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General Haig/Secretary Kissinger

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K: Let me tell you where matters now stand. The Egyptians have told the British -- he didn't want a Security Council meeting but if one were held...and that suggests...we will be totally alone in our.. My suggestion is we hold our announcement til 4:00 this afternoon. No since forcing a vote and getting all stirred up. No since rushing in and getting nothing out of it. By Wednesday or Thursday, it is my thinking it will be over...so UN can contribute to situation as it exists. With the Israelis and the Arabs not yet wanting a meeting, I think we should hold off til about 4:00 this afternoon.

H: Yeah, I think that's fine.

K: We'll say we're prepared...tomorrow morning or tonight. Might be better to have informal consultations tonight. We haven't heard from the Soviets yet but will soon.

H: I agree with you. He is comfortable. Knows it will be short and . he doesn't want to go up there and get licked.

K: Right. Now all we will get is a cease-fire but should..get a position to handle the after period. The Arabs want to get me into this.

H: Good, Henry. I think this is alright. We'll hold til around 4:00 I'll get back to you on the Soviet thing.

K: You're reachable within the next hour.

H: Oh yes, I'm right here.