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THERE WAS NO BRIEFING TODAY

U.S. Department of State
Office of the Assistant Secretary/Spokesman

For Immediate Release

February 1, 1993

GUATEMALA: MACK MURDER TRIAL

We are concerned that a Guatemalan court denied a request for official security protection for key prosecution witnesses to the brutal September 11, 1990, murder of world-renowned Guatemalan anthropologist Myrna Mack Chang. Testimony free from intimidation is necessary to ensure that justice be done.

Ms. Mack's murder and the initial lack of any serious investigation focused international scrutiny on the Guatemalan justice system's ability to combat human rights abuses. In spite of judicial turnover which resulted in twelve different judges dealing with the case, and notwithstanding reports of attempted intimidation, the current trial judge recently stated that a verdict was due this month; these witnesses may be required to give further testimony.

We urge appropriate protection for the prosecution witnesses in the Mack case. We reiterate our expectation that the judicial process in this case be full, fair and impartial.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Office of the Assistant Secretary/Spokesman

For Immediate Release

January 30, 1993

NOTICE TO THE PRESS

In addition to the events discussed at the State Department Press Briefing yesterday, Secretary Christopher will be meeting on Monday, February 1, with Cyrus Vance and Lord David Owen, Co-Chairmen of the Steering Committee of the International Conference on the former Yugoslavia, at their request, to hear a report on their efforts. The meeting will be held at the US Mission to the UN in New York City.

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ZAIRE

Q: Can you give us an update on the violence in Kinshasa?

A: -- AS OF MIDDAY FEBRUARY 1, KINSHASA WAS QUIET. SPORADIC FIRING WAS HEARD ONLY OCCASIONALLY DURING THE NIGHT. TROOPS LOYAL TO MOBUTU HAVE SUCCEEDED IN RESTORING ORDER IN MOST AREAS OF THE CITY.

Q: Do you intend to evacuate official and non-official Americans?

A: -- WE DO NOT INTEND AT PRESENT TO EVACUATE THE 32 OFFICIAL AMERICANS AT POST. WE HAVE ADVISED PRIVATE AMERICANS OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO LEAVE ON EVACUATION FERRIES TO BRAZZAVILLE, IF THEY WISH.

-- ON JANUARY 30 THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE ^(WARNED) ALL U.S. CITIZENS AGAINST TRAVEL TO ZAIRE DUE TO THE ERUPTION OF VIOLENCE.

Travel Warning

United States Department of State
Bureau of Consular Affairs
Washington, D.C. 20520



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To access the Consular Affairs Bulletin Board, call 202-647-9225.

Zaire — Warning

January 30, 1993

The Department of State warns all U.S. citizens against travel to Zaire due to the eruption on January 28 of military unrest. The airport in Kinshasa is closed and there is sporadic gunfire throughout the capital. Additional information can be found in the Department of State's Consular Information Sheet on Zaire.

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AF PRESS GUIDANCE**February 1, 1993****SOMALIA: RECONCILIATION TALKS**

Q: What is the status of talks between the Somali factions on national reconciliation?

A: -- SOMALI FACTIONAL LEADERS ARE CONTINUING THEIR DISCUSSIONS ^(IN SOMALIA) ON THE FULL RANGE OF ISSUES RELATED TO THE ADDIS ABABA CEASEFIRE/DISARMAMENT AGREEMENT. THIS INCLUDES PREPARATIONS FOR A FORMAL NATIONAL RECONCILIATION CONFERENCE IN ADDIS ABABA IN MARCH.

(FOR EXAMPLE,)

-- WE UNDERSTAND THAT SEVERAL SOMALI FACTIONAL LEADERS MET IN MOGADISHU TODAY TO WORK ON DETAILS FOR THE NATIONAL RECONCILIATION CONFERENCE.

-- TODAY'S DISCUSSIONS ALSO FOCUSED ON SECURITY AND RELIEF ISSUES AS WELL AS THE SETTLING OF PROPERTY DISPUTES IN MOGADISHU AND ELSEWHERE.

-- WE ARE ENCOURAGED BY THIS CONTINUING DIALOGUE AND URGE ALL SOMALIS TO COOPERATE WITH THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE UNIFIED TASK FORCE ON IMPLEMENTING THE CEASEFIRE/DISARMAMENT ACCORD.

**PM PRESS GUIDANCE
FEBRUARY 1, 1993**

SOMALI POLICE/U.S. TROOP WITHDRAWAL

**Q: WHERE DO THE INTERIM SOMALI POLICE FORCES
STAND? ARE THEY IN PLACE?**

**A: -- INTERIM LOCALLY BASED POLICE FORCES
HAVE BEEN ^(SET UP) IN KISMAYO, BAIDOA, MERKA
AND BELET WEYN, AS WELL AS IN MOGADISHU.
WE ANTICIPATE THAT INTERIM POLICE FORCES
^(BE) ^{ED} WILL FORM IN OTHER POPULATION CENTERS.**

**Q: WHAT CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT THE
WITHDRAWAL OF 2700 U.S. TROOPS THIS WEEK
FROM SOMALIA?**

A: -- REFER TO THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

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SOMALIA

**Q: Where does Phase II of the military operation stand?
How is the transfer to UN-led forces proceeding? What
is the status of a resolution on this?**

A: -- THERE IS REALLY NOTHING NEW ON THIS SUBJECT AT THE MOMENT.

**-- SOMALIA WILL BE ONE OF SEVERAL SUBJECTS THE SECRETARY
WILL BE DISCUSSING TODAY IN HIS MEETING WITH THE UN
SECRETARY GENERAL**

-- (EXCERPT FROM JANUARY 27 PRESS GUIDANCE:)

**-- WE ARE CONTINUING OUR CONSULTATIONS FOR A NEW
RESOLUTION THAT WILL ALLOW THE UN FORCE TO BE
ADEQUATELY EQUIPPED AND TASKED TO CARRY OUT ITS MISSION.**

-- (EXCERPT FROM JANUARY 28 PRESS GUIDANCE:)

**-- WE ARE WORKING OUT THE MODALITIES FOR THE TRANSITION,
INCLUDING HOW, WHEN, AND WHERE THE PHASED HAND-OVERS
WILL OCCUR, AND THE PACE AT WHICH THE ENTIRE PROCESS WILL
TAKE PLACE.**

**-- THERE IS NO PRE-SET SCHEDULE FOR THE TRANSITION. THE
TIMETABLE WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE LOCAL SITUATION, WHICH
WILL BE SUBJECT TO REGULAR EVALUATIONS.**

EAP PRESS GUIDANCE
February 1, 1993

NORTH KOREA AND THE IAEA

Q. Has North Korea stopped cooperating with the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)?

A:-- THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY (IAEA) IS IN THE BEST POSITION TO ANSWER THIS QUESTION.

-- WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE IAEA IS NOW CONDUCTING AN INSPECTION OF NORTH KOREAN NUCLEAR FACILITIES AT YONGBYON.

Q: What sites are involved in the IAEA inspections?

A:-- THE FOCUS OF IAEA INSPECTIONS HAS BEEN NORTH KOREA'S PRIMARY NUCLEAR FACILITY AT YONGBYON, A COMPLEX WHICH ENCLOSSES MANY STRUCTURES AT DIFFERENT SITES.

Q: What is the next step?

A:-- THIS IS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE IAEA.

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Q. What will the U.S. do if North Korea stops cooperating with the IAEA, as it reportedly has threatened to do because of the U.S.-ROK Team Spirit exercise (see separate Team Spirit guidance)?

A: -- THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY HAS REPEATEDLY CALLED ON NORTH KOREA TO ^(COMPLY) EXPEDITIOUSLY AND FULLY WITH ALL ITS OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY (NPT) AND ITS IAEA SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT.

-- THE U.S. AND OTHERS HAVE WELCOMED NORTH KOREA'S COOPERATION TO DATE. WE AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY WOULD OBVIOUSLY BE CONCERNED IN THE EVENT THAT NORTH KOREA CEASES THIS COOPERATION, AND DIRECTOR GENERAL BLIX TOGETHER WITH THE IAEA'S BOARD OF GOVERNORS WOULD NEED TO CONSIDER THE APPROPRIATE COURSE OF ACTION. I CAN'T SPECULATE ABOUT ANY FURTHER ACTION WE MIGHT TAKE.

Q. What is the U.S. position on nuclear inspections in North Korea?

A: -- WE FULLY SUPPORT THE IAEA AS IT IMPLEMENTS ITS SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT WITH THE DPRK. IT IS ALSO VITAL THAT NORTH KOREA RESPOND POSITIVELY TO SOUTH KOREA'S EFFORTS TO NEGOTIATE AN EFFECTIVE AND CREDIBLE BILATERAL INSPECTION REGIME WHICH IS AN ESSENTIAL COMPLEMENT TO IAEA INSPECTIONS.

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Q. What have IAEA inspections of North Korean nuclear facilities revealed?

A: -- IAEA INSPECTIONS HAVE ESTABLISHED THAT NORTH KOREA HAD ENGAGED IN AN EXTENSIVE PROGRAM TO DEVELOP A CAPABILITY TO PRODUCE PLUTONIUM, INCLUDING A REPROCESSING PLANT AND REACTOR, AT ITS YONGBYON NUCLEAR COMPLEX.

THE NORTH KOREANS HAVE ADMITTED TO THE REPROCESSING OF SMALL AMOUNTS OF PLUTONIUM.

Q. Does the U.S. government believe that North Korea is attempting to hide any undeclared plutonium or facilities that may contain evidence indicating DPRK violation of its nuclear safeguards commitments?

A: -- THE IAEA HAS NOT COMPLETED ITS EFFORTS TO VERIFY THAT THE DPRK HAS DECLARED ALL NUCLEAR MATERIALS. WE HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE NORTH KOREA MAY NOT HAVE PROVIDED A FULL ACCOUNTING TO IAEA, AND HOPE THAT POSSIBLE DISCREPANCIES WILL BE RESOLVED DURING THE CURRENT, ONGOING INSPECTION.

-- WE BELIEVE NORTH KOREA IS ATTEMPTING TO HIDE FACILITIES THAT MAY CONTAIN EVIDENCE INDICATING A VIOLATION OF ITS NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY COMMITMENTS.

-- WE BELIEVE THERE MUST BE CREDIBLE EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL AND BILATERAL INSPECTION REGIMES.

Q: How do you know about the North Korean facilities?

A: -- I CAN'T GET INTO INTELLIGENCE MATTERS.

DRAFT -- DRAFT

February 1, 1993

CHINA: RELEASE OF IMPRISONED DISSIDENTS

Q: What can you tell us about the release of two Chinese dissidents last week?

A:-- THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT INFORMED OUR EMBASSY IN BEIJING ON JANUARY 28 OF THE RELEASE OF TWO IMPRISONED DISSIDENTS:

WANG XIZHE (WAHNG SHEE JUH) AND GAO SHAN (GAO SHAHN).

-- WE WELCOME THESE RELEASES.

-- WANG, A PROMINENT DEMOCRACY WALL ACTIVIST, WAS ARRESTED IN 1981 AND LATER SENTENCED TO 14 YEARS IN PRISON. GAO, A FORMER GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL, WAS ARRESTED FOLLOWING THE 1989 DEMOCRACY MOVEMENT. HE WAS SENTENCED TO FOUR YEARS IN PRISON IN 1992. BOTH HAVE BEEN RELEASED ON PAROLE.

-- THE CHINESE ALSO INFORMED US THROUGH OUR EMBASSY THAT TWO OTHER DISSIDENTS HAVE BEEN ISSUED PASSPORTS SO THAT THEY CAN LEAVE CHINA. JOURNALIST ZHANG WEIGUO (JAHNG WAY GWAW) AND FORMER STUDENT LI JINJIN (LEE GIN GIN) WERE DETAINED IN JUNE 1989, AND HELD FOR 18 MONTHS OR MORE BEFORE RELEASE. BOTH WERE ACTIVE IN THE 1989 DEMOCRACY MOVEMENT.

-- THESE CASES HAVE ALL FIGURED PROMINENTLY IN OUR HUMAN RIGHTS DIALOGUE WITH THE CHINESE IN RECENT YEARS. THREE OF THEM WERE ALSO INCLUDED ON A LIST HANDED TO THE CHINESE BY SENATORS BOREN AND PELL DURING A VISIT TO BEIJING LAST DECEMBER.

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February 1, 1993

PACIFIC:

HIJACKING OF HAWAII BOUND CARGO SHIP

BACKGROUND

According to radio transmissions, a Panamanian registered cargo ship, the Eastwood, was hijacked by an armed crew member on December 29, two days out of Hong Kong. Thirty armed accomplices were taken aboard at sea and set sail for the China coast where 450 Chinese passengers boarded. The ship then set sail for Hawaii. Distress calls received by the Coast Guard on January 27 and 28 revealed the hijacking. The Coast Guard cutter Rush is headed for the vicinity. Last year five ships were intercepted by the Coast Guard while trying to smuggle 400 illegal immigrants from China to Hawaii, 4 additional ships were intercepted off the eastern coast of the U.S.

Q: What is your reaction to the alleged hijacking of the Eastwood?

A: WE ARE CLOSELY FOLLOWING DETAILS OF THIS CASE, WHICH IS BEING HANDLED BY THE COAST GUARD. PRESENTLY, THE COAST GUARD CUTTER RUSH IS PROCEEDING TO THE VICINITY OF THE EASTWOOD, DUE TO ARRIVE ON FEBRUARY 3 (HONOLULU TIME). I REFER YOU TO THE COAST GUARD FOR FURTHER OPERATIONAL DETAILS. (note to briefer: The Coast Guard public affairs office will be open from 6 am - 5 pm until the conclusion of this case. Phone: 808-541-2121.)

Q: Do you think this case is a "hoax"?

A: ^{WILD}WE TAKE THE RADIO REPORTS FROM THE EASTWOOD VERY SERIOUSLY, UNTIL SUCH TIME AS OTHER INFORMATION IS DEVELOPED.

Q: Is alien smuggling suspected?

A: IF 400 UNDOCUMENTED CHINESE ARE ABOARD, IT IS MOST LIKELY THAT THIS IS ANOTHER CASE OF ALIEN SMUGGLING. IN THE PAST YEAR, THERE HAVE BEEN 15 CASES OF ALIEN SMUGGLING BY SEA, 9 OF WHICH THE IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE HAS INTERCEPTED.

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Q: If this is in fact a mutiny, would this be the first such modern mutiny from the South Asia Sea?

A: IF THIS IS A MUTINY, IT WOULD BE THE FIRST. HOWEVER, LAST YEAR A SHIP SMUGGLING CHINESE ALIENS FROM SOUTH CHINA TO THE U.S. RADIOED AN ALLEGED MUTINY. WHEN THE SHIP WAS INTERCEPTED THE CLAIM WAS FOUND TO BE UNTRUE.

EUR PRESS GUIDANCE**February 1, 1993****BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA: FIGHTING UPDATE**

Q: Do you have an update on the situation in Bosnia-Herzegovina?

**A: -- BOSNIAN SERB FORCES SHELLED SARAJEVO
HEAVILY OVER THE WEEKEND. THE
SHELLING REPORTEDLY KILLED AT LEAST 18
CIVILIANS AND WOUNDED MANY MORE.
THERE HAS NOW BEEN A LULL IN THE
FIGHTING, WITH ONLY SPORADIC MORTAR
AND SNIPER FIRE REPORTED ON THE
FRINGES OF THE OLD CITY.**

**-- ELSEWHERE IN BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA,
BOSNIAN SERB FORCES CONTINUED TO
SHELL BRCKO (BIRCH-ko) AND GRADACAC
(GRAHD-ah-chach).**

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VANCE/OWEN PLAN

Q: Where do the Vance/Owen talks stand now?

A: -- THE GENEVA PHASE OF THE TALKS ENDED JANUARY 30 WITHOUT AN AGREEMENT. NEITHER THE BOSNIAN GOVERNMENT NOR THE BOSNIAN SERBS AGREED TO THE PACKAGE OF PROPOSALS. THE BOSNIAN CROATS DID AGREE TO THE PROPOSALS.

-- THE PACKAGE OF PROPOSALS CONSISTED OF A LIST OF CONSTITUTIONAL PRINCIPLES, A MILITARY ACCORD, AND A MAP DIVIDING BOSNIA INTO TEN PROVINCES.

-- IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT NEITHER THE BOSNIAN GOVERNMENT NOR THE BOSNIAN SERBS COULD ACCEPT THE PROPOSED PROVINCIAL DIVISION OF BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA. IN ADDITION, THE BOSNIAN GOVERNMENT DID NOT AGREE TO THE MILITARY ACCORD.

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- **CO-CHAIRMEN CYRUS VANCE AND LORD OWEN INTEND TO DISCUSS THIS ISSUE WITH THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL THIS WEEK.**

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BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA: NO-FLY ZONE

Q: Were there reports of violations of the no-fly zone over the weekend?

**A: -- THERE ARE REPORTS OF APPARENT
VIOLATIONS OF THE NO-FLY ZONE OVER THE
WEEKEND.**

**-- WE CONTINUE TO CONSULT WITH OUR
ALLIES AND THE UN ON THE NO-FLY ZONE.**

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BOSNIA- HERZEGOVINA:

NO-FLY ZONE ENFORCEMENT

Q: Where do things stand on a an enforcement resolution?

**A: -- WE CONTINUE TO DISCUSS THE ISSUE WITH SECURITY COUNCIL
MEMBERS IN NEW YORK.**

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SECURITY COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS ON BOSNIA

Q: Are there any meetings scheduled for today in the Security Council to discuss the breakdown of the Vance-Owen negotiations? What else will the UN be doing on this issue?

A: -- THERE ARE NO DISCUSSIONS SCHEDULED FOR TODAY IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON THE OUTCOME OF THE VANCE-OWEN PEACE TALKS. AMBASSADOR SNOUSSI OF MOROCCO TAKES OVER AS SECURITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT TODAY. IT WILL BE HIS TASK TO CANVASS COUNCIL MEMBERS TO SCHEDULE DISCUSSIONS ON THE SITUATION IN BOSNIA.

KARADZIC VISIT TO UN

Q: Is Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic coming to New York to visit the UN? Will the U.S. give him a visa? Will he be allowed to speak to the Security Council?

A: -- We have received no visa application from Mr. Karadjik. It would not be appropriate to speculate on a hypothetical visa application. If we receive such an application, it will be decided taking all legal and regulatory considerations into account.

-- UNDER RULE 39 OF THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE, IN ORDER TO BE INVITED TO SPEAK TO THE COUNCIL, NINE MEMBERS MUST VOTE IN FAVOR BY MEMBERS OF THE SECRETARIAT OR OTHER PERSONS OF A REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL. WE CANNOT SPECULATE AT THIS TIME ON THE OUTCOME OF SUCH A VOTE IF MR. KARADJIK WERE TO MAKE SUCH A REQUEST.

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VISA FOR BOSNIA SERB LEADER

Q: Are we planning to issue a visa to Bosnia Serb leader Radovan Karadzic to visit the U.N.?

**A: -- WE HAVE NO RECORD OF HIS HAVING APPLIED FOR A
VISA.**

Q: If he applies, will he be issued a visa?

A: -- WE WILL NOT SPECULATE ON A HYPOTHETICAL CASE.

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CROATIA: FIGHTING UPDATE

Q: Do you have an update on fighting in Croatia?

**A: -- REPORTS OF THE FIGHTING IN CROATIA
VARY. THERE IS FIGHTING ALONG THE
SOUTHERN FRONT OF THE KRAJINA REGION.**

**Q: Do you have any comment on Croatian President
Tudjman's threats to use the Croatian Army to
liberate all of Croatia?**

**A: -- WE HAVE SEEN THE PRESS REPORTS WHICH
SAY THAT PRESIDENT TUDJMAN IS
THREATENING TO CARRY ON THE FIGHTING
IN CROATIA.**

-- THE UNITED STATES JOINED OTHER MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL IN CONDEMNING THE CROATIAN OFFENSIVE, AS WELL AS DEMANDING THE DISARMING OF SERBIAN PARAMILITARY UNITS IN ALL AREAS OF CROATIA. THE RESOLUTION CALLED ON ALL SIDES TO STOP FIGHTING AND TO IMPLEMENT FULLY THE PROVISIONS OF THE VANCE PLAN.

-- WE HAVE MADE THIS SAME POINT TO THE CROATIAN GOVERNMENT.

EUR PRESS GUIDANCE
February 1, 1993

CROATIA:
PERUCA DAM

Q: What is the status of the Peruca Dam today?

**A: -- ACCORDING TO REPORTS FROM ZAGREB,
THE PERUCA (pear-OOH-cha) DAM APPEARS
TO HAVE STABILIZED AND IS NOT IN
IMMINENT DANGER OF COLLAPSE.**

**-- A TEAM OF BRITISH EXPERTS BEGAN AN
ASSESSMENT OF THE DAM OVER THE
WEEKEND. THEY WILL CONTINUE THEIR
WORK TODAY.**

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PRESS GUIDANCE: ASSISTANCE TO TAJIKISTAN

Q. What is the total value of U.S. humanitarian assistance to Tajikistan?

A. SINCE FEBRUARY 1992, THE U.S. HAS ALLOCATED APPROXIMATELY \$25.5 MILLION IN HUMANITARIAN AID TO TAJIKISTAN.

IF ASKED:

THE ASSISTANCE IS ITEMIZED AS FOLLOWS:

Refugee Assistance	\$ 5,000,000
Food	\$ 1,100,000
Medicines/Supplies	\$ 9,243,000
Disaster Relief	\$ 145,000
May 1992 Floods	
Loans for Food	<u>\$ 10,000,000</u>
Total	\$ 25,488,000

Tajikistan

In January 1993, the U.S. government decided to make available the sum of \$5 million from its U.S. Emergency Refugee and Migrations Assistance Fund for the purpose of responding to the urgent and unforeseen needs of refugees, displaced persons and other conflict victims produced by the fighting in Tajikistan.

In addition, the USG has delivered 40 tons of food, medicines, medical supplies and clothing donated by the U.S. sister cities of Khojand and Dushanbe.

Khojand's sister city is Lincoln, Nebraska.

Dushanbe's sister city is Boulder, Colorado.

Tajikistan

Q. How much of this assistance has actually been delivered?

A. APPROXIMATELY \$19.5 MILLION.

IF ASKED:

A breakdown of this assistance is:

FOOD

--Operation Provide Hope--491 metric tons valued at \$1.1 million.

MEDICINES

--Operation Provide Hope--159 tons of medicines, vaccines, medical supplies valued at \$5.8 million.

--Project Hope (President's Medical Initiative)--\$1.6 million in medical assistance.

--Emergency Immunization Program--\$825,000 worth of vaccines for children and cold-chain equipment (Refrigerators, freezers, ice packs).

--Also See Disaster Relief.

Tajikistan

DISASTER RELIEF

- OFDA provided \$130,000 to replace waterpipes and for medicines for water related diseases, tents, plastic sheeting and clothing.**
- OFDA provided \$15,000 to assist a village devastated by landslides.**

CONCESSIONAL LOANS

- \$10 million to purchase U.S. wheat purchased.**
- 60,000 tons of wheat purchased with these funds arrived in Tajikistan in December 1992.**

Since January 12, 1993 several plane loads of cold-chain equipment (refrigerators, freezers, thermoses, ice packs) supplied under an Emergency Immunization Program have arrived in Dushanbe. An additional, final shipment should arrive this week. Vaccines, supplied under this program, were sent to Dushanbe prior to the evacuation of the U.S. Embassy in October 1992. The total value of this project, including vaccines and cold-chain equipment, is \$825,000. Distribution of this equipment has been handled in Dushanbe by REACH (Resources for Child Health).

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A: APPROXIMATELY \$6 MILLION. \$5 MILLION FROM THE U.S. EMERGENCY REFUGEE AND MIGRATION ASSISTANCE FUND HAS RECENTLY BEEN ALLOCATED.

Because of the civil strife and the lack of official U.S. presence in Tajikistan, up to \$1 million worth of medicines are still to be delivered. Of this, \$378,000 of emergency medicines requested by the Tajik government have been purchased and are in storage until we can identify a private voluntary organization in Tajikistan capable of receiving and distributing the supplies. Additional medicines are being purchased.

Also on hold are three World Health Organization medical kits. Each kit will supply approximately 10,000 people with medical supplies for a period of three months. The kits have been allocated to Kulyab, Kurgan/Tyube and the Pamirs. We are investigating the possibility of delivering the medical kit to the Pamir region through the Aga Khan Foundation which is operating there through Kyrgyzstan.

Tajikistan**IF ASKED:**

Q. What is the status of our Embassy in Dushanbe?

A. OUR EMBASSY REMAINS OPEN BUT THE AMERICAN STAFF IS STILL ON EVACUATION STATUS. A SECURITY EVALUATION TEAM RETURNED FROM DUSHANBE ON JANUARY 29. FOR THE MOST PART DUSHANBE IS CALM, BUT FILLED WITH REFUGEES. A DECISION HAS NOT BEEN MADE ON WHEN TO REINSTATE FULL OPERATIONS AT THE EMBASSY.

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PA PRESS GUIDANCE
January 30, 1993

SECRETARY'S CONTACTS WITH ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER

Q: Is the Washington Post article of 1/30 describing contacts between Secretary Christopher and Israeli Prime Minister Rabin accurate?

A: -- The article's characterization of the exchange between the Secretary and the Israeli Prime Minister is wrong in both tone and substance.

(FYI: It says they talked about things they did not discuss.)

-- Yesterday the Secretary and the Prime Minister had a constructive discussion of possible solutions to a difficult issue. We will not go into the details of their private exchange.

PA:RBoucher

U.S. Presses Israel's Rabin To Act on Deportees Crisis

Christopher Says Peace Process Is at Stake

By John M. Goshko
Washington Post Staff Writer

Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher told Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin yesterday that the fate of the Middle East peace process depends on Israel's willingness to make an immediate dramatic gesture to defuse the crisis over 415 Palestinian deportees, according to informed sources.

The sources said Christopher, in a telephone call to Rabin, left no doubt that the deportation issue threatens to cause new strains in U.S.-Israeli relations even before the Clinton administration has fully settled into office. Christopher's phone call was reinforced by a written message delivered by the U.S. ambassador in Israel, William Harrop.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher called the phone exchange "a good discussion" and said in response to questions from reporters that Christopher's message was not "tough." Nevertheless, the sources said that Rabin was put on notice that how he deals with the deportees in the next few days would determine whether the peace process—a U.S.-sponsored initiative that President Clinton wants to maintain—can continue.

Christopher reportedly that

if Israel does not find a way to permit a substantial number of the deportees to return quickly, the United Nations Security Council can be expected to approve a resolution imposing sanctions against the Jewish state.

The United States would veto the resolution, but the sources said Christopher made clear that the Clinton administration does not want to be put in that position.

They said he told Rabin that a veto would destroy U.S. efforts to appear even-handed in Arab-Israeli disputes and prompt the Arab side to pull out of the Middle East peace process.

Christopher reportedly added that a veto also would expose the United States to charges of practicing a double-standard toward countries that defy Security Council resolutions and make it harder to gain support for such U.S. policies as keeping pressure on Iraq and trying to halt the Balkans civil war.

"The message was that we want to help, but we can't unless Israel does something to help us," one source said. "Moreover, Christopher made clear that a token gesture won't do. It must be something sufficiently conciliatory to relieve the pressure on the Arab states and their allies at the United Nations as

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Christopher Tells Israeli Peace Hinges On Deportees

MIDEAST, From A1

The drive for sanctions can be sidetracked."

Following the December slaying of an Israeli policeman that allegedly was perpetrated by the fundamentalist Maalim group, Hamas, Israel summarily rounded up the Palestinians, who it charged were terrorist agitators, and expelled them into a barren no-man's-land of southern Lebanon.

The Lebanese government refused them entry, and the deportees have remained in the no-man's-land, living in tents and attracting worldwide attention to their situation and their denunciations of Israel.

Israel has defied a Security Council resolution demanding that the Palestinians be allowed to go back, and on Thursday the Israeli Supreme Court issued an opinion that effectively let the expulsion order stand.

However, the court also found irregularities in the way the expulsions were handled, leading to speculation that Rabin's government might move the deportees into

more comfortable surroundings inside an Israeli-controlled security zone in southern Lebanon and later return a substantial number to Israel on the grounds that their cases must now be subjected to lengthy review.

U.S. officials said such steps might enable most Arab governments, which fear the growing power of fundamentalist groups like Hamas, to pull back from the sanctions resolution now being promoted at the United Nations by the Palestine Liberation Organization. The officials said that even the PLO, whose influence over Palestinians in Israeli-occupied territories is threatened by Hamas, probably would go along.

The big question is Rabin, who reportedly feels that backing down on the expulsions would seriously damage his prestige in Israel. However, the sources said, he also does not want to antagonize the Clinton administration, and Christopher, who hopes to visit the Middle East in late February to get peace talks moving again, reportedly is reminding Rabin that Israeli intransigence might scuttle that plan.

**CA PRESS GUIDANCE
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1993**

**ARAB-AMERICANS ARRESTED IN JERUSALEM
AND WEST BANK**

Q: Do you have any information about the arrests of three Arab-Americans by the Israelis?

A: -- THREE AMERICANS WERE ARRESTED LAST WEEK BY ISRAELI SECURITY FORCES IN JERUSALEM AND THE WEST BANK. ALL HAVE BEEN VISITED BY OFFICIALS FROM OUR CONSULATE IN JERUSALEM.

-- MOHAMMED JARAD WAS ARRESTED ON JANUARY 25, AND WAS VISITED ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 29. MOHAMMED SALAH WAS ARRESTED ON JANUARY 26, AND WAS VISITED YESTERDAY (JAN. 31). BOTH RESIDE IN THE CHICAGO AREA.

-- A THIRD AMERICAN WHO RESIDES IN BIR NABALA, MOHAMMED TAWFIK OMAR, WAS ARRESTED JANUARY 24. HE WAS VISITED BY A CONSULAR OFFICER ON THURSDAY, JAN. 28.

-- SALAH AND OMAR ARE BEING HELD ON SUSPICION OF MEMBERSHIP IN AN ILLEGAL ORGANIZATION.

-- JARAD HAS NOT GRANTED A PRIVACY ACT WAIVER ALLOWING DISCLOSURE TO THE PRESS, THEREFORE I CANNOT GIVE YOU FURTHER DETAILS ABOUT HIS CASE.

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Q: What is the U.S. government doing for these three men?

A: -- AS IN ANY CASE INVOLVING THE ARREST OF AN AMERICAN, WE HAVE VISITED THE DETAINED MEN IN ORDER TO MONITOR THE CONDITIONS OF THEIR ARREST AND DETENTION, ASSIST THEM IN CONTACTING FAMILY OR FRIENDS IF THEY SO DESIRE, PROVIDE THEM WITH A LIST OF LOCAL ATTORNEYS, HELP THEM IN DEALING WITH ANY HEALTH PROBLEMS, AND ENSURE THAT THEY ARE RECEIVING FAIR AND EQUITABLE TREATMENT UNDER THE LAWS OF THE COUNTRY WHICH HAS ARRESTED THEM.

If Asked:

Q: Why did it take so long to visit these men?

A: -- THE CONSULATE REQUESTED PERMISSION TO VISIT THE MEN IMMEDIATELY UPON LEARNING OF THEIR ARRESTS. PERMISSION WAS NOT GRANTED FOR SEVERAL DAYS.

-- WE HAVE RAISED THE ISSUE OF DELAYED ACCESS WITH THE APPROPRIATE ISRAELI OFFICIALS.

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S/CT PRESS GUIDANCE
Monday, February 1, 1993

ISRAEL: ARRESTED AMERICANS AND HAMAS

Q: Does the U.S. have information to confirm Israeli assertions that the three Americans arrested in Jerusalem prove that HAMAS operational headquarters are in the U.S.?

A: -- ALLEGATIONS OF HAMAS ACTIVITIES IN THE UNITED STATES SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.

-- WE ARE OBVIOUSLY IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES, BUT I CANNOT SPEAK FOR THEM. WE ARE ALSO IN TOUCH WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL ABOUT THE THREE AMERICANS WHO HAVE BEEN ARRESTED.

IO PRESS GUIDANCE
Monday, February 1, 1993

ISRAEL/LEBANON:
ACTION AT UN ON PALESTINIAN DEPORTEES

Q. What is happening today at the UN on Palestinian deportees?

- A. -- THERE ARE NO SESSIONS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL SCHEDULED FOR TODAY. WE EXPECT THE NEW MOROCCAN PRESIDENCY OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL TO USE THE DAY TO CARRY OUT ROUTINE, "FIRST OF THE MONTH," BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS WITH SECURITY COUNCIL MEMBERS.**
- WE EXPECT MOST MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL, REPRESENTATIVES OF PARTIES IN THE THE REGION, AND OTHERS TO CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS, THROUGH PRIVATE AND INFORMAL CHANNELS, ON HOW TO RESOLVE THE CURRENT SITUATION.**

NEA PRESS GUIDANCE

February 1, 1993

**ISRAEL/LEBANON:
DEPORTATIONS**

Q: Did Secretary Christopher talk to Prime Minister Rabin over the weekend?

A: WE ARE NOT GOING TO COMMENT.

NEA PRESS GUIDANCE**February 1, 1993****IRAN:
RAFSANJANI STATEMENT**

Q: What is your reaction to Rafsanjani's remarks about relations with the United States?

A: IRAN KNOWS THE ASPECTS OF ITS BEHAVIOR THAT TROUBLE THE US, INCLUDING ITS SUPPORT FOR TERRORISM, ITS SUPPORT OF VIOLENCE AGAINST THE PEACE PROCESS, ITS HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES, AND ITS PURSUIT OF WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION, AND SHOULD TAKE ACTION ACCORDINGLY.

Contingency Press Guidance
February 1, 1993

Iranian Frozen Assets

Q. In today's New York Times and Washington Post, Iranian President Rafsanjani is reported to have urged the Clinton Administration to return Iranian assets frozen in the United States since the Islamic revolution in 1979. Why haven't we returned these assets?

- A. -- OTHER THAN ASSETS INVOLVED IN DISPUTES STILL PENDING BEFORE THE IRAN-UNITED STATES CLAIMS TRIBUNAL IN THE HAGUE, ALL OF THE IRANIAN ASSETS FROZEN AFTER IRAN SEIZED OUR EMBASSY AND TOOK 52 HOSTAGES IN 1979 HAVE BEEN RETURNED.
- IN 1981, \$9.975 BILLION WAS TRANSFERRED BY THE UNITED STATES. OF THAT AMOUNT, \$3.89 BILLION WAS TRANSFERRED TO IRAN AND THE REMAINDER WAS PUT IN VARIOUS ESCROW ACCOUNTS ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO THE ALGIERS ACCORDS TO PAY CLAIMS.
- THE TRIBUNAL WAS ESTABLISHED UNDER THE 1981 ALGIERS ACCORDS, PURSUANT TO WHICH IRAN RELEASED THE HOSTAGES AND THE U.S. GOVERNMENT RELEASED THE FROZEN IRANIAN FROZEN ASSETS.
- THERE ARE CASES UNDER ACTIVE ARBITRATION AT THE TRIBUNAL IN WHICH IRAN CLAIMS BILLIONS OF DOLLARS, PRIMARILY FOR ALLEGED OVERCHARGES AND NON-DELIVERIES OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT UNDER THE FOREIGN MILITARY SALES RELATIONSHIP WE HAD WITH THE SHAH PRIOR TO THE REVOLUTION. IRAN'S CLAIMS ARE VASTLY INFLATED, AND THE UNITED STATES IS DEFENDING ITS POSITIONS AT THE TRIBUNAL.

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IO PRESS GUIDANCE
Monday, February 1, 1993

UN PEACEKEEPING FORCE

Q: Will Secretary Christopher endorse the notion of a standing UN peacekeeping force during his meetings at the UN? What is the U.S. position on this issue?

A: -- WE ANTICIPATE THAT THE SECRETARY'S DISCUSSIONS WITH SECRETARY GENERAL BOUTROS BOUTROS-GHALI WILL COVER A BROAD RANGE OF POLICY ISSUES INVOLVING THE UNITED NATIONS.

-- THIS MEETING UNDERSCORES THE IMPORTANCE THE NEW ADMINISTRATION ATTACHES TO THE ROLE OF THE UN IN THE INTERNATIONAL ARENA, AND PARTICULARLY THAT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL IN CARRYING OUT HIS BURGEONING RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE AREAS OF PEACEKEEPING AND HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE.

-- I DO NOT WANT TO GET INTO THE SPECIFICS OF POSSIBLE TOPICS PRIOR TO THE DISCUSSION.

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EAP PRESS GUIDANCE
February 1, 1993

DEPARTMENT:

CHINA/JAPAN: PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS IN EAP

Q: Does the Department have any comment on a report that East Asia/Pacific Bureau personnel appointments favor China at the expense of Japan?

A:-- I THINK YOU KNOW THAT AMBASSADOR WINSTON LORD HAS BEEN NOMINATED AS ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR EAST ASIAN AND PACIFIC AFFAIRS. HIS LONG AND DISTINGUISHED CAREER IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS -- INCLUDING SERVICE AS DIRECTOR OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S POLICY PLANNING STAFF, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT'S NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISOR, PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS, AND AMBASSADOR TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA -- SPANS 32 YEARS, WITH A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE AS WELL AS EXPERIENCE IN ASIA.

-- IN TERMS OF THE EFFECTIVE FUNCTIONING OF A REGIONAL BUREAU ON BEHALF OF U.S. INTERESTS, ASSISTANT SECRETARIES WILL LOOK FOR BALANCE IN EXPERTISE WHEN SELECTING THEIR KEY DEPUTIES. ONCE ALL THE APPOINTMENTS ARE OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED AND THE APPOINTEES' PROFESSIONAL PROFILES ARE EXAMINED, I KNOW YOU WILL FIND A BREADTH AND DEPTH OF EXPERIENCE IN THE EAST ASIA/PACIFIC REGION.

(THE SECRETARY IS CONFIDENT THAT ALL EXCELLENCE AND A)

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(IF PRESSED)

Q: But what about the China vs. Japan angle?

A: THERE IS NO CHINA VS. JAPAN ANGLE IN THE BUREAU OF EAST ASIAN AND PACIFIC AFFAIRS. CONSTRUCTIVE RELATIONSHIPS ON ISSUES OF BILATERAL, REGIONAL, AND GLOBAL CONCERN WITH ALL COUNTRIES IN THE EAP AREA ARE THE GOAL.

FYI BACKGROUND TO THE BRIEFER

Ambassador Lord's biodata (as provided to the State Department newsletter) is attached. It details his active service in global as well as East Asian affairs. He has travelled to Japan dozens of times, knows the prime minister and many other Japanese leaders, and has served on the board of the U.S.-Japan Foundation and the Trilateral Commission.

As for other individuals named in the newspaper article, Tom Hubbard is one of the Department's top Japan experts, having served in Japan assignments over a 20-year period, most recently as director of the Japan Office, 1985-1987. Hubbard was actively recruited by Ambassador Lord, who had made it a priority to get a respected Japan hand in the front office.

Peter Tomsen, in addition to his China posting, has served in Vietnam, the then-Soviet Union, and Nepal, and has worked actively in Washington on South Asian issues, including country director for India and special envoy to the Afghan resistance.

All deputy assistant secretaries report directly to the assistant secretary.

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Biography of Winston Lord

Winston Lord is a highly regarded foreign policy professional who is known both for his global perspectives and for his experience in Asian issues. Lord has deep and distinguished international service, including as Ambassador to China, Director of the State Department Policy Planning Staff, Special Assistant to the President's National Security Advisor, and President of a leading foreign policy organization.

After earning a B.A. at Yale University (magna cum laude) and an M.A. at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy (first-in-class), Lord entered the Foreign Service in 1961 and worked for the State Department as a member of the congressional relations, political-military, and economic affairs staffs. He went to Geneva, Switzerland, for trade negotiations, concluding as Special Assistant to the Chief of the U.S. delegation. He then served from 1967-69 at the Department of Defense on the Policy Planning Staff.

In 1969 Lord joined the staff of the White House National Security Council, where he played a central role in the opening to China, the Vietnam peace negotiations, and other issues for the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs. Lord moved back to the Department of State as the Director of the Policy Planning Staff from 1973 to 1977. He then was selected as President of the Council on Foreign Relations in New York. In 1985 Lord was appointed the United States Ambassador to the People's Republic of China and served until 1989.

From 1989 to 1993 Lord focused his attention on post-Cold War foreign policy, chairing the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace's National Commission on America and the New World. Lord also served as the Chairman of the National Endowment for Democracy and the Vice Chairman of the International Rescue Committee. He was a member of the Boards of Directors of the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, the U.S.-Japan Foundation and the National Committee on U.S.-China Relations. Lord was also a member of the Asia Society, the Trilateral Commission, the Council on Foreign Relations, the American Academy of Diplomacy and the Aspen Institute of Distinguished Fellows.

Lord has earned several honorary degrees and awards, including the State Department's Distinguished Honor Award and the Defense Department's Outstanding Performance Award.

Lord's mother, Mary Pillsbury Lord, served for eight years as a United States delegate to the United Nations and U.S. Representative to the UN Human Rights Commission. Lord met his wife, Bette Bao Lord, while both studied at the Fletcher School. She is a best-selling author and civic leader. The couple have a daughter, Elizabeth, and a son, Winston.

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