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THE FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE DRAFT PRESIDENTIAL
STATEMENT TO BE ISSUED AT 3:00P M THURSDAY, JANUARY 17,
WASHINGTON TIME. IT HAS BEEN CLEARED BY THE SECRETARY.
TEXT FOLLOWS:

" I AM PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT AT THIS MOMENT
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF EGYPT AND
ISRAEL ARE MAKING THE FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT:
" IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DECISION OF THE GENVVA CONFERENCE,, THE
GOVERNMENTS OF EGYPT AND ISRAEL, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES, HAVE REACHED AGREEMENT OF THEIR
MILITARY FORCES. THE AGREEMENT WILL BE SIGNED BY THE CHIEFS
OF STAFF OF EGYPT AND ISRAEL AT NOON EGYPT-ISRAEL TIME, FRIDAY
JANUARY 18, AT KILOMETER 101 ON THE CAIRO-SUEZ ROAD. THE
COMMANDER OF THE UNITED NATIONS EMERGENCY FORCE, GENERAL SILASVUD,
HAS BEEN ASKED BY THE PARTIES TO WITNESS THE SIGNING."
" I KNOW THAT ALL AMERICANS WILL WELCOME THIS GOOD NEWS AND ARE
PROUD OF THE PART THEIR COUNTRY HAS PLAYED IN WORKING WITH THE
GOVERNMENTS OF EGYPT AND ISRAEL TO BRING ABOUT THIS IMPORTANT
STEP ON THE ROAD TO PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. FOR MY PART, I SHOULD
LIKE TO EXTEND MY SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS TO PRESIDENT SADAT
AND PRIME MINISTER MEIR FOR THE CONSTRUCTIVE SPIRIT AND GOOD WILL
BOTH HAVE DEMONSTRATED OVER THE PAST DIFFICULT WEEKS OF NEGOTIATION
THAT LED TO THIS AGREEMENT. A CONTINUED DEMONSTRATION OF THAT
GOOD WILL AND WISDOM ON THE PART OF BOTH GOVERNMENTS IN THE MONTHS AHEAD
CAN ASSURE THAT WHAT HAS NOW SO HOPEFULLY BEGUN WILL LEAD

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TO A NEW ERA OF LASTING PEACE AND PROSPERITY FOR THE PEOPLES OF
THE MIDDLE EAST.
MUCH YET REMAINS TO BE DONE, FOR THE HATREDS AND
ANTAGONISMS OF A ALMOST THREE DECADES OF WAR ARE NOT
EASILY PUT ASIDE, BUT THEY MUST BE, FOR THE MIDDLE EAST HAS
SEEN ENOUGH OF DEATH, SUFFERING AND DESTRUCTION. THE AGREEMENT THAT
ISRAEL AND EGYPT WILL SIGN TOMORROW MUST BECOME THE FOUNDATION FOR
FURTHER STEPS TOWARD A PERMANENT PEACE IN THE AREA. THE UNITED
STATES REMAINS READY TO DO ITS PART."
2. YOU WILL NOTE THAT THE TEXT CONTAINS NO REFERENCE TO THE
SECRETARY. I BELIEVE THAT THE ABSENCE OF ANY REFERENCE TO
THE SECRETARY-- AND A HIGHLY COMPLIMENTARY
ONE AT -- WOULD BE NOTICED BY ALL AND CAUSE SUBSTANTIAL ADVERSE
COMMENT, PARTICULARLY SINCE BOTH THE ISRAELIS AND EGYPTIANS
INCLUDED WILL BE SAYING SOME VERY NICE THINGS. NEVERTHELESS,
WE HAVE INCLUDED NOTHING HERE FOR OBVIOUS REASONS. I HOPE YOU
CAN CORRECT THIS LACK.
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