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1. The London correspondent for the business-oriented Australian Financial Review today filed, "Up until the eve of last weekend's final assault on Grozny, Western officials and political leaders had expressed concern about Russian moves to crush Chechen resistance, but had stopped short of comments which could impair relations with the

Kremlin.... At least in the past the West could draw some comfort from the fact that Russia's transgressions were made by Boris Yeltsin, Western reformer. However, Chechnya confirmed one of the West's worst-case scenarios: it has found itself with a born-again Russian nationalist on its hands, bent, it would seem, on recreating 19th century history and the division of Europe into national interests."

2. The business-oriented Australian Financial Review's Moscow correspondent today commented, "The break-up of the European summit without any mention of Bosnia in the communique was quickly followed by the dispatch of Russian forces to Chechnya. If Serbian aggression against a United Nations' member-state could go uncondemned by the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, the last fears that the use of Russian troops to put down a rebellion on Russian soil might bring international condemnation must quickly have evaporated in Moscow."

3. Melbourne's liberal Age today featured an editorial headed, "Russian Roulette" that read, "Depressing as it seems, bringing Russia to a point where it is freed of the shackles of the past is a much more hazardous and uncertain process than anyone would wish."

U.S./CHINA TRADE

4. The conservative Australian's editorial today titled "New threat of U.S.-China trade war" opined, "Beijing's failure to curtail rampant piracy of American products has drawn an ultimatum from Washington and set the two nations on a collision course.... This dispute must be resolved, and soon.... But belligerence on both sides has been building. There is lingering bitterness over the United States' veto of China's long-awaited entry to the GATT, and over last year's attempt by the United States to link trade with human rights. Inevitably this has complicated the present dispute and introduced an extra element of unpredictability to its outcome.... But United States' rhetoric should always be measured against its own performance: such as in its recent use of subsidized 'export enhancement programs' to expand into new markets while ostensibly claiming no more than retaliation against European protectionism. Similarly, in the dispute over pirating, it is Washington's heavy handed methods, rather than the merits of its case, that are questionable."

REPUBLICAN-CONTROLLED CONGRESS

5. The business-oriented Australian Financial

Review's Washington correspondent had a front-page story today which read, "Australian companies stand to reap billions of dollars in the world's biggest market when the pro-business Republicans officially take control of legislation in the United States this week. The first Republican majority in Congress since 1954, 'could command an about-face on everything from environmental regulation to product liability and competition policy' according to the UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 02 CANBERRA 000046

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newly established Australia-U.S. Business Council.... There is, of course, a possible catch. The new Republican chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Senator Jesse Helms, has signaled a review of whether foreign companies doing business in the United States are paying their fair share of taxes. However, the Business Council believes most Republican reforms will benefit Australian companies."

PRESIDENT CLINTON

6. An op-ed article in today's liberal Sydney Morning Herald by its Washington correspondent held, "Whatever we now think of Ronald Reagan and his legacy of budget deficits and sharper income inequalities, the fact was that he...achieved a greatness by managing to embody, or at least give the appearance of embodying, a vision of an America that the American public liked. Bill Clinton, despite his undoubted intellectual superiority and proven economic management prowess, manifestly does not. Clinton may well embody a more realistic version of America than his Republican predecessor, with his baby-boomer opposition to the Vietnam War; his marital infidelities and his questionable financial dealings in the Whitewater real estate affair. But it is a version that Americans, on the whole, do not like."AUSTRIAN

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1. JANUARY 6 SECOND LEADING DAILY "EL ESPECTADOR"
(LIBERAL PARTY ORIENTED, CIRC. 145,000) CARRIED A STORY
ON REMARKS MADE BY THE COLOMBIAN AMBASSADOR IN THE
UNITED STATES CARLOS "LLERAS" DE LA FUENTE ON U.S. AID
TO COLOMBIA VIS A VIS ANTI-DRUG EFFORTS. IN AN
INTERVIEW, LLERAS SAID THAT COLOMBIA HAS TO LOBBY
VIGOROUSLY TO COUNTER FOREIGN AID POSITIONS LIKE THOSE
ALLEGEDLY HELD BY SENATOR JESSE HELMS.

2. HEADLINE AND QUOTES FOLLOW:

HEADLINE--"U.S. ECONOMIC AID IS A TRIFLE"

SUBHEADLINE--"THE COLOMBIAN AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON ANALYZES THE FUTURE OF RELATIONS WITH A REPUBLICAN CONGRESS."

QUOTES--"ACCORDING TO LLERAS, THE U.S.'S ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE IS NOT SUCH A HIGH PRIORITY. 'THIS CONTRIBUTION IS A TRIFLE WHEN COMPARED WITH WHAT THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUG TRAFFICKING COSTS. WHAT IS IMPORTANT IS THE COOPERATION THEY CAN PROVIDE IN TERMS OF INTELLIGENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN ORDER TO DETECT PLANTATIONS AND SHIPMENTS.'"

"HE SAID THAT THE ANDEAN TRADE PREFERENCE ACT (ATPA) IS FUNDAMENTAL TO COLOMBIA AT THIS TIME BECAUSE IT ALLOWS A LARGE PERCENTAGE OF OUR PRODUCTS TO ENTER THE U.S. MARKET WITHOUT TARIFFS. THIS IS A COMPENSATION FOR THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUGS."

"COLOMBIA HAS MAINTAINED THAT, MORE THAN ECONOMIC AID, WHAT IS NEEDED IS FOR THE DRUG PROBLEM TO BE TREATED IN AN INTEGRAL MANNER (WITH) ... EFFECTIVE CONTROL OF CONSUMPTION IN INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS. LLERAS STATED THAT THE U.S. HAS DESIGNATED A LARGE BUDGET FOR PREVENTION AND EDUCATION CAMPAIGNS, BUT IT CANNOT BE SAID THAT CONSUMPTION HAS GONE DOWN. ACCORDING TO DEA STATISTICS THERE ARE 14 MILLION DRUG ADDICTS IN THE U.S. THE DIPLOMAT SAID THAT ACCORDING TO THE U.S. AUTHORITIES THERE ARE MORE DRUGS ON THE STREETS BECAUSE THE HARD-CORE CONSUMERS HAVE INCREASED THEIR DOSES, BUT A RECENT STUDY BY THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN STATES THAT MORE YOUNG PEOPLE ARE STARTING TO CONSUME MARIJUANA AND COCAINE." KOENGETER

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SUMMARY

DIE BURGER COMMENTS ON U.S. AID TO S.A. WHILE THE
ARGUS AND DIE BURGER COMMENT ON THE SITUATION IN
CHECHNYA

QUOTES

-----DIE BURGER (AFRIKAANS, PRO-NP). UNDER HEADLINE "USA LOOKS AT AID FOR SOUTH AFRICA" EDITORIAL COMMENTS: "IT WILL BE IN THE SOUTH AFRICA GOVERNMENT'S FAVOR TO NOTE THAT THE AMERICANS WILL CLOSELY MONITOR THEIR ASSISTENCE TO AFRICA THIS YEAR. GEORGE MOOSE, AMERICA'S ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, SAYS THEIR AID IS GOING TO STAY AT A HIGH LEVEL, BUT WARNS THAT CONGRESS WILL HAVE TO BE CONVINCED THAT THE ASSISTANCE IS EFFICACIOUS AND WILL IMPROVE AMERICA'S INTERESTS.

"SOUTH AFRICA IS THE LARGEST RECEIPIENT OF AMERICAN AID IN AFRICA SOUTH OF THE SAHARY. EVEN THOUGH PRES. NELSON MANDALA THINKS 600 MILLION DOLLARS OVER 3 YEARS IS NOT ENOUGH, IT'S MONEY AMERICA WOULD NOT LIKE TO SEE DISAPPEARING IN WHAT SEN. JESSE HELMS CALL "FOREIGN RAT-HOLES, TO COUNTRIES THAT ARE ALWAYS AGAINST US".

"NEXT TO AMERICA'S DIRECT GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE ARE AMERICAN INVESTORS WHO ARE EXTREMELY IMPORTANT FOR SOUTH AFRICA, LIKEWISE THE EXTENDING OF TRADE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. UNLESS SOUTH AFRICA CAN ASSURE THAT ITS GOOD IMAGE CAN BE MAINTAINED IN THE U.S., FEW OF THOSE WILL COME BACK THIS YEAR.

"TO VOTE WITH AMERICA'S ENEMIES IN THE U.N. AGAINST A RESOLUTION CONDEMNING CUBA'S HUMAN RIGHTS RECORD, IS SURELY NOT THE WAY IN WHICH SOUTH AFRICA WILL MAKE FRIENDS WITH OPINION-MAKERS IN THE POLITICAL MAINSTREAM OF AMERICA.

"THIS WILL NOT CONTRIBUTE TO IMPROVING SOUTH AFRICA'S IMAGE IF SUSPICION ARISES ABOUT THE WAY FOREIGN ASSISTANCE IS SPENT. FOREIGN DONORS WANT TO KNOW IF THEIR MONEY IS SPENT SUFFICIENTLY TO UPGRADE POOR SOUTH AFRICANS.

"THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT SHOULD ENSURE A MORE ORGANIZED AND HONEST ADMINISTRATION, TOGETHER WITH DOMESTIC STABILITY AND RACIAL PEACE. THEN AND ONLY THEN WILL FOREIGN INVESTORS FEEL THEIR MONEY IS SAFE AND WILL CAUSE THE ECONOMY TO GROW FASTER TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS OF THE RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM".

-----DIE BURGER (AFRIKAANS, PRO-NP). UNDER HEADLINE "A RUSSIAN TRADEDY" EDITORIAL COMMENTS: "MR. BORIS YELTSIN'S MILITARY TRIP TO CHECHNYA COULD COST HIM DEARLY. DESPITE PLEAS FROM ALL OVER THAT HE MUST CONVINCE THE BREAKAWAY REPUBLIC THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS TO JOIN THE RANKS OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION, THE RUSSIAN PREMIER CONTINUES WITH HIS

MILITARY APPROACH...

"YELTSIN'S OPPOSITION REGARD THE INVASION IN CHECHNYA AS A NATIONAL DISASTER. EVEN ONE OF RUSSIA'S TOP GENERALS CONDEMNED IT AS CRIMINAL AND STUPID.

"IT IS ALSO BEING SAID THAT THE HIGH COST OF THE WAR COULD WRECK THE CHANCES OF STABILISING THE COUNTRY'S ECONOMY.

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"THE IRONY IS THAT MR. YELTSIN NOW HAS NO OTHER WAY OUT THAN TO CONTINUE WITH THE OPERATION. WHATEVER THE RESULT, HE ALREADY HAS SUFFERED DEFEAT".

-----THE ARGUS (LIBERAL, INDEPENDENT).
UNDER HEADLINE "GROZNY: RUSSIA'S WIDER BATTLE"
EDITORIAL COMMENTS: "AS RUSSIAN TROOPS ADVANCE RELENTLESSLY AND RUTHLESSLY ON GROZNY, THE CAPITAL OF CHECHNYA, PEOPLE EVERYWHERE HAVE CAUSE FOR CONCERN ABOUT THE SURVIVAL OF DEMOCRACY IN RUSSIA AND ITS FORMER SATELLITE STATES AND THE IMPLICATIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OF A RETURN TO MILITARISM AND AUTHORITARIAN RULE IN THESE COUNTRIES.

"MOUNTING OPPOSITION TO MR YELTSIN'S DOMESTIC POLICIES, THE PROSPECT OF A COSTLY AND DEBILITATING CONFLICT IN CHECHNYA, AND THE NEW ASSERTIVENESS OF THE RUSSIAN MILITARY, GIVE LITTLE CAUSE FOR CONFIDENCE THAT RUSSIA WILL PROCEED ALONG THE PATH SO MANY HAD HOPED IT WOULD WHEN COMMUNISM FELL".

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A. BROADCAST MEDIA

STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS

SPEAKING ON BBC RADIO'S TODAY PROGRAM, WASHINGTON
CORRESPONDENT BRIDGET KENDALL COMMENTED:

"THIS TIME LAST YEAR, PRESIDENT CLINTON WARNED CONGRESS
THERE WOULD BE NO COMPROMISE ON HIS HEALTH CARE PLANS. A
YEAR ON, WITH AN ELECTION LOST AND HEALTH REFORM IN
TATTERS, BILL CLINTON HAS BEEN TAKING HIS CUE FROM THE
REPUBLICANS, SACKING CABINET MEMBERS THEY OPPOSE ... AND
ECHOING THEIR CALL FOR MIDDLE CLASS TAX CUTS IN HIS
SPEECHES. ...

"IT IS FAR TOO EARLY TO SAY WHETHER THE ULTIMATE COMEBACK
KID CAN COME BACK FAR ENOUGH TO SECURE RE-ELECTION IN
1996, BUT THIS STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS MAY BE THE
FIRST TEST OF WHETHER BILL CLINTON CAN REASSERT HIS
LEADERSHIP."

ISRAEL TERROR ATTACK

ON BBC TV'S 9.00 A.M. NEWS, REPORTER ROBIN AITKEN SAID:

"THE KILLINGS HAVE INFLAMED THE FEELINGS OF THOSE ALREADY
OPPOSED TO THE PEACE PROCESS. ... DESPITE THE ISRAELI
GOVERNMENT'S DETERMINATION TO CONTINUE WITH THE PEACE
PROCESS, MANY FEEL IT IS BADLY STALLED. YESTERDAY'S
BOMBING HAS ADDED TO THE DIFFICULTIES."

B. TODAY'S MAJOR NEWS STORIES

1. STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS / U.S.-ANGLO RELATIONS
2. NEW WORLD DISORDER / CHECHNYA
3. ISRAEL TERROR ATTACK

C. SUMMARY

1. STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS / U.S.-ANGLO RELATIONS

PAPERS TODAY SPECULATE ON THE CONTENTS OF THE PRESIDENT'S
SPEECH, AND ITS IMPACT ON WHAT THEY SEE AS HIS ISOLATED
POLITICAL POSITION.

THE INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL TIMES REPORTED:

"PRESIDENT BILL CLINTON'S STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS
TOMORROW WILL BE DELIVERED INTO THE TEETH OF A GALE OF
POLITICAL INVECTIVE THE LIKES OF WHICH WASHINGTON HAS NOT
SEEN IN YEARS."

AND THE CONSERVATIVE TIMES AGREED, REPORTING:

"WITH BOTH DEMOCRATS AND REPUBLICANS MEETING IN WASHINGTON, THE TWO CAMPS HAVE BEEN TRADING BARBS WITH A FURY THAT HAS BECOME PERSONAL, EVEN UNGALLANT, AND HAS DASHED THE HOPES OF THOSE AMERICANS WHO HAD HOPED THAT UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 06 LONDON 001052

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WASHINGTON WOULD BECOME LESS CONFRONTATIONAL."

2. NEW WORLD DISORDER / CHECHNYA

PAPERS THIS MORNING COMMENT ON RUSSIA'S RELATIONS WITH THE WEST, FOLLOWING THE UPRISING IN GROZNY.

3. ISRAEL TERROR ATTACK

THE TERRORIST BOMBING OF ISRAELI SOLDIERS AT BEIT LID YESTERDAY WAS WIDELY FEATURED ON TODAY'S NEWS PAGES, MAKING THE FRONT PAGE LEAD IN SEVERAL OF THE SERIOUS PAPERS. HOWEVER, ONLY THE LIBERAL GUARDIAN MANAGED TO FILE AN EDITORIAL COMMENT -- SEE TEXT BELOW.

THE INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL TIMES SAID IN ITS LEAD FRONT PAGE REPORT:

"ISRAEL LAST NIGHT UNILATERALLY FROZE PARTS OF THE ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN PEACE PROCESS AFTER TWO ISLAMIC SUICIDE BOMBERS KILLED 19 PEOPLE AND WOUNDED 62 AT A CROWDED COMMUTER BUS STOP NORTH OF TEL AVIV. THE MOVE, WHICH THREW THE MIDDLE EAST PEACE PROCESS INTO DOUBT, MARKED THE GOVERNMENT'S ANXIETY TO BE SEEN TO BE TAKING A FIRM LINE IN RESPONSE TO COLLAPSING SUPPORT FOR ITS PEACE POLICY. HOWEVER, THE CABINET VOWED NOT TO BREAK OFF OVERALL NEGOTIATIONS WITH PALESTINIANS."

AND THE LIBERAL GUARDIAN SAID IN ITS
LEAD FRONT PAGE
REPORT:

"ISRAEL CLOSED ITS BORDERS TO ARABS FROM THE OCCUPIED WEST BANK AND THE SELF-RULED GAZA STRIP, IN EMERGENCY RESPONSE LAST NIGHT TO A DOUBLE SUICIDE BOMBING BY ISLAMIC EXTREMISTS, WHICH LEFT AT LEAST 19 DEAD AND MORE THAN 60 WOUNDED. THE HORRIFIC BOMBINGS HAVE PLUNGED THE GOVERNMENT INTO A SECURITY AND POLITICAL CRISIS, AND ITS SLENDER MAJORITY IN THE KNESSET COULD BE SEVERELY TESTED IN A NO-CONFIDENCE VOTE TODAY."

D. HEADLINES

1. STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS / U.S.-ANGLO RELATIONS

"SIR ROBIN BOWS OUT" (TIMES EDITORIAL)

"DESPERATE PRESIDENT IN SEARCH OF SOME POLICIES" (D.TEL COMMENTARY)

"CLINTON TO ADDRESS STATE OF DISUNION" (F.T. REPORT)

"CLINTON IN A STATE OVER HIS MESSAGE" (INDEPENDENT REPORT)

"CAPITOL TRUCE ENDS AS GINGRICH AND HILLARY TRADE BARBS" (TIMES REPORT)

2. NEW WORLD DISORDER / CHECHNYA

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"A SIBERIAN WIND BLOWS IN GENEVA" (INDEPENDENT EDITORIAL)

"NEW RUSSIAN ARMY" (TIMES EDITORIAL)

3. ISRAEL TERROR ATTACK

"THE PEACE PROCESS IS PARAMOUNT" (GUARDIAN EDITORIAL)

"ISRAEL CURBS TALKS AFTER BOMB" (F.T. LEAD FRONT PAGE REPORT)

"SUICIDE BOMBS ROCK MIDDLE EAST PEACE" (GUARDIAN LEAD FRONT PAGE REPORT)

E. TEXT

1. STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS / U.S.-ANGLO RELATIONS

THE CONSERVATIVE TIMES EDITORIALIZED:

"A GOOD AMBASSADOR KNOWS HOW TO EXPLOIT THE WARMTH OF CLOSE RELATIONS WHEN DIPLOMATIC TIES ARE CLOSE, AND HOW TO PROTECT HIS COUNTRY'S INTERESTS WHEN RELATIONSHIPS ARE UNDER STRAIN. SIR ROBIN RENWICK, SOON TO RETIRE AS BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO WASHINGTON, HAS DONE BOTH. ... HE IS TO BE SUCCEEDED BY SIR JOHN KERR, A MAN WHOSE CELEBRATED PATIENCE WILL BE SORELY NEEDED. THE OUTLOOK FOR ANGLO-AMERICAN RELATIONS IS SQUALLY. ...

"THROUGHOUT THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION, BRITAIN RETAINED ITS EXTRAORDINARY ACCESS TO THE DECISION-MAKERS BOTH IN THE WHITE HOUSE AND ON CAPITOL HILL. ... THE ELECTION OF PRESIDENT CLINTON MADE EVERYTHING MORE DIFFICULT. ... IN PARTICULAR THE ASCENDANCY OF JESSE HELMS, ONE OF THE FEW SENATORS WHO CAN FAIRLY BE DESCRIBED AS AN ANGLOPHOBE, IN

THE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEANS THAT BRITISH DIPLOMACY WILL HAVE TO CONTEND NOT ONLY WITH A PRESIDENT OFTEN UNABLE TO DELIVER POLICIES, BUT A CONGRESS WHERE NEO-ISOLATIONISM, PROTECTIONISM AND A DEEP SUSPICION OF THE EUROPEAN ALLIES WILL ALWAYS BE CLOSE TO THE SURFACE. IN BRUSSELS SIR JOHN KERR NEEDED ALL HIS GUILE AND PATIENCE. THE DIVIDED WASHINGTON OF CLINTON AND HELMS WILL TEST THOSE QUALITIES EVEN FURTHER."

THE CONSERVATIVE DAILY TELEGRAPH'S WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT STEPHEN ROBINSON COMMENTED:

"IF PRESIDENT CLINTON'S STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS TO CONGRESS TOMORROW NIGHT IS A FLOP, IT WILL NOT BE THROUGH LACK OF EFFORT. EVER SINCE THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY WAS SWEEPED FROM POWER IN CONGRESS LAST NOVEMBER, MR CLINTON HAS BEEN GROPING FOR A RESPONSE.

"AT THE MIDPOINT OF THIS PRESIDENCY, U.S. FOREIGN POLICY HAS BEEN PLACED ON HOLD. CHANCELLOR KOHL IS LEADING THE WEST'S RESPONSE TO RUSSIA'S SUPPRESSION OF THE UPRISING IN CHECHNYA, WHILE AT HOME THE REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL LEADERSHIP CONTROLS THE POLITICAL DEBATE. ...

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"FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 40 YEARS, A REPUBLICAN SPEAKER OF
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, MR NEWT GINGRICH, WILL BE
SITTING BEHIND THE PRESIDENT AS THE AUTOCUE ROLLS. NEVER
IN LIVING MEMORY HAS AN AMERICAN PRESIDENT GONE BEFORE A
JOINT SESSION OF CONGRESS HAVING BEEN SO ROUNDLY REJECTED
BY VOTERS AND SO RESENTED BY HIS PARTY. ...

"IN HIS PREVIOUS ADDRESSES TO JOINT SESSIONS OF CONGRESS,
THEN CONTROLLED BY HIS OWN PARTY, MR CLINTON HAS

FLOURISHED BLUEPRINTS TO CHANGE AMERICA, THREATENING TO
VETO ANY BILL WHICH FALLS SHORT OF HIS DEMANDS FOR
COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE REFORM.

"HEALTH CARE REFORM? HOW DISTANT THOSE DAYS NOW SEEM,
WHEN MR CLINTON HAD A DOMESTIC PROGRAM TO SPEAK OF AND A
REASONABLE CHANCE OF IMPLEMENTING IT.

"AS THE CLINTON PRESIDENCY DISINTEGRATES, AMERICAN
POLITICS ARE BECOMING MORE PARLIAMENTARY IN STYLE. ...

MR CLINTON, MEANWHILE, IS REDUCED TO A CAMEO ROLE, WITH
OCCASIONAL WALK ON PARTS AT THE END OF NETWORK NEWS
BROADCASTS, USUALLY AS A FOOTNOTE TO WHAT THE NEW
REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP HAS BEEN UP TO IN CONGRESS THAT
DAY. ...

"MR CLINTON NOW FINDS HIMSELF CAUGHT BETWEEN A
CONGRESSIONAL LEFT-WING RUMP AND AN ELECTORATE WHICH HAS
ALREADY REJECTED ITS AGENDA. SO FAR THE DEMOCRATS IN
CONGRESS HAVE COME UP WITH ONLY ONE TACTIC: PERSONAL
ATTACKS ON MR GINGRICH. HOWEVER JUICY A TARGET HE MAKES
HIMSELF...THIS IS NOT A SUSTAINABLE STRATEGY.

"THE WHITE HOUSE NO LONGER CONTROLS THE POLITICAL DEBATE,
AND MUCH WILL NOW DEPEND ON WHETHER THE NEW REPUBLICAN
LEADERSHIP CAN PASS THE LEGISLATION IT OFFERED IN THE
PARTY'S MANIFESTO, THE 'CONTRACT WITH AMERICA'. DIEHARD
DEMOCRATS SAY THE REPUBLICANS WILL OVERREACH THEMSELVES.
SO FAR, THERE IS NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT MESSRS
GINGRICH AND DOLE WILL REPEAT MR CLINTON'S ERRORS."

THE CENTRIST INDEPENDENT REPORTED:

"NO SINGLE SPEECH CAN TRANSFORM MR CLINTON'S BATTERED FORTUNES -- LEAST OF ALL ONE WHOSE SPECIFIC NEW PROPOSALS ARE UNLIKELY TO EXTEND BEYOND AN INCREASE IN THE MINIMUM WAGE AND A CLAMPDOWN ON ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION. BUT AT THE MIDPOINT OF HIS TERM THE PRESIDENT DESPERATELY NEEDS TO SHOW HE IS STILL A FORCE TO BE RECKONED WITH.

"SINCE THE ELECTORAL DISASTER LAST NOVEMBER, MR CLINTON HAS BEEN VIRTUALLY INVISIBLE, SPENDING MOST OF HIS TIME - - TO JUDGE FROM NEWS REPORTS -- CLOSETED WITH SOCIOLOGISTS, MOTIVATORS AND SUNDRY OTHER GURUS, WHILE THE WHITE HOUSE HAS TURNED INTO A VIRTUAL POLITICAL BACKWATER.

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"WASHINGTON, WHICH NORMALLY REVOLVES AROUND THE PRESIDENT, HAS INSTEAD BEEN MESMERIZED BY THE REPUBLICAN TAKEOVER ON CAPITOL HILL IN GENERAL, AND BY THE FIREWORKS OF THE HOUSE SPEAKER IN PARTICULAR. IF MR CLINTON IS TO HAVE A HOPE OF RE-ELECTION IN 1996, THAT FOCUS MUST CHANGE. "

2. NEW WORLD DISORDER / CHECHNYA

THE CENTRIST INDEPENDENT EDITORIALIZED:

"WITH ITS 'TRIUMPH' IN CHECHNYA, BORIS YELTSIN'S RUSSIA HAS PROVIDED A REMINDER OF MUCH THAT WAS DEPLORABLE IN THE COMMUNIST GOVERNMENTS OF THE OLD SOVIET UNION. BLUNDERING, INCOMPETENT AND CRUEL, THE MILITARY CAMPAIGN AGAINST GROZNY WAS CONDUCTED WITH A BREATHTAKING LACK OF SOPHISTICATION THAT UNDERCUT WHATEVER RATIONALE EXISTED

FOR THE 'RESTORATION OF ORDER' IN THAT REMOTE CORNER OF RUSSIA. THE LESSONS OF THE DEBACLE SHOULD NOT BE LOST ON

THOSE WESTERN GOVERNMENTS THAT MUST CONTINUE TO DEAL WITH MR YELTSIN AND HIS RAMSHACKLE REGIME. ...

"DRIFTING FROM DRAMA TO CRISIS, PUSHED HITHER AND YON BY PREJUDICE AND REDUNDANT DOGMA, THE RUSSIAN POWER STRUCTURE HAS BECOME DANGEROUSLY INCOHERENT. EVEN THE GERMAN CHANCELLOR, HELMUT KOHL, A SOLID BACKER OF MR YELTSIN, HAS BEEN MOVED TO UTTER WORDS OF CAUTION AND REPROOF. UNBOWED, THE RUSSIAN PRESIDENT HAS DECLARED THE CHECHEN CAMPAIGN 'EFFECTIVELY OVER' AND SPOKEN OF RESTORING NORMALITY. BUT IT WILL TAKE MORE THAN WARM WORDS FROM MR YELTSIN AND HIS FOREIGN MINISTER TO DISPEL THE CHILL THAT GATHERED LAST WEEK FROM GROZNY TO GENEVA."

THE CONSERVATIVE TIMES EDITORIALIZED:

"THE SPECTACLE OF RUSSIA'S FORCES IN TURMOIL MAY APPEAL TO SOME IN THE WEST WHO BELIEVE THAT THIS IS A FITTING POSTSCRIPT TO DECADES OF SOVIET MIGHT. BUT THAT IS A DANGEROUS SUPPOSITION -- AND NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF THE WESTERN INTEREST IN SECURING PREDICTABLE AND RELIABLE CONTROL OF THE NUCLEAR ARSENAL.

"THE ETHNICALLY-VARIED RUSSIAN FEDERATION NEEDS A DISCIPLINED AND CONFIDENT MILITARY AS A DISINCENTIVE TO IRREDENTISM AND TO ALLOW THE REGIONS TIME AND TRANQUILITY TO EVOLVE MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY RELATIONS WITH THE CENTER. RUSSIAN CULTURE ATTACHES GREAT RESPECT TO SOLDIERS. WATCHING THE DEFENDERS OF THE MOTHERLAND DWINDLE INTO BRIGANDS WITHOUT COMMON PURPOSE OR LOYALTY IS DEEPLY DISPIRITING TO THE POPULATION AT LARGE.

"PERHAPS THE HUMILIATIONS METED OUT TO RUSSIA TROOPS IN

CHECHNYA WILL PROMPT PRESIDENT YELTSIN TO FOLLOW THE TSAR'S EXAMP

LE AFTER THE DRAWN-OUT CAUCASIAN CAMPAIGN OF THE LAST CENTURY, AND INSTIGATE LASTING CHANGES IN THE WAY THE ARMY IS RUN. SOME POSITIVE GOOD, AT LEAST, COULD THEN ARISE FROM UNDER THE RUINS OF GROZNY."

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3. ISRAEL TERROR ATTACK

THE LIBERAL GUARDIAN EDITORIALIZED:

"AS RECENT INCIDENTS HAVE SHOWN -- NOTABLY THE KIDNAPPING
AND MURDER OF CORPORAL WAXMAN IN OCTOBER -- THE (ISRAELI)
GOVERNMENT IS VERY VULNERABLE TO THE CHARGE OF FAILING TO
PROTECT THE LIVES OF ITS SOLDIERS. THE ISLAMIC JIHAD
KNEW EXACTLY WHERE TO HIT WHERE IT HURTS MOST ISRAELIS
MOST GRIEVOUSLY -- AND THEREFORE HURTS THE PEACE PROCESS
MOST EFFECTIVELY. ...

"THE MORNING AFTER BEIT LID, THE PRESSURE FOR PEACE NEEDS
TO BE MAINTAINED AND NOT SLOWED DOWN. WITH EVERY NEW
TERRORIST ATTACK, IT BECOMES HARDER TO MEET LEGITIMATE
PALESTINIAN EXPECTATIONS WITHOUT WHICH THE PROCESS IS
DOOMED. YET THE ONLY ALTERNATIVE IS MORE HOPELESSNESS
AND THE HORRORS WHICH IT PROVOKES."

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SUBJECT: 104TH CONGRESS: SECURITY ASSISTANCE-RELATED COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS.

1. COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS FOR THE 104TH CONGRESS ARE ESSENTIALLY COMPLETE. A LIST OF MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES RELEVANT TO SECURITY ASSISTANCE IN ORDER OF SENIORITY BY PARTY FOLLOWS.

A. HOUSE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL SECURITY (FORMERLY HOUSE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE):

FLOYD D. SPENCE (R-SC), CHAIRMAN; BOB STUMP (R-AZ); DUNCAN HUNTER (R-CA); JOHN KASICH (R-OH); HERBERT BATEMAN (R-VA); JAMES HANSEN (R-UT); CURT WELDON (R-PA); ROBERT DORNAN (R-CA); JOEL HEFLEY (R-CO); JAMES SAXTON (R-NJ); RANDY CUNNINGHAM (R-CA); STEPHEN BUYER (R-IN); PETER TORKILDSSEN (R-MA); TILLIE FOWLER (R-FL); JOHN MCHUGH (R-NY); JAMES TALENT (R-MO); TERRY EVERETT (R-AL); ROSCOE BARTLETT (R-MD); BUCK MCKEON (R-CA); RON LEWIS (R-

KY); J.C. WATTS (R-OK); WILLIAM THORNBERRY (R-TX); JOHN HOSTETLER (R-IN); SAXBY CHAMBLISS (R-GA); VAN HILLEARY (R-TN); JOE SCARBOROUGH (R-FL); WALTER JONES (R-NC); JIM LONGLEY (R-ME); TODD TIAHRT (R-KS); RICHARD HASTINGS (R-WA)

RON DELLUMS (D-CA), RANKING MEMBER; SONNY MONTGOMERY (D-MS); PATRICIA SCHROEDER (D-CO); IKE SKELTON (D-MO); NORMAN SISISKY (D-VA); JOHN SPRATT (D-SC); SOLOMON ORTIZ (D-TX); OWEN PICKETT (D-VA); LANE EVANS (D-IL); JOHN TANNER (D-TN); GLEN BROWDER (D-AL); GENE TAYLOR (D-MS); NEIL ABERCROMBIE (D-HI); CHET EDWARDS (D-TX); FRANK TEJEDA (D-TX); MARTIN MEEHAN (D-MA); ROBERT UNDERWOOD (D-GUAM); JANE HARMAN (D-CA); PAUL MCHALE (D-PA); PETE GEREN (D-TX); PETE PETERSON (D-FL); WILLIAM JEFFERSON (D-LA); ROSA DELAURO (D-CT); MIKE WARD (D-KY); PATRICK KENNEDY (D-RI)

B. SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE:

STROM THURMOND (R-SC), CHAIRMAN; JOHN WARNER (R-VA); WILLIAM COHEN (R-ME); JOHN MCCAIN (R-AZ); TRENT LOTT (R-MS); DANIEL COATS (R-IN); ROBERT SMITH (R-NH); DIRK KEMPThORNE (R-

ID); KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON (R-TX); JAMES INHOFE (R-OK); RICK SANTORUM (R-PA)

SAM NUNN (D-GA), RANKING MINORITY MEMBER; JIM EXON (D-NE); CARL LEVIN (D-MI); EDWARD KENNEDY (D-MA); JEFF BINGAMAN (D-NM); JOHN GLENN (D-OH); ROBERT BYRD (D-WV); CHARLES ROBB (D-VA); JOSEPH LIEBERMAN (D-CT); RICHARD BRYAN (D-NV)

C. HOUSE COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (FORMERLY HOUSE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE):

BENJAMIN A. GILMAN (R-NY), CHAIRMAN; WILLIAM GOODLING (R-PA); JAMES LEACH (R-IA); TOBY ROTH (R-WI); HENRY HYDE (R-IL); DOUG BEREUTER (R-NE); CHRISTOPHER SMITH (R-NJ); DAN BURTON (R-IN); JAN MEYERS (R-KS); ELTON GALLEGLY (R-CA); ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN (R-FL); CASS BALLENGER (R-NC); DANA ROHRBACHER (R-CA); DONALD MANZULLO (R-IL); ED ROYCE (R-CA); PETER KING (R-NY); JAY KIM (R-CA); SAM BROWNBACK (R-KS); DAVID FUNDERBURK (R-NC); STEVE CHABOT (R-OH); MARK SANFORD (R-SC); MATT SALMON (R-AZ)

LEE HAMILTON (D-IN), RANKING MINORITY MEMBER; SAM GEJDENSON (D-CT); TOM LANTOS (D-CA); ROBERT TORRICELLI (D-NJ); HOWARD BERMAN (D-CA); GARY ACKERMAN (D-NY); HARRY JOHNSTON (D-FL); ELIOT ENGEL (D-NY); ENI FALEOMAVAEGA (D-AMERICAN SAMOA); MATTHEW MARTINEZ (D-CA); DONALD PAYNE (D-NJ); ROBERT ANDREWS (D-NJ); ROBERT MENENDEZ (D-NJ); SHERROD BROWN (D-OH); CYNTHIA MCKINNEY

(D-GA); ALCEE HASTINGS (D-FL); ALBERT WYNN (D-MD); MICHAEL MCNULTY (D-NY); JAMES MORAN (D-VA)

D. SENATE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS:

JESSE HELMS (R-NC), CHAIRMAN; RICHARD LUGAR (R-IN); NANCY KASSEBAUM (R-KS); HANK BROWN (R-CO); PAUL COVERDELL (R-GA); OLYMPIA SNOWE (R-ME); FRED THOMPSON (R-TN); CRAIG THOMAS (R-WY); ROD GRAMS (R-MN); JOHN ASHCROFT (R-MO)

CLAIBORNE PELL (D-RI), RANKING MINORITY MEMBER; JOSEPH BIDEN (D-DE); PAUL SARBANES (D-MD); CHRISTOPHER DODD (D-CT); JOHN KERRY (D-MA); CHARLES ROBB (D-VA); RUSSELL FEINGOLD (D-WI); DIANNE FEINSTEIN (D-CA)

E. HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS:

BOB LIVINGSTON (R-LA), CHAIRMAN;
DAVID OBEY (D-WI), RANKING MINORITY MEMBER

[NOTE: THE CHAIRMAN AND RANKING MEMBER OF THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE ARE AUTHORIZED TO SIT WITH FULL VOTING PRIVILEGES ON ALL SUBCOMMITTEES]

F. SUBCOMMITTEE ON FOREIGN OPERATIONS, HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS:

SONNY CALLAHAN (R-AL), CHAIRMAN; JOHN PORTER (R-IL); BOB

LIVINGSTON (R-LA); JIM ROSS LIGHTFOOT (R-IA); FRANK WOLF (R-VA); RON PACKARD (R-CA); JOE KNOLLENBERG (R-MI); MICHAEL FORBES (R-NY); JIM BUNN (R-OR)

CHARLES WILSON (D-TX), RANKING MINORITY MEMBER; SIDNEY YATES (D-IL); NANCY PELOSI (D-CA); ESTEBAN TORRES (D-CA)

G. SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATIONAL SECURITY, HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS (FORMERLY SUBCOMMITTEE ON DEFENSE):

C.W. BILL YOUNG (R-FL) CHAIRMAN; JOSEPH MCDADE (R-PA); BOB LIVINGSTON (R-LA); JERRY LEWIS (R-CA); JOE SKEEN (R-NM); DAVID HOBSON (R-OH); HENRY BONILLA (R-TX); GEORGE NETHERCUTT (R-WA); MARK NEUMANN (R-WI)

JOHN MURTHA (R-PA), RANKING MINORITY MEMBER; NORM DICKS (D-WA); CHARLES WILSON (D-TX); W.G. HEFNER (D-NC); MARTIN OLAV SAVO (D-MN)

H. SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS:

MARK O. HATFIELD (R-OR), CHAIRMAN

ROBERT BYRD (D-WV), RANKING MINORITY MEMBER

I. SUBCOMMITTEE ON FOREIGN OPERATIONS, SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS:

MITCH MCCONNELL (R-KY), CHAIRMAN; ARLEN SPECTER (R-PA);

CONNIE MACK (R-FL); PHIL GRAMM (R-TX); RICHARD SHELBY (R-AL); JAMES JEFFORDS (R-VT); JUDD GREGG (R-NH)

PATRICK LEAHY (D-VT), RANKING MINORITY MEMBER; DANIEL INOUE (D-HI); FRANK LAUTENBERG (D-NJ); TOM HARKIN (D-IA); BARBARA MIKULSKI (D-MD); HARRY REID (D-NV)

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TED STEVENS (R-AK), CHAIRMAN; THAD COCHRAN (R-MS); ARLEN SPECTER (R-PA); PETE DOMENICI (R-NM); PHIL GRAMM (R-TX); CHRISTOPHER BOND (R-MO); MITCH MCCONNELL (R-KY); CONNIE MACK (R-FL); RICHARD SHELBY (R-AL)

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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION--AMBASSADOR FRECHETTE ON U.S.
CERTIFICATION FOR COLOMBIA; GOC REACTIONS

1. OVER THE WEEKEND, THE NATIONAL MEDIA CARRIED EXTENSIVE COVERAGE OF AMBASSADOR MYLES FRECHETTE'S SPEECH ON THE CURRENT POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC STATE OF COLOMBIA TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE AMERICAS IN NEW YORK, AND THE REACTIONS BY LOCAL OFFICIALS. THERE WAS ALSO OP-ED COMMENTARY ON THE SUBJECT. THE AMBASSADOR REPORTEDLY SAID THAT, GIVEN THE POLITICAL CLIMATE IN WASHINGTON, IT WILL BE DIFFICULT FOR PRESIDENT CLINTON TO CERTIFY BEFORE THE U.S. CONGRESS

THAT COLOMBIA HAS COOPERATED FULLY IN THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUGS. IN ADDITION, REPORTS STATE THAT THE AMBASSADOR SAID THAT INVESTMENT IN COLOMBIA HAS WEAKENED DUE TO INADEQUATE LEGISLATION AND LACK OF INCENTIVES. SOME COLOMBIAN OFFICIALS, WHO APPARENTLY (AND MISTAKENLY) THOUGHT THE REMARKS WERE FROM AN OFFICIAL REPORT WRITTEN BY THE AMBASSADOR FOR WASHINGTON, SAID THAT THEY ARE SURPRISED BY HIS STATEMENTS BECAUSE THEIR RECENT MEETINGS WITH U.S. OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON LED THEM TO BELIEVE THAT THE USG ACKNOWLEDGED AND SUPPORTED THE GOC'S RECENT EFFORTS IN THE STRUGGLE AGAINST NARCOTICS. AMBASSADOR FRECHETTE ALSO WAS REPORTED TO SAY THAT THE U.S. DOES NOT SUPPORT COLOMBIA'S WARMING RELATIONS WITH CUBA.

2. HEADLINES AND QUOTES FOLLOW:

A. ARTICLE IN JANUARY 28 SECOND LEADING DAILY "EL ESPECTADOR" (LIBERAL PARTY ORIENTED, CIRC. 145,000):

HEADLINE (FRONT PAGE)--"U.S. CERTIFICATION FOR COLOMBIA IS IN DOUBT"

SUBHEADLINE--"THE U.S. AMBASSADOR THINKS THE OUTLOOK FOR ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE IS DIFFICULT."

QUOTES--"THE U.S. AMBASSADOR ... SAID THAT THIS YEAR PRESIDENT CLINTON WILL FIND IT 'DIFFICULT' TO CERTIFY BEFORE THE U.S. CONGRESS THAT COLOMBIA 'HAS COOPERATED' OR 'HAS MADE ADEQUATE DECISIONS IN ORDER TO REACH THE GOALS ESTABLISHED BY THE U.N. CONVENTION FOR THE ANTI-DRUG FIGHT.' IF CLINTON DOES NOT 'CERTIFY' THAT COLOMBIA HAS TAKEN SUFFICIENT MEASURES AGAINST DRUG TRAFFICKING, HIS GOVERNMENT WILL CUT FOREIGN AID AND THE U.S. WILL HAVE TO VOTE AGAINST LOANS TO THE COUNTRY IN MULTILATERAL DEVELOPMENT BANK MEETINGS, WHICH WILL LEAVE COLOMBIA EXCLUDED FROM HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE (SIC), AS WELL AS (ASSISTANCE FOR) THE ANTI-DRUG FIGHT."

"HE SAID THAT WHILE THERE HAS BEEN SOME PROGRESS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUGS AND THE LEVEL OF VIOLENCE HAS GONE DOWN, COLOMBIA IS STILL FACING THE OPERATIONS OF THE SOPHISTICATED CALI CARTEL WHICH, WHILE LESS BLOODY THAN THE MEDELLIN CARTEL, HAS INVESTED GREAT ECONOMIC RESOURCES TO ACQUIRE 'ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL LEGITIMACY.'"

"ALTHOUGH HE PRAISED THE SAMPER ADMINISTRATION'S LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL TO PUNISH ILLEGAL ENRICHMENT, THE AMBASSADOR CRITICIZED THE COLOMBIAN JUDICIAL SYSTEM. HE SAID THAT ONE OF THE AREAS IN WHICH 'QUITE FRANKLY WE ARE FRUSTRATED IN TERMS OF OUR EFFORTS TO COLLABORATE IS JUDICIAL COOPERATION.' HE ADDED THAT THERE HAVE BEEN SERIOUS DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES REGARDING THE PLEA BARGAINING POLICY. ACCORDING TO FRECHETTE, THESE AGREEMENTS OF SURRENDER AND SENTENCE REDUCTION HAVE RESULTED IN 'SCANDALOUSLY SHORT' SENTENCES, AND THE SYSTEM HAS CONCENTRATED ON DEALING WITH HIGH RANKING CRIMINALS, INSTEAD OF NEGOTIATING WITH THE LITTLE FISH

SO AS TO BUILD CASES AGAINST THE HEADS AND CENTRAL FIGURES OF THE CRIMINAL ORGANIZATIONS."

"THE AMBASSADOR STATED THAT THE UNITED STATES IS PLEASED WITH THE PROSECUTOR GENERAL'S (ALFONSO VALDIVIESO) EFFORTS TO ASK FOR CHANGES IN THE PRACTICES OF THE PENAL UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 04 BOGOTA 001178

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PROCEDURE CODES."

"THE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN COLOMBIA AND CUBA, WHICH WERE REESTABLISHED IN 1993, ARE NOT SEEN WELL BY THE AMERICANS. ABOUT THIS, AMBASSADOR FRECHETTE SAID THAT 'THE U.S. EXPRESSED ITS RESERVATIONS AT THE TIME THEY WERE REESTABLISHED, AND IT STILL HAS THEM.' HE SAID THAT ALTHOUGH THERE HAS BEEN A NOTICEABLE INCREASE IN THE ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, COLOMBIA HAS NOT LOOKED FOR A DEMOCRATIZATION OF THE ISLAND OR A CHANGE IN THE SOCIAL REFORM POLICIES. THE EFFECT OF THESE RELATIONS SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN THAT THEY HAVE 'LEGITIMIZED CASTRO'S GOVERNMENT.'"

"HE SAID THAT THE UNITED STATES IS THE BIGGEST FOREIGN INVESTOR IN COLOMBIA. HOWEVER, HE STATED THAT ACCORDING TO THE COUNCIL OF AMERICAN COMPANIES IN COLOMBIA, THE POTENTIAL FOR FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN THE COUNTRY HAS NOT BEEN FULLY EXPLOITED, DUE IN PART TO UNSTABLE LAWS, HIGH TAXES, DISCRIMINATING LAWS, AND WEAK INCENTIVES."

"PROSECUTOR GENERAL ALFONSO VALDIVIESO SAID THAT HE DOES NOT THINK THAT THE CERTIFICATION ... IS ON SHAKY GROUNDS. HE SAID THAT IT WOULD BE VERY UNFAIR IF COLOMBIA IS NOT CERTIFIED, BECAUSE IT WOULD MEAN THAT THEY (THE U.S.) ARE IGNORING THE ACTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT BY THE COLOMBIAN GOVERNMENT IN ITS FIGHT AGAINST ORGANIZED CRIME. VALDIVIESO STATED THAT THE CERTIFICATION ISSUE WAS NOT DEALT WITH DURING THE MEETINGS THAT HE AND MINISTER OF JUSTICE NESTOR HUMBERTO MARTINEZ HAD WITH SEVERAL OFFICIALS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENTS OF STATE AND JUSTICE."

B. ARTICLE IN JANUARY 29 LEADING DAILY "EL TIEMPO"
(LIBERAL PARTY ORIENTED, CIRC. 245,000):

SUBHEADLINE (1)--"SKEPTICISM IN THE U.S. DUE TO INCREASE

IN ILLEGAL CROPS"

HEADLINE--"RESERVATIONS REGARDING ANTI-DRUG FIGHT"

SUBHEADLINE--"BEFORE MARCH 1ST, PRESIDENT CLINTON WILL PRESENT TO THE U.S. CONGRESS RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING ASSISTANCE FOR THE DRUG PRODUCING COUNTRIES."

QUOTE--"'THE STATISTICS THAT WE HAVE COMPARED OVER THE PAST FEW DAYS IN WASHINGTON DEMONSTRATE THAT CONTRARY TO WHAT HAS BEEN HAPPENING IN OTHER COUNTRIES OF THE REGION, LIKE PERU AND BOLIVIA, WE REGRETTABLY HAVE TO INFORM THE COLOMBIAN PEOPLE THAT THE (ILLEGAL) CROPS CONTINUE TO GROW IN COLOMBIA.' THESE REMARKS BY MINISTER OF JUSTICE NESTOR HUMBERTO MARTINEZ, AFTER MEETINGS WITH WASHINGTON OFFICIALS, CONFIRM THE U.S.'S DOUBTS, AT LEAST IN TERMS OF THE SIZE OF THE ILLEGAL PLANTATIONS, CONCERNING THE REACH OF COLOMBIA'S ANTI-NARCOTICS FIGHT. BUT DESPITE THESE RESERVATIONS, U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL JANET RENO THANKED COLOMBIA FOR ITS WILLINGNESS AND EFFORTS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUGS...."

SUBHEADLINE (2)--"A DIFFERENT WAY TO PRESENT THE RELATIONS BETWEEN COLOMBIA AND THE U.S."

HEADLINE--"DRUGS: A CHANGE OF STRATEGY?"

SUBHEADLINE--"IT IS WORTH CONTEMPLATING THE POSSIBILITY OF NOT USING NOR ASKING FOR MORE MATERIAL ANTI-NARCOTICS ASSISTANCE FROM THE UNITED STATES."

"COLOMBIA NEEDS TO PUSH MORE AND TAKE BETTER ADVANTAGE OF THE COMMERCIAL PREFERENCES PROVIDED BY THE ANDEAN TRADE PREFERENCE ACT (ATPA), GIVEN TO US BY THE U.S. IN 1991 FOR TEN YEARS. IT ALSO NEEDS TO FACILITATE
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FINANCIAL, SCIENTIFIC, AND TECHNICAL BINATIONAL LINKS, AND TO STRENGTHEN THE TIES OF INTERDEPENDENCE WITH MULTIPLE NON-GOVERNMENT PEOPLE LOCATED IN THE U.S. THAT WOULD BE MUCH MORE PRODUCTIVE THAN TO HAVE THE VITALITY OF THE RELATIONS BETWEEN COLOMBIA AND THE UNITED STATES DEPEND ON AN EXCLUSIVE TOPIC --DRUGS-- A LIMITING FACTOR -- ..., AND A MAIN REFERENCE POINT--THE ANNUAL BUDGET

APPROVAL BY THE U.S. CONGRESS."

C. ARTICLE IN JANUARY 29 "EL ESPECTADOR":

HEADLINE (FRONT PAGE)--"COLOMBIA IS NOT DOUBTFUL ABOUT CERTIFICATION"

SUBHEADLINE--"THE GOVERNMENT EXPRESSED SURPRISE AT AMBASSADOR FRECHETTE'S STATEMENTS."

QUOTES--"THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PROSECUTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE WERE SURPRISED BY AMBASSADOR MYLES FRECHETTE'S REMARKS ABOUT THE DIFFICULTIES FOR BILL CLINTON TO CERTIFY COLOMBIA'S PROGRESS AGAINST DRUGS. FRECHETTE'S STATEMENTS, IN ADDITION TO THE FACT THAT THEY CAN ECONOMICALLY HINDER THE COUNTRY BY DISSUADING FOREIGN INVESTORS, WOULD MEAN THAT HE IS IGNORING INNOVATIVE CROP SUBSTITUTION PROGRAMS...."

"OFFICIAL SPOKESMEN SAID THE GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN WORKING IN CLOSE COOPERATION WITH THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, THROUGH ITS EMBASSY IN BOGOTA, IN SEVERAL DIFFERENT OPERATIONS AGAINST DRUG TRAFFICKING AND THE CARTELS, WHICH HAVE YIELDED POSITIVE RESULTS IN THE CONFISCATION OF DRUGS DURING THE SAMPER ADMINISTRATION...."

"THE SAME SOURCES SAID THAT THEY DO NOT UNDERSTAND THE AMBASSADOR'S POSITION REGARDING THE FOREIGN INVESTMENT ISSUE, WHICH IS AIMED AT DISORIENTING AMERICAN INVESTORS IN COLOMBIA (SIC). THIS IS EVEN MORE (PERPLEXING) WHEN ... AFTER THE MEXICAN CRISIS, THE ONLY SOLID LATIN AMERICAN ECONOMY THAT HAS WITHSTOOD THE SO-CALLED 'TEQUILA EFFECT' HAS BEEN COLOMBIA'S ECONOMY. COLOMBIA HAS SHOWN ... THAT IT CONTINUES TO OFFER GUARANTEES OF ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL STABILITY TO FOREIGN INVESTORS."

D. EDITORIAL IN JANUARY 30 "EL ESPECTADOR":

HEADLINE--"THE LUXURIES OF THE EMPIRE"

QUOTES--"... OUR COUNTRY HAS NOT BEHAVED WELL CONCERNING A PHENOMENON THAT IT OVERCAME, ACCORDING TO THOSE WHO SEEK TO CUT THE AID, LIKE THE EXTRAVAGANT SENATOR HELMS...."

"OF COURSE, LITTLE IS SAID ABOUT CONSUMPTION, ITS PERMANENT INCREASE, AND THE MONEY THAT IS GENERATED BY THE ILLEGAL TRAFFICKING THAT STAYS IN THE AMERICAN BANKS, TO THE POINT WHERE THE U.S. GOVERNMENT HAS NEVER SHOWN STATISTICS THAT PROVE THERE IS A REDUCTION IN THE GIGANTIC DEMAND WHICH IS, WITHOUT A DOUBT, THE GREAT STIMULUS FOR THE KINGPINS...."

"... IS IT MAYBE THAT DRUG TRAFFICKING WILL BECOME A TOPIC OF POLITICAL NEGOTIATION BETWEEN THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY AND THE REPUBLICAN CONGRESS? WOULD THE SUSPENSION OF ASSISTANCE TO COLOMBIA, WITH WHICH CERTAIN REPUBLICAN CONGRESSMEN'S DESIRES WOULD BE SATISFIED, ALLOW FOR THE

APPROVAL OF GOVERNMENTAL INITIATIVES WITH WHICH
PRESIDENT CLINTON WOULD REGAIN THE APPROVAL OF THE
AMERICAN PUBLIC? IS THE FAILURE OF THE PLEA BARGAINING
POLICY AN EXCELLENT, TIMELY AND EASY-TO-USE EXCUSE AND
POLITICAL WEAPON IN ORDER TO SACRIFICE COLOMBIA
--WITHOUT TAKING INTO ACCOUNT ITS CONTRIBUTION IN BLOOD
AND DEATHS-- IN FAVOR OF THE DEMOCRATIC ADMINISTRATION'S
SPECIFIC INTERESTS?"
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E. OP-ED PIECE BY COLUMNIST FABIO CASTILLO IN JANUARY
30 "EL ESPECTADOR":

HEADLINE--"A DE-CERTIFIED COUNTRY"

QUOTE--"THE PRESSURE STARTED A LONG TIME AGO, WITH THE
IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS TO COLOMBIA'S EXPORTS TO THE
U.S. IN THEIR 1994 DRUG PLAN, THERE WAS ALREADY THE
ADOPTION OF ECONOMIC MECHANISMS LIKE THE 'IDEAL FACTOR'
IN ORDER TO GET THE PRODUCING COUNTRIES TO DOUBLE THEIR
EFFORTS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST THIS SCOURGE. ITS
CONCLUSION WILL COME NOW, AND BOTH THE CLINTON
ADMINISTRATION AND JESSE HELMS' COMMITTEE WILL HAVE A
LOT TO SAY AND DECIDE. THERE IS LITTLE DOUBT ABOUT WHAT
THEY ARE GOING TO DO." KOENGETER

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