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DIA SPOT REPORT #4

DATE: 7 October 1973  
TIME: 0740EDT

SUBJECT: Middle East Hostilities

REFERENCE: DIA Analysis (SS)

GENERAL

(S/NFD) Since dawn the Israeli Air Force has been attacking military targets in both Egypt and Syria. Four Egyptian bridges have been erected across the canal; one has been destroyed by Israelis. Israelis report that less armor crossed last night than was expected. Israeli forces are engaging Egyptian infantry with Israeli armor. In the Golan Heights area, Syrian armor has penetrated in four areas; Israeli counterattack currently under way. The Israelis state that today will be decisive.

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(S/NFD) [redacted] in Tel Aviv reported that the Israelis had expected the Egyptians to move many tanks across the Canal during the night. Additional infantry in undetermined numbers; also a less than expected amount of armor did cross during the night. He speculated that [redacted]

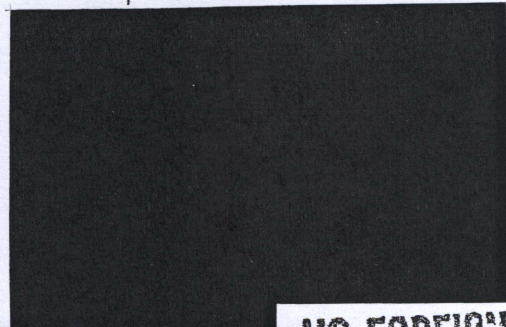
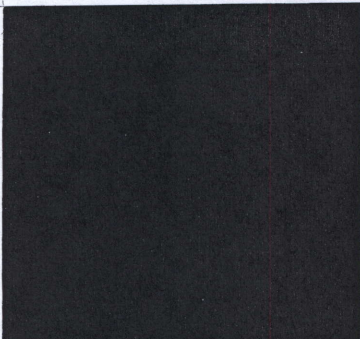
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the IDF strategy may be to lure a large quantity of tanks ✓  
across the Canal out of the SAM protected area and then  
have a "field day." The Israelis report, however, that  
the two Egyptian armored divisions have not been committed.

(S/NFD) An IDF spokesman stated that the Israeli Air Force  
had been attacking military targets inside Egypt since  
early this morning. The Israelis were expected to attack  
concentration areas west of crossing points on the Canal.  
An Egyptian communique states that the Egyptian forces  
continue to move into the Sinai and that large formations  
of enemy aircraft bombed airports in Egypt. The IDF spoke-  
sman stated that most of the fighting was contained to the  
vicinity of the crossing points.

(S/NFD) He also stated that the Israeli Navy sunk an  
Egyptian Navy unit northeast of Port Said as well as  
three small craft loading on the west bank of the Gulf  
of Suez. In addition, three Egyptian landing craft were  
sunk in a naval engagement and one PTG was sunk by air  
attack early this morning in the Gulf of Suez area.

(S/NFD) Fighting in the southern Sinai took place yesterday  
between Israeli forces and Egyptian troops landed by heli-  
copter at Sharm es Sheikh. An Egyptian TU-16/BADGER air-  
craft bombed this area late yesterday with little damage.  
Abu Rudeis was also attacked with some oil facilities  
destroyed.

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SYRIAN FRONT

(U) Syrian armed forces are continuing to attack along  
the entire Golan Heights cease-fire line and have penetrated  
several kilometers at four points (see map). Israeli  
counterattack with armor supported by air is currently  
in progress.

(U) Druze tribesmen near the front line of the Golan  
Heights report seeing large numbers of abandoned Syrian  
tanks in this area.

(S/NFD) Two Israeli settlements (Kibbutzim) were shelled ✓  
by Syrian artillery early this morning.



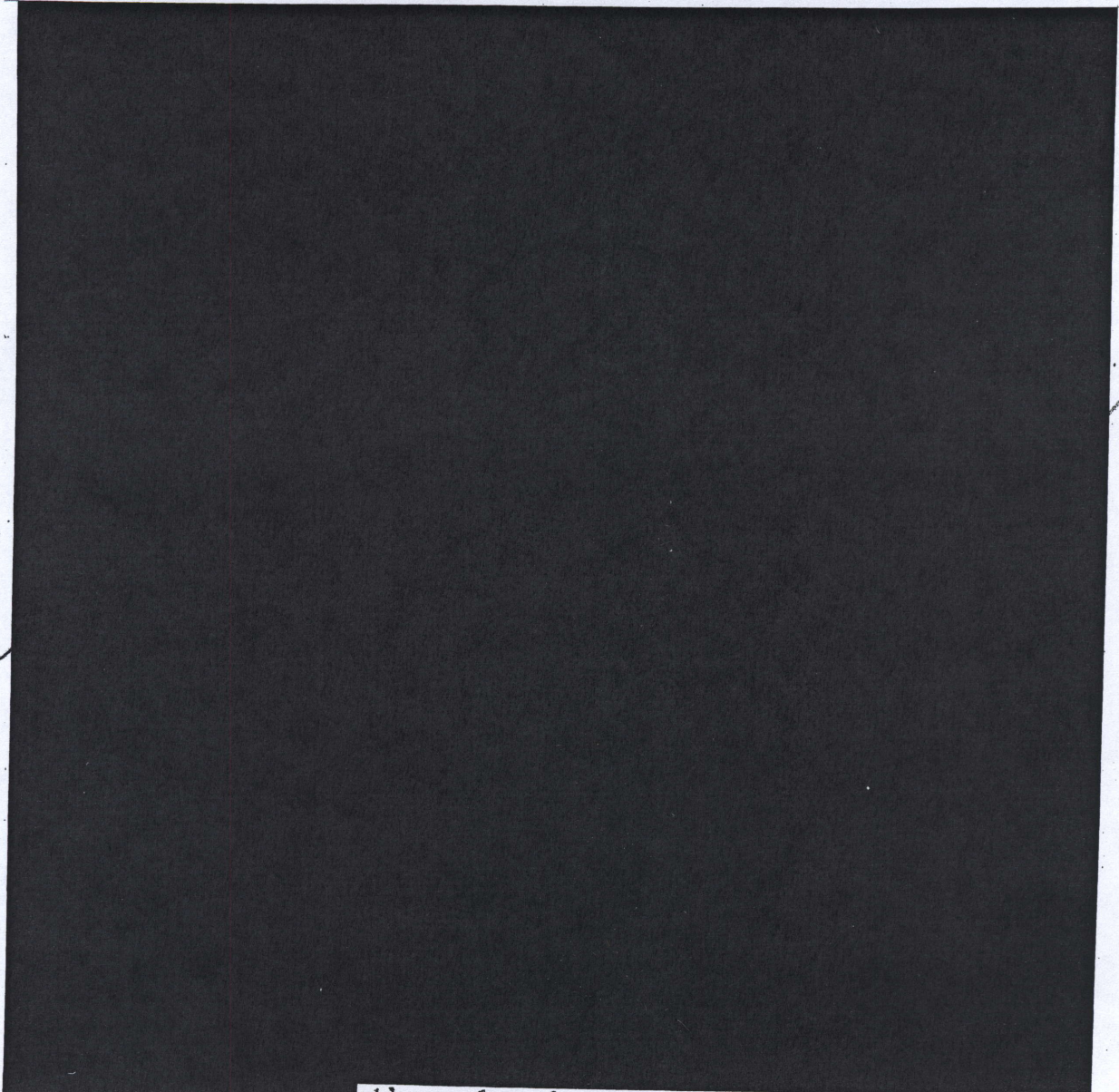
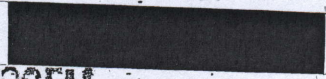
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there has been no apparent reaction by the Soviet Air Forces to the situation in the Middle East.

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(C/NFD) Sudanese leader Numeiri reportedly on 6 October offered Sudanese troops to Egyptian President Sadat and Syrian President Asad, if asked, and had placed Sudanese ports and airports at the disposal of Arab forces.

POLITICAL

(U) According to Baghdad radio, Iraq has nationalized Exxon and Mobil oil company shares in the Basrah Petroleum Company in retaliation for the current "Israeli aggression." An Iraqi statement also calls for other Arab oil companies to cut off the flow of oil to the United States and every other foreign country supporting Israel.

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