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DATE OF SESSION: 17 May 88              DATE OF REPORT: 17 May 88  
START: 1115                              END: 1230  
METHODOLOGY: WRV                      VIEWER IDENTIFIER: 079

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1. (S/NF/SK) MISSION: Determine if USMC LTC Higgins is still alive. Determine his physical and mental status.
2. (S/NF/SK) VIEWER TASKING: Tasking is reflected in Para 1, above.
3. (S/NF/SK) COMMENTS: No inclemencies noted. Information related to the German national, Cordes, is included in the attached summary. Viewer 079 is remains adamant in the perspective that USMC LTC Higgins will be released. Release dates were initially projected as (about) 6 April 1988, 22 April 1988, and prior to June 1988. Current date of release projected as occurring "prior to 13 June 1988." See attached Summary.
4. (S/NF/SK): EVALUATION:

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The name of "Charles Higgins" surfaced as the first item at the beginning of the session. "Charles Higgins" appeared to play an important role in helping USMC LTC Higgins <sup>stay</sup> alive. Efforts to determine the relationship of "Charles Higgins" to LTC Higgins were unsuccessful. LTC Higgins is very much alive and being moved about in the northeast section of Beirut in a navy-blue automobile. The captors are having a hard time getting Higgins situated; they are constantly on the move. He was intermittently housed in the "White wall units of the city" (northeast Beirut). Religious writings (as in the commandments) written on pillars, are observable. LTC Higgins will be released from captivity sooner than 13 June 1988. A convergence of the following factors will allow for the release of Higgins: 1/ Prevailing difficult climatic conditions of excessive heat (in Lebanon) will serve to distract the captors; 2/ Continued fighting between the Shiite Hezbollah and Amal factions will confuse an already weak line of communication so that the captors will have to make decisions based on their own initiative; 3/ The persistence (presence/hounding) of Israeli "Relay Teams" prove to be highly intimidating to the captors; and, 4/ Pressure is brought upon the captors by sister, Arabic states, particularly Oman. The Arab states are particularly angry at Iran's "stupidity" in this affair. The captors feel the Higgins affair is of secondary importance; doing battle with the Amal forces appears to be the

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issue of high priority, and the captors have a strong desire to participate in this crucial event.

The German national, Cordes, will be released from captivity subsequent to 15 June 1988 (as previously reported). Whereas Higgins is not knowledgeable of the others (hostages), Cordes is aware of many facts that will provide valuable insight (and assist in the release of Terry Waite, Terri Anderson, in August 1988, (as previously reported):

Arafat is an articulate representative of the so-called conservative faction of these people (PLO and terrorists?). Based on his knowledge, experience and past political activities, he will gain widespread popularity and become a significant, political force (representative) in the not too distant future. The information provided in April 1988 remains generally valid.

charles pick up name charles higgins relaying news and messages

the best man - in memory - father or grandfather - hbe is best man

he is also here today helping us - relaying messages acknowledge him.

the higgins is alive, alive - over the hills, out of the mts and into the outskirts of capital area and riding in a navy blue car, northeast outskirts - can't get situated or close to team.

higgins can't be settled like others because of confrontations -

relay teams are helping higgins

the forces - Israeli are helping locate or relocate higgins - navy blue car

capital area dropping weapons off in trash piles - dirty areas - garbage piles.

terrorists are not ---

the higgins will be released during hard climatic weather conditions

Higgins - check your weather for that area for next 12 weeks

heat - weather climatic hurts the terrorists climatic conditions

watch how terrorists reach --- hot and heat

we'll put terrorist at disadvantage at this point - higgins will be released - check all facts

check april time frame - receive climatic conditions at that time

what was expected - what was

mothers nature's gift to make them nutso

Higgins released by captors - they want him off their hands so they can regroup - he is preventing them from doing what they want to do.

fighting does help in his release

higgins wearing them down in attention and time they feel cheated out of other things

change

dispursing - dispursment  
the arabic states are in favor of us u.s.

the wall units of the city is hiding him - the arabic states are angry with their sister Iran

and tey are rying cope with Iran's stupidity and tey serve as pressure points - for strong holds to get him out

Oman O Yemen is weak, so weak

Arafat - he stays conservative -

he will receive more power in his outfit

he is pure and old - articulate and well bred

jcomes into pmore powerful position

most radical groups will not be able to reach him - he stays put for now.

He comes in as peacemaker also - makes amends from his past

Higgins is trying to stay mantally and emotionally fit

amendments - equals  
amendments - city wall where hiding higgins - something written on them - 10 commandments - on whie city walls - are written god's words.

where higgins being kept - they drive from the south because of fighting - they getting him in the noth coming up the northeast

holy house of alla-alla-alla A

hidden wall units or outskirts of city - northeast outskirts of beruit

land know for is midnight oils

please check climatic conditions

Higgins release should be much sooner then june 13th

we are working on his release - conditioning - the setting conditions must be right  
heat - shiites

cordez is a beautiful man and he gets released after june 15th

cordez will be able to provide much insight of the actualities and realities

higgins not with others can't be brought up - treated separately  
cordez can provide much insight  
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SUMMARY

USMC LTC Higgins will be released from captivity on or about the 20/22 April 1988. The negotiator (previously mentioned in the Washington Post) by the name of Rukers (from Kuwait?) will be largely responsible for the pursuit of negotiations that will lead to the release of LTC Higgins. "Papers" are/were submitted (to the US) to obtain "agreements" that will facilitate this release.

*yes*  
The highjacking of the 747 Kuwaiti Airline jet transport will not unfavorably affect the release of LTC Higgins. That episode, the highjacking of the 747, will end within about six days. The aircraft will not leave Algiers, Algeria, for any other location. It will remain at its current location where the highjacking issue will be resolved. There will be no further loss of life.

Khomeini did not like the idea of having the highjacked Kuwaiti Airline on Iranian soil. It did not fit into his game plan; he neither wanted nor desired that kind of publicity at this time. Khomeini is in sort of "hiding", he is removed from public attention. Activities that will lead to a "shift of power" to a dual seated form of government is ongoing. The resultant shift of power will allow for a more westernized and liberal form of government in Iran. Iran's war with Iraq will continue despite an evident favorable change in power. There is no evidence of a mutual basis <sup>for</sup> ~~of agreement~~ for the discontinuance of this conflict until about December 1988 or January 1989.

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