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President Sadat Answers the Questions
Of The Central Committee Members

Akhbar published the full text of the answers given by President Sadat to the questions put to him by the Central Committee members.

Following is a summary:

Q: Our military front is now in a state of full preparedness to confront any move by the enemy. Has it become capable of fighting the liberation battle?

A: The state of full preparedness is maintained round-the-clock by our military forces because it is highly probable that Israel launch a preventive war. She may wage a preventive war before we start. However no army is 100% ready when it engages in a battle. This has never happened throughout history. We are completing our preparations through the Soviet Union. However this does not mean that we are not ready. No. We are ready to confront any move by Israel. Meanwhile we are preparing ourselves for the battle so that we may be the first to start. As to the timing, this will be fixed politically, because as I said we have no alternative to the battle.

Q: Can we purchase offensive weapons especially aircraft from countries other than the Soviet Union?

A: Aircraft and arms of this kind are not a commercial commodity. The purchase of such arms is a political issue. In other words when I

