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EUPHRATES WATER CONFLICT--A Turkish concern has become a real Syrian concern after the Turkish decision to proceed with the construction of a dam on the Euphrates, depriving Syria of many benefits it was expecting to obtain from the dam it had built with Soviet assistance. The quantity of water in northern Syria has started to diminish, and rationing of electricity has been in effect for several months. Damascus is now trying to convince Arab states not to provide financial assistance to Turkey, so that it will not be able to continue with its project. [Text] [London AL-HAWADITH in Arabic No 1441, 15 Jun 84 p 10] 12727

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