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1. MISSION HAS RECEIVED A NOTE (G/SO 216/815 (2) WHL)
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY FROM THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR
HUMAN RIGHTS, MARY ROBINSON. IN THE NOTE, THE HCHR APPEALS
TO THE USG TO RATIFY THE TREATIES TO WHICH IT IS NOT YET A
PARTY. ATTACHED TO THE LETTER IS A PAPER GIVING THE STATUS
OF RATIFICATION BY THE US OF THE PRINCIPAL INTERNATIONAL
HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES. COMPLETE TEXT AT PARA 2.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

EXCELLENCY,

AT THE 1993 WORLD CONFERENCE ON HUMAN RIGHTS, STATES
REAFFIRMED THEIR SOLEMN COMMITMENT TO THE OBLIGATION TO
PROMOTE UNIVERSAL RESPECT FOR AND OBSERVANCE AND PROTECTION
OF ALL HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS FOR ALL IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND OTHER
INSTRUMENTS RELATING TO HUMAN RIGHTS AND INTERNATIONAL LAW.
TO THAT END, THEY RECOMMENDED THAT A CONCERTED EFFORT BE
MADE TO ENCOURAGE AND FACILITATE RATIFICATION, ACCESSION OR
SUCCESSION TO THE INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES AND
PROTOCOLS ADOPTED WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE UNITED
NATIONS SYSTEM, WITH THE GOAL OF UNIVERSAL ACCEPTANCE. I
AM COMMITTED TO THE REALIZATION OF THESE OBJECTIVES.

AS STATED IN THE VIENNA DECLARATION AND PROGRAMME OF
ACTION, HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS ARE THE
BIRTHRIGHT OF ALL HUMAN BEINGS, INCLUDING CHILDREN, WOMEN,
RACIAL OR OTHER MINORITIES AND VULNERABLE GROUPS; AS SUCH,

THE UNIVERSAL NATURE OF THESE RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS IS BEYOND QUESTION. NUMEROUS DECLARATIONS, REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS SPEAK OF HUMAN RIGHTS--WHETHER CIVIL, CULTURAL, ECONOMIC, POLITICAL OR SOCIAL--AS BEING INDIVISIBLE AND INTERDEPENDENT. THEY ARE INCREASINGLY, AND RIGHTLY, VIEWED AS A VITAL COMPONENT OF GOOD GOVERNANCE AND THE RULE OF LAW.

THE INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES SHOULD BE ACCEPTED AS ELEMENTS OF A COHERENT FRAMEWORK FOR THE PROMOTION AND PROTECTION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF ALL. THE PROVISIONS OF THE TREATIES AND THE JURISPRUDENCE OF TREATY MONITORING BODIES OFFER VALUABLE GUIDANCE IN THE INTERPRETATION OF DOMESTIC LAWS. RATIFICATION SETS IN MOTION THE MECHANISMS OF INTERNATIONAL DIALOGUE ESTABLISHED BY THE TREATIES.

TODAY, THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY STANDS ON THE EVE OF 1998, AN IMPORTANT YEAR FOR HUMAN RIGHTS THAT MARKS BOTH THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ADOPTION OF THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE FIVE-YEAR REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE VIENNA DECLARATION AND PROGRAMME OF ACTION. I HAVE TAKEN THIS OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE PROGRESS MADE SINCE THE WORLD CONFERENCE IN THE AREA OF RATIFICATION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES. I AM PLEASED TO SHARE THE STATUS OF RATIFICATION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN THE ATTACHED ANNEX.

I APPEAL TO YOUR EXCELLENCY'S GOVERNMENT TO CONSIDER AT THIS TIME THE POSSIBILITY OF RATIFYING THE HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES TO WHICH IT IS NOT YET A PARTY WITH RENEWED DETERMINATION AND EFFORT. I WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING INFORMATION CONCERNING THE STEPS ENVISAGED FOR RATIFYING THE HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES. MY OFFICE IS PREPARED, UPON REQUEST, TO ADDRESS OBSTACLES THAT ANY GOVERNMENT MAY FACE, THROUGH THE PROVISION OF TECHNICAL COOPERATION.

THE WORLD CONFERENCE ALSO ENCOURAGED STATES TO CONSIDER LIMITING THE EXTENT OF ANY RESERVATIONS THEY LODGE TO INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES, FORMULATE ANY RESERVATIONS AS PRECISELY AND NARROWLY AS POSSIBLE, ENSURE THAT NONE IS INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE OBJECT AND PURPOSE OF THE RELEVANT TREATY AND REGULARLY REVIEW ANY RESERVATIONS WITH A VIEW TO WITHDRAWING THEM. MAY I THEREFORE INVITE THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO REVIEW ANY RESERVATIONS IT MAY HAVE LODGED TO THE INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES, WITH A VIEW TO THEIR WITHDRAWAL, AND TO REFRAIN FROM MAKING RESERVATIONS IN THE FUTURE.

ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

MARY ROBINSON
HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

HER EXCELLENCY
DR. MADELEINE KORBEL ALBRIGHT
SECRETARY OF STATE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

END TEXT.

3. THE OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS INVITES THE USG TO FORWARD TO THE OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, UNITED NATIONS OFFICE AT GENEVA, ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING THE STEPS ENVISAGED FOR UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 02 GENEVA 008566

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4. THE LETTER AND ATTACHMENT ARE BEING FAXED TO DEPARTMENT (IO/ESA). ARIETTI

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2. THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT BY DEPUTY SPOKESMAN JAMES B.
 FOLEY ON THE CONCLUSION OF THE THIRD ROUND OF U.S.-DPRK
 BILATERAL TALKS ON SUSPECT UNDERGROUND CONSTRUCTION WAS
 RELEASED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT ON 12/11/98.

3. THE U.S. AND DPRK DELEGATIONS MET IN NEW YORK DECEMBER
 4 AND 5, IN WASHINGTON DC DECEMBER 7 AND 8, AND AGAIN IN
 NEW YORK DECEMBER 10 AND 11 TO CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS BEGUN
 IN AUGUST ON U.S. SUSPICIONS ABOUT UNDERGROUND
 CONSTRUCTION AT KUMCHANGNI. THE TALKS WERE CONDUCTED IFT A
 SERIOUS ATMOSPHERE. THE U.S. CONTINUED TO REQUIRE THE
 COMPLETE RESOLUTION OF OUR CONCERNS REGARDING THE DPRK'S
 SUSPECT UNDERGROUND CONSTRUCTION AND HAS MADE CLEAR THIS
 WILL REQUIRE ACCESS. ALTHOUGH GAPS REMAIN, THE PARTIES
 APPROACHED THE ISSUES IN A PROBLEM-SOLVING MANNER. THE
 TWO SIDES RECOGNIZED THAT PROGRESS WAS MADE AND AGREED TO
 MEET AGAIN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AT A VENUE AND DATE TO BE
 DETERMINED THROUGH THE NEW YORK CHANNEL.

4. THE FOLLOWING PRESS GUIDANCES WERE PREPARED ON
 12/11/98. THERE WAS NO REGULAR PRESS BRIEFING ON THAT
 DAY. POSTS MAY DRAW FROM THESE GUIDANCES FOR USE ON AN IF
 ASKED BASIS.

5. DPRK: CONCLUSION OF THIRD ROUND OF TALKS ON KUMCHANGNI
 SITE

CONTEXT: THE THIRD ROUND OF TALKS CONCLUDED WITH AN
 AGREEMENT TO CONTINUE IN GENEVA JANUARY 16-17. THE ISSUE

OF ACCESS REMAINS UNRESOLVED ALTHOUGH THE DPRK TOOK AWAY A DEEPENING SENSE OF THE SERIOUSNESS THE U.S. ATTACHES TO COMPLETELY RESOLVING OUR SUSPICIONS ABOUT THE SITE. ON WEDNESDAY, THE DPRK VICE FOREIGN MINISTER KIM GYE GWAN MET UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 08 STATE 229406

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NSC STAFF AND CONGRESSMEN GILMAN AND LIVINGSTON WHO, IN SEPARATE MEETINGS, GAVE UNVARNISHED DESCRIPTIONS ABOUT THE LESSENING CHANCES OF POSITIVE RELATIONS WITH THE U.S. WE CONTINUE TO OBSERVE A LOW PUBLIC PROFILE ON THE TALKS, CONFINING OURSELVES TO A BRIEF STATEMENT.

Q. WHAT IS THE STATUS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS? ARE YOU MAKING PROGRESS? ARE YOU OFFERING TO COMPROMISE ON WHO WILL

COMPRISE THE "ACCESS TEAM"? ARE YOU CONSIDERING OTHER FORMS OF ASSISTANCE INSTEAD OF COMPENSATION?

A. AS I HAVE SAID BEFORE, WE HAVE REJECTED THE DPRK'S DEMAND FOR COMPENSATION. WE CONTINUE TO REQUIRE THE COMPLETE RESOLUTION OF OUR CONCERNS REGARDING THE DPRK'S SUSPECT UNDERGROUND CONSTRUCTION AND HAVE MADE CLEAR THIS WILL REQUIRE ACCESS.

THE TALKS ARE ON-GOING AND THUS I WILL NOT SUPPLY FURTHER DETAILS, OTHER THAN TO SAY THAT THEY WERE CONDUCTED IN A SERIOUS ATMOSPHERE.

Q. WHAT IS YOUR REACTION TO THE PROPOSAL BY PRESIDENT KIM DAE-JUNG TO OFFER THE DPRK ECONOMIC AND DIPLOMATIC INCENTIVES IN ORDER TO OBTAIN ACCESS TO THE SUSPECT UNDERGROUND SITE? ARE YOU GOING TO INCLUDE PRESIDENT KIM'S SUGGESTIONS IN YOUR TALKS WITH THE DPRK ? WILL YOU OFFER THEM A PACKAGE DEAL?

A. WE DO NOT AS A GENERAL RULE DISCUSS OUR POSITION IN ON-GOING NEGOTIATIONS, SO I WILL NOT COMMENT FURTHER.

Q. SINCE THE TALKS WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE MARGINS OF THE FOUR PARTY TALKS, WILL YOU EXPAND THE DELEGATION TO INCLUDE EITHER CHINA OR THE ROK?

A. THE TALKS ON THE UNDERGROUND SITE AT KUMCHANGNI WILL REMAIN BILATERAL. OF COURSE, WE WILL CONTINUE TO COORDINATE CLOSELY WITH OUR ROK ALLIES AND CONSULT CLOSELY, AS WELL, WITH JAPAN AND THE PRC

6. DPRK: UPDATE ON TALKS ABOUT SUSPECT UNDERGROUND SITE

CONTEXT: BILATERAL TALKS ON THE SUSPECT SITE AT KUMCHANGNI RESUMED FRIDAY DECEMBER 4 IN NEW YORK,

CONTINUED SATURDAY , THEN MOVED TO WASHINGTON, WHERE THEY WERE CONDUCTED MONDAY AND TUESDAY, AND RETURNED TO NEW YORK THURSDAY, WHERE THEY CONTINUE TODAY. FYI, THE TALKS WILL LIKELY ADJOURN TODAY AND A STATEMENT WILL BE ISSUED ANNOUNCING ANOTHER ROUND "AS SOON AS POSSIBLE" (PROBABLY IN JANUARY) . U.S. SPECIAL ENVOY FOR THE KOREAN PEACE TALKS, CHARLES KARTMAN IS HEADING THE U.S. DELEGATION. HIS COUNTERPART ON THE DPRK SIDE IS KIM GYE GWAN, VICE FOREIGN MINISTER. THE SIDES AGREED TO A LOW PROFILE PUBLIC POSTURE, LIMITED TO DESCRIBING THE TALKS AS ''SERIOUS'' AND "ON-GOING."

Q. CAN YOU UPDATE US ON THE TALKS WITH THE DPRK ON THE SITE AT KUMCHANGNI?

A. BILATERAL TALKS ON THE SUSPECT SITE AT KUMCHANGNI RESUMED FRIDAY DECEMBER 4 IN NEW YORK, CONTINUED SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, AND MOVED TO WASHINGTON DECEMBER 7 AND 8. THEY RETURNED TO NEW YORK DECEMBER 10 AND CONTINUE TODAY. THE TALKS ARE ON-GOING AND THUS I WILL NOT SUPPLY DETAILS, OTHER THAN TO SAY THAT THEY ARE BEING CONDUCTED UNCLAS SECTION 03 OF 08 STATE 229406

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IN A SERIOUS ATMOSPHERE.

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Q. WHY DID THEY MOVE THE TALKS BETWEEN NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON?

A. THE U.S. SIDE DETERMINED THAT MOVING TO WASHINGTON AFTER THE NEW YORK BEGINNING WAS IN ITS INTERESTS. THIS WAS ALSO TO BALANCE THE ROUND AT PYONGYANG WITH AT LEAST A PORTION IN OUR CAPITAL. NEITHER SIDE IS ABLE TO SUSTAIN EXTENDED NEGOTIATIONS IN THE OTHER'S CAPITAL, IN THE ABSENCE OF SECURE COMMUNICATIONS OR OTHER SUPPORT PROVIDED BY A DIPLOMATIC MISSION.

7. DPRK: PERRY TRIP UPDATE

CONTEXT: U.S. POLICY COORDINATOR DR. WILLIAM PERRY ENDED HIS OFFICIAL SCHEDULE YESTERDAY IN TOKYO, MEETING WITH HIGH-RANKING FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND NATIONAL SECURITY OFFICIALS. IN ADDITION, HE CONSULTED EMBASSY OFFICERS AND JAPANESE EXPERTS ON NORTH KOREA. DR. PERRY, WHO IS ACCOMPANIED BY COUNSELOR OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT, AMB. WENDY SHERMAN; DR. ASHTON CARTER, HIS ADVISOR; EAP SENIOR ADVISOR, PHILIP YUN, AND OTHER U.S. OFFICIALS, IS RETURNING TO THE U.S.

Q. CAN YOU UPDATE US ON THE ACTIVITIES OF DR. PERRY IN TOKYO?

A. U.S. POLICY COORDINATOR DR. WILLIAM PERRY ENDED HIS OFFICIAL SCHEDULE YESTERDAY IN TOKYO. DURING HIS DAY OF MEETINGS, HE MET WITH HIGH-RANKING FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND SECURITY OFFICIALS. DR. PERRY, WHO IS ACCOMPANIED BY COUNSELOR OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT AMB. WENDY SHERMAN, DR. ASHTON CARTER, HIS ADVISOR, AND OTHER U.S. OFFICIALS, ALSO MET JAPANESE EXPERTS ON NORTH KOREA. IN THE DISCUSSIONS WITH OUR JAPANESE ALLIES, BOTH SIDES STRESSED THE NEED FOR CONTINUED CLOSE COORDINATION OF NORTH KOREA POLICY. AS DR. PERRY HAS EMPHASIZED, THE DELEGATION WENT

TO LISTEN, NOT PRESENT ANY VIEWS OF ITS OWN, AND THEY HAVE NOT COME TO ANY JUDGEMENTS.

S. INDONESIA - JAKARTA DEMONSTRATIONS

CONTEXT: ON DECEMBER 9-10, THERE WERE LARGE ANTI-GOVERNMENT STUDENT PROTESTS IN JAKARTA. UP TO 10,000 PROTESTERS DEMONSTRATED ON DECEMBER 10, INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS DAY. SOME STUDENTS SUFFERED MINOR INJURIES, AND THERE WERE REPORTS OF SOME ARRESTS. SOME DEMONSTRATORS ENGAGED IN ANGRY CONFRONTATIONS WITH POLICE, BUT MOST PROTESTS WERE PEACEFUL.

Q: DO YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION ON REPORTED CONTINUING STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS IN JAKARTA?

ON DECEMBER 9-10, THERE WERE LARGE ANTI-GOVERNMENT STUDENT PROTESTS IN JAKARTA. ON DECEMBER 10, INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS DAY, UP TO AN ESTIMATED 10,000 PROTESTERS PARTICIPATED IN DEMONSTRATIONS AT VARIOUS SITES. PROTESTERS CALLED FOR FURTHER POLITICAL REFORM, AN ACCOUNTING FOR THE KILLING OF STUDENT DEMONSTRATORS ON NOVEMBER 13, AND AN INVESTIGATION OF FORMER PRESIDENT SOEHARTO. MINOR INJURIES TO SOME STUDENTS RESULTED FROM CLASHES WITH SECURITY FORCES ON BOTH DAYS, AND THERE WERE REPORTS OF SOME ARRESTS. SOME ANGRY STUDENT-POLICE UNCLAS SECTION 04 OF 08 STATE 229406

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CONFRONTATIONS OCCURRED, BUT MOST DEMONSTRATIONS WERE PEACEFUL.

WE SUPPORT THE DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES OF FREEDOM OF SPEECH AND ASSEMBLY, AND EXPECT THE INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT TO CONTINUE TO ALLOW PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATIONS. WE STRONGLY URGE SECURITY FORCES AND DEMONSTRATORS ALIKE TO SHOW RESTRAINT AND REFRAIN FROM VIOLENCE.

9. THAILAND: NO AMERICANS CONFIRMED IN CRASH

CONTEXT: THAI AIRWAYS FLIGHT TG 261, ON A DOMESTIC ROUTE FROM BANGKOK TO SURAT THANI, CRASHED DECEMBER 11 ABOUT TWO TO THREE MILES SOUTHWEST OF THE AIRPORT AT SURAT THANI IN SOUTHERN THAILAND. ABOUT 146 PASSENGERS WERE ON BOARD. PRESS REPORTS SAY THAT THE CREW WAS ATTEMPTING TO LAND IN POOR VISIBILITY DURING A RAIN STORM.

EVEN THOUGH THE FLIGHT SERVES POPULAR TOURIST RESORTS, WE HAVE NO REPORTS OF AMERICANS ON BOARD. CONSULAR OFFICERS FROM EMBASSY BANGKOK ARE WORKING WITH THAI AUTHORITIES TO DETERMINE THIS. AS OF 10:45 EST, RESCUE TEAMS HAVE FOUND

TEN DEAD AND 34 SURVIVORS. AUTHORITIES ARE UNABLE TO VERIFY THEIR NATIONALITIES.

Q: CAN YOU CONFIRM THAT- A THAI AIRWAYS FLIGHT CRASHED DECEMBER 11? WERE THERE ANY AMERICANS ON BOARD?

A: THAI AUTHORITIES HAVE CONFIRMED THAT THAI AIRWAYS FLIGHT TG 261 CRASHED DECEMBER 11 WITH 146 PASSENGERS ON BOARD WHILE ATTEMPTING TO LAND ABOUT TWO TO THREE MILES SOUTHWEST OF A PROVINCIAL AIRPORT AT SURAT THANI.

CONSULAR OFFICERS FROM OUR EMBASSY IN BANGKOK ARE CONTINUING TO WORK WITH THAI AUTHORITIES TO DETERMINE WHETHER ANY AMERICANS WERE ON BOARD. SO FAR, NONE HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED.

WE UNDERSTAND THAT THERE ARE SOME SURVIVORS AND THAT THEY ARE BEING TREATED AT LOCAL HOSPITALS.

10. CHINESE DENIAL OF ACQUISITION OF SENSITIVE ROCKET TECHNOLOGY

CONTEXT: REUTERS REPORTS THAT THE CHINESE HAVE DENIED THAT THEY RECEIVED SENSITIVE ROCKET TECHNOLOGY FROM HUGHES IN A 1995 POST-CRASH INVESTIGATION (SEE DEC. 9 PRESS GUIDANCE). THE MFA SAID CHINA HAS NO INTENTION OF OBTAINING SUCH US TECHNOLOGY AND SAID THE DOD ASSESSMENT OF HUGHES' ACTIVITIES REFLECTS "A COLD WAR MENTALITY."

AS NOTED IN THE DEC. 9 GUIDANCE, STATE IS CONDUCTING ITS OWN INVESTIGATION AND DRAFTING A SEPARATE REPORT. PRELIMINARY CONCLUSIONS PARALLEL THOSE OF THE DOD REPORT.

Q. DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENT ON CHINA'S DENIALS THAT IT RECEIVED SENSITIVE ROCKET TECHNOLOGY FROM HUGHES AND THAT DOD'S ALLEGATIONS REFLECT A "COLD WAR MENTALITY"?

A: THIS IS A DOD REPORT ON A SATELLITE LAUNCH FAILURE INVESTIGATION AUTHORIZED BY THE COMMERCE DEPARTMENT. RECOMMEND YOU CONTACT THOSE AGENCIES FOR COMMENT.

Q. DO YOU AGREE THAT THIS INVESTIGATION SHOULD HAVE UNCLAS SECTION 05 OF 08 STATE 229406

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REQUIRED A STATE DEPARTMENT LICENSE?

A: YES. AS THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS ALREADY STATED TO
CONGRESS, AN ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION ALWAYS REQUIRES A
STATE DEPARTMENT LICENSE.

Q. IS THE STATE DEPARTMENT CONDUCTING ITS OWN
INVESTIGATION INTO THE APSTAR II LAUNCH FAILURE?

A: THE STATE DEPARTMENT IS CONTINUING TO SUPPORT THE
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE'S INVESTIGATION INTO THIS MATTER
AND, LIKE DOD, IS EXAMINING THE SECURITY AND FOREIGN
POLICY IMPLICATIONS OF THE ASSISTANCE PROVIDED TO CHINA IN
THIS ACTIVITY.

(IF PRESSED) OUR ANALYSIS TO DATE POINTS TO SOME OF THE
SAME PROBLEMS IDENTIFIED IN THE DOD REPORT.

11. EARLIER WMD THREAT TO THE WEST?

CONTEXT: THE WASHINGTON TIMES QUOTED JANE'S INTELLIGENCE
REVIEW AS SAYING THAT "WESTERN NATIONS" COULD BE AT RISK
FROM MISSILE-BORNE WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION (WMD)
WITHIN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS. JANE'S REPORTEDLY NOTED THAT
IRAN AND NORTH KOREA WOULD BE ABLE TO MOUNT MISSILE
ATTACKS ON WESTERN EUROPE AND PARTS OF THE UNITED STATES
MUCH SOONER THAN PREVIOUSLY THOUGHT.

Q: ANY COMMENT ON THE JANE'S ASSESSMENT THAT WESTERN
COUNTRIES WILL BE SUBJECT TO WMD-ARMED MISSILE ATTACK
SOONER THAN PREVIOUSLY EXPECTED?

A: UNFORTUNATELY, "WESTERN COUNTRIES" AND OUR INTERESTS
HAVE BEEN VULNERABLE TO WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION FOR
QUITE SOME TIME:

NORTH KOREAN SCUD AND NO DONG MISSILES ALREADY THREATEN
OUR ALLIES JAPAN AND THE ROK AND U.S. FORCES THERE.

MISSILES IN IRAN AND IRAQ HAVE LONG THREATENED U.S.
FRIENDS AND ALLIES IN THE MIDDLE EAST, AS WELL AS THE
WORLD'S OIL SUPPLIES.

ALL COUNTRIES HAVE LONG BEEN SUSCEPTIBLE TO THE THREAT OF
CHEMICAL/BIOLOGICAL TERRORISM, FOR WHICH MISSILE DELIVERY
IS NOT REQUIRED.

THESE LONGSTANDING THREATS SHOW WHY THE U.S. HAS ALWAYS
PUT SUCH A HIGH PRIORITY ON FIGHTING THE PROLIFERATION OF
WMD AND THEIR DELIVERY SYSTEMS.

Q: BUT WHAT ABOUT IRANIAN AND NORTH KOREAN MISSILES

REACHING WESTERN EUROPE AND PARTS OF THE UNITED STATES?

A: ONE OF THE LONGSTANDING TRENDS IN MISSILE PROLIFERATION IS THE EVOLUTION TOWARD LONGER-RANGE SYSTEMS.

FOR EXAMPLE, NORTH KOREA'S MISSILE PROGRAM HAS PROGRESSED OVER THE PAST 15 YEARS FROM THE 300-KM SCUD-B, TO THE 500-KM SCUD-C, TO THE OVER-1000-KM NO DONG.

THE MISSILE NORTH KOREA FIRST FLIGHT-TESTED THIS AUGUST, THE TAEPO DONG-1, COULD DELIVER A SIZABLE PAYLOAD TO A RANGE OF OVER 1500 KM. BY SACRIFICING THAT LARGE A PAYLOAD FOR A SMALL THIRD STAGE AND A VERY SMALL PAYLOAD, UNCLAS SECTION 06 OF 08 STATE 229406

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IT COULD DELIVER THAT VERY SMALL PAYLOAD TO MUCH LONGER RANGES.

IRAN IS WORKING ON MISSILES WITH RANGES LONGER THAN SHAHAB-3, THE MISSILE FIRST FLIGHT-TESTED THIS APRIL WITH A RANGE OF OVER 1000-KM.

(IF PRESSED) IT WILL TAKE TIME FOR NORTH KOREA AND IRAN TO MAKE THE TAEPO DONG-1 AND SHAHAB-3 OPERATIONAL, AND STILL MORE TIME TO DEVELOP MORE CAPABLE SYSTEMS THAT COULD POSE A SIGNIFICANT THREAT TO PARTS OF WESTERN EUROPE (FROM IRAN) OR ALASKA AND HAWAII (FROM NORTH KOREA).

12. UDHR 50: PRESIDENT ANNOUNCES DELIVERABLES

CONTEXT: ON DECEMBER 10TH, THE PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED A SERIES OF DELIVERABLES IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS. THEY INCLUDE AN EXECUTIVE ORDER RELATING TO HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES; AN INCREASE IN US FUNDING OF ANTI-CHILD LABOR EFFORTS; A GENOCIDE EARLY WARNING CENTER; AND A USAID-FUNDED PROGRAM TO WORK WITH NGOS TO BETTER RESPOND TO HUMAN RIGHTS EMERGENCIES.

Q: WHAT CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT THE NEW EXECUTIVE ORDER ON IMPLEMENTING HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES?

A: YESTERDAY THE PRESIDENT SIGNED AN EXECUTIVE ORDER INSTRUCTING ALL FEDERAL AGENCIES TO ENSURE U.S. COMPLIANCE WITH THOSE HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES THAT THE UNITED STATES - HAS SIGNED AND RATIFIED.

THE EXECUTIVE ORDER CONFIRMS OUR COMMITMENT AS A MATTER OF POLICY AND PRACTICE TO FULLY RESPECT AND IMPLEMENT OUR OBLIGATIONS UNDER THESE TREATIES. IT ALSO WILL MEAN THAT

IN THE ABSENCE OF IMPLEMENTING LEGISLATION, THE STATE DEPARTMENT AND OTHER EXECUTIVE BRANCH OFFICIALS WILL DO EVERYTHING THEY CAN TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THESE TREATIES CONSISTENT WITH DOMESTIC LAW.

THE EXECUTIVE ORDER ESTABLISHED AN INTERAGENCY WORKING GROUP THAT WILL COORDINATE EXECUTIVE BRANCH EFFORTS ON THESE ISSUES, INCLUDING DEVELOPING POSITIONS ON THOSE HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES TO WHICH WE ARE NOT PARTIES.

Q: WHAT TREATIES ARE COVERED?

A: THE INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS, THE RACE CONVENTION, AND THE CONVENTION ON TORTURE.

THE UNITED STATES HAS SIGNED BUT NOT RATIFIED THE INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS, THE CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN, THE CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD, AND THE INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION ON HUMAN RIGHTS.

Q: WHAT IS THE INTERNATIONAL LABOR ORGANIZATION'S PROGRAM TO ABOLISH CHILD LABOR AND WHY HAS THE ADMINISTRATION DECIDED TO INCREASE ITS CONTRIBUTION TO THE PROGRAM TEN TIMES OVER - FROM \$3 MILLION TO \$30 MILLION?

A: THIS INCREASE IS TESTIMONY TO BOTH THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE CHILD LABOR PROBLEM AND OUR CONFIDENCE IN THE UNCLAS SECTION 07 OF 08 STATE 229406

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INTERNATIONAL LABOR ORGANIZATION'S INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM ON THE ELIMINATION OF CHILD LABOR (IPEC).

THE ILO'S IPEC PROGRAM HAS BEEN IN OPERATION SINCE 1992 AND IS WIDELY REGARDED AS THE MOST EFFECTIVE MULTILATERAL INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM DEALING WITH THE PROBLEM.

THE U.S. BEGAN CONTRIBUTING TO IPEC IN 1995. THIS PAST OCTOBER, CONGRESS APPROVED A TENFOLD INCREASE IN THE U.S. CONTRIBUTION TO THE PROGRAM - FROM \$3 MILLION TO \$30 MILLION, BEGINNING THIS FISCAL YEAR AND TO EXTEND FOR FIVE YEARS.

Q: WHAT CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT THE NEW GENOCIDE EARLY WARNING CENTER?

A: YESTERDAY THE PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED THE CREATION OF A NEW GENOCIDE EARLY WARNING CENTER, WHICH WILL

INSTITUTIONALIZE THE ADMINISTRATION'S COMMITMENT TO PREVENTING GENOCIDE, CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY AND WAR CRIMES BEFORE THEY APPEN.

THE NEW CENTER WILL BE BASED IN AND RUN BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S BUREAU OF INTELLIGENCE AND RESEARCH. (INR)

WE EXPECT THE CENTER TO BE UP AND RUNNING IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

IF ASKED:

Q: IS THIS A COMPLETELY NEW OFFICE?

A: NEW STAFF AT THE GENOCIDE EARLY WARNING CENTER WILL AUGMENT EXISTING INR SPECIALISTS WORKING ON WAR CRIMES ISSUES.

Q: WHAT ABOUT THE USAID PROJECT TO HELP NGOS BETTER RESPOND TO HUMAN RIGHTS EMERGENCIES?

A: I UNDERSTAND THAT USAID IS PREPARED TO FUND NGOS TO ENHANCE THEIR CAPACITY TO RESPOND TO HUMAN RIGHTS EMERGENCIES, AND THAT USAID ID NEGOTIATING AGREEMENTS WITH THESE GOUPS RIGHT NOW.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, I REFER YOU TO USAID.

13. THE FOLLOWING PRESS GUIDANCE WAS PREPARED ON 12/LO/9B. POSTS MAY DRAW FROM IT FOR USE ON AN IF ASKED BASIS.

14. DPRK: U.S.-ROK-JAPAN TRILATERAL MEETING DECEMBER 22

CONTEXT: JAPANESE NEWSPAPERS REPORT A FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL'S COMMENTS FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT OF A U.S.-ROK-JAPAN TRILATERAL MEETING TO BE HELD IN NEW YORK DECEMBER 22. THE OFFICIAL IS QUOTED AS SURMISING THAT THE FOCUS OF THE MEETING WILL BE THE KIM DAE-JUNG PROPOSAL FOR A "PACKAGE DEAL" TRADING FOOD ASSISTANCE AND AN EASING OF ECONOMIC SANCTIONS FOR ACCESS TO THE KUMCHANGNI UNDERGROUND SITE AND A BAN ON DPRK MISSILE EXPORTS AS WELL AS "EXPANDING THE 1994 FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT." THE U.S. WILL HOST A MEETING DECEMBER 22 IN NEW YORK WITH ROK AND JAPANESE OFFICIALS. U.S. SPECIAL ENVOY FOR THE KOREAN PEACE TALKS, CHARLES KARTMAN WILL LEAD THE U.S. PARTICIPANTS.

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Q. WILL THERE BE A TRILATERAL MEETING IN NEW YORK

DECEMBER 22?

A. THE U.S., SOUTH KOREA, AND JAPAN REGULARLY CONSULT ON ISSUES RELATING TO POLICY TOWARD NORTH KOREA, AND THEY WILL HOLD THEIR NEXT SESSION IN NEW YORK ON DECEMBER 22. AS IN THE PAST, THEY WILL COVER THE FULL RANGE OF U.S.-DPRK POLICY ISSUES. AMBASSADOR CHARLES KARTMAN WILL LEAD THE U.S. DELEGATION.

Q. WILL YOU DESIGN A NEW PACKAGE DEAL OR DISCUSS EXPANDING THE AGREED FRAMEWORK?

A. AS YOU KNOW IT IS OUR GENERAL PRACTICE NOT TO DISCUSS THE CONTENTS OF DIPLOMATIC EXCHANGES. YOU CAN BE SURE THAT WE WILL CLOSELY COORDINATE OUR POLICY WITH THE ROK AND JAPAN BASED ON OUR SOLID PARTNERSHIP. THE MUTUAL INTERESTS WE HAVE IN PEACE AND STABILITY ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA HAVE BEEN NURTURED THROUGH CONSULTATIONS SUCH AS THESE OVER THE YEARS AND OUR DISCUSSIONS WILL CONTINUE IN THAT VEIN.

Q. WILL DR. PERRY PARTICIPATE IN THE TRILATERAL MEETINGS?

A. AMBASSADOR CHARLES KARTMAN WILL LEAD THE U.S. PARTICIPANTS.
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2. DEPARTMENT REQUESTS MISSION CONSIDER DRAWING FROM THE FOLLOWING POINTS AS APPROPRIATE IN DESCRIBING THESE MEASURES TO THE PC ON 12/17.

BEGIN POINTS:

-- ON DECEMBER 10, IN A SPEECH COMMEMORATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS,

PRESIDENT CLINTON ANNOUNCED A SERIES OF MEASURES THAT REAFFIRM THE U.S. COMMITMENT TO HUMAN RIGHTS.

-- THEY INCLUDE AN EXECUTIVE ORDER RELATING TO HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES; AN INCREASE IN U.S. FUNDING OF EFFORTS TO ELIMINATE EXPLOITATIVE CHILD LABOR AND ASSIST THE VICTIMS OF TORTURE; A GENOCIDE EARLY WARNING SYSTEM; AND A PROGRAM TO WORK WITH NGOS TO BETTER RESPOND TO HUMAN RIGHTS EMERGENCIES.

-- THE EXECUTIVE ORDER ON HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES INSTRUCTS

ALL U.S. FEDERAL AGENCIES TO ENSURE U.S. COMPLIANCE WITH THOSE HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES THAT THE UNITED STATES HAS SIGNED AND RATIFIED.

-- THIS ORDER CONFIRMS THE U.S. COMMITMENT AS A MATTER OF POLICY AND PRACTICE TO FULLY RESPECT AND IMPLEMENT OUR OBLIGATIONS UNDER THESE TREATIES.

-- IT ALSO WILL MEAN THE STATE DEPARTMENT AND OTHER EXECUTIVE BRANCH AGENCIES WILL DO EVERYTHING THEY CAN TO ENSURE U.S. COMPLIANCE WITH THESE TREATIES CONSISTENT WITH U.S. DOMESTIC LAW.

-- THE EXECUTIVE ORDER ESTABLISHES AN INTERAGENCY WORKING GROUP THAT WILL COORDINATE EXECUTIVE BRANCH EFFORTS ON THESE ISSUES, INCLUDING DEVELOPING POSITIONS ON THOSE HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES TO WHICH WE ARE NOT PARTIES.

-- WITH REGARD TO THE INTERNATIONAL LABOR ORGANIZATION'S (ILO) PROGRAM TO ELIMINATE EXPLOITATIVE CHILD LABOR, AT THE ADMINISTRATION'S REQUEST, CONGRESS INCREASED THE U.S. CONTRIBUTION TO THAT PROGRAM FROM -3 MILLION TO -30 MILLION PER YEAR IN FISCAL YEAR 2000.

-- CONGRESS HAS ALSO AUTHORIZED, ALTHOUGH NOT YET APPROPRIATED, A -30 MILLION ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION FOR THE FOUR YEARS THEREAFTER.

-- THIS INCREASE IS TESTIMONY TO BOTH OUR CONCERN ABOUT THE CHILD LABOR PROBLEM AND OUR CONFIDENCE IN ILO'S INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM ON THE ELIMINATION OF CHILD LABOR (IPEC) ("EYE-PECK").

-- WITH REGARD TO THE UN'S VOLUNTARY FUND FOR VICTIMS OF TORTURE, THE ADMINISTRATION AUTHORIZED AN INCREASE IN U.S. FUNDING TO THIS PROGRAM FROM \$1.8 MILLION TO \$3 MILLION IN FISCAL YEAR 2000.

-- THIS CONTRIBUTION SPEAKS TO OUR COMMITMENT TO RESPOND COMPASSIONATELY TO THOSE WHO SUFFER THE PHYSICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SCARS LEFT BY THE EXPERIENCE OF TORTURE.

-- CREATION OF A NEW GENOCIDE EARLY WARNING SYSTEM WILL INSTITUTIONALIZE THE ADMINISTRATION'S COMMITMENT TO SEEKING TO PREVENT GENOCIDE, CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY, AND WAR CRIMES.

-- AN ANALYTICAL DIVISION HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT AND AN INTERAGENCY WORKING GROUP LED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN LAUNCHED.

-- ON THE FOURTH MEASURE ANNOUNCED, THE U.S. AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (USAID) WILL FUND A PROGRAM TO WORK WITH NGOS TO BETTER RESPOND TO HUMAN RIGHTS EMERGENCIES.

-- WORK HAS ALREADY BEGUN ON THIS PROGRAM AS USAID IS NEGOTIATING AGREEMENTS WITH NGOS TO MEET PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES.

-- WE BELIEVE THESE MEASURES ARE A SOLID REAFFIRMATION OF
U.S. RESOLVE TO FULFILL ITS HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITMENTS AND
ADVANCE THE PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

-- WE WILL WELCOME OPPORTUNITIES TO SHARE INFORMATION -- AS
IT BECOMES AVAILABLE -- ON STEPS MY GOVERNMENT IS TAKING TO
IMPLEMENT THESE MEASURES.

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