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ARAB-ISRAEL SITUATION REPORT, 1100, JUNE 8, 1967 FLASH

SIXTH FLEET SHIP ATTACKED - COM SIXTH FLEET HAS REPORTED THAT THE
USS LIBERTY, A COMMUNICATIONS VESSEL WITH THE SIXTH FLEET,
WAS ATTACKED AT 8:30 A.M. WASHINGTON TIME BY THREE UNIDENTIFIED
TORPEDO BOATS. THE LIBERTY WAS HIT BY A TORPEDO AND IS
REPORTED TO BE LISTING BADLY. EIGHT PLANES HAVE BEEN
DISPATCHED FROM THE SARATOGA AND THE AMERICA TO PROVIDE
PROTECTION TO THE LIBERTY.

AN ISRAELI MILITARY LIAISON OFFICER HAS JUST INFORMED US THAT
ISRAELI AIRCRAFT AND VESSELS HAD ERRONEOUSLY ATTACKED AN
AMERICAN VESSEL THIS MORNING. THE IDF HAS SENT HELICOPTERS
TO TAKE PART IN RESCUE OPERATIONS. THE ISRAELI LIAISON
OFFICER EXPRESSED DEEP REGRET AND ASKED TO BE INFORMED
OF THE POSITIONS OF OTHER US SHIPS IN THE WAR AREA.

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