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AFTERMATH OF ISRAELI ATTACK ON USS LIBERTY, 8 JUNE 1967

1. GENERAL

THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITY IS BASED ON ISRAELI PLAIN LANGUAGE VHF/UHF VOICE COMMUNICATIONS INTERCEPTED ON 8 JUNE 1967 BETWEEN 1229Z AND 1328Z. THIS ACTIVITY DEALS SOLELY WITH THE AFTERMATH OF THE ATTACK BY ISRAELI JET AIRCRAFT AND TORPEDO BOATS ON THE USS LIBERTY (GTR5). THERE ARE NO COMINT REFLECTIONS OF THE ACTUAL ATTACK ITSELF.

2. SUMMARY

AT 1230Z, TWO ISRAELI HELICOPTERS 810 AND 815, WERE DISPATCHED BY HATSOR TO THE AREA OF THE INCIDENT TO CHECK FOR SURVIVORS OF AN UNIDENTIFIED "WARSHIP." APPROXIMATELY AT 1234Z, THE AIR CONTROLLER AT HATSOR CLARIFIED THE IDENTITY OF THE SHIP TO THE TWO ISRAELI HELICOPTERS BY INFORMING THEM THAT IT HAD BEEN IDENTIFIED AS EGYPTIAN. AT 1239Z, HATSOR TOLD THE HELICOPTERS THAT IT WAS AN EGYPTIAN CARGO SHIP.

AT 1307Z, HATSOR TOLD HELICOPTER 815 TO TAKE ANY SURVIVORS THAT SPOKE EGYPTIAN TO AL "ARISH ((31-08N 34-54E)), BUT IF THEY SPOKE ENGLISH TO TAKE THEM TO LOD ((31-58N 34-54E)).

AT 1312Z, THE ISRAELI HELICOPTER 815 APPARENTLY INFORMED HATSOR ON A DIFFERENT FREQUENCY THAT IT HAD SIGHTED AN AMERICAN FLAG ON THE SHIP. HATSOR THEN ASKED THE HELICOPTER TO MAKE ANOTHER PASS TO CHECK "IF THIS IS REALLY AN AMERICAN FLAG."

THE HELICOPTERS AND THE MTBS WERE COMMUNICATING ON A UHF FREQUENCY WHEREAS THE HELICOPTERS AND THE AIR CONTROLLER AT HATSOR WERE USING VHF THROUGHOUT. AT 1310Z, HELICOPTER 815 INFORMED THE MTB USING CALLWORD "PAGODA" THAT THE SHIP WAS NOT IN DANGER. THE SAME HELICOPTER THEN REPORTED THAT G.T.R.-5 WAS WRITTEN ON THE SHIP AND INQUIRED IF THIS MEANT ANYTHING. THE MTB REPLIED IN THE NEGATIVE.

THROUGHOUT THIS INTERCEPT, THE USS LIBERTY IS REFERRED TO AS THE "BIG ONE" WHILE THE THREE ISRAELI MOTOR TORPEDO BOATS ARE REFERRED TO AS THE "SMALL ONES". THE HELICOPTERS USED CALLSIGNS 810 AND 815. THE AIR CONTROLLER AT HATSOR AIR BASE USED CALL

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WORD "TRIBUNE". THE MTBS USED CALLWORDS "THORN," "PAGODA," AND
CRISIS." THE CALLWORD "JEWEL" IS NOT IDENTIFIED, BUT MAY BE
HAIFA.

3. DETAILS

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TEXT

I UNDERSTAND THE COURSE FROM
ASHDOD ((31-55N 34-39E)) IS 215.
NEGATIVE ((THE COURSE IS)) 250.
GOGER.

TO WHAT ALTITUDE ARE YOU CLIMBING?
I'M NOW AT 500 FEET.

1230Z

815 (TRIBUNE)
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(TRIBUNE) (815)

(815) (TRIBUNE)

FIVE BY.

PAY ATTENTION: THERE WAS A WARSHIP
THERE WHICH WE ATTACKED ((1 WD G)),
THE MEN JUMPED FROM IT ((THE SHIP))
INTO THE WATER, YOU WILL TRY TO
RESCUE THEM.

ROGER, I UNDERSTAND IT WAS HIT AND
UNABLE TO FIRE.

NO FIRE WAS SEEN FROM HER AND THOSE
[REDACTED] ONBOARD) DID NOT FIRE; HEAVY
SMOKE IS RISING FROM HER.

ROGER.

[REDACTED] CROSSING THE COAST NOW AT
A COURSE OF 250.

ROGER, OVER. WHAT LOCATION ((ARE YOU))
OVER ASHDOD.

ROGER, WHAT'S YOUR ALTITUDE?

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12322 (TRIBUNE) (815) 500 FEET.
(815) (TRIBUNE) ARE YOU ABLE TO CLIMB TO AN ALTITUDE
OF (1,000 FEET)?
(TRIBUNE) (815) ROGER, I'M CLIMBING.
(TRIBUNE) (815) ALTITUDE 1 (1000), COURSE 250.
815 (TRIBUNE) ROGER.
(815) (TRIBUNE) ARE YOU AT SEA NOW?
(TRIBUNE) (815) ABOUT 3 OR 4 MILES.
(815) (TRIBUNE) ROGER.
(815) (TRIBUNE) VISUAL ((RADAR)) CONTACT WITH YOU.
(TRIBUNE) (815) ROGER.
(TRIBUNE) (815) ((CALLING)) ((REPEATS)).
(815) (TRIBUNE) AT THE MOMENT SHE ((LIBERTY)) IS
STRAIGHT AHEAD AT A DISTANCE OF
ABOUT 50 MILES.
(TRIBUNE) (815) ROGER.
TRIBUNE 810 ((CALLING)).
815 (815) FIVE BY, 810 IS CALLING YOU.
815 TRIBUNE ((CALLING)).
(TRIBUNE) (815) FIVE BY.
(815) (TRIBUNE) PAY ATTENTION: THE SHIP IS NOW
IDENTIFIED AS EGYPTIAN, YOU CAN
RETURN HOME NOW.
12352 (TRIBUNE) (815) ROGER.
810 (815) ESTABLISH COMMUNICATIONS WITH YOU
ALSO.
815 (TRIBUNE) DID YOU RECEIVE?
(TRIBUNE) (815) AFFIRMATIVE, RECEIVE, I'M RETURNING.
(815) (TRIBUNE) ROGER.
(TRIBUNE) (810) ((CALLING)).
(TRIBUNE) 815 ((CALLING)).
(TRIBUNE) 810 AM I TO RETURN ALSO?
(810) (TRIBUNE) I'LL LET YOU KNOW SHORTLY.
(TRIBUNE) (810) ROGER.
12362 TRIBUNE 810 ((CALLING)).

(81 0) (TRIBUNE) ROGER, I'LL LET YOU KNOW SHORTLY.
 (TRIBUNE) (81 0) OK.
 (TRIBUNE) (81 0) ((CALLING)) ((RPTS))
 81 0 (TRIBUNE) YOU REMAIN MEANWHILE IN COMMUNICA-
 (TRIBUNE) (81 0) TIONS WITH ME.
 (TRIBUNE) 81 5 ROGER, WHAT AM I TO LOOK FOR?
 81 0 (TRIBUNE) ((CALLING)).
 (TRIBUNE) (81 0) WHERE ARE YOU?
 (81 0) (81 5) I'M CLOSE TO ASHDOD.
 ROGER, I'M ALSO CLOSE TO ASHDOD,
 ON THE SEAWARD SIDE.

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TRIBUNE (81 0) DID YOU RECEIVE?
 (81 0) (TRIBUNE) WHAT DID 81 5 REQUEST?
 81 0 (81 5) WHAT'S YOUR ALTITUDE?
 (81 5) (81 0) ALTITUDE 500 FEET, NEAR ASHDOD.
 81 0 (81 5) ROGER, WE'RE AT ALTITUDE 1200 FEET
 OVER ASHDOD.
 (81 5) (81 0) ROGER.
 81 0 (TRIBUNE) ((CALLING)).
 (TRIBUNE) (81 0) FIVE BY.
 (81 0) (TRIBUNE) PAY ATTENTION: YOU WILL CONTINUE
 MEANWHILE ON A COURSE OF 250 FROM
 ASHDOD. THE BOTH OF YOU ((1-2 WD G))
 WILL HEAD TOWARD THE SHIP.
 81 5 (TRIBUNE) ((CALLING)).
 (TRIBUNE) (81 5) FIVE BY.
 (81 5) (TRIBUNE) ROGER, YOU WILL CONTINUE ((AT A
 COURSE)) OF 250 FROM ASHDOD. THE
 BOTH OF YOU WILL HEAD FOR THE SHIP,
 FOR THE TIME BEING THE BOTH OF YOU
 WILL BE AT ALTITUDE 1 ((1000 FEET)).
 81 0 (TRIBUNE) DO YOU SEE US?
 (TRIBUNE) (81 0) AFFIRMATIVE, AFFIRMATIVE.
 (81 0) (TRIBUNE) WHERE ARE YOU?
 (81 0) (TRIBUNE) WHERE ARE YOU NOW?

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(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	ASHDOD, ALTITUDE 1 ((1000)).
(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	DID YOU RECEIVE?
81 0	TRIBUNE	((CALLING)).
(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	FIVE BY.
(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	ALTITUDE IS 1 ((1000)), AT ASHDOD.
(81 0)	(TRIBUNE)	ROGER.
(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	GOING TO COURSE 250 TOGETHER WITH
		815.
(81 0)	(TRIBUNE)	ARE THE TWO OF YOU TOGETHER?
(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	AFFIRMATIVE, WE'RE TOGETHER.
(81 0)	(TRIBUNE)	ROGER.
(81 0)	(TRIBUNE)	PAY ATTENTION: YOU [REDACTED] NONETHE-
		LESS) ARE HEADING FOR THE SHIP.
(81 0)	(TRIBUNE)	YOU WILL TRY TO TAKE THE MEN FROM
		THE WATER.
(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	ROGER, OKAY.
(81 0)	(TRIBUNE)	FOR YOUR INFORMATION: THE SHIP IS
		APPARENTLY [REDACTED] BURNING).
(81 0)	(TRIBUNE)	((1 WD G)) IT IS AN EGYPTIAN CARGO
		SHIP.
(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	ROGER.
(81 0)	(TRIBUNE)	VISUAL ((RADAR)) CONTACT WITH BOTH
		OF YOU.
(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	ROGER.
1240Z	(81 0)	I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU ((1-2 WD G))
		BOTH OF YOU?
(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	AFFIRMATIVE.
(81 0)	(TRIBUNE)	ROGER.
1241Z	81 0	((CALLING)).
	(TRIBUNE)	FIVE BY.
(81 0)	(TRIBUNE)	TAKE THE MEN TO EL-ARISH.
(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	ROGER, OKAY.
(81 5)	(81 0)	DID YOU RECEIVE?

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42Z	(81 0)	(81 5)	I RECEIVED, AFFIRMATIVE.
	(81 0)	(81 5)	HOW MUCH FUEL DO YOU HAVE?
	(81 5)	(81 0)	TWO AND A HALF TANKS.
	(81 0)	(81 5)	I HAVE 1,700 ((LITERS)).
	(81 5)	(81 0)	THIS ISN'T GOOD.
	(81 0)	(81 5)	((1 WD G)) TO EL ARISH.
	(81 5)	(81 0)	ROGER.
	(81 0)	(TRIBUNE)	THE SHIP IS LOCATED NOW STRAIGHT AHEAD AT A RANGE OF 50 MILES.
	(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	ROGER.
	---	---	ARE YOU FIRST IN LINE?
	---	---	AFFIRMATIVE.
	---	---	ROGER.
248Z	TRIBUNE	815	((2 WD G)) FROM THE COAST OF EL ARISH.
250Z	TRIBUNE	81 0	((CALLING)) ((REPEATS((
	(TRIBUNE)	81 0	ABOUT HOW MANY MEN ARE THERE?
	815	TRIBUNE	((CALLING)).
	TRIBUNE	81 0	HOW MANY MEN ARE THERE?
	815	TRIBUNE	TURN RIGHT TO ((COURSE)) 260.
	(TRIBUNE)	(81 5)	REPEAT.
	(81 5)	(TRIBUNE)	TURN RIGHT TO COURSE 260.
	(TRIBUNE)	(81 5)	((COURSE)), THEY WANT TO KNOW HOW MANY MEN ARE THERE?
	(81 5)	(TRIBUNE)	AT THE PRESENT TIME, IT STILL ISN'T KNOWN, THE DISTANCE TO YOU IS NOW 33 MILES.
	(TRIBUNE)	(81 5)	ROGER.
	(TRIBUNE)	(81 5)	WHAT IS THE DISTANCE FROM IT ((THE LIBERTY)) TO EL ARISH?
	(81 5)	(TRIBUNE)	THE DISTANCE IS APPROXIMATELY 30 MILES.
	(TRIBUNE)	(81 5)	ROGER.
	TRIBUNE	81 0	((CALLING)).
	(81 0)	(TRIBUNE)	FIVE BY.
	(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	IT'S NOTEWORTHY THAT IT ((1 WD G)).
	(81 0)	(TRIBUNE)	ROGER.
	TRIBUNE	81 5	((CALLING)).
	(81 5)	(TRIBUNE)	FIVE BY.
	(TRIBUNE)	(81 5)	WHAT IS THE DISTANCE?
	(81 5)	(TRIBUNE)	THE DISTANCE IS NOW 23 MILES.
	(TRIBUNE)	(81 5)	ROGER.

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815 (TRIBUNE) PAY ATTENTION: CALL ON 86 OR ON 186 PAGODA.

((TR-NOTE: 186 AND 86 REFER TO A UHF FREQUENCY))

(TRIBUNE) (815) ROGER.

(TRIBUNE) (815) I'M GOING OVER TO 186.

(815) (TRIBUNE) ROGER.

(TRIBUNE) 810 I'M ALSO ((GOING OVER TO 186)).

(815) TRIBUNE IS SOMEONE CALLING ((ME)) TRIBUNE?

(TRIBUNE) (815) AFFIRMATIVE, I DON'T HAVE CONTACT WITH PAGODA.

(815) (TRIBUNE) ROGER, CLEAR, THE SHIP IS NOW AT A DISTANCE OF 19 MILES.

(TRIBUNE) (815) ROGER, IS PAGODA LOCATED NEAR ((THE LIBERTY))?

(815) (TRIBUNE) APPARENTLY IT'S LOCATED NEAR IT ((THE SHIP)).

(TRIBUNE) (815) ROGER.

1257Z 815 (TRIBUNE) IF YOU ARE ABLE, TRY TO CALL HER ((PAGODA)) ON 86.

(TRIBUNE) (815) I TRIED.

(TRIBUNE) (815) I DIDN'T ((VAL GET ANYTHING)) ((MAKE CONTACT)).

(815) (TRIBUNE) ROGER.

TRIBUNE 815 ((CALLING)).

815 TRIBUNE DO YOU HAVE VISUAL CONTACT? STRAIGHT AHEAD, A DISTANCE OF 18 MILES.

TRIBUNE 815 I HAVE VISUAL CONTACT WITH ((1 WD G))

815 TRIBUNE SMOKE OR IT COULD BE ((1-2 WD G)).

ROGER, IS THERE MUCH SMOKE RISING FROM IT?

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ROGER.
 I DON'T HAVE CONTACT WITH PAGODA.
 ROGER.
 ((CALLING)).
 FIVE BY.
 DO YOU HAVE CONTACT WITH PAGODA?
 NEGATIVE.
 ROGER, I DON'T EITHER.
 ((CALLING)).
 FIVE BY.
 WHEN YOU BEGIN BRINGING UP THE MEN,
 CLARIFY BY THE FIRST MAN THAT YOU
 BRING UP, WHAT NATIONALITY HE IS.

AND REPORT TO ME IMMEDIATELY, IT'S
 IMPORTANT TO KNOW.

ROGER.
 WHAT IS YOUR ALTITUDE NOW?
 ALTITUDE IS 1 ((1000 FEET)).

ROGER.
 I HAVE ((VISUAL)) CONTACT WITH A
 VESSEL STRAIGHT AHEAD ((AT A DISTANCE
 OF)) 12 ((MILES)) A LITTLE FROM THE
 RIGHT, SMOKE ISN'T RISING; QT THE
 NORTH IT ISN'T SMOKING.
 THE DISTANCE IS NOW 13 MILES.

ROGER.
 DO YOU SEE THE SHIP?
 I SEE THE SHIP, A LITTLE TO THE
 RIGHT OF THE SMOKE, THE SMOKE
 THE SMOKE ISN'T RISING.
 ROGER, IT'S POSSIBLE THAT ((THE
 SMOKE)) IS FROM ONE OF OURS.

ROGER.
 IT'S WORTH CLARIFYING.

ROGER.
 ROGER, WHAT I SEE NOW) IS
 OURS, THIS IS CLEAR.

ROGER.
 10 MILES IS THE DISTANCE NOW.
 ROGER, I UNDERSTAND AT 12 O'CLOCK
 ((1 WD G)).

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815 TRIBUNE

AFFIRMATIVE, A LITTLE ON THE RIGHT SIDE.
VOGER.

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815 TRIBUNE

THE DISTANCE IS NOW 9 MILES.

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815 TRIBUNE

815 TRIBUNE

I'M GOING OVER TO 86.

815 TRIBUNE

ROGER, I REQUEST TO RECEIVE A REPORT, TELL ME THE NATIONALITY.

815 TRIBUNE

((CALLING)).

815 TRIBUNE

GO AHEAD.

815 TRIBUNE

ROGER, THERE IS A LARGE SHIP, SMOKE ISN'T RISING. AT THE PRESENT TIME SMOKE IS A LITTLE TO THE RIGHT ON ITS LEFT SIDE ((XG)) I SEE A SMALL VESSEL. THREE SMALL VESSELS.

1303Z

815 TRIBUNE

815 (TRIBUNE)

ARE YOU CALLING ME?

815 TRIBUNE

FIVE BY.

815 TRIBUNE

DID YOU CALL ME?

815 TRIBUNE

AFFIRMATIVE.

815 TRIBUNE

ROGER, WHAT'S THE MATTER?

815 TRIBUNE

THERE IS A LARGE VESSEL, NEAR IT ARE 3 SMALL VESSELS, COULD THIS BE IT, AT A DISTANCE OF A MILE FROM ME?

815 TRIBUNE

ROGER, CLEAR.

815 TRIBUNE

ROGER, APPARENTLY THE SMALL VESSELS ARE OURS.

815 TRIBUNE

ROGER.

815 TRIBUNE

((CALLING)).

815 TRIBUNE

FIVE BY.

815 TRIBUNE

WHAT'S THE MATTER?

815 TRIBUNE

DON'T YOU SEE IT YET?

815 TRIBUNE

I'M BEHIND YOU, I STILL DON'T SEE THE SHIP ((d WD G)) ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF US.

815 TRIBUNE

ROGER, EXACTLY IN FRONT OF ME, THERE ARE THE SMALL VESSELS.

815 TRIBUNE

WHAT'S WITH THEM, WHAT'S GOING ON?

815 TRIBUNE

IT APPEARS THAT THEY ARE OURS.

815 TRIBUNE

ON OUR RIGHT SIDE?

815 TRIBUNE

YES.

815 TRIBUNE

ALL 3 OF THEM ARE OURS.

(TRIBUNE)

ROGER, THE SMALL ONES, RIGHT?

815 TRIBUNE

AFFIRMATIVE.

815 TRIBUNE

ROGER, I'M HEADING FOR THE BIG

13047 815 (TRIBUNE) TRIBUNE (815) ONE ((LIBERTY)).
ARE YOU GOING FOR THE BIG ONE?
AFFIRMATIVE.

815 THORN ROGER, WAIT.
FIVE BY.
ROGER, TRANSMIT.
YES.
WITH YOU.

((TR-NOTE: LAST 4 TRANSMISSIONS ARE ONE WAY COMMUNICATION---
ALL 4 ARE FROM SAME SOURCE -- OTHER TERMINAL IS
ON DIFFERENT FREQUENCY))

185 ((SIC)) THORN WE SEARCH AROUND AND DIDN'T FIND
ANYONE.

((TR-NOTE: IT IS BELIEVED THAT THORN MADE AN ERROR AND
WANTED TO CALL 815. THE CALLSIGN 185 HOWEVER
HAS BEEN USED BY AN ISRAELI JET AIRCRAFT
(EITHER A MIRAGE OF A MYSTERE). IT IS OF
COURSE POSSIBLE THAT THORN HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN
IN CONTACT WITH 185, BUT IF THIS WAS THE CASE
THERE ARE NO COMINT REFLECTIONS OF THIS
ACTIVITY.)

(THORN) (815) ROGER.
(815) (THORN) THE BIG ONE ((LIBERTY)) IS NOT OURS.
185 ((SIC)) THORN HOW DO YOU READ ME?
((TR-NOTE: AGAIN THORN SAYS 185 VICE 815))
(THORN) 815 ((CALLS)).
815 THORN WE SEARCHED AROUND AND DIDN'T
FIND ANYONE.
THORN (815) ROGER.
--- TRIBUNE WE HEAR YOU EXCELLENTLY.

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PAGODA	81 0	((CALLS)).
81 0	PAGODA	TRANSMIT.
(PAGODA)	(81 0)	WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
(81 0)	(PAGODA)	SEND YOUR REPORT.
(PAGODA)	81 0	WHAT HAS TO BE DONE HERE?
PAGODA	81 0	((CALLS)).
(81 0)	(PAGODA)	SEARCH TO SEE IF THERE ARE MEN IN THE WATER.

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(PAGODA)	(81 0)	ROGER.
---	(TRIBUNE)	I UNDERSTAND AND FOR THE BIG ONE
(TRIBUNE)	(PAGODA)	((LIBERTY)).
---	(PAGODA)	DON'T SPEAK ON THE CHANNEL NOW
---	(PAGODA)	((RPTS)).
---	PAGODA	FIVE BY, IT APPEARS TO ME THAT I
---	(PAGODA)	FOUND THE MEN.
---	(PAGODA)	AFFIRMATIVE?
---	(PAGODA)	ROGER, THAT'S CLEAR.
---	(PAGODA)	ROGER.
---	(PAGODA)	NEGATIVE, IT'S NOT MEN, IT'S BOATS,

TRIBUNE	81 0	IT'S NOT MEN.
81 0	TRIBUNE	((CALLING)).
81 5	81 0	GO AHEAD.
81 0	81 5	((CALLING)).
81 5	81 0	FIVE BY.
81 0	81 5	WHAT'S GOING ON?
		I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ((1 WD G))
		((ABOUT THEM)) I'LL TRY TO CONTACT
		THEM ON 186.
((TR-NOTE:	81 5 IS TRYING TO GET IN TOUCH WITH THE 3 SMALL	
81 5	81 0	SHIPS ON 186 FREQUENCY))
81 5	TRIBUNE	ARE THE SMALL ONES OURS?
TRIBUNE	81 5	((CALLING)).
81 5	TRIBUNE	FIVE BY.
		PAY ATTENTION: IF ANY OF THEM ARE
		SPEAKING, AND IF THEY ARE SPEAKING

ARABIC ((EGYPTIAN)), YOU TAKE THEM TO
EL ARISH ((31-23N 33-45E)) IF THEY
ARE SPEAKING ENGLISH, NOT EGYPTIAN,
YOU TAKE THEM TO LOD ((31-58N
34-54E)) IS THIS CLEAR?
ROGER.

DO YOU SEE THE MEN?
TO WHOM DOES THE BIG ONE ((SHIP))
BELONG?

((CALLING)) ((REPEATS)).
FIVE BY.

DON'T LEAVE THE VICINITY, IF YOU
DO LEAVE, REPORT ((TO ME)).
I'M NOT MONITORING THIS CHANNEL,
I'M SPEAKING ON 186 WITH THORN.
THIS IS THE SMALL ONES ((SIC)).
ROGER, WHAT SHOULD BE DONE?
SEARCH FOR SURVIVORS [] WHETHER
YOU FIND THEM OR NOT).
((CALLS)).
TRANSMIT.

ROGER.
ARE YOU ABLE TO GO UP A LITTLE
HIGHER IN ORDER TO SEE THE SITU-
ATION BETTER?

ROGER.
((CALLING)) ((REPEATS)).
((CALLING)).

ARE YOU OVER WHATEVER YOU LOCATED?
IT SHOULD BE NOTED HERE THAT HELICOPTERS 810
AND 815 ARE NOW ANSWERING CONTROL ON ANOTHER
FREQUENCY))

ROGER, THE FIRST MATTER TO CLARIFY
IS TO FIND OUT WHAT THEIR NATIONALITY
IS.
REPORT TO ME IMMEDIATELY.

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AFTERMATH OF ISRAELI ATTACK ON USS LIBERTY, 8 JUNE 1967

(815)	(TRIBUNE)	ROGER THIS IS CLEAR.
815	TRIBUNE	ROGER, YOU WATCH OUR FOR THE MASTS THERE.
815	TRIBUNE	((CALLING)).
(PAGODA)	(815)	I UNDERSTAND THAT THE SHIP IS NOT IN DANGER.
(815)	PAGODA	I AM NOT SURE THAT IT ((THE LIBERTY)) IS NOT IN DANGER. ARE YOU SUGGESTING THE SERIOUSNESS OF IT ((THE SITUATION)), BY ((SAYING)) THIS? ((TR-NOTE: AS HEARD)).
(PAGODA)	(815)	NEGATIVE, G.T.R.-5 IS WRITTEN ((ON IT)).
((TR-NOTE: (815)	LETTERS G.T.R. SENT IN ENGLISH))	
(PAGODA)	(815)	ROGER ((STOPS)).
(815)	(PAGODA)	DOES THIS MEAN SOMETHING?
(PAGODA)	(815)	NEGATIVE, IT DOESN'T MEAN ANYTHING.
		FROM BEHIND IT ((LIBERTY)) SEVERAL UNINFLATED BOATS WERE SEEN.
(815)	(PAGODA)	ROGER.
815	TRIBUNE	YOU TAKE 810 WITH YOU AND RETURN HOME, [] BEARING) 070, DISTANCE OF 6 MILES.
(815)	(TRIBUNE)	FIVE BY.
815	TRIBUNE	ROGER, THIS IS CLEAR, DID YOU CLEARLY IDENTIFY AN AMERICAN FLAG?
815	TRIBUNE	THANKS, REMAIN MEANWHILE OVER THE AREA.
810	815	((CALLING)).
815	TRIBUNE	WE REQUEST THAT YOU MAKE ANOTHER PASS AND CHECK ONCE MORE IF THIS IS REALLY AN AMERICAN FLAG.
(TRIBUNE)	(815)	ROGER.
((TR-NOTE: ---	DO NOT HEAR FROM 815 UNTIL 1327Z))	
	(TRIBUNE)	FIVE BY.

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(815) (TRIBUNE) ROGER, THIS IS CLEAR, WHAT KIND OF
 FLAG IS IT?
 (815) (TRIBUNE) ROGER, THIS IS CLEAR.
 (815) (TRIBUNE) FIVE BY, REMAIN MEANWHILE IN WAITING,
 AND WE'LL REPORT TO YOU IMMEDIATELY.
 (815) (TRIBUNE) IS THIS CLEAR?
 (815) (TRIBUNE) TAKE 810, AND RETURN HOME.
 (815) (TRIBUNE) ((COURSE)) 065, DISTANCE OF 65 MILES.
 (815) (TRIBUNE) ROGER, THIS IS CLEAR.
 (815) (TRIBUNE) ROGER, I RECEIVED. I WILL NOTIFY
 YOU IMMEDIATELY AS TO WHAT TO DO.
 (815) (TRIBUNE) ROGER.
 162 (TRIBUNE) PAY ATTENTION:
 815 TRIBUNE ROGER, THIS IS CLEAR. ACCORDING
 TO THE INSTRUCTION, WHOEVER HAS
 THE MOST FUEL.
 172 (815) (TRIBUNE) ROGER, I'M CHECKING ON IT.
 815 TRIBUNE PAY ATTENTION: WHOEVER HAS THE
 MOST FUEL BETWEEN YOU WILL RETURN
 HOME, THE ONE WITH THE LEAST WILL
 GO TO EL ARISH.
 815 TRIBUNE NOT AT THE PRESENT TIME. APPARENTLY
 THE ONE WHO IS GOING TO EL ARISH
 WILL RETURN LATER.
 (815) (TRIBUNE) WHICH ONE OF YOU IS GOING HOME?
 (815) (TRIBUNE) WHO IS GOING HOME?
 (815) (TRIBUNE) OK.
 172 815 TRIBUNE ROGER, THIS IS KNOWN. I RECEIVED
 THE NOTICE AND IT'S KNOWN THAT
 THESE ORDERS CAME FROM ABOVE.
 212 (TRIBUNE) GO OVER TO 170 ON THE WAY HOME.
 810 TRIBUNE HE SAYS OVER TO 170 ON THE WAY HOME.
 (TRIBUNE) (810) ROGER.

272 JEWEL 815 ((CALLS)) ((RPTS)).
 ((TR-NOTE: 815 CALLS JEWEL UNTIL 1328Z))
 ((END OF RADIO TELEPHONE CONVERSATION))
 COMMENT: THIS ACTIVITY HAD BEEN REPORTED IN A CONDENSED VERSION
 BY USA-556 IN ITS 2/15 []/R23-67, 082052, AND FOLLOW-UPS.

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