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On Jun 22, 2020, at 4:49 PM, Elawad, Hagir <helawad@akingump.com> wrote:

Friends,

The Ambassador and UAE leadership are very concerned with the developments relating to Libya. The Ambassador has asked that I share the below messages to everyone who is tracking Libya and I urge you to share this message with your respective members immediately. Things are developing quickly and are very concerning. This same message has been conveyed to senior levels in the Administration. Please also see this article in The National: [Gulf states rally behind Egypt over call to secure borders with Libya](#).

Thank you,
~Hagir

The very public warning President Sisi issued regarding Libya recently should be taken seriously. For several months now, we've done everything we can to restrain Egypt from entering the Libyan theater.

Turkey has continued to push and provoke near Sirte and has deployed Navy vessels off the coast. Our analysis is that this is being done very deliberately to bait Egypt into entering and right now, Egypt is seriously considering it.

What could come next is a direct military confrontation between Egypt and Turkey. If that happens, many countries in the region will side with Egypt either military, politically, or both.

If anyone thinks Libya is messy now, this will make it 100 times worse.

Unless Turkey's actions in Libya are checked, this could easily go from bad to worse.

UAE assessment: Turkey has brought in 15,200 terrorists/extremists from Syria into Libya.

Conclusion: Egypt will NOT allow a Muslim brotherhood -supporting country to set up shop on its border. That is an existential threat to them.

That would be the equivalent of having China in place of Canada, and Russia in place of Mexico.

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