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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

TIME	TO	FROM	TEXT
	---	---	I UNDERSTAND THE COURSE FROM ASHDOD ((31-55N 34-39E)) IS 215.
	---	---	NEGATIVE ((THE COURSE IS)) 250.
	---	---	GOGER.
	815	(TRIBUNE)	TO WHAT ALTITUDE ARE YOU CLIMBING?
	(TRIBUNE)	(815)	I'M NOW AT 500 FEET.
	(815)	(TRIBUNE)	
1230Z	---	---	FIVE BY.
	(815)	(TRIBUNE)	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.
	(TRIBUNE)	(815)	ROGER, I UNDERSTAND IT WAS HIT AND UNABLE TO FIRE.
	(815)	(TRIBUNE)	NO FIRE WAS SEEN FROM HER AND THOSE [redacted] ONBOARD) DID NOT FIRE; HEAVY SMOKE IS RISING FROM HER.
	(TRIBUNE)	(815)	ROGER.
	(TRIBUNE)	(815)	[redacted] CROSSING THE) COAST NOW AT A COURSE OF 250.
	(815)	(TRIBUNE)	ROGER, OVER. WHAT LOCATION ((ARE YOU))
	(TRIBUNE)	(815)	OVER ASHDOD.
	(815)	(TRIBUNE)	ROGER, WHAT'S YOUR ALTITUDE?
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	(TRIBUNE)	(815)	500 FEET.
	(815)	(TRIBUNE)	ARE YOU ABLE TO CLIMB TO AN ALTITUDE OF ((1,000 FEET))?
	(TRIBUNE)	(815)	ROGER, I'M CLIMBING.
1232Z			
	(TRIBUNE)	(815)	ALTITUDE 1 ((1 000)), 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.
	(TRIBUNE)	(815)	ROGER.
1235Z			
	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.
1236Z			
	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 COMMUNICATIONS WITH ME.
(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	ROGER, WHAT AM I TO LOOK FOR?
(TRIBUNE)	815	((CALLING)).
81 0	(TRIBUNE)	WHERE ARE YOU?
(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	I'M CLOSE TO ASHDOD.
(81 0)	(815)	ROGER, I'M ALSO CLOSE TO ASHDOD, ON THE SEAWARD SIDE.
38Z		
TRIBUNE	(81 0)	DID YOU RECEIVE?
(81 0)	(TRIBUNE)	WHAT DID 815 REQUEST?
81.0	(815)	WHAT'S YOUR ALTITUDE?
(815)	(81 0)	ALTITUDE 500 FEET, NEAR ASHDOD.
81 0	(815)	ROGER, WE'RE AT ALTITUDE 1 200 FEET OVER ASHDOD.
(815)	(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.
815	(TRIBUNE)	((CALLING)).
(TRIBUNE)	(815)	FIVE BY.
(815)	(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 ((1 000 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 ((1 000)).
(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	DID YOU RECEIVE?
81 0	TRIBUNE	((CALLING)).
(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	FIVE BY.
(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	ALTITUDE IS 1 ((1 000)), AT ASHDOD.
(81 0)	(TRIBUNE)	ROGER.
(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	GOING TO COURSE 25 0 TOGETHER WITH 81 5.
(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] NONETHELESS) 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)	(TRIBUNE)	I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU ((1-2 WD G)) BOTH OF YOU?
(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	AFFIRMATIVE.
(81 0)	(TRIBUNE)	ROGER.
1241Z		
81 0	TRIBUNE	((CALLING)).
(TRIBUNE)	(81 0)	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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(81 0)	(81 5)	I RECEIVED, AFFIRMATIVE.
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(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.
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---	---	ARE YOU FIRST IN LINE?
---	---	AFFIRMATIVE.
---	---	ROGER.
TRIBUNE	815	((2 WD G)) FROM THE COAST OF EL ARISH.
248Z		
TRIBUNE	81 0	((CALLING)) ((REPEATS((.
250Z		
(TRIBUNE)	81 0	ABOUT HOW MANY MEN ARE THERE?
815	TRIBUNE	((CALLING)).
TRIBUNE	81 0	HOW MANY MEN ARE THERE?
81 5	TIIBUNE	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.
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815	(TRIBUNE)	IF YOU ARE ABLE, TRY TO CALL HER ((PAGODA)) ON 86.
(TRIBUNE)	(815)	I TRIED.
(TRIBUNE)	(815)	I DIDN'T (C 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)) SMOKE OR IT COULD BE ((1-2 WD G)).
815	TRIBUNE	ROGER, IS THERE MUCH SMOKE RISING FROM IT?

TRIBUNE	815	ROGER.
TRIBUNE	815	I DON'T HAVE CONTACT WITH PAGODA.
815	TRIBUNE	ROGER.
810	815	((CALLING)).
815	810	FIVE BY.
810	815	DO YOU HAVE CONTACT WITH PAGODA?
815	810	NEGATIVE.
810	815	ROGER, I DON'T EITHER.
815	TRIBUNE	((CALLING)).
TRIBUNE	815	FIVE BY.
815	TRIBUNE	WHEN YOU BEGIN BRINGING UP THE MEN, CLARIFY BY THE FIRST MAN THAT YOU BRING UP, WHAT NATIONALITY HE IS.
815	TRIBUNE	AND REPORT TO ME IMMEDIATELY, IT'S IMPORTANT TO KNOW.
TRIBUNE	815	ROGER.
815	TRIBUNE	WHAT IS YOUR ALTITUDE NOW?
TRIBUNE	815	ALTITUDE IS 1 ((1000 FEET)).
815	TRIBUNE	ROGER.
TRIBUNE	815	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.
815	TRIBUNE	THE DISTANCE IS NOW 13 MILES.
TRIBUNE	815	ROGER.
815	TRIBUNE	DO YOU SEE THE SHIP?
TRIBUNE	815	I SEE THE SHIP, A LITTLE TO THE RIGHT OF THE SMOKE, THE SMOKE THE SMOKE ISN'T RISING.
815	TRIBUNE	ROGER, IT'S POSSIBLE THAT ((THE SMOKE)) IS FROM ONE OF OURS.
TRIBUNE	815	ROGER.
TRIBUNE	815	IT'S WORTH CLARIFYING.
815	TRIBUNE	ROGER.
TRIBUNE	815	ROGER, WHAT I SEE [redacted] NOW) IS OURS, THIS IS CLEAR.
815	TRIBUNE	ROGER.
815	TRIBUNE	10 MILES IS THE DISTANCE NOW.
TRIBUNE	815	ROGER, I UNDERSTAND AT 12 O'CLOCK ((1 WD G)).

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	815	TRIBUNE	AFFIRMATIVE, A LITTLE ON THE RIGHT SIDE.
	TRIBUNE	815	VOGER.
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	815	TRIBUNE	THE DISTANCE IS NOW 9 MILES.
1302Z			
	TRIBUNE	815	I'M GOING OVER TO 86.
	815	TRIBUNE	ROGER, I REQUEST TO RECEIVE A REPORT, TELL ME THE NATIONALITY.
	TRIBUNE	815	((CALLING)).
	815	TRIBUNE	GO AHEAD.
	TRIBUNE	815	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.
	TRIBUNE	815	THREE SMALL VESSELS.
1303Z			
	815	(TRIBUNE)	ARE YOU CALLING ME?
	TRIBUNE	815	FIVE BY.
	815	TRIBUNE	DID YOU CALL ME?
	TRIBUNE	815	AFFIRMATIVE.
	815	TRIBUNE	ROGER, WHAT'S THE MATTER?
	TRIBUNE	815	THERE IS A LARVE 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.
	TRIBUNE	815	ROGER.
	815	810	((CALLING)).
	810	815	FIVE BY.
	815	810	WHAT'S THE MATTER?
	810	815	DON'T YOU SEE IT YET?
	815	810	I'M BEHIND YOU, I STILL DON'T SEE THE SHIP ((1 WD G)) ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF US.
	810	815	ROGER, EXACTLY IN FRONT OF ME, THERE ARE THE SMALL VESSELS.
	815	810	WHAT'S WITH THEM, WHAT'S GOING ON?
	810	815	IT APPEARS THAT THEY ARE OURS.
	815	810	ON OUR RIGHT SIDE?
	810	815	YES.
	815	TRIBUNE	ALL 3 OF THEM ARE OURS.
	(TRIBUNE)	(815)	ROGER, THE SMALL ONES, RIGHT?
	815	TRIBUNE	AFFIRMATIVE.
	TRIBUNE	815	ROGER, I'M HEADING FOR THE BIG

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		ONE ((LIBERTY)).
815	TRIBUNE	ARE YOU GOING FOR THE BIG ONE?
(TRIBUNE)	(815)	AFFIRMATIVE.
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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	810	((CALLS)).
810	PAGODA	TRANSMIT.
(PAGODA)	(810)	WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
(810)	(PAGODA)	SEND YOUR REPORT.
(PAGODA)	810	WHAT HAS TO BE DONE HERE?
PAGODA	810	((CALLS)).
(810)	(PAGODA)	SEARCH TO SEE IF THERE ARE MEN IN THE WATER.
1306Z		
(PAGODA)	(810)	ROGER.
---	(TRIBUNE)	I UNDERSTAND AND FOR THE BIG ONE ((LIBERTY)).
(TRIBUNE)	(PAGODA)	DON'T SPEAK ON THE CHANNEL NOW ((RPTS)).
---	(PAGODA)	FIVE BY, IT APPEARS TO ME THAT I FOUND THE MEN.
---	PAGODA	AFFIRMATIVE?
---	(PAGODA)	ROGER, THAT'S CLEAR.
---	(PAGODA)	ROGER.
---	(PAGODA)	NEGATIVE, IT'S NOT MEN, IT'S BOATS, IT'S NOT MEN.
TRIBUNE	810	((CALLING)).
810	TRIBUNE	GO AHEAD.
815	810	((CALLING)).
810	815	FIVE BY.
815	810	WHAT'S GOING ON?
810	815	I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ((1 WD G)) ((ABOUT THEM)) I'LL TRY TO CONTACT THEM ON 186.
((TR-NOTE: 815 IS TRYING TO GET IN TOUCH WITH THE 3 SMALL SHIPS ON 186 FREQUENCY))		
815	810	ARE THE SMALL ONES OURS?
815	TRIBUNE	((CALLING)).
TRIBUNE	815	FIVE BY.
815	TRIBUNE	PAY ATTENTION: IF ANY OF THEM ARE SPEAKING, AND IF THEY ARE SPEAKING

		ARABIC ((EGYPTIAN)), YOU TAK THEM TO EL ARISH ((31-03N 33-45E)) IF THEY ARE SPEAKING ENGLISH, NOT EGYPTIAN, YOU TAKE THEM TO LOD ((31-58N 34-54E)) IS THIS CLEAR?
TRIBUNE	815	ROGER.
815	TRIBUNE	DO YOU SEE THE MEN?
815	TRIBUNE	TO WHOM DOES THE BIG ONE ((SHIP)) BELONG?
07Z		
815	810	((CALLING)) ((REPEATS)).
810	815	FIVE BY.
815	810	DON'T LEAVE THE VICINITY, IF YOU DO LEAVE, REPORT ((TO ME)).
810	815	I'M NOT MONITORING THIS CHANNEL, I'M SPEAKING ON 186 WITH THORN. THIS IS THE SMALL ONES ((SIC)).
815	810	ROGER, WHAT SHOULD BE DONE?
810	815	SEARCH FOR SURVIVORS [redacted] WHETHER YOU FIND THEM OR NOT).
PAGODA	815	((CALLS)).
815	PAGODA	TRANSMIT.
08Z		
(815)	(810)	ROGER.
810	TRIBUNE	ARE YOU ABLE TO GO UP A LITTLE HIGHER IN ORDER TO SEE THE SITUATION BETTER?
(TRIBUNE)	(810)	ROGER.
810	TRIBUNE	((CALLING)) ((REPEATS)).
815	TRIBUNE	((CALLING)).
815	TRIBUNE	ARE YOU OVER WHATEVER YOU LOCATED?
((TR-NOTE:	IT SHOULD BE NOTED HERE THAT HELICOPTERS 810 AND 815 ARE NOW ANSWERING CONTROL ON ANOTHER FREQUENCY))	
815	TRIBUNE	ROGER, THE FIRST MATTER TO CLARIFY IS TO FIND OUT WHAT THEIR NATIONALITY IS.
(815)	(TRIBUNE)	REPORT TO ME IMMEDIATELY.

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(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:	LETTERS G.T.R. SENT IN ENGLISH))	
(815)	(PAGODA)	ROGER ((STOPS)).
(PAGODA)	(815)	DOES THIS MEAN SOMETHING?
(815)	(PAGODA)	NEGATIVE, IT DOESN'T MEAN ANYTHING.
(PAGODA)	(815)	FROM BEHIND IT ((LIBERTY)) SEVERAL UNINFLATED BOATS WERE SEEN.
(815)	(PAGODA)	ROGER.
815	TRIBUNE	YOU TAKE 810 WITH YOU AND RETURN HOME, [redacted] BEARING) 070, DISTANCE OF 6 MILES.
(815)	(TRIBUNE)	FIVE BY.
1312Z		
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.

(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.
16Z		
---	(TRIBUNE)	PAY ATTENTION:
815	TRIBUNE	ROGER, THIS IS CLEAR. ACCORDING TO THE INSTRUCTION, WHOEVER HAS THE 60ST FUEL.
17Z		
(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. QPPARENTLY THE ONE WHO IS GOING TO EL ARISH WILL RETURN LATER.
(815)	(TRIBUNE)	QHICH ONE OF YOU IS GOING HOME?
(815)	(TRIBUNE)	WHO IS GOING HOME?
(815)	(TRIBUNE)	OK.
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815	TRIBUNE	ROGER, THIS IS KNOWN. I RECEIVED THE NOTICE AND IT'S KNOWN THAT THESE ORDERS CAME FROM ABOVE.
21Z		
---	---	GO OVER TO 170 ON THE WAY HOME.
810	TRIBUNE	HE SAYS OVER TO 170 ON THE WAY HOME.
(TRIBUNE)	(810)	ROGER.
27Z		
JEWEL	815	((CALLS)) ((RPTS)).

((TR-NOTE: 815 CALLS JEWEL UNTIL 1328Z))

((END OF RADIO TELEPHONE CONVERSATION))

MENT: THIS ACTIVITY HAD BEEN REPORTED IN A CONDENSED VERSION BY USA-556 IN ITS 2/15[redacted]/R23-67, 082015Z, AND FOLLOW-UPS.

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