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Male 1 Oh god

Male 1 Peace be upon you all

Male 2 Peace be upon you sir

Male 1 How is everyone?

Male 2 Good sir thank you

Male 1 How is the harvest?

Male 2 Good sir, better

Male 3 Peace be with you

Male 1 Peace be with you

Male 1 And how is the marketing?

Male 2 Better sir [inaudible]

Male1 How is the private sector?

Male2 Better sir, Masa Mamhmoud [Inaudible] about a week ago there was [Inaudible]

Male1 Yeah Thank god

Male2 Naynawa is still [Inaudible]

Male1 Naynawa has the most populate

Male1 Any news about Netanyahu?

Male3 Right now we are too busy in a different war sir

Male1 Let start in this war first and then it will be easy

Male 4 I want to say they are trying to distracts us [Inaudible]

Male1 No we are distracting them. But the Arab nation, what are they going to follow? They are going to follow their summit, if it happens Baghdad will be in the news the Arab nation would want to know news about Baghdad not the summit, they might try to

calm things down until the summit passes and if they don't calm things down that means [Inaudible, laughter] they're donkeys just like Delemey said.

Male 2 [Inaudible]

Male 1 And the Citizen will consider it part of a main conspiracy. Not a general description so let them try [Inaudible]

Male3 [Inaudible, talking far from the microphone]

Male4 [Inaudible, talking far from microphone]

Male1 Yes comrade.

Male 4 Sir the last meeting that was held by you about the Arab summit conference, you said not to make statements or comments. There were reactions by the people, parties and media, and we started posting it in our media. And every one in Maracas or in Jordan or inside Palestine think that any summit held without Iraq is meaningless, to surrender so easy to the Zionist enemy. And the public uprising campaign is heightening and I think it is a big benefit, especially when thinking about how important it is to stand up to the Zionist enemy. And they also mention in writing how the Iraqi nation continues to stand up to the Zionist enemy. And also the Iraqi front was the main support for the Arab nation in facing the Zionist enemy. The Egyptians Sir they were trying in one-way or another to make it seem like the subject has nothing to do with Iraq. The pressure is coming from Saudi and Kuwait; they are the ones who refuse to invite Iraq to the summit conference. Basically, the reaction of the public was very good, and the fact that we didn't get invited was a good thing for us. That's what is going on sir.

Male 1 If Netanyahu is really smart, and the Jews are usually smart, he will put off creating his government until the summit conference ends. And he should declare that not because I don't have any ideas but there are some things that I have to discuss with my government and his government is not created yet. And let the summit begins with out his government making any decisions. Then what is the summit going to be about?

Male2 [Inaudible]

Male3 [Inaudible] after one month maybe

Male1 So where is Israel wickedness so they can do it?
[Laughter]

Male2 [Inaudible]

Male1 What if they do it, one will say maybe this and the other one will say what kind of

politics is this person using? And King Hussein will say the man didn't even speak yet... [Laughter]

Male3 Sir who is getting our attention the most, King Hussein is the only one who is praising and making Netanyahu sound like someone who can be negotiated with...

Male1 [Inaudible] some foreign memorandums [inaudible] Egyptians are saying they are happy that Netanyahu is taking over. He seems happy that they're not giving the Palestinians a country

Male2/3 Jews [inaudible] what kind of meeting is this [inaudible]

Male1 They don't have a special committee

Male3 Regarding the search inside Palestinian, I saw Mr. Abdallah Hurani, and he said that Israel is being a lot stricter with current and former Palestinian officials, and sir to the point where they search their belts, socks. It's a very insulting way sir. A soldier would search you thoroughly. Even if the Palestinian says I am a member in the executive committee and a Minister in the Palestinian government. The soldier would say "this is the Israeli security."

Male3 This is an insulting way sir.

Male4 [Inaudible]

Male1 Did the security council issue a resolution?

Male5 Sir this resolution was issued yesterday, but the truth is the picture is not clear for us yet, because there were talks until a late hour yesterday. But the most important thing is what was said in the meeting and what the situations were. In my opinion this is the most important thing, more important than the resolution itself. The last thing that I was able to know, last night Nazer called...

Male1 Iraq now is an American election card. It might benefit Clinton or maybe not. But the position against Iraq won't work in Russia. Maybe it will benefit the US. The first big hit, it didn't benefit them.

Male3 Who Bush?

Male1 Bush and Clinton are the same

Male3 No I think it really got him [Bush]

Male1 [Inaudible]

Male5 Sir even the article the Americans put in the resolution draft states that resolution 678

established cease-fire and the major conditions to bring...

Male1 What is this? It seems like an onion [male 1 is being sarcastic]

Male5 No the French eliminated it, they insisted. The French said they wouldn't vote on the resolution if you don't remove it. What you mean to stop cease-fire first.
I mean the subject is really valuable...

Male1 What is this why are they interfering

Male 5 Which means sir, he linked all previous resolutions and declaration. The relations between Iraq and the special commission are linked to the cease-fire.

Male 1 Ok didn't bush declare the cease-fire as a single decision? We will cease fire in the case of...

Male 5 That was a one sided decision. But the security council resolution #678 controlled the conditions of the cease-fire...

Male 1 Control you mean

Male 5 In all the declarations that were issued in the pervious confrontations between the special committee and us, they all say that this subject is linked to the conditions of the cease-fire...

Male 1 [Inaudible]

Male 5 It means failure to do so.
So the French also told them that they wouldn't vote for the resolution if this term exists. And this is very important issue. And I believe that it is a major transformation in assessing the French standpoint. Another thing Nizar told me yesterday, that the Russian ambassador called him and said, the French and we agreed on your suggestions...

Male 1 To form a panel or committee

Male 5 The permanent members are 5...

Man 1 It was mentioned in the news, the Chinese and the Russians

Man 5 The Russian and the French. I asked him about the Chinese and he said he didn't have any information.
That is why I told you, sir, the picture is not clear yet. They are the group that presents...

Male 1 [Inaudible]

Male 5 When a meeting takes place, they collect information and after the meeting they pass them out to their advisors, the friends, [inaudible]. They collect the information and send them to us as a position. It is important to know what they talked about in the meeting. And how much there was support to our idea. And to bring others, because this is the first time for the Russians and French...

Male 1 But we declared these point to them and they didn't care about it.

Male 3 It didn't go by

Male 5 This is understood, it exists, it existed but... Once a new factor occurs it...

Male 1 Dictatorship

Man 5 In addition, Russia said, according Nizar, that the Special Committee... There's a department sir, and Ekeus is the Executive Chief. And there is the special committee. The special committee is a group of country representatives and experts. The Russians said that the special committee is working as if they are experts for those countries, so it is not authority. Do you see what I am talking about sir I mean that authority, with time, by disregarding looking into the Iraqi file, it became in the hands of Ekeus. Meanwhile, the authority was bigger than Ekeus in the first formation...

Male 1 And a discussion...

Male 5 What he does is gathers them every six months and he debriefs them. In the last meeting that took place a month or two months ago. We received news about him that there was resent from some of the delegation. You remember sir we wrote it in a memo, even some delegations said that it's not fair, Iraq is a very important country and the Americans forgot about Iran and what is happening this is not fair...

Male 1 Even Italians

Male 5 Even Australia and others. Yesterday [inaudible] declared that the special committee they work not only as experts but also they are trying to see what is going to happen. In spite of issuing the resolution, it is the least harsh resolution that was ever issued against Iraq. First it doesn't have the word condemn in it and also the cease-fire was removed. But of course it does say that Iraq has to cooperate with the special committee and they have the right to get in any location they want. I mean this is not new; it's already in 678, 707, 715 and all the declarations that were issued from the Security Council. But what's new is the one they represent [Inaudible] I mean there was deplore or condemn...

Male 3 [Inaudible]

Male 5 [Inaudible] and this is it. It says that Iraq has to cooperate fully with the special committee and they removed reference to the cease-fire.

Male 3 [Inaudible]

Male 1 What?

Male 3 [Inaudible]

Male 1 [Inaudible]

Male 3 [Inaudible]

Male 5 Yesterday, I had an idea; we submitted a suggestion that the five permanent members send a delegation. They would take charge of the inspection list that Ekeus has. It got some support but no decision was made, some parties rejected it. I had an idea yesterday that we should invite Ekeus to come and we will tell him the list that you want to inspect...

Male 1 Confirm it and tell us what you're looking for

Male 5 Confirm it and put it in your packet, say you want to stay a month and we want you to stay for a month a half. You and Tariq Aziz would enter one of the sensitive sites. You bring three people with you and Tariq brings three of the experts And we ask the willing countries from the Security Council to send representatives to get in with us. So if the Russians and French agree to the suggestion they might send at least one sir. This way we break Ekeus' ability to go and do as he pleases, and whenever we don't let him in all hell breaks loose. This way the issue will be on track to be resolved. And we don't want him to come everyday and say I want to get into this place and another day he will say oh you're hiding weapons in that place...

Male 3 The whole list...

Male 5 And let him stay for a month or two months, we will agree to this procedure and give it a political side. The suggestion is that if I get in with him it shows the trust in the Iraqi leadership, and that they let one of their officials be part of the inspections. Because we always say that we don't have anything in all the letters we send. We didn't ban them because we have something; we banned them because of our concern about our security and our sovereignty, from the spies and from the special committee's methods and techniques in exploiting our sovereignty.

Male1 What I want to do is make them determine a time that they will come...

Male 3 Time and list

Male 5 Also will plan for the time...

Male 1 We will tell them we want Ekeus to tell us what the locations are and which times he searches the locations, after that search he should submit a report to the Security Council saying that he is done.

Man 5 Sir we should add both up, this also have the time

Man 1 I mean he should be more specific and say I need two months until I finish inspecting, and he should tell the security council. And every location he would inspect he should provide them with the information he gets, and also what's in it afterwards...

Male 5 He is going to request unexpected inspection. It is ok sir let him say that.

Male 1 It is ok Let them talk between themselves and say that news will be leaked to Iraq from the Security Council... [Inaudible]

Male 5 Sir he said it in his report

Male 1 I mean so we can get rid of them because this situation has no end in sight. We know that Ekeus and the others standing behind him won't stop. Today they searched the Republican Guard and tomorrow he will say I want to search Saddam's ...

Male 5 If we don't stop them...

Male 1 [Inaudible]

Male 5 They will crawl...

Male 3 Using the excuse that such and such battalion is here or...

Male 1 This is Saddam Hussein's palace and office; they say the memos being written... they have to happen with a political... [Inaudible]

Male 4 I mean is it limited too [Inaudible] we will ask from them sir...

Male 1 It is written. We will tell him to let us know how much time do you need to search the location that you are suspicious of, and what are those locations and how much time do you need.

Male 6 [Inaudible]

Male 1 Don't tell us the answer; tell it to the Security Council. So you don't come with a new location everyday. And we know that we do not have what you're looking for in all of Iraq. Tell the five permanent member of Security Council that "I need to inspect this location," just let them know, only let them know. I inspect this location at the time and duration and we determine, and give them the information you have

on the location. After you do that, you come to us and tell us the locations you want to inspect within a time period that we should know. Whether it's a month or two. You then notify the Security Council and let them know what you found out based on the timetable you gave them. You tell them about each location and what you found. However, if Command Bureaus are on the list, what are you going to do?

Male4 [Inaudible] Ekeus is...

Male1 We must settle everything here, because our enemy doesn't show us everything at once. So we can be aware of the out-come, we have to be alert and prepared.

Male4 Sir, the idea that Comrade Tariq has presented, is the idea that was already presented by us, to form a Committee from the Security Council Presidency and the permanent members. It faced a direct and repetitive attack by the Americans and the British. Albright made them afraid of doing that. I support the idea that Comrade Tariq presented. I think that coordination should take place with the French, Russians, Chinese, and at least the Egyptians, about supporting this idea and to emphasize it in the Security Council, because the idea that was presented by Comrade Tariq was rejected in three statements by Albright and considered the Iraqi idea an attempt to sideline the Special Committee and the resolution that founded it. Three statements from her and two from her assistant.

Male 1 Why cast doubt on the resolution, who is the Security Council? The permanent ... [Inaudible]

Male 2 [Inaudible] The way they inspect, if they say I found these missiles, they will ask for more experts to inspect them [Inaudible]. Are they related or not? Sir, [Inaudible]

Male 3 Sir, the idea needs strong coordination. So that the Russians cannot say that the idea is good but it is hard to execute. It becomes a commitment after coordinating with them and pressuring them on this subject. What is important is to solve the issue. [Inaudible]

Male 4 Ekeus acted on his own and section 22 will not be implemented. All this you are saying about cooperation between us and you and the companies... I told him to immediately write to Premakov in support of this suggestion of ours... support it. The Russian support is important. And the French said...The five permanent members would come. The French are important. We used the presence of 'Amir Rashid in Paris to repeat the suggestions and the information about the details and delivering message to Chirac. So, the Russian and the French support to the idea that they watch the work of Ekeus directly... this is a serious development in their position. We should use it. This significance that happened. We flipped the resolution that was in their interest to become against them. When he comes in, in his own way and brings in 50 people and they go into...

Male 1 In my opinion we should not announce the refusal of the resolution. Not in the old

way. We should say that our position is clear and just. Our position is clear and just. If the Special Committee continues in its approach, this means that it can roam Iraq for fifty years under the title of looking for possibilities, with repeating. The special Committee is not inspecting one site and then it leaves it. It repeats the inspections of the site twenty times because it received new information. When is this going to end? In our estimate, the Security Council should be present in the movement of the Special Committee, in order to make Iraqi trust that the Security Council is serious in implementing its resolutions regarding its commitments towards Iraq. And not to leave the Special Committee or individuals in it to behave like it is the start line and have provocative positions.

Male 2: [Inaudible]. It is beneficial [Inaudible]

Male 1: The memorandum of understanding gave a cover outside of hitting all the oil establishments. All the oil establishments and all the refinery establishments became outside of the hitting. Yes the entire oil establishment because it is linked with their resolution regarding the derivatives or what [Inaudible]. What would they hit? The plan I have in my mind they did not follow. They went to Saddam's palaces. We tell them yes what do you have, they say we would like to get in this or that palace. We tell them no. So they come and hit this or that palace. So what? It's only stone, we'll make a better one.

If Clinton wants to send his men to see, or does not want to. It is not guaranteed. For example, he proposes and says, "Oh, we brought this stubborn Iraq lion," what would he have to say? What is the Iraqi Lion going to do? He hit us here and there but he did not achieve anything.

Their position in the Arab world has not been successful. Any battle with Iraq causes them problems. It causes them political problems, and psychological. The Arab leaders know in their hearts, the Arab population and I mean the Arab population, and many of their allies weakened after the first, the second and the third attack. And the other matters, the provisions, God will solve it.

The Russians, meaning, if the Americans need to attack, the Russians need that the Americans do not attack, also the French need that the Americans don't attack. And China does not have an interest, meaning; their interest is against the attack of Iraq. This a brief survey on [Inaudible].

If they come to hit our locations, we have anti-air missiles. The issue is getting complicated, and the spy planes [Inaudible]. Meaning, the situation has evolved. They have to go through complicated calculations before they get to the level of hitting us. In any case, I believe that they need a resolution from the Security Council that will give them the right to hit us.

Yes, Comrade Taha.

Male 3: Mr. President, your last comment gave a precise picture. Allow me to say that through our work we heard gossip from here and there, as it is known all the institutions, the committees, and whatever comes from them [Inaudible]...any positive step that comes we must explain it not just by looking at its positive nature,

but by its link with a point in the other course.

Up until a month ago, we used to always go back to July '95 and say that we have reached a special period, and article 22 was real close until the events of August, and we started to deal with...

Male 1: I don't think I was done with this subject...they had things, but the general survey...[Inaudible]

Male 3: I say now, and from two sessions of the Security Council in June-July, why did we evaluate the situation this way? From discussions of the Security Council, and from the draft resolution of article 22, that was issued for two days and withdrawn. I mean based on this situation the conspiracy did not stop, and the American and British positions were not different.

Now, Mr. President, I concluded from the two sessions, I found out that the ability of the side opposed to America and Britain in canceling harmful paragraphs, is more than their ability in June and July 75. If in June and July of 75, and if they had patience, resolution 986 would have been better.

But, they have not removed anything from it. They said: "We tried, we put pressure." The money stayed as it is. But they changed the 200 million to 130-150. They didn't say equal amount, and they would take the amount and deal with it. We were not opposed to the amount; we were opposed to the principle. Same thing with the compensations.

Now, this paragraph and the meeting, before the agreement on the memorandum of understanding, a day before, during the signature of 13 countries, they spoke about the American-British intervention, they delayed it. And after that America was calm for 4 to 5 days and submitted to the signature, meaning its withdrawal. The Secretary General got support from 13 countries that said, "We do not want to intervene." And they pointed out, by name, some of them said two countries and some said members. And after 5 days it was signed. This position I do not recall if took place in June.

Now, we... they say...unless there's a position, we would not tell you, and if there is an agreement we will tell you we reached this, [Inaudible] what you see Mr. President, before we say ok.

Regarding the boycott, it is known that the Americans control the Boycott Committee. They gave a proposal, and it was supposed to have some facilitation, because the items included in the memorandum of understanding, according to the plan, and that the Boycott Committee takes a copy of it, must go through the agreeable channels, easier than what they are on it now. [Inaudible]. This is a principle. We told them that if it [Inaudible] we should not be harmed, how will the memorandum be implemented? I mean we are not... Now, we see the French and the Russians fight for this to make it easy...

Male 1: In order to make easy...

Male 3: Easy. The French is there, before he said if you need something technical or practical, what do you need? Why are you politicizing this? The French bring their own experts, the Russian their own experts and say here we have Oil experts, but our

discussion will be technical... he says in 24 hours the agreement becomes effective, but the Americans will say "No we do not want this, in 2 days." They bring oil experts from outside the committee; they say this is not acceptable.

They started behind the scene, they say 24 hours extra, let the Americans get involved, there is a delay. True we meet with them, we give them our observations and we talk to representatives and say give them lunch. We say [Inaudible] a day or two. This is not political [Inaudible] no more than concerns.

My impression is that, the Russians and the French seriousness are different than before. There is something new. Of course, the political situation today in France, Chirac, in Russia a specific situation different from a year ago, this is normal.

We have two days left for them to conclude the meetings, I mean, to discuss the situation, and they put together the plan that you approved. It will be sent to the Secretary General for approval. I mean we will not get 90 percent of what we want, even including the card: the north and the south to have different ones. And for me, this important. It is not even mentioned by words in the memorandum.

It says we take into consideration the reality of the region, it is linked to the Kilo and the Gram during the discussion, and we discussed that with them. Mr. President, what does this tell us? I cannot say the Americans are far from this [Inaudible] but my opinion must oppose the American opinion.

This is very clear. We should say, Mr. President, if we can improve the situation, we will improve in the sense when the rejection is supported with practical proposal, the equivalent side becomes then supportive. I believe those, whom we call friends, are in better position now than the previous phases. They were able to confront, we witnessed that about two weeks, even though there were disagreements, they used to meet with our representative daily. They asked what is that you need from Iraq? If you go to one page and you discuss it with them, they say ok, and they fight for it. We should mention in the statement, and stress the proposal, and we will state their unacceptable position, because practically there are people who have an opinion about it. If we don't mention it, say just a wishful statement. No. We must give a statement including this issue. And if we sit with our friends, there is a possibility, with the discussions with our friends; we will arrive to the idea of Tariq. We should not introduce a substitute proposal. When they ask us and say: "What is it? And when they ask us, we say something, and what do you have? Let's reach a proposal that we have doubt about this man, and that the Americans have an agenda.

I believe, Mr. President, the Americans and the British, this operation that they are planning is not to hit us, they are, as the French called them in the Boycott Committee nervous, they say let's delay this a bit because the Americans [Inaudible]. Because without proposals, how can't they defend them. They introduce them, but they don't know what to defend.

They become nervous because they want know what is in the memorandum of understanding. They want to delay this. It's possible that on the 20th as Boutros Ghali announced, he would sign the proposal. But what will happen to the plan of easing up the boycott? The Americans and the British are the only ones opposed. We told them: Take your time, one week extra." Their objective is to delay this in order to cause havoc, and the people will start asking, I mean the Iraqi citizen will say, "we signed the memorandum of understanding, but nothing was realized. The IDs

changed.” Their intention is to delay.

The Americans, regardless of what we said, if the attack will benefit their interests, they will not care about the political climate, but the Russians and the French will not approve of an attack. And as long as none of them approves, there will be no attack, Mr. President. Who save Korea? China did. This China that we are not interested in, when it says no, it means no, the Americans do not make it reach the level of a veto, I mean they go along. The report about the boycott of North Korea was redone, when they heard that the Chinese are going to veto, they agreed. They did not get to the veto, and opened other channels.

As a result, the objective in my opinion, Mr. President, is to delay, to slow down, and they are looking for any problem that they can find, even in the memorandum of understanding, from us and not from them. We are not in a corner right now that we have to refuse this. The issue of the North, the plan of the North makes us nervous, the groups that are coming [Inaudible] like [Inaudible].

When they come and tell us this is this way, and that that way, not close to each other, the second day we sat down and said we will make it conform, and will accomplish what we want. And no one could say this is not just, we build the North as we build the South. If they don’t approve in principle two types of IDs, they will start objecting to it, saying, “what’s this, what’s that.” In building the South then, we will have a problem. I see that our contact with our friends, as Comrade Tariq said, we should continue on the principle of the Committee of the Quintet, and any development of this idea, should happen from consulting with the others. Maybe they will not say, “Ekeus, Tariq `Aziz and other experts must enter.” Perhaps they will have another idea in their mind, and we will also accept it.

At least in principle, we break the dominance of the Special Committee in this issue. I believe the dominance of America regarding resolution 986 is over, we have passed it. The Americans, in the facilitations plan, introduce an article that confused the French. It confirms that this issue does not mean a partial lifting of the sanctions, and the concerned countries should pay attention to that, those representing us, [Inaudible] the French [Inaudible]. We are discussing a temporary resolution, I mean they have strange ways; everywhere they go they say the sanctions are staying. This resolution 987 does not mean a partial lifting of the sanctions, they said it does not state that it is a partial lifting, and this plan of facilitation; it’s neither a statement nor a resolution.

Therefore, Mr. President, The Americans’ objective is to complicate things, not to attack, but I don’t believe that they understand the situation in France and Russia does not allow them to do this. And the complication is not that easy, they delay one month, two months, they wait, I mean, the intentions of conspiracy are continuous in a great way. In my opinion, as a follow-up, we should introduce solutions to our friends that will help them, the French and the Russians, and this is what I believe. Thank you Mr. President.

Male 1: Comrade Taha Ma`ruf

Male 4: Mr. President what you proposed is that the correct path at this time. Looking at this case [Inaudible] and explaining that Iraq was cooperating with the

Special Committee in all the phases, except in the matters that infringed on our national sovereignty, or sovereignty, this is our policy.

And at the same time, I believe that the proposal that was introduced to the Security Council to send these, we must point it out one more time because during the consultations there might be parties that will agree with the idea. Even with the existence of the Special Committee, they should send a committee from the Security Council to help the Special Committee. This is a very good thing, and we should continue on this.

I believe Mr. President after the memorandum of understanding and the worldwide response, its support, and compelling of the American companies to get involved in this matter, this had an impact on specific parties inside America. To the point that Republican Party sent a message to Clinton, "why are you helping? What prevented the passage of the memorandum of understanding?" They criticized him because he was flexible with Iraq, even though Iraq did not comply with the implementation of the resolutions of the Security Council etc. I believe that everything these parties are doing is to delay article 22 or the complete lifting of sanctions on Iraq. This is why, as you mentioned, Excellency, we have to solve this situation with all the wisdom that you ordered under these circumstances, we should continue to express our opinion regarding any delegation from the security Council representing them, which should have a big impact on getting through and on defending our opinion.

And this is why I believe now that the climate in America, they are afraid that this case will enter the battle of the elections, or the Americans might be adventurous and hit us. In the past, when the Americans hit Iraq they did not wait for a resolution from the Security Council. They did not wait for a resolution to pass from the Security Council but they acted alone. If this case, possibly, enters the battle of elections, there will be a battle. Because the republicans that we thought, I mean that they were going to be interactive, their position is worse than that of Clinton. Especially after the penetration of the American companies and the approval of the American administration, this disturbed them more, I mean the deluded parties, and maybe the Zionist parties.

Thank you, Sir.

Male 1: They want to come. The American Companies.

Male 4: Yes.

Male 1: Comrade Tariq

Male 2: Sir. The analysis of the situation, it is clear that the American side wants to extend the sanctions as far as he could, this is as strategic objective. And it had an urgent objective that became apparent during the past few months, after King Hussein conspired with the Americans. They wanted the economic situation in Iraq to reach a maximum crisis so to have an impact on the relationship of the people with the leadership. Also, with the extension of the sanctions, to blame the leadership, meaning that the Iraqi leadership is the one responsible of the suffering of the Iraqi people. Not the American people and the security Council. This is, I mean, the way

we dealt with resolution 986 made them nervous. This is concerning the implementation, when we agreed with the United Nations and reached an understanding on April the 10th, they intervened, pulled the papers, sent new members that are approved of. The objective of this is to provoke us so that we stop the negotiations. They were gambling on us stopping the negotiations. They say: "Oh, the Iraqis, we had proposals, why they did not want to negotiate them with us and improve them. They stopped the negotiations."

They always gamble with the idea that Iraq takes a position of stopping anything; there is no give and take, a reasonable discussion of the matters. Because, they also want to give the impression that the Iraqi leadership is strange of the norms of this world. It does not understand the balanced, normal, logical requirements of the world life and the world community. A continuous idea that they try to sell. When we endured the requirements of the resolution, the memorandum of understanding and introduced proposals and used the influence of our friends, of the reasonable people, it fell on them.

Now they want to play the delaying tactics in the Boycott Committee. They introduce proposals that are not practical, not logical, meaning they gain time, just to harm us. Ekeus, since he sent the delegation in March, it became clear that he wants to open files far from those that were opened in August. Meaning in August when the files were opened, we understood that we told him to take a few months, but don't take too long please, until we explain these points to you.

With our technical effort and the contact that we conducted, we were able to explain a very important portion of what was opened in those files: documents, scientific analysis, discussions, but he saw that this operation might lead to a closure, as it happened, you recall Sir, in June of 1995 when he closed many files. This might lead to closing. So what is the best way for him to continue is to say that there are hidden items, supported by allegations that Hussein Kamal announced when he was in Amman. This one said that Iraq is hiding missiles, hiding and hiding. Where is he hiding them? In the Republican Guard, the Special Guards and the Special Security Services. So let's start the phase of inspecting these locations. The inspection of these locations, he knows very well, that we are going to protest strongly, and then he annoys us.

As you said, Sir, this matter is not going to end. They went to the location of the National Guard, and to the Special Guards, and locations of members who work in these locations. They say: "This guy took it from the location and took it to his house." The purpose is to lengthen this, to annoy us, and to ruin our image at the Security Council.

In order for us to confront the enemy, we must know his intentions, his intentions are known, but we mean his tactics, the methods that he follows to serve his intentions. The Americans, what is their objective? To hit or not to hit? They cannot hit us; I cannot say for sure that the Americans do not intend to hit us. Whether, Clinton benefits from this or not, what do we know what those sitting at the White House are thinking, Sir? They might miscalculate and think that these will serve Clinton in his electoral campaign, they might imagine so. The Americans committed crazy things in the past. These gangsters who sit at the White House to plan things, many times it plans things that go back to haunt them. He can possibly say, let's hit four or five

locations in Iraq to show that he's strong. They've done it before.

Male 1: They've done it

Male 2: Sir. We have to understand what he means. The experience of the last five years, when there is problems and crisis no one gives us proposals. We should not expect the Russian to give a proposal. I sat with the Russian... I mean the ideas must come from us. Even if we don't introduce them directly. If we introduce through the Russian Primakov, who knows if his President will be reelected or not. If there will be a military coup or not. After three days there will be elections. We should benefit from him Primakov, Victor and the others who respect us and we have relations with them. We will give them an idea, or we introduce our proposal and tell them to support us. They have supported us before. The idea of sending representatives from the five permanent members is not a small matter; it's a genuine and important change. When Victor tried to resist it at first, actually he did not really resist, he said it means an announcement of our lack of trust in the special Committee. I told him go tell the Americans that the Iraqis are not bluffing. Let's call their bluff. The five permanent members are united, indeed, about the locations of the National Guards and the Special Guards, let's bluff. Meaning we give an article...