TO: IMMEDIATE DIRECTOR.

1. AMBASSADOR HELMS REQUESTS INFORMATION AS TO EXACT ROUTES WHICH HAVE BEEN FLOWN BY SOVIET PLANES AIR-LIFTING SUPPLIES TO EGYPT, SYRIA AND IRAQ. HAVE ANY FLIGHTS BEEN MADE OVER TURKEY? IF SO BY WHAT ROUTE?

2. ON BASIS SITREPS STATION BELIEVES PRINCIPAL ROUTE IS VIA BUDAPEST, THEN OVER YUGOSLAVIA, DOWN ADRIATIC AND IONIAN SEAS, EASTWARD OVER MEDITERRANEAN AND THEN INTO EGYPT AND SYRIA, BUT PLEASE CONFIRM AND GIVE LATEST HARD INFO. REPLY IMMEDIATE. THANKS. E2, IMPDET.

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