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MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

THROUGH: JOHN GORDON

FROM: DANIEL PONEMAN/NICHOLAS BURNS

SUBJECT: Proposed Presidential Message to Yeltsin on HEU Sharing

At Tab I for your approval is a proposed Presidential privacy channel message to Boris Yeltsin.

The letter has two purposes. First, it urges President Yeltsin to instruct his government to sign the HEU agreement in Washington this week, as soon as the text is finally agreed. The sides are very close to completing the text. Yesterday, the Russian head of delegation, Minatom Deputy Minister Yegorov, indicated he would have authority to sign. However, today he was told that the earliest it could be signed is during Minister Mikhailov's projected January 30 visit to Washington. That is clearly contrary to what President Bush and Yeltsin discussed in Moscow.

Second, the letter urges rapid agreement among Russia, Ukraine, Belarus and Kazakhstan on an equitable sharing of the proceeds from the sale of highly-enriched uranium from dismantled weapons. We believe it is important for the President to underscore that point to President Yeltsin before he meets tomorrow with President Kravchuk. Sharing of HEU proceeds is on the Yeltsin-Kravchuk agenda. We are concerned that the Russian Government might link this issue with the overall question of the distribution of assets between Russia and Ukraine. We are also concerned that the Russian bureaucracy might try to argue that there will be no proceeds from HEU sales, on the grounds that the U.S. purchase price will just equal Russian dismantlement costs.

Concurrences by: Susan Koch

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve the proposed message at Tab I.

Approve BS Disapprove _____

Attachments
Tab I Proposed Presidential Privacy Channel Message to Yeltsin

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JIM, FOLLOWING IS A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT BUSH TO PRESIDENT YELTSIN. PLEASE DELIVER URGENTLY. THERE WILL BE NO SIGNED ORIGINAL.

WARM REGARDS,

BRENT

BEGIN TEXT OF MESSAGE.

DEAR BORIS:

YOU AND I AGREED IN MOSCOW TO TRY TO RESOLVE THE SALE OF HIGHLY-ENRICHED URANIUM (HEU) BY JANUARY 20. OUR REPRESENTATIVES ARE MEETING IN WASHINGTON THIS WEEK ON THE GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT HEU AGREEMENT, A LETTER CLARIFYING THE ANTI-DUMPING SUSPENSION AGREEMENT, AND A CONTRACT FOR THE SALE OF 4.1 MILLION POUNDS OF URANIUM CONCENTRATE. THEY ARE ALSO WORKING ON THE SPECIFIC TERMS OF A CONTRACT FOR THE CONVERSION AND SALE TO THE U.S. OF HEU EXTRACTED FROM NUCLEAR WEAPONS. WE HAVE WORKED HARD TO DEVELOP AN APPROACH THAT MEETS BOTH OF OUR CONCERNS IN THESE MATTERS.

I UNDERSTAND THAT OUR REPRESENTATIVES ARE VERY NEAR AGREEMENT ON THE TEXT OF THE GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT HEU AGREEMENT, AND THAT

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IT SHOULD BE READY TO SIGN WHILE THEY ARE IN WASHINGTON THIS WEEK. THAT, OF COURSE, IS JUST WHAT YOU AND I WANT TO HAPPEN. HOWEVER, YOUR GOVERNMENT APPARENTLY HAS NOW SUGGESTED THAT IT WANTS TO DELAY SIGNING UNTIL THE END OF THE MONTH AT THE EARLIEST. BORIS, I URGE YOU TO INSTRUCT YOUR GOVERNMENT TO SIGN THE HEU GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT AGREEMENT THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON, AS SOON AS THE TEXT IS COMPLETE.

AS YOU KNOW, THE GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT AGREEMENT CALLS FOR THE CONCLUSION OF AN IMPLEMENTING CONTRACT. BEFORE THAT CONTRACT CAN BE CONCLUDED, RUSSIA WILL NEED TO AGREE WITH UKRAINE, KAZAKHSTAN, AND BELARUS ON AN EQUITABLE ARRANGEMENT TO SHARE THE PROCEEDS OF THE SALES OF HEU EXTRACTED FROM NUCLEAR WEAPONS. WE UNDERSTAND THAT RUSSIA SHARES THIS VIEW, BUT THAT NO AGREEMENT HAS YET BEEN REACHED WITH THE OTHER THREE STATES. SUCH A SHARING AGREEMENT SHOULD BE CONCLUDED QUICKLY TO PERMIT SUBSTANTIAL FUNDS TO FLOW TO SUPPORT ECONOMIC REFORM. AN EQUITABLE SHARING AGREEMENT WILL ALSO GIVE UKRAINE AND KAZAKHSTAN A POWERFUL INCENTIVE TO TRANSFER NUCLEAR WEAPONS ON THEIR TERRITORY PROMPTLY FOR DISMANTLING IN RUSSIA. CONVERSELY, ABSENCE OF A SHARING ARRANGEMENT COULD JEOPARDIZE APPROVAL OF START AND THE NPT IN UKRAINE AND KAZAKHSTAN.

I URGE YOU TO TAKE THIS UP PERSONALLY WITH PRESIDENT KRAVCHUK AND PRESIDENT NAZARBAYEV, AND RESOLVE IT VERY QUICKLY. A GENEROUS

OFFER BY RUSSIA THAT LEADS TO QUICK AGREEMENT BY THE OTHERS WOULD YIELD MAJOR ECONOMIC AND SECURITY BENEFITS TO RUSSIA.

THE U.S. HAS DONE ITS PART BY MAKING A LONG-TERM COMMITMENT IN THE HEU AGREEMENT AND THE IMPLEMENTING CONTRACT TO PROVIDE MORE THAN $7 BILLION OVER 20 YEARS FOR 500 METRIC TONS OF HEU. THIS SUM IS SUFFICIENT TO PERMIT A FAIR RETURN TO ALL FOUR REPUBLICS, WHILE HASTENING THE TRANSFER OF ALL FORMER SOVIET NUCLEAR WARHEADS TO RUSSIA.

THE UNITED STATES AND RUSSIA HAVE DONE A GREAT DEAL TO CREATE CONDITIONS FOR PROMPT RATIFICATION OF START AND ACCESSION TO THE NPT BY THE OTHER THREE STATES. ONE MORE ESSENTIAL STEP IS TO WORK OUT AN EQUITABLE ARRANGEMENT TO SHARE THE PROCEEDS OF HEU SALES, AND I WOULD HOPE YOU WILL PUT THIS IN PLACE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

SINCERELY,

GEORGE BUSH

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DEAR BORIS:

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YOU AND I AGREED IN MOSCOW TO TRY TO RESOLVE THE SALE OF HIGHLY-ENRICHED URANIUM (HEU) BY JANUARY 20. OUR REPRESENTATIVES ARE MEETING IN WASHINGTON THIS WEEK ON THE GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT HEU AGREEMENT, A LETTER CLARIFYING THE ANTI-DUMPING SUSPENSION AGREEMENT, AND A CONTRACT FOR THE SALE OF 4.1 MILLION POUNDS OF URANIUM CONCENTRATE. THEY ARE ALSO WORKING ON THE SPECIFIC TERMS OF A CONTRACT FOR THE CONVERSION AND SALE TO THE U.S. OF HEU EXTRACTED FROM NUCLEAR WEAPONS. WE HAVE WORKED HARD TO DEVELOP AN APPROACH THAT MEETS BOTH OF OUR CONCERNS IN THESE MATTERS.

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I UNDERSTAND THAT OUR REPRESENTATIVES ARE VERY NEAR AGREEMENT ON THE TEXT OF THE GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT HEU AGREEMENT, AND THAT IT SHOULD BE READY TO SIGN WHILE THEY ARE IN WASHINGTON THIS WEEK. THAT, OF COURSE, IS JUST WHAT YOU AND I WANT TO HAPPEN. HOWEVER, YOUR GOVERNMENT APPARENTLY HAS NOT SUGGESTED THAT IT WANTS TO DELAY SIGNING UNTIL THE END OF THE MONTH AT THE EARLIEST. BORIS, I URGE YOU TO INSTRUCT YOUR GOVERNMENT TO SIGN THE HEU GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT AGREEMENT THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON, AS SOON AS THE TEXT IS COMPLETE.

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AS YOU KNOW, THE GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT AGREEMENT CALLS FOR THE CONCLUSION OF AN IMPLEMENTING CONTRACT. BEFORE THAT CONTRACT CAN BE CONCLUDED, RUSSIA WILL NEED TO AGREE WITH UKRAINE, KAZAKHSTAN, AND BELARUS ON AN EQUITABLE ARRANGEMENT TO SHARE THE PROCEEDS OF THE SALES OF HEU EXTRACTED FROM NUCLEAR WEAPONS. WE UNDERSTAND THAT RUSSIA SHARES THIS VIEW, BUT THAT NO AGREEMENT HAS YET BEEN REACHED WITH THE OTHER THREE STATES. SUCH A SHARING AGREEMENT SHOULD BE CONCLUDED QUICKLY TO PERMIT SUBSTANTIAL FUNDS TO FLOW TO SUPPORT ECONOMIC REFORM. AN EQUITABLE SHARING AGREEMENT WILL ALSO GIVE UKRAINE AND KAZAKHSTAN A POWERFUL INCENTIVE TO TRANSFER NUCLEAR WEAPONS ON THEIR TERRITORY PROMPTLY FOR DISMANTLING IN RUSSIA. CONVERSELY, ABSENCE OF A SHARING ARRANGEMENT COULD JEOPARDIZE APPROVAL OF START AND THE NPT IN UKRAINE AND KAZAKHSTAN.

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I URGE YOU TO TAKE THIS UP PERSONALLY WITH PRESIDENT KRAVCHUK AND PRESIDENT NAZARBAYEV, AND RESOLVE IT VERY QUICKLY. A GENEROUS OFFER BY RUSSIA THAT LEADS TO QUICK AGREEMENT BY THE OTHERS WOULD YIELD MAJOR ECONOMIC AND SECURITY BENEFITS TO RUSSIA.

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THE U.S. HAS DONE ITS PART BY MAKING A LONG-TERM COMMITMENT IN THE HEU AGREEMENT AND THE IMPLEMENTING CONTRACT TO PROVIDE MORE THAN $7 BILLION OVER 20 YEARS FOR 500 METRIC TONS OF HEU. THIS SUM IS SUFFICIENT TO PERMIT A FAIR RETURN TO ALL FOUR REPUBLICS, WHILE HASTENING THE TRANSFER OF ALL FORMER SOVIET NUCLEAR WARHEADS TO RUSSIA.

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THE UNITED STATES AND RUSSIA HAVE DONE A GREAT DEAL TO CREATE CONDITIONS FOR PROMPT RATIFICATION OF START AND ACCESSION TO THE NPT BY THE OTHER THREE STATES. ONE MORE ESSENTIAL STEP IS TO WORK OUT AN EQUITABLE ARRANGEMENT TO SHARE THE PROCEEDS OF HEU SALES, AND I WOULD HOPE YOU WILL PUT THIS IN PLACE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

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SINCERELY,

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GEORGE BUSH

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END TEXT

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PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO CHARGE COLLINS.
CHARGE COLLINS PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE DIRECTLY EYES ONLY TO PRESIDENT YELTSIN FROM PRESIDENT BUSH.

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BEGIN TEXT:

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DEAR BORIS:

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I AM WRITING TO SHARE MY THOUGHTS ON HOW WE MAY WORK TOGETHER DURING THE TIME REMAINING TO ME IN OFFICE ON THE MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE IN OUR BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP -- OUR COMMON DESIRE TO END FOREVER THE THREAT OF NUCLEAR WAR BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND RUSSIA. GOVERNOR CLINTON AND I AGREED LAST WEEK THAT SUPPORT FOR REFORM IN RUSSIA MUST REMAIN A PRIORITY FOR THE UNITED STATES, AND THAT OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH YOU IS TOO IMPORTANT TO ALLOW THE U.S. TRANSITION PERIOD TO DELAY PROGRESS ON THE VITAL ISSUES BEFORE US. IN PARTICULAR, THE GOVERNOR HOPED WE COULD COMPLETE THE START II TREATY BY MID-JANUARY. I HOPE YOU AGREE, AS WE DISCUSSED ON NOVEMBER 4, THAT YOU AND I SHOULD CONCLUDE THIS TREATY TOGETHER.

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TOGETHER WE MADE THE IMPORTANT AND TOUGH DECISIONS THAT LED TO OUR JOINT UNDERSTANDING AT THE JUNE SUMMIT. THAT WAS THE MAJOR TASK AND IT IS NOW BEHIND US. WE NOW HAVE BEFORE US THE TASK OF

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CODIFYING OUR HISTORIC ACCOMPLISHMENT INTO TREATY LANGUAGE. A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF THAT TASK WOULD LOCK IN A FOUNDATION FOR A CLOSE, COOPERATIVE AMERICAN-RUSSIAN PARTNERSHIP FOR THE REMAINDER OF THIS DECADE AND INTO THE NEXT CENTURY.

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OUR JOINT UNDERSTANDING CALLS FOR DRAMATIC REDUCTIONS IN THE STRATEGIC FORCES OF BOTH SIDES. EVEN MORE IMPORTANTLY, IT GREATLY IMPROVES STABILITY BY BANNING THE MOST DESTABILIZING SYSTEMS NOW HELD BY BOTH COUNTRIES. BUT, AS WE HAVE DISCUSSED, THERE IS MUCH MORE TO THE AGREEMENT THAN THE CHANGES IT REQUIRES IN OUR NUCLEAR FORCES. UNDERLYING IT IS A PROFOUND BREAK FROM THE PAST IN HOW WE LOOK AT ARMS CONTROL, AT STABILITY, AND AT EACH OTHER. FOR THAT, YOU DESERVE MUCH OF THE CREDIT. IT WAS, AS I RECALL, AT YOUR INITIATIVE THAT WE DECIDED TO ABANDON THE OLD STANDARD OF NUMERICAL PARITY JUST HOURS BEFORE WE ANNOUNCED THE AGREEMENT IN THE ROSE GARDEN.

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ANOTHER NOVEL FEATURE OF OUR AGREEMENT THAT STANDS IN SHARP CONTRAST TO THE YEARS OF COMPETITIVE ARMS BUILD UP IS THE PROVISION THAT THE UNITED STATES MIGHT HELP RUSSIA TO REDUCE ITS FORCES MORE QUICKLY. AS YOU KNOW, WE ARE ALREADY DISCUSSING WITH YOUR GOVERNMENT U.S. ASSISTANCE TO HELP ALLEVIATE THE FINANCIAL BURDEN OF IMPLEMENTING THE NEW AGREEMENT.

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THE DRAFT TREATY JIM BAKER PROVIDED TO YOUR GOVERNMENT IN JULY WAS A FAITHFUL TRANSLATION INTO TREATY LANGUAGE OF THE JUNE 17 JOINT UNDERSTANDING. IN VIEW OF THAT, I WAS SURPRISED BY THE CHANGES WHICH WERE PROPOSED BY YOUR FOREIGN MINISTRY. THE PROPOSALS TO PERMIT CONVERSION OF SS-18 SILOS AND DOWNLOADING OF SS-19S SEEM CLEARLY OUT OF STEP WITH THE JUNE ACCORD. SIMILARLY, THE PROPOSALS ON HEAVY BOMBERS WOULD REOPEN ISSUES THAT WERE SETTLED IN THE START TALKS. I AM AT A LOSS TO UNDERSTAND WHY THESE CHANGES WOULD BE SUGGESTED UNLESS IT IS TO PERMIT RUSSIAN FORCES TO REACH THE 3500 WARHEAD CEILING AND TO DO SO IN THE MOST ECONOMICAL MANNER. IF THAT INTERPRETATION IS CORRECT, IT SEEMS CLEARLY AT ODDS WITH YOUR STATEMENT IN THE OVAL OFFICE THAT YOU

WANTED TO BREAK SYMMETRY AS A SYMBOL OF OUR NEW RELATIONSHIP.

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WITH RESPECT TO THE PROPOSED STATEMENTS ON THE ABM TREATY, OUR COUNTRIES HAVE BEGUN TO MAKE PROGRESS TOWARD A GLOBAL DEFENSE AGAINST BALLISTIC MISSILES ALONG THE LINES YOU SUGGESTED AT CAMP DAVID. I WOULD HOPE WE COULD BUILD ON THAT PROGRESS RATHER THAN RETURN TO STATMENTS THAT SEEM OUTDATED IN OUR NEW RELATIONSHIP.

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BORIS, I THINK WE SHOULD REMAIN TRUE TO OUR JUNE FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT. THE INITIAL RESPONSE TO OUR TREATY DRAFT SEEMS TO TAKE US IN A DIFFERENT DIRECTION. I WOULD ASK THAT YOU REFLECT ON THE ISSUES THAT I HAVE RAISED AND THAT WE DISCUSS THEM TOGETHER VERY SOON. IF THE POSITIONS ON ANY OF THESE ISSUES DIRECTLY REFLECT YOUR OWN THINKING I WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING THE REASONING WHICH LED YOU TO PROPOSE THE CHANGES. I AM CONVINCED THAT ONLY YOU AND I CAN MAKE THE NECESSARY DECISIONS AND PROVIDE THE IMPETUS TO CONCLUDE THIS AGREEMENT DURING THE NEXT SEVERAL WEEKS.

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I KNOW THE TREMENDOUS PROBLEMS RUSSIA IS FACING AND THE PRESSURES ON YOU AND YOUR TEAM OF REFORMERS. I AM DOING ALL THAT IS WITHIN MY POWER TO ASSIST YOU AND TO DEMONSTRATE SUPPORT FOR YOUR REFORMS. I REMAIN HOPEFUL THAT A PARIS CLUB DEBT RESCHEDULING AGREEMENT AND THE FULL RANGE OF ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE WE HAVE ALREADY DELIVERED WILL HELP TO SECURE THE SUCCESS OF YOUR PROGRAMS. AND LET ME ADD - PULLING BACK FROM OUR CLEAR UNDERSTANDING WOULD GREATLY COMPLICATE OUR ABILITY TO GET CONGRESS TO CONTINUE TO HELP ON THE ECONOMIC FRONT. CONCLUSION OF THIS NEW TREATY WOULD DRASTICALLY REDUCE THE BURDEN OF STRATEGIC FORCES LEFT OVER FROM THE COLD WAR, WOULD BOLSTER YOUR AND RUSSIA'S STANDING IN THE WORLD COMMUNITY, AND WOULD BE THE CROWNING ACCOMPLISHMENT OF OUR HISTORIC COOPERATION TOGETHER. I AM READY TO WORK HARD TO REACH FINAL AGREEMENT WITH YOU AND WILL CALL YOU AFTER YOU HAVE HAD A CHANCE TO REFLECT ON THIS LETTER.

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SINCERELY,

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GEORGE BUSH

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PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM BRENT SCOWCROFT TO CHARGE COLLINS ONLY.
JIM -- PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT BUSH TO PRESIDENT YELTSIN AT OPENING OF BUSINESS, DECEMBER 2. THERE WILL BE NO SIGNED ORIGINAL.
WARM REGARDS,
BRENT

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BEGIN TEXT:

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DEAR BORIS:
IT WAS GOOD TO TALK WITH YOU ON MONDAY. I KNOW YOU MUST BE VERY BUSY WITH THE OPENING OF THE CONGRESS OF PEOPLES DEPUTIES, BUT I WANTED TO FOLLOW UP WITH YOU ON YOUR WELCOME SUGGESTION THAT WE SIGN A START II TREATY BEFORE I LEAVE OFFICE.
YOUR SUGGESTION ABOUT A MEETING IN ALASKA IS EXCELLENT. I PROPOSE WE MEET IN ANCHORAGE TO SIGN THE TREATY. OUR MEETING WOULD ALSO PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY TO ASSESS THE MANY OTHER IMPORTANT ISSUES IN OUR BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP. I SUGGEST THAT WE WITHHOLD PUBLIC COMMENT ON THESE PLANS UNTIL WE HAVE AGREED ON FINAL ARRANGEMENTS.
I WAS VERY PLEASED TO HEAR THAT YOU AGREE WITH THE APPROACH SET OUT IN MY MONDAY LETTER TO YOU ON THE TREATY AND THAT WE WILL ADHERE TO THE FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT WE SIGNED IN JUNE. THERE HAS BEEN ONE NEW DEVELOPMENT SINCE I WROTE TO YOU. WE HAVE NOW HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW A NEW DRAFT OF THE TREATY PROPOSED BY YOUR FOREIGN

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FOLLOWING THESE DISCUSSIONS, I RECOMMEND WE INSTRUCT EAGLEBURGER AND KOZYREV TO MEET, AS SOON AS YOUR CONGRESS CONCLUDES, TO RESOLVE THE REMAINING ISSUES AND PREPARE THE FINAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR OUR MEETING.

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SINCERELY,

GEORGE BUSH

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BRENT

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PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO CHARGE.

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MR. COLLINS: PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT YELTSIN FROM PRESIDENT BUSH.

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BEGIN TEXT:

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DEAR BORIS,

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SINCE ACTING SECRETARY EAGLEBURGER WROTE TO HIS COLLEAGUES ON NOVEMBER 26, MY GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH THE UNITED NATIONS REGARDING THE TRAGEDY UNFOLDING IN SOMALIA. AS YOU NO DOUBT HAVE LEARNED, UN SECRETARY GENERAL BOUTROS BOUTROS-GHALI IS GIVING CAREFUL THOUGHT TO HOW THE UN AND ITS MEMBER STATES CAN BEST AMELIORATE THE SUFFERING OF THE SOMALI PEOPLE. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE SECRETARY GENERAL PLANS TO OUTLINE TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL AS EARLY AS MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30 POSSIBLE OPTIONS FOR FURTHER UN ACTION IN SOMALIA.

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AS THE ACTING SECRETARY MADE CLEAR IN HIS PREVIOUS LETTER, THE U.S. VIEWS THE SITUATION IN SOMALIA AS EXTRAORDINARILY COMPELLING. THE U.S. STANDS READY TO MAKE A MAJOR CONTRIBUTION, INCLUDING THE PROVISION OF U.S. MILITARY FORCES, TO AN EFFORT THAT WILL ENSURE THE DELIVERY OF FOOD AND ESSENTIAL HUMANITARIAN SERVICES IN THE CRITICAL AREA OF STARVATION

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IN SOUTH-CENTRAL SOMALIA. WE LOOK FORWARD TO COOPERATING WITH YOU IN THIS EFFORT. YOUR LEADERSHIP WOULD MAKE A VITAL CONTRIBUTION.

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WE VIEW THE COOPERATIVE EFFORT AS OF RELATIVELY SHORT DURATION. IT WOULD LEAD TO A MORE SECURE ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH A TRADITIONAL UN PEACEKEEPING FORCE COULD SAFEGUARD THE RELIEF EFFORT AND HELP THE SOMALIS RECONSTRUCT THEIR OWN CIVIL ADMINISTRATION.

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BEFORE DISCUSSING NEXT STEPS IN DETAIL, HOWEVER, I BELIEVE THAT WE SHOULD AWAIT THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S VIEWS. I WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH YOU AS SOON AS WE HAVE REVIEWED THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

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SINCERELY,

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GEORGE BUSH

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TO WHITE HOUSE
~~S E C R E T~~ 281339Z NOV 92 [1.4(c)]
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PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO GENERAL SCOWCROFT
SUBJECT: DELIVERY OF THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER TO YELTSIN ON SOMALIA
1. ON NOVEMBER 28 CHARGE COLLINS GAVE SUBJECT LETTER TO RUSSIAN DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER MAMEDOV. (PRESIDENT YELTSIN, HIS TOP AIDES AND FOREIGN MINISTER KOZYREV WERE TIED UP WITH PREPARATIONS FOR THE DECEMBER 1 CONGRESS OF PEOPLES DEPUTIES.)
2. MAMEDOV PROMISED TO GET PRESIDENT BUSH'S LETTER TO PRESIDENT YELTSIN IMMEDIATELY. AFTER READING THE LETTER, MAMEDOV ASKED WHETHER HE WAS CORRECT IN ASSUMING THE US WOULD BE IN CONTACT WITH RUSSIA AGAIN BEFORE IT MADE ANY DECISION ON SPECIFIC ACTIONS IN SOMALIA. CHARGE CONFIRMED THE ACCURACY OF MAMEDOV'S UNDERSTANDING ON THIS POINT. CHARGE NOTED THAT THE US WAS STILL CONSIDERING ITS OPTIONS. WE ARE IN TOUCH WITH THE PARTIES INVOLVED, INCLUDING THE UNSYG.
MAMEDOV ASKED WHETHER THE US CONTEMPLATED MILITARY ACTION. CHARGE NOTED THE HORRIBLE NATURE OF THE SITUATION IN SOMALIA MADE IT IMPERATIVE FOR THE WORLD COMMUNITY TO TAKE SOME ACTION. THE US IS CONSULTING WITH THE PARTIES AND HAS NOT RULED OUT ANY OPTION. MAMEDOV REPLIED THAT RUSSIA IS ALSO CONSIDERING ITS OPTIONS. HE STATED THAT A HASTY RESPONSE COULD BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE AND CONCLUDED THAT KOZYREV WOULD LAY OUT THE RUSSIAN POSITION IN A RESPONSE TO THE

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LETTER HE HAD RECEIVED ON SOMALIA FROM ACTING
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EYES ONLY
FROM AMBASSADOR STRAUSS FOR SCOWCROFT AND SECRETARY BAKER
SUBJECT: KOZYREV HINTS AT "WALK IN THE WOODS"
AT THE END OF MY FEBRUARY 4 MEETING WITH ANDREY KOZYREV, IN WHICH I DELIVERED SECRETARY BAKER,S MARCH 3 DEMIRVING LETTER AND ALSO RAN THROUGH A NUMBER OF BILATERAL ISSUES [1.4(c)]
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ANDREY,S REFERENCE WAS CLEAR AND I THINK HE MEANT THAT HE WAS NOT CERTAIN HE COULD GET APPROVAL ON THE U.S. PROPOSALS THROUGH THE RUSSIAN SECURITY APPARATUS.
EARLIER IN THE MEETING KOZYREV HAD WARNED ABOUT THE STRENGTH OF OPPONENTS OF DEMOCRACY IN THE CIRCLES AROUND YEL,TSIN, WHO AS YOU KNOW, HAS GONE OF FOR A PERIOD OF REST IN THE CRIMEA. WHAT STANCE THE U.S.

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TO WHITE HOUSE
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PLEASE PASS TO GENERAL SCOWCROFT FROM CHARGE COLLINS.
SUBJECT: PRESIDENT'S LETTER TO PRESIDENT YELTSIN ON DEBT RESCHEDULING

I DELIVERED PRESIDENT BUSH'S LETTER TO PRESIDENT YELTSIN THIS MORNING (NOVEMBER 13) AT 0915 TO YELTSIN'S FOREIGN POLICY ADVISOR RYURIKOV. RYURIKOV READ THE MESSAGE QUICKLY AND SAID HE WOULD CONVEY IT IMMEDIATELY TO PRESIDENT YELTSIN THIS MORNING. HE COMMENTED THAT THIS TANGIBLE EXPRESSION OF PRESIDENT BUSH'S CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR REFORM HERE AND FOR PRESIDENT YELTSIN WAS VERY IMPORTANT AND WOULD BE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED. I SAID THAT I KNEW THIS ACTION WAS A FOLLOW UP TO THE PRESIDENT'S PHONE CALL WITH PRESIDENT YELTSIN RECENTLY, WHERE HE HAD EXPRESSED READINESS TO SUPPORT RUSSIA'S REFORM PROGRAM AND PRESIDENT YELTSIN. IN ADDITION TO THE RESCHEDULING SUPPORT, I NOTED THAT PRESIDENT BUSH'S OFFER WAS REPEATED IN THE LETTER, AND I SAID I KNEW PRESIDENT BUSH WOULD BE ANXIOUS TO KNOW IF THERE ARE ANY OTHER STEPS PRESIDENT YELTSIN THINKS WOULD BE HELPFUL IN THE RUN UP TO THE DECEMBER 1 CONGRESS OF PEOPLE'S DEPUTIES. RYURIKOV REITERATED HIS APPRECIATION.
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1.4(c) MOSCOW - PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING EYES ONLY MESSAGE FROM BRENT SCOWCROFT TO CHARGE COLLINS ONLY.

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JIM
FOLLOWING IS A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT BUSH TO PRESIDENT YELTSIN. PLEASE DELIVER URGENTLY. THERE WILL BE NO SIGNED ORIGINAL.

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WARM REGARDS

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BRENT

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DEAR BORIS:

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AS PROMISED, I WOULD LIKE IN THIS LETTER TO CONFIRM THE UNDERSTANDINGS THAT YOU AND I REACHED ON THE TELEPHONE TODAY. IT IS ON THE BASIS OF THOSE UNDERSTANDINGS THAT MY EXPERTS WILL MEET WITH YOURS TOMORROW IN GENEVA.

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- FIRST, WE HAVE AGREED ON THE RETENTION AND DOWNLOADING TO A SINGLE-WARHEAD OF NOT MORE THAN 120 SS-19 MISSILES IN EXISTING SS-19 SILOS.

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- SECOND, ALL SS-18 MISSILES, BOTH DEPLOYED AND NON-DEPLOYED, WILL BE DESTROYED, AND ALL FURTHER SS-18 MISSILE PRODUCTION WILL BE BANNED.

- THIRD, UP TO 75 OF THE SS-18 SILOS SUBJECT TO THIS TREATY MAY BE CONVERTED IN A MANNER THAT WOULD PRECLUDE THE POSSIBILITY OF THEIR LATER REUSE FOR DEPLOYING HEAVY ICBMS. THE REMAINING SS-18 SILOS WILL BE DESTROYED IN ACCORDANCE WITH START PROCEDURES.

- FOURTH, OUR GOVERNMENTS MUST AGREE ON THE PROCEDURES FOR DESTROYING THE SS-18 MISSILES AND CONVERTING THE SS-18 SILOS, INCLUDING APPROPRIATE INSPECTION AND VERIFICATION PROCEDURES. CONVERSION PROCEDURES WILL INCLUDE POURING AT LEAST THIRTEEN METERS DEPTH OF CONCRETE INTO THE BASE OF EACH SS-18 SILO.

- FIFTH, B-1 BOMBERS THAT HAVE NEVER BEEN EQUIPPED FOR LONG-RANGE NUCLEAR ALCMS MAY BE REORIENTED TO A CONVENTIONAL ROLE. ONLY ONE REORIENTATION CYCLE WILL BE ALLOWED; THAT IS, A B-1 BOMBER THAT IS REORIENTED TO A CONVENTIONAL ROLE MAY BE RETURNED TO A NUCLEAR ROLE ONLY ONCE, AND COULD NOT THEREAFTER BE REORIENTED AGAIN TO A CONVENTIONAL ROLE. OTHER PROPOSALS THE U.S. MADE IN STOCKHOLM HAVE MET YOUR OTHER CONCERNS REGARDING HEAVY BOMBERS.

BASED ON THESE UNDERSTANDINGS, I AM CONFIDENT THAT OUR EXPERTS CAN RAPIDLY CONCLUDE A TREATY TEXT. ONCE THAT HAPPENS, WE WILL BE IN A POSITION TO SET A SPECIFIC DATE FOR US TO SIGN THIS HISTORIC TREATY.

SINCERELY,

GEORGE BUSH

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1. ~~SECRET~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. ON DECEMBER 18 RUSSIAN DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER MAMEDOV GAVE CHARGE COLLINS A LETTER FROM PRESIDENT YELTSIN TO PRESIDENT BUSH, FOLLOWING UP DISCUSSIONS IN STOCKHOLM ON STAR II. MAMEDOV NOTED THAT, ALTHOUGH THE LETTER ISDATED DECEMBER 16, IT HAD NOT IN FACT BEEN SIGNED BY YELTSIN UNTIL LATE ON DECEMBER 17, WHILE THE RUSSIAN PRESIDENT WAS IN CHINA.

3. BEGIN TEXT OF INFORMAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION.

DEAR GEORGE

I AM VERY ENCOURAGED BY THE CONSTRUCTIVE RESULT OF THE DISCUSSION WHICH OUR FOREIGN MINISTERS HELD IN STOCKHOLM. THE POSITIONS OF THE SIDES ARE NOW CLOSE IN PRACTICALLY ALL MAIN QUESTIONS, CONNECTED WITH THE WORKING OUT OF THE START II TREATY.

IN RESPONSE TO THE FLEXIBILITY DISPLAYED BY THE AMERICAM SIDE -- I UNDERSTAND THAT FOR YOU THIS WAS NOT A SIMPLE DECISION -- WE WILL UNDERTAKE A RADICAL PROPOSAL IN RETURN. I AM CONVINCED THAT IT WILL OVERCOME THE REMAINING DIFFERENCES ON HEAVY MIRVED ICBMS. DOING THIS -- A DECISION THAT WAS ALSO DIFFICULT FOR ME -- WE TAKE ACCOUNT OF THE FACT THAT FOR MANY YEARS OUR HEAVY MISSILES HAVE EVOKED SPECIAL CONCERN IN AMERICA. IN ORDER TO ONCE AND FOR ALL REMOVE THAT CONCERN, I WANT TO INFORM YOU ABOUT THE FOLLOWING.

BY JANUARY 1, 2003, RUSSIA WILL PHYSICALLY DESTROY ALL DEPLOYED AND NON-DEPLOYED LAND-BASED HEAVY ICBMS. WE WILL NOT HAVE ANY OF THAT CLASS OF MISSILE, AND THERE WILL BE NO PRODUCTION OF THEM. IT FOLLOWS, THAT THE SILOS OF HEAVY MISSILES, WHICH WILL REMAIN AFTER THEIR RECONFIGURATION, NEVER WILL BE ABLE TO CONTAIN SUCH MISSILES.

WE GREATLY APPRECIATE THE FLEXIBILITY YOU DISPLAYED ON A SUBJECT THAT IS SO SENSITIVE FOR US AS REDUCING TO ONE THE NUMBER OF WARHEADS ON THE SS-19 MISSILE. WE PLAM TO REDUCE 120 SUCH MISSILES TO ONE RV, THUS CHANGING THEM TO SINGLE RV MISSILES. WE AGREE THAT SUCH MISSILES WOULD BE DEPLOYED ONLY IN SILOS WHICH WERE ORIGINALLY CONSTRUCTED FOR THEM.

TO FINALLY COMPLETE THE WORK ON THE TREATY, WE PROPOSE IN THE NEAREST FUTURE TO ORGANIZE A MEETING OF EXPERTS IN MOSCOW OR, FOR EXAMPLE, IN GENEVA. I PROCEED FROM THE FACT THAT FOR THIS TO WORK, AND ALSO FOR PREPARATION OF MY MEETING WITH YOU, TWO OR THREE WEEKS ARE REQUIRED.

GEORGE, IN OUR LAST TELEPHONE CONVERSATION, WE CONFIRMED OUR MUTUAL EFFORTS TO BRING TO A CLOSE OUR WORK ON THE START II TREATY. NOW I AM CONFIDENT THAT IT IS COMPLETELY REALISTIC TO SIGN THIS DOCUMENT OF HISTORICAL IMPORTANCE BEFORE JANUARY 20, 1993.

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PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO CHARGE COLLINS.

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PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT YELTSIN
FROM PRESIDENT BUSH.

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NOVEMBER 19, 1992
BEGIN TEXT:

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DEAR BORIS:

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I KNOW YOU ARE AS DEEPLY TROUBLED AS I ABOUT THE CONTINUING CONFLICT IN WHAT WAS YUGOSLAVIA. YOU, WE AND OTHER CONCERNED NATIONS ARE HEAVILY ENGAGED IN EFFORTS TO CONTAIN AND REDUCE THE VIOLENCE, SAVE THE MILLIONS OF INNOCENT VICTIMS, AND FOSTER SERIOUS NEGOTIATIONS UNDER THE UN-EC FRAMEWORK. IN THIS SPIRIT, I WANT TO SHARE WITH YOU OUR THINKING ABOUT THE GROWING POTENTIAL FOR VIOLENCE IN THE KOSOVO.

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WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE THAT A LASTING ACCOMMODATION MUST BE SOUGHT -- INDEED, CAN ONLY BE FOUND -- THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS AIMED AT RESTORING KOSOVO'S AUTONOMY AND THE RIGHTS OF ITS CITIZENS. CLEARLY, A CLIMATE OF INTIMIDATION, ABUSES, AND PROVOCATIONS NOT ONLY IMPEDES PEACEFUL DIALOGUE BUT THREATENS THE OUTBREAK OF HOSTILITIES. RECENT POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS AND INCIDENTS ARE NOT ENCOURAGING.

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IF CONFLICT OCCURS IN KOSOVO, THERE IS A GRAVE DANGER THAT IT WILL

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BE EXTREMELY VIOLENT AND COST THOUSANDS OF INNOCENT LIVES. IT COULD ALSO SPREAD DUE TO A NEW WAVE OF REFUGEES FLOWING INTO NEIGHBORING STATES, WHO THEMSELVES MAY FEEL THREATENED AND UNDER PRESSURE TO ACT. INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY, AS WELL AS DEMOCRACY AND REFORM, COULD BE ENDANGERED ON A WIDER SCALE. I KNOW YOU ARE WELL AWARE OF THESE RISKS.

WE WOULD LIKE TO CONSULT ABOUT WHAT CAN BE DONE TO PREVENT THE WORST FROM HAPPENING AND TO BEGIN AND SUSTAIN A REAL NEGOTIATION. WE HAVE SEVERAL IDEAS ON WHICH I WOULD WELCOME YOUR REACTION:

-- AN INTERNATIONAL CALL FOR A RESTORATION OF AUTONOMY, AN END TO REPRESSION, A REDUCTION IN THE MILITARY BUILD-UP, AND AN INSISTENCE THAT VIOLENCE BE RULED OUT BY BOTH PARTIES.

-- A SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASED INTERNATIONAL MONITORING PRESENCE WITHIN KOSOVO TO DISCOURAGE ABUSES, PROVOCATIONS, AND VIOLENCE. THE U.S. IS PREPARED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS EFFORT.

-- AN INTENSIVE NEGOTIATION UNDER THE DIRECTION OF A PROMINENT STATESPERSON WITHIN THE VANCE/OWEN FRAMEWORK. THE PARTIES SHOULD BE CALLED TO CONTINUOUS TALKS ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE RESTORATION OF AUTONOMY AND THE RIGHTS OF ALL CITIZENS.

OUR CURRENT THINKING IS THAT A UN SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION EMBODYING THESE IDEAS WOULD BE TIMELY AND VALUABLE. WE FULLY RECOGNIZE THAT SUCH A RESOLUTION WOULD NEED TO BE CRAFTED SO AS TO CALM AND IMPROVE THE SITUATION RATHER THAN POLARIZE IT.

I AM ALSO EAGER TO LEARN YOUR OWN THOUGHTS ABOUT WHAT CAN BE DONE TO DEFUSE THIS DANGEROUS SITUATION. IN ANY EVENT, WE WILL CLEARLY NEED AN EFFORT BY A COALITION OF CONCERNED NATIONS. IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT ALL STATES, ESPECIALLY THOSE IMMEDIATELY AFFECTED, REFRAIN FROM UNILATERAL ACTION AND INSTEAD JOIN AND WORK WITHIN THE COALITION.

WE ARE ESPECIALLY CONCERNED THAT MILOSEVIC WILL PERCEIVE ADVANTAGES IN INCREASING TENSIONS IN KOSOVO WHILE ASSUMING THAT THERE WILL BE NO INTERNATIONAL REACTION IN THE EVENT THAT HE DOES. IN ORDER TO DISCOURAGE THIS, I PROPOSE THAT WE SEND STRONG, PRIVATE MESSAGES TO MILOSEVIC, TELLING HIM WE EXPECT HIS COMPLETE RESTRAINT AND COOPERATION IN KOSOVO. TO CONVINCE MILOSEVIC OF THE SERIOUSNESS OF OUR RESOLVE, WE MUST WARN HIM OF POSSIBLE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES FOR SERBIA IF HE ACTS AGGRESSIVELY. BECAUSE VIOLENCE IN KOSOVO COULD SPARK A WIDER WAR, I WANT TO BE SURE YOU ARE AWARE THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL CONSIDER THE USE OF FORCE IN THE CONTEXT OF AN INTERNATIONAL RESPONSE IF ETHNIC CLEANSING OR SERBIAN-SPONSORED VIOLENCE OCCURS IN KOSOVO. THIS IS, OF COURSE, A MOST SERIOUS CONSIDERATION, WHICH I AM SHARING ONLY WITH YOU, JOHN MAJOR, AND FRANCOIS MITTERRAND. I WOULD ASK THAT YOU KEEP IT COMPLETELY CONFIDENTIAL, SINCE ITS DISCLOSURE COULD INCREASE THE CHANCES OF PROVOCATION ON THE PART OF KOSOVAR EXTREMISTS. WE MUST SIMULTANEOUSLY URGE MAXIMUM RESTRAINT BY THE ETHNIC ALBANIAN POPULATION OF KOSOVO AND PRESS THEM TO SEEK REDRESS OF THEIR GRIEVANCES THROUGH THE GENEVA PROCESS AND WITHIN CURRENT BORDERS.

I AM WELL AWARE OF HOW CONTROVERSIAL THE ENTIRE YUGOSLAVIA CRISIS IS IN RUSSIA AND THAT SOME THERE MIGHT DEEM KOSOVO AN INTERNAL SERBIAN MATTER. HOWEVER, I KNOW YOU WILL APPRECIATE THE GRAVITY OF THE INTERNATIONAL DANGERS AND THE NEED TO CONFRONT MILOSEVIC WITH A FIRM AND UNITED STANCE. RUSSIA'S VOICE WILL BE CRITICAL, WHETHER DIRECTLY WITH BELGRADE OR IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL. INDEED, RUSSIA IS IN A STRONG POSITION TO HELP AVOID BOTH A DANGEROUS EXPANSION OF THE YUGOSLAV CONFLICT AND THE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES SUCH AN EXPANSION COULD HAVE FOR SERBIA ITSELF. YOUR STANDING AND OUR NEW PARTNERSHIP WILL BE ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT IF WE ARE TO AVERT A GREATER TRAGEDY AND A CHALLENGE TO THE BROADER DEMOCRATIC EURO-ATLANTIC ORDER YOU AND I ARE COMMITTED TO FOSTER.

WE WOULD LIKE TO ENGAGE IN HIGH-LEVEL CONSULTATIONS SO THAT WE CAN MOVE FORWARD TOGETHER PROMPTLY. WE WILL BE OFFERING A SUGGESTION TO THAT END SHORTLY. IN THE MEANTIME, I INVITE YOUR EARLY REACTION TO

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THESE IDEAS AND YOUR COOPERATION IN PREVENTING AN EXPANSION OF THE BALKAN CONFLICT.

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RESPECTFULLY,

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GEORGE BUSH

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SUBJECT: NEXT STEPS ON BUSH-YELTSIN MEETING ON START-II
I SAW DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER MAMEDOV TODAY (16 DECEMBER) AND HE HAS ASSURED ME THAT THERE IS A FINAL DRAFT OF A LETTER FROM YELTSIN TO THE PRESIDENT RESPONDING TO US ON START II. THE LETTER HAS INTERAGENCY CLEARANCE--MAMEDOV SPECIFIED FROM MOD, MFA AND PRIMAKOV--AND IS AWAITING FINAL APPROVAL BY YELTSIN. THIS SHOULD HAPPEN AFTER KOHL LEAVES MOSCOW TODAY AND BEFORE YELTSIN, TOGETHER WITH KOZYREV, LEAVES MOSCOW FOR CHINA, AT 2100 THIS EVENING (MOSCOW TIME).
IN THE INTERIM, HOWEVER, AND TO HELP IN GETTING THE YELTSIN LETTER OUT, MAMEDOV HAS ASKED FOR HELP FROM US. SPECIFICALLY, HE HAS ASKED THAT WE GET A PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE TODAY THAT YELTSIN COULD BE SHOWN TOGETHER WITH THE DRAFT LETTER TO PRESIDENT BUSH. OUR MESSAGE, WHICH NEED NOT BE A SIGNED LETTER, SHOULD INDICATE OUR WILLINGNESS TO AIM FOR AN EARLY JANUARY DATE FOR A SUMMIT MEETING. THE POINT OF THE MESSAGE FROM MAMEDOV'S SIDE IS TO EASE THE TIME PRESSURE TO COMPLETE THE TREATY FOR A DECEMBER MEETING WHICH YELTSIN UNDERSTANDS TO BE THE PRESIDENT'S PROPOSAL AND WHICH NO ONE HERE EVIDENTLY IS PREPARED TO SUGGEST CHANGING. IN SHORT, MAMEDOV TELLS ME HE AND KOZYREV NEED OUR HELP TO BUY SOME TIME. IF YOU CAN GET A MASSAGE BACK TO ME ASAP, I WILL GET IT DELIVERED TO YELTSIN BEFORE THEY FLY OFF TO CHINA.
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DEAR BORIS
PAGE 002 MOSCOW ~~S E C R E T~~
I HAVE TALKED WITH LARRY EAGLEBURGER AND HEARD A GOOD, FULL REPORT ABOUT THE VERY CONSTRUCTIVE TALKS HE HAD IN STOCKHOLM WITH FOREIGN MINISTER KOZYREV. I THINK OUR RESPECTIVE DELEGATIONS DISPLAYED A CONSTRUCTIVE SPIRIT AND MADE GOOD PROGRESS TOWARD THE STRATEGIC ARMS REDUCTION AGREEMENT THAT WE BOTH HOPE TO CONCLUDE.
I HAVE ALSO BEEN FOLLOWING CLOSELY THE EVENTS IN MOSCOW IN RECENT DAYS. I KNOW THAT YOU HAVE GONE THROUGH SOME DIFFICULT TIMES, AND I WANT TO STRESS MY SUPPORT AND ADMIRATION FOR YOUR CONTINUED EFFORTS TO BRING DEMOCRATIC REFORM TO RUSSIAN. I ALSO KNOW YOU HAVE BEEN MEETING HELMET KOHL IN MOSCOW AND THAT YOU ARE NOW DEPARTING FOR AN IMPORTANT VISIT TO CHINA.
BEFORE YOU LEAVE, I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH YOU MY LATEST THOUGHTS ON OUR POSSIBLE MEETING AND CONCLUSION OF THE START II AGREEMENT. GIVEN THE PRESS OF EVENTS IN BOTH OUR CAPITALS, AND THE NEED FOR OUR RESPECTIVE EXPERTS TO ENSURE THAT THE TREATY IS CAREFULLY PREPARED, I THINK IT MAKES SENSE FOR US TO LOOK AT AIMING FOR A MEETING IN EARLY JANUARY RATHER THAN IN DECEMBER. IF YOU AGREE, I WOULD SUGGEST THAT WE CONSIDER THAT TO BE OUR TENTATIVE DEADLINE FOR THE MEETING AND THAT IN THE INTERIM WE HAVE OUR EXPERTS MEET INTENSIVELY TO FLESH OUT THE REMAINING DETAILS. I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING YOUR VIEWS ON THIS IDEA ON TIMING AND YOUR VIEWS ON THE NEXT STEPS WE SHOULD TAKE TO RESOLVE THE ISSUES THAT OUR FOREIGN MINISTERS DISCUSSED AT THE STOCKHOLM MEETING.
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FROM CHARGE COLLINS FOR GENERAL SCOWCROFT. SITROOM PLEASE ALSO PASS TO NICK BURNS AT OOB
SUBJECT: NEXT STEPS ON BUSH-YELTSIN MEETING ON START-II
I SAW DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER MAMEDOV TODAY (16 DECEMBER) AND HE HAS ASSURED ME THAT THERE IS A FINAL DRAFT OF A LETTER FROM YELTSIN TO THE PRESIDENT RESPONDING TO US ON START II. THE LETTER HAS INTERAGENCY CLEARANCE--MAMEDOV SPECIFIED FROM MOD, MFA AND PRIMAKOV--AND IS AWAITING FINAL APPROVAL BY YELTSIN. THIS SHOULD HAPPEN AFTER KOHL LEAVES MOSCOW TODAY AND BEFORE YELTSIN, TOGETHER WITH KOZYREV, LEAVES MOSCOW FOR CHINA, AT 2100 THIS EVENING (MOSCOW TIME).
IN THE INTERIM, HOWEVER, AND TO HELP IN GETTING THE YELTSIN LETTER OUT, MAMEDOV HAS ASKED FOR HELP FROM US. SPECIFICALLY, HE HAS ASKED THAT WE GET A PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE TODAY THAT YELTSIN COULD BE SHOWN TOGETHER WITH THE DRAFT LETTER TO PRESIDENT BUSH. OUR MESSAGE, WHICH NEED NOT BE A SIGNED LETTER, SHOULD INDICATE OUR WILLINGNESS TO AIM FOR AN EARLY JANUARY DATE FOR A SUMMIT MEETING. THE POINT OF THE MESSAGE FROM MAMEDOV'S SIDE IS TO EASE THE TIME PRESSURE TO COMPLETE THE TREATY FOR A DECEMBER MEETING WHICH YELTSIN UNDERSTANDS TO BE THE PRESIDENT'S PROPOSAL AND WHICH NO ONE HERE EVIDENTLY IS PREPARED TO SUGGEST CHANGING. IN SHORT, MAMEDOV TELLS ME HE AND KOZYREV NEED OUR HELP TO BUY SOME TIME. IF YOU CAN GET A MASSAGE BACK TO ME ASAP, I WILL GET IT DELIVERED TO YELTSIN BEFORE THEY FLY OFF TO CHINA.
BEGIN TEXT OF SUGGESTED MESSAGE

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DEAR BORIS
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I HAVE TALKED WITH LARRY EAGLEBURGER AND HEARD A GOOD, FULL REPORT ABOUT THE VERY CONSTRUCTIVE TALKS HE HAD IN STOCKHOLM WITH FOREIGN MINISTER KOZYREV. I THINK OUR RESPECTIVE DELEGATIONS DISPLAYED A CONSTRUCTIVE SPIRIT AND MADE GOOD PROGRESS TOWARD THE STRATEGIC ARMS REDUCTION AGREEMENT THAT WE BOTH HOPE TO CONCLUDE.
I HAVE ALSO BEEN FOLLOWING CLOSELY THE EVENTS IN MOSCOW IN RECENT DAYS. I KNOW THAT YOU HAVE GONE THROUGH SOME DIFFICULT TIMES, AND I WANT TO STRESS MY SUPPORT AND ADMIRATION FOR YOUR CONTINUED EFFORTS TO BRING DEMOCRATIC REFORM TO RUSSIAN. I ALSO KNOW YOU HAVE BEEN MEETING HELMET KOHL IN MOSCOW AND THAT YOU ARE NOW DEPARTING FOR AN IMPORTANT VISIT TO CHINA.
BEFORE YOU LEAVE, I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH YOU MY LATEST THOUGHTS ON OUR POSSIBLE MEETING AND CONCLUSION OF THE START II AGREEMENT. GIVEN THE PRESS OF EVENTS IN BOTH OUR CAPITALS, AND THE NEED FOR OUR RESPECTIVE EXPERTS TO ENSURE THAT THE TREATY IS CAREFULLY PREPARED, I THINK IT MAKES SENSE FOR US TO LOOK AT AIMING FOR A MEETING IN EARLY JANUARY RATHER THAN IN DECEMBER. IF YOU AGREE, I WOULD SUGGEST THAT WE CONSIDER THAT TO BE OUR TENTATIVE DEADLINE FOR THE MEETING AND THAT IN THE INTERIM WE HAVE OUR EXPERTS MEET INTENSIVELY TO FLESH OUT THE REMAINING DETAILS. I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING YOUR VIEWS ON THIS IDEA ON TIMING AND YOUR VIEWS ON THE NEXT STEPS WE SHOULD TAKE TO RESOLVE THE ISSUES THAT OUR FOREIGN MINISTERS DISCUSSED AT THE STOCKHOLM MEETING.
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