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1. Had two meetings with Gohar today 23rd September: one from 0700Z to 0830Z, a second from 1300 to 1600Z. Gohar was accompanied by Mr Omran El-Shafei, Counciller; Dr K Hagra, first secretary; Mr Amr Zaki, second secretary. I was accompanied by Marin and Major Green at morning meeting and by Marin and Colonel Johnson at afternoon meeting.

2. Gohar centered his points on the question of report S/7930/D. 36 (my Cairo D refers) and on the question of the efficiency of the cease-fire observation. In the light of the violations of the quiet, specially the last incidents of 4th and 20th September. Without saying it was evident that one of Gohar's main concerns are the statements made by the Israeli information media concerning the incidents. One expression of that concern can be seen from my E/855.

3. During the discussion I suggested as a possibility of improving the observation machinery and in order to avoid the recurrence of incidents the procedure referred to in para 2 of E/857 as follows: " every time that one of the parties or both consider that there is a breach or a possible breach of the cease-fire, the Officer-in charge of the United Nations observation groups on the respective side should be advised immediately. The Officer-in charge, while checking the facts, will advise the other side of the complain."

Gohar will consult with his military people and he expects to give his reaction to this exploratory suggestion tomorrow.

4. In order to counter possible misleading statements Gohar suggested a better press coverage either from Untso or from UN Headquarters of the reports concerning breaches of the cease-fire. It is difficult to assess what Gohar really means. This is the eternal problem concerning warlike and objectionable propaganda. Perhaps one may to meet Gohar's wishes could be issuance by UN HQ of prompt and