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has jake/jeff told you about this?

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Jake, Huma: I don't know if S is getting updates on this, [redacted]

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--Things are heating up even more, based on our SITREP 1 sent in earlier and news reports of Turks massing in the main Istanbul square.

--Fact that most of the dead apparently were Turkish, and all killed/injured on one Turkish ship, has really heated passions here. Pictures show Israeli soldiers firing/aiming rifles next to Turkish flags, etc.

--We thus have the 'perfect storm' for bad news with Turkey (not that we don't have enough friction in any case): a volatile mix of nationalism and religious identity, with a government with a record of deliberately exploiting these factors—the Davos incident.

--Davutoglu supposedly is enroute to New York to summon security council for an emergency session.

--I have been summoned along with all other Security Council Ambassadors to the MFA at 1500 local, 0800 EST, to hear the GOT position on this.

--Turks will undoubtedly demand a statement from us condemning the Israeli actions—already have heard that from U/S Sinirlioglu.

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--That said, after we get more information I'll report classified on what might be behind all of this from the Turkish side.

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