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K: I am checking about the SC. I was told that the Egyptians asked for the GA meeting. But it is impossible to get the GA until Monday and in any event it is a threat to the peace and security and we will not have it in the GA.

D: I understand.

K: It is a grievous suggestion. We cannot accept it.

D: I understand.

K: I have talked to the President again and he wanted me to call you and to underline again his very grave concern that this not be used to destroy everything that it has taken us three years to build up.

D: By whom.

K: By any of us.

D: Who really?

K: If you take the position of support all out for the Arabs that would be in effect encouraging what seems clearly to us and Arab attack no one in their right mind believes that the Egyptians could have ~~crossed~~ crossed the canal in five places. I would be glad to have your military analysis on that part. Since all of the fighting on Israel territory I think the facts are clear. We are prepared before the SC to take a neutral position if you do and we are prepared to make a joint resolution just calling for ceasefire line.

D: I understand and I have sent that.

K: Today the Arabs are on Israeli territory but we don't believe this will last 72 hours and after that the problem will be to get the Israelis back to the ceasefire line. If we agree on this course no matter what the military operations no matter how successful the Israelis may be we will stick to this proposal and we will be prepared to oppose them.

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D: As you say back to the ceasefire line, I understand.

K: Right.

D: This is essentially what you mentioned.

K: We have not responded to an urgent Israeli request for additional military supplies. If it gets out of hand we will be forced to do that. For all of these reasons it will be important to our own relationship that it be handled as much jointly as we can and you should say this to the Sec. Gen. on behalf of the President. He just got through talking to me. I am coming back to Washington this afternoon and I will be in touch with you then.

D: O.K.

K: The reason I am hopeful we will settle it is that you did not leave town.

D: If I did not received your call until 9:00 I would have gone today. We planned to take quite a nice dinner at our Maryland estate and we were leaving for vacation. You see how it happens. I ~~hope~~ hope we can handle it.

K: Your Arab friends were terribly deceitful. Zayyat told me there would be at least the 3 months of quiet and he would meet me again in November and he wanted to come to Washington next week and since our conversations and the President's conversation with Gromyko we thought we had this time period to make a reasonable approach.

D: My impression too.

K: We are taking this matter extremely seriously. If you will let your colleagues know we would appreciate it as quickly as possible.

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