

TELCON

Dobrynin/Sec. Kissinger

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K: I have just talked to the President and he asked me to make the following suggestion to you. There will be undoubtedly a security Council meeting today don't you think?

D: I think so. Because the situation is very dangerous.

K: We would be prepared to take a neutral position in the Council as to the facts of ~~the~~ the matter asking that we don't know who started what but we are in favor of status quo ante.

D: Your suggestion is restoration of ceasefire line.

K: Restoration of ceasefire line and restoration of ceasefire and then have a fact finding commission. We are prepared to proceed with the discussions which Gromyko and I and the President agreed on on the settlement.

D: Outside the SC.

K: Yes.

D: Just between us.

K: Right. We are willing to look at the whole situation. Now if you take the position that ~~all of you~~ you will have to defend the Arabs we will be forced into the position of defending what we believe -- of making clear we believed the Arabs launched the Attack and we are then in a hell of a mess. It will affect a lot of our relationships.

D: I understand.

K: Moscow's constructive approach would be if we both took the position of not the time to discuss who started what. Let's get the fighting stopped and restore the ceasefire line and call on all parties to observe the ceasefire line .

D: I think it is a constructive way to start.

K: We will hold up anything until we hear from ~~you~~ you. Can you get us a quick answer.

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D: If I could use the hot line . I have my own ticker. It is open.

K: This is no secret.

D: I will use the ticker.

K: Do it on the ticker. I would say people listening in on your end under better control than on ours. I think it all right.
You go ahead.

D: O.k.

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