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Ismail to Kissinger--2215 (EDT) October 20, 1973.

"... The Egyptian Government sets out the following stand with respect to the present conflict:

- (A) A ceasefire on the present lines,
- (B) convening a peace conference with the object of reaching a fundamental settlement,
- (C) a guarantee by the United States and the Soviet Union of the ceasefire and the withdrawal of Israeli troops.

"Mr. Ismail believes that the presence of Dr. Kissinger in Moscow now will be helpful in reaching an agreement on the above mentioned lines."

Kissinger to Ismail--October 21, 1973.

"I deeply appreciate your message of October 20.... We have reached agreement with General Secretary Brezhnev that our Governments will introduce a joint Security Council resolution.... On this basis, I believe we can look toward a settlement satisfactory to all parties. To this end, we have agreed with the Soviet Government that the US together with the USSR will be prepared to use their good offices and participate as required to facilitate a fundamental settlement.... I can assure you that as the fighting ceases, the US will use its influence to secure a lasting peace in the Middle East on a basis just for all parties."

Ismail to Kissinger--October 23, 1973.

"Very urgent. We have very strongly drawn your attention to the dangers of a ceasefire and therefore have demanded guarantees for the fulfillment by both parties of their obligations once they accept the ceasefire.

"It is our understanding according to reports received from the Soviet Union that the US Government have accepted to guarantee the ceasefire which will create the conditions necessary for the commencement of peace talks...."

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BYAUTH - Dr. Henry A. Kissinger

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Sadat to Nixon--2115 Cairo time, October 23, 1973

"... I am formally asking you to intervene effectively even if that necessitates the use of forces in order to guarantee the full implementation of the ceasefire resolution in accordance with the joint US-USSR agreement.

"We were asked to comply with the ceasefire resolution with the full understanding of the effectiveness of the joint guarantees.... The Egyptian Government will consider the U.S. Government fully responsible for what is happening at present, in spite of your guarantees and of the Security Council Resolution co-sponsored by the USA and the USSR, as well as of our acceptance of the Resolution on that basis.

"... What is happening now, in the light of your guarantees, does not induce confidence in any other future guarantees."

Nixon to Sadat--October 23, 1973

"I appreciate your recent message and the frankness with which you spoke. Let me be equally frank. All we guaranteed--no matter what you may have been told from other sources--was to engage fully and constructively in promoting a political process designed to make possible a political settlement.

"Nevertheless, as evidence of our earnest desire to promote a lasting settlement... I have instructed Secretary Kissinger to make urgent representations to the Government of Israel requesting its full compliance with Security Council Resolution 338...."

Sadat to Nixon--1400 EDT, October 26, 1973

"... The two superpowers bear a major responsibility in seeing that the Security Council resolutions are being fully and promptly implemented...."

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