

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Bob Fleming *F*

NETWORK COVERAGE OF
CRISIS DEVELOPMENTS

At 12:55 p. m. , Pauline Frederick reported that it appeared the UN would agree on a cease-fire resolution, but there is not yet a clear indication of probable action on the Indian request for condemnation of Israel for the deaths of the Indian soldiers. She said it was reported that Britain was seeking a Big Four summit meeting.

Senator Fulbright, interviewed on NBC, said the Rusk-McNamara briefing produced "only very qualified assurance" that the Congress would be asked for guidance. He said he believed that the Middle East trouble was a direct outgrowth of our involvement in Vietnam.

At 1 p. m. ABC's Ray Maloney reported from Tel Aviv that Israelis are jubilant tonight, believing that they are winning the war.

Nancy Dickerson, on her 1:55 news show, lead with State's announcement that the United States is neutral, then switched to Pauline Frederick. She reported the U. S. was not ready to back the Indian condemnation of Israel till more information was received. She also said there were reports that the U. S. felt the Indian proposal, calling for Israel and UAR to withdraw to Sunday lines, should include lifting of the Gulf of Aqaba blockade.

In a 2 p. m. news special, ABC reported from the UN and from State that prospects for a cease-fire resolution appeared good, with Russia not blocking the proposal.