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We can see that you have deployed massive numbers of troops“  
in the south. Normally that would be none of our business, but  
when this happens in the context of your threats against  
Kuwait, then it would be reasonable for us to be concerned.  
For this reason, I have received an instruction to ask you, in  
the spirit of friendship – not confrontation – regarding your  
intentions: Why are your troops massed so very close to  
Kuwait’s borders? We have no opinion on your Arab-Arab  
conflicts, such as your dispute with Kuwait. Secretary Baker  
has directed me to emphasize the instruction, first given to  
Iraq in the 1960s, that the Kuwait issue is not associated  
.”with America

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