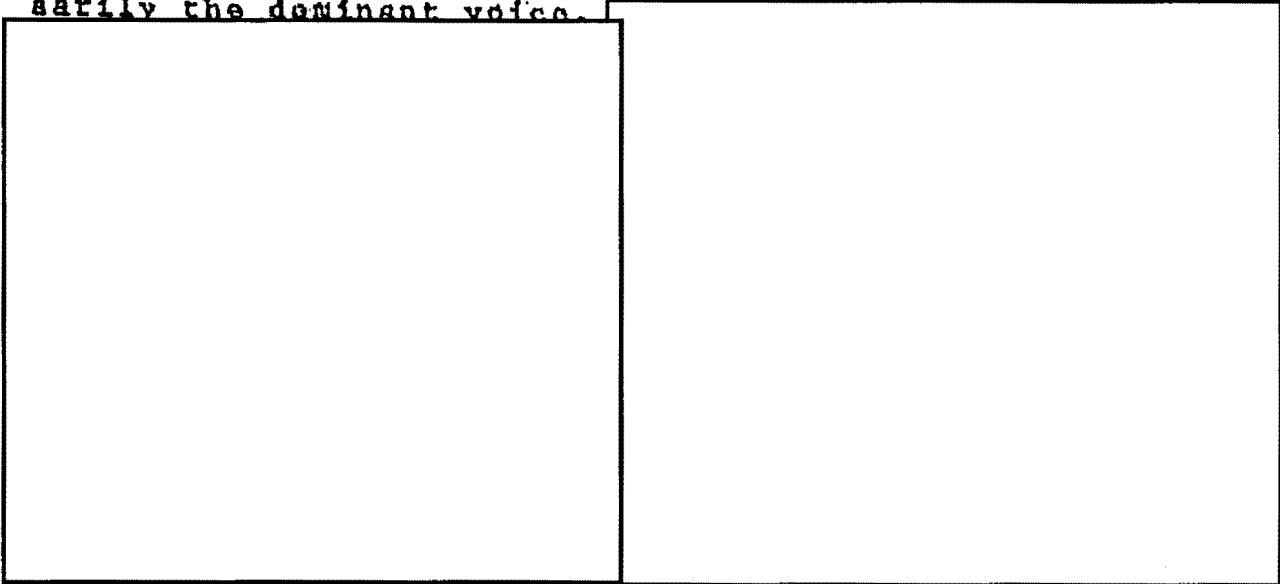


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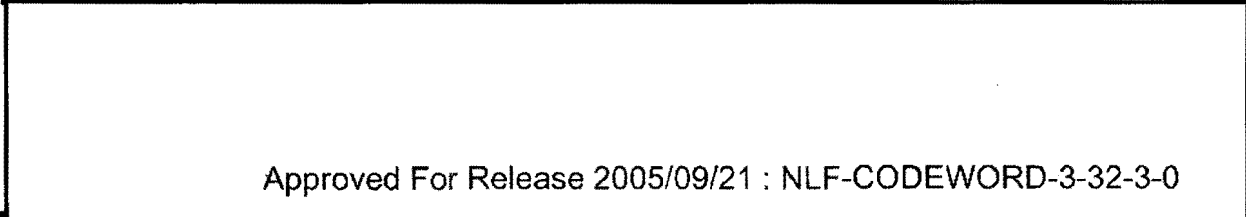
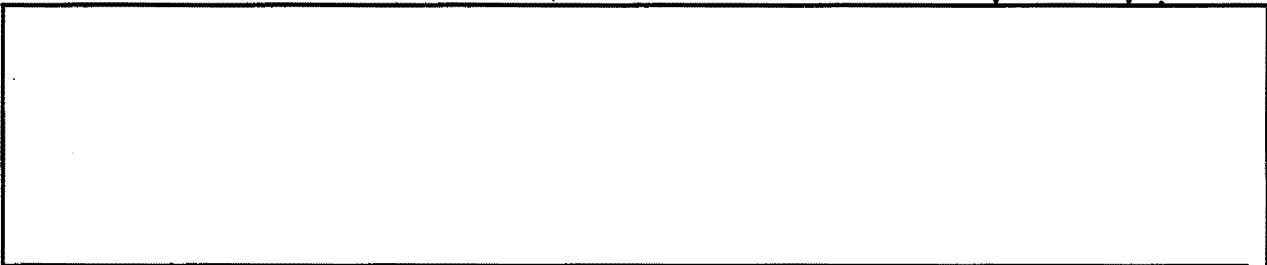


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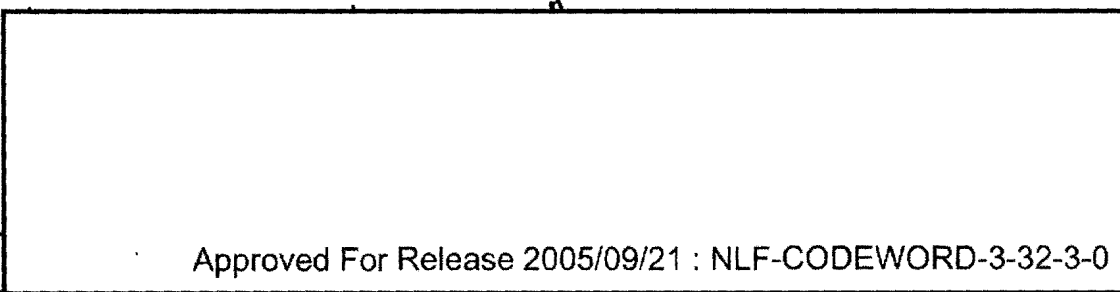
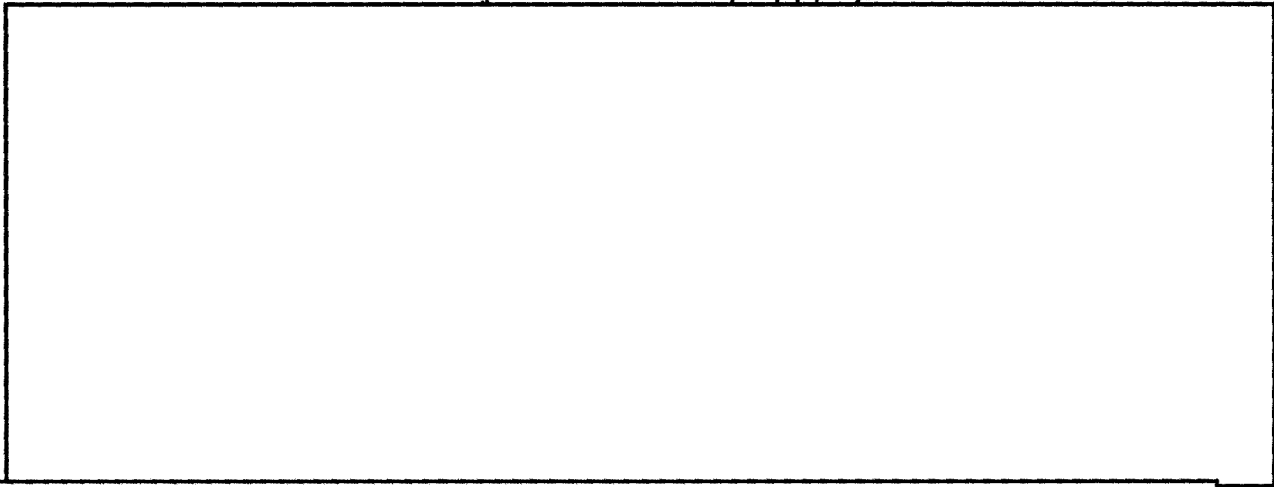
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