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PROJECT SUN STREAK

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PROJECT NUMBER: 8808

SESSION NUMBER: ~~008~~ 11

DATE OF SESSION: 21 MAY 88

DATE OF REPORT: 21 MAY 88

START: 1300

END: 1412

METHODOLOGY: *URV*

VIEWER IDENTIFIER: *079*

1. (S/NF/SK) MISSION: Determine if USMC LTC William (Rich) Higgins is currently being held aboard a vessel west of Lebanon. Describe the vessel.

2. (S/NF/SK) VIEWER TASKING: Tasking as in Para 1.

3. (S/NF/SK) COMMENTS: No Inclemencies noted. Summary is attached. Summary indicates a feasible potential of mounting a voice intercept operation at grid location H-4.5. Viewer 079 believes that Higgins will be released before 13 June 1988, the most recent projected date of release.

4. (S/NF/SK): EVALUATION:

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*To Dr Noron
on 22 May 88*

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SUMMARY

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Higgins is in an oversized, type skiff that was towed to the point on the map indicated as "C-7". Other craft in the area of "C-7" are present to monitor and alert the captors of impending danger. Radio contact is being maintained with a radio station located between "Abalat" and "Ayntrar"; Israeli Defense Forces (IDF) have the capability of conducting a voice, radio intercept against that position (Point between Abalat and Ayntrar).

(H = 4 1/2)

Israeli reconnaissance would emanate an area located in the immediate vicinity of "Nahanya." Higgins will be transferred from the oversized skiff to a motor boat that will attempt to reach Beirut. Water passage ways should be monitored to detect "an abnormal activity (by a boat) attempting to gain access top Beirut at an abnormal time (evening hours?). The captors will feel the pressure of a "closing in" upon them. They will not be able to reach Beirut; they will land somewhere south of Beirut. They will release Higgins in the near future (by the end of May) and make believe that they have done so deliberately, when in fact short of killing him (which they are not allowed to do) they feel the pressure of pursuit and interception. The presence of excessive heat (fire) is associated with the time frame surrounding the release of Higgins.

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(*) motor boat with black windshield