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RAMIFICATIONS FOR U.S.-COLOMBIAN RELATIONS OF THE
CAPTURE OF GILBERTO RODRIGUEZ OREJUELA.

A. 6/14 OP-ED IN SECOND LEADING DAILY "EL ESPECTADOR"
(LIBERAL PARTY ORIENTED; CIRC. 145,000) BY COLUMNIST
MARIA JIMENA DUZAN:

TITLE: "WHAT'S GOING TO CHANGE?"

QUOTES: "AFTER THE CAPTURE OF GILBERTO RODRIGUEZ IN CALI, THE ACCOUNTS ARE STARTING TO BE SETTLED BETWEEN THE COLOMBIAN AND U.S. GOVERNMENTS. YET, WHAT IS REALLY GOING TO CHANGE? I MAY BE WRONG, BUT I DARE TO SAY THAT WHAT'S GOING TO CHANGE IS NOT SO MUCH DRUG TRDFFICKING, WHICH WILL CONTINUE HAVING A LIFE OF ITS OWN WITH OR WITHOUT GILBERTO RODRIGUEZ, BUT RATHER THE CREDIBILITY OF SAMPER'S GOVERNMENT IN THE EYES OF THE AMERICANS.

"... NO DOUBT THIS EPISODE WOULD NOT HAVE HAD THE DIMENSIONS IT HAS REACHED IF IT HADN'T BEEN POKED BY THE PASTRANA'S LOBBY IN WASHINGTON. THIS LOBBY HAD SYMPATHIZERS IN REPUBLICAN SENATORS LIKE JESSE HELMS AND IN OFFICERS OF THE U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT LIKE MR. GELBARD, WHO SUPPORTED THIS LOBBY WHOLEHEARTEDLY, AGGRAVATING EVEN MORE SAMPER'S CREDIBILITY PROBLEMS. "... WHAT'S IMPORTANT NOW IS THAT COLOMBIAN JUSTICE FUNCTION AND NOT SLIP INTO THE DE GREIFF SYNDROME, AND THAT A POSSIBLE RETURN OF NARCO-TERRORISM BE NEUTRALIZED, FOR IF IT IS OF NO CONCERN TO AMERICANS, IT IS A POSSIBILITY TO ALL COLOMBIANS...."

B. OP-ED BY JUAN GABRIEL TOKLATIAN IN 6/13 EDITION OF LEADING DAILY "EL TIEMPO" (LIBERAL PARTY ORIENTED; CIRC. 265,000):

TITLE: "THE TIME FOR COOPERATION"

QUOTES: "... REGARDING RELATIONS BETWEEN BOGOTA AND WASHINGTON, THE COLOMBIAN-AMERICAN BINATIONAL COMMISSION ON DRUGS COULD BE ESTABLISHED IN ACCORD WITH WHAT WAS ANNOUNCED AT THE OUTSET OF SAMPER'S GOVERNMENT. THE TIME IS RIGHT TO PERSUADE THE 'LATIN AMERICANISTS' FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT (WATSON, FOR INSTANCE) AND FROM THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL (FEINBERG, FOR INSTANCE) --WHO ARE MORE OPEN, MODERATE, AND CONCILIATORY THAN THE 'NARCOLOGISTS' FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT (GELBARD, FOR INSTANCE) AND THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT (CONSTANTINE, FOR INSTANCE)-- AS WELL AS HIGH OFFICIALS OF THE CLINTON ADMINISTRATION TO CREATE THIS MECHANISM FOR REVIEW, EVALUATION, AND COORDINATION OF THE POLICIES OF BOTH COUNTRIES ON NARCOTICS...." KNEEBONE

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TOPICS

1. SMI UPDATE.
2. HILL STATUS REPORT.
3. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TEAM.
4. ICASS PROJECT.
5. THE CHARLESTON FINANCIAL SERVICE CENTER.
6. MIAMI REGIONAL CENTER.
7. CHILD CARE CENTER AT STATE.
8. DIVERSITY TRAINING.

- 1. SMI UPDATE

A) THE SECRETARY'S DECISIONS TO STRENGTHEN OUR CORE

PROCESSES AND IDENTIFY ACTIVITIES WE CAN STOP DOING IN ORDER TO MANAGE OUR FUTURE MORE STRATEGICALLY ARE SHOWING SOME RESULTS. POSTS WILL BE INFORMED SHORTLY OF MAJOR CUTBACKS IN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, PUTTING THE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR REPORTING PRIORITIES WHERE IT BELONGS: WITH CHIEFS OF MISSION AND REPORTING OFFICERS. ALSO, WE WILL SOON BE ANNOUNCING THE CLOSING OF ABOUT 20 POSTS, NOT BECAUSE THE POSTS IN QUESTION ARE DOING A POOR JOB BUT BECAUSE WE MUST FOCUS OUR RESOURCES ON THOSE OVERSEAS FUNCTIONS THAT CONTRIBUTE MOST DIRECTLY TO OUR INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP.

B) IN THE M AREA, I INSISTED THE SMI IMPLEMENTATION TEAMS TAKE THE SAME APPROACH, GIVING THE PEOPLE CLOSEST TO THE SERVICE OR THE CUSTOMER MORE AUTHORITY. THIS WILL APPLY TO MY PRIORITY AREAS: INFORMATION MANAGEMENT, BUDGET (INCLUDING MORE EMPHASIS ON A SIMPLIFIED MPP), LOGISTICS (INCLUDING PROCUREMENT), OVERSEAS STAFFING AND TRAVEL. FOR EXAMPLE:

-- WE ARE PILOT TESTING TWO VERSIONS OF AN ELECTRONIC "PAPERLESS VOUCHER" FOR TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT. THE OFF-THE-SHELF SOFTWARE COMMERCIAL PACKAGE BEING TESTED IN CA TAKES THE PROCESS FROM CREATION OF THE TRAVEL ORDER TO REIMBURSEMENT BY ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER TO THE TRAVELER. THE STAND-ALONE MODEL IS LESS AMBITIOUS AND WHILE LESS LABOR-SAVING TO THE SUPPORT STAFF WILL NEVERTHELESS MAKE THE TRAVELERS SEE THE TASK AS CONSIDERABLY SIMPLER. DEPLOYMENT WILL BE MADE BY THE END OF THIS YEAR.

-- FMP HAS HELD WORKSHOPS WITH THE REGIONAL BUREAUS ON SHORT-TERM FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT ENHANCEMENTS. FMP HAS A THREE-PRONGED STRATEGY FOR IMPROVING FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT: (1) STABILIZING CURRENT SYSTEMS, (2) PROVIDING SHORT-TERM SERVICE ENHANCEMENTS, AND (3) DEVELOPING THE INTEGRATED FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (IFMS) AS OUR LONG-TERM SOLUTION. STATE 93431 PROVIDES ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND.

C) DOING BETTER WHAT STATE DOES BEST IS ONLY HALF THE BATTLE. THE IMPENDING BUDGET NUMBERS MEAN WE WILL HAVE TO ACCOMPLISH SMI GOALS AND MORE TO POSITION OURSELVES FOR THE FY 1996 SHOCKS. FAR FROM BEING OVERTAKEN BY CONGRESSIONAL ACTION, SMI IS THE ESSENTIAL METHOD OF EMPHASIZING THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S VITAL EQUITIES AT A TIME WHEN MANY OF THE FOREIGN POLICY ASSUMPTIONS WHICH HAVE GUIDED AND PROTECTED US IN THE PAST ARE UNDER ATTACK.

2. HILL STATUS REPORT
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A) PENDING AUTHORIZATION (REORGANIZATION) BILLS: MANY OF YOU MUST BE ASKING "WHERE DO THE HOUSE AND SENATE AUTHORIZATION BILLS STAND?" THE ANSWER IS THAT THE PRESIDENT AND THE SECRETARY HAVE MADE PUBLIC STATEMENTS CONCERNING VETO OF THESE BILLS WHICH, IN THEIR PRESENT FORM, CONSTITUTE AN UNPRECEDENTED ASSAULT ON THE PRESIDENT'S CONSTITUTIONAL POWERS. BOTH VERSIONS UNACCEPTABLY RESTRICT THE FOREIGN POLICY PREROGATIVES OF

THIS, OR ANY OTHER PRESIDENT; THEY FORCIBLY RESTRUCTURE AND MICROMANAGE THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH'S FOREIGN POLICY DECISION MAKING APPARATUS; AND THEY SLASH THE RESOURCES NEEDED TO MAINTAIN OUR LEADERSHIP ROLE IN THE POST-COLD WAR WORLD. THE PERSISTENT DELIVERY OF THIS MESSAGE FROM MID-MAY ONWARD APPEARS TO HAVE HELPED BLUNT THE MOMENTUM THE SPONSORS OF THESE BILLS FELT THEY HAD ON THEIR SIDE. NEVERTHELESS, THE HOUSE DID PASS AN UNACCEPTABLE BILL. SEN HELMS'S VERSION OF THE BILL WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE ADOPTED IN THE SENATE. VETO OF EITHER VERSION IS A VIRTUAL CERTAINTY. THUS WE FACE A HIGHLY UNCERTAIN AND FOREBODING BUDGET PROSPECT.

B) THE BUDGET BATTLE ON THE HILL: WE HAVE CONTINUED TO MAKE THE CASE TO CONGRESS IN WASHINGTON THAT LEADERSHIP REQUIRES RESOURCES. FOREIGN AFFAIRS FUNDING IS CAUGHT IN A COMPETITION ON THE HILL TO CUT NON-DEFENSE DISCRETIONARY SPENDING TO PAY FOR TAX CUTS AND TO REDUCE THE DEFICIT. THIS FIGHT WILL CONTINUE FOR MONTHS; THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEES WILL TAKE UP THE FOREIGN OPERATIONS, AND COMMERCE, JUSTICE STATE (CJS) APPROPRIATIONS BILLS THIS MONTH. I DO NOT EXPECT THE APPROPRIATION OUTCOME TO BE RESOLVED BEFORE THE VERY END OF THE FISCAL YEAR.

3. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TEAM

THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TEAM, WORKING WITH HARRY GEISEL, THE ACTING CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER, HAS FORMED EIGHT ACTION TEAMS TO ADDRESS THE SECRETARY'S SMI. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RECOMMENDATIONS. MANY POSTS HAVE SENT IN THOUGHTFUL SUGGESTIONS AND YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO DO SO. MEETINGS ARE BEING HELD WITH ALL LEVELS OF DEPARTMENT USERS RAISING DIFFERENT OPINIONS ON GOALS AND

THIS WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF A SEPARATE MESSAGE FROM THE ACTING CIO. IN ADDITION, THE TEAMS ARE TAPPING RESOURCES INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN ORDER TO SEND TO THE SECRETARY BY JULY 15 OPTIONS AND COSTS TO ACCELERATE MODERNIZATION OF THE DEPARTMENT'S INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.

4. ICASS PROJECT

IN MY LAST MANAGEMENT ISSUES CABLE, I MENTIONED THAT STATE WAS LEADING A PRESIDENT'S MANAGEMENT COUNCIL INITIATIVE TO RESTRUCTURE FAAS. THE CONCEPT PAPER FOR A PROGRAM CALLED THE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATIVE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES (ICASS) WAS APPROVED BY THE PMC ON JUNE 7. AN INTER-AGENCY IMPLEMENTATION WORKING GROUP MET ON JUNE 12 TO BEGIN WORKING OUT THE DETAILS OF THE PROGRAM. THE TIMELINE FOR THE PROGRAM CALLS FOR TEST PILOTS TO BE RUN IN FY-1996 AT A SMALL NUMBER OF POSTS. IF SUCCESSFUL, THE PROGRAM WILL BE

IMPLEMENTED ON A WORLD-WIDE BASIS NO LATER THAN FY-1998. IF POSSIBLE, WE WILL ACCELERATE THIS TIME TABLE IN ORDER TO ENHANCE REIMBURSEMENT TO STATE FROM OTHER AGENCIES. WE EXPECT STRONG HILL AND OMB SUPPORT FOR OUR INITIATIVE.

5. THE CHARLESTON FINANCIAL SERVICE CENTER

CONSTRUCTION OF THE CHARLESTON FINANCIAL SERVICE CENTER FACILITY WAS COMPLETED AT THE END OF MAY. STAFF ORIENTATION AND TRAINING STARTED JUNE 5TH, ACTUAL PRODUCTION OPERATIONS BEGIN IN AUGUST, AND THE TRANSFER OF ACTIVITIES FROM RAMC MEXICO, AS WELL AS ALL AMERICAN TIME AND ATTENDANCE PROCESSING FROM RAMCS PARIS AND BANGKOK, WILL BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF MARCH 1996. A DETAILED, COUNTRY-BY-COUNTRY TRANSITION SCHEDULE IS IN STATE 92046 DATED APRIL 14. RON MILLER, MOST RECENTLY FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT OFFICER IN BRUSSELS, IS THE CENTER'S FIRST DIRECTOR.

6. MIAMI REGIONAL CENTER

THE DEPARTMENT IS MOVING AHEAD ON THE PURCHASE, DESIGN AND ALTERATIONS OF A BUILDING IN FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, TO BECOME THE PERMANENT HOME OF THE MIAMI REGIONAL CENTER SERVING ARA POSTS. THE PURCHASE IS BEING FUNDED FROM A SPECIAL APPROPRIATION FOR FACILITIES DAMAGED BY HURRICANE ANDREW. THE CURRENT PLANS ARE FOR OCCUPANCY IN NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 1995. BOTH THE CHARLESTON AND MIAMI CENTERS REFLECT OUR STRATEGY OF BRINGING MORE WORK BACK TO THE U.S.

7. CHILD CARE CENTER AT STATE

ONE OF THE PRIORITIES THE SECRETARY HAS STRESSED AS PART OF THE STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT INITIATIVE IS PROVIDING GOOD WORKING AND LIVING CONDITIONS FOR OUR PEOPLE. I'M PLEASED TO REPORT LONG-OVERDUE PROGRESS ON ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT MEASURES TO IMPROVE QUALITY OF FAMILY LIFE FOR OUR WASHINGTON-BASED EMPLOYEES: WE EXPECT TO OPEN THE DEPARTMENT'S FIRST CHILD CARE CENTER IN EARLY SPRING 1996. NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT NEARBY COLUMBIA PLAZA, IT WILL PROVIDE SERVICES FOR UP TO 86 CHILDREN FROM INFANCY THROUGH KINDERGARTEN. I KNOW PROSPECTIVE CLIENT FAMILIES WILL HAVE MANY URGENT QUESTIONS REGARDING ENROLLMENT AND FEES, PROGRAMS, MANAGEMENT, AND POLICIES. AFTER SOME OF THE MORE CRITICAL DETAILS ARE FIRMED UP LATER THIS SUMMER, PER'S OFFICE OF EMPLOYEE RELATIONS WILL HOST AN OPEN MEETING DEVOTED ENTIRELY TO THIS SUBJECT. THEREAFTER, PER WILL PUBLISH PERIODIC PROGRESS REPORTS. FOR NOW, I'LL STRESS ONE IMPORTANT

POINT: THIS WILL BE A FEE-FOR-SERVICE FACILITY, AS NO APPROPRIATED FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE TO COVER OPERATING COSTS. THE CENTER'S GOVERNING BOARD IS NOW DESIGNING A CAMPAIGN TO RAISE THE PRIVATE DONATIONS NECESSARY TO SUPPLEMENT FEES IN ORDER TO KEEP THE CENTER'S SERVICES AVAILABLE TO THE FULL RANGE OF OUR EMPLOYEES. I URGE ALL OUR EMPLOYEES TO SUPPORT THE CENTER'S FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN AS SOON AS IT GETS UNDERWAY.

8. DIVERSITY TRAINING

FSI HAS RECENTLY COMPLETED PRODUCTION OF A VIDEO ON DIVERSITY MANAGEMENT IN THE DEPARTMENT. THE THREE-PART VIDEO IS 30 MINUTES LONG AND IS BROKEN INTO THREE SEGMENTS: "DEALING WITH DIFFERENCES," "BIAS AND BEHAVIOR," AND "COSTS AND BENEFITS." THE PROGRAM INCLUDES A GUIDE FOR DISCUSSION LEADERS AND WAS DESIGNED

PARTICULARLY FOR USE AT OVERSEAS POSTS. EACH POST WILL RECEIVE THE PACKAGE WITH GUIDELINES FOR USE AND A REQUEST FOR POSTS TO SEND BACK TO FSI THEIR EXPERIENCES WITH IT AND ANY SUGGESTIONS.

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A. TODAY'S MAJOR NEWS STORIES

1. U.S.-JAPAN TRADE ROW
2. BOSNIA / FUTURE OF THE UN
3. MIDDLE EAST PEACE PROCESS

B. SUMMARY

1. U.S.-JAPAN TRADE ROW

SEVERAL PAPERS, NOTABLY THE FINANCIAL TIMES, CARRIED THE NEWS OF A BREAKTHROUGH IN THE LOOMING TRADE WAR BETWEEN THE U.S. AND JAPAN OVER CARS AND CAR PARTS. REPORTS OF THE LAST-MINUTE DEAL WERE MAINLY FACTUAL, ALTHOUGH IT WAS NOTED THAT BOTH SIDES WERE CLAIMING VICTORY FOR THEMSELVES. HOWEVER, WHAT COMMENT THERE WAS TENDED TO BACK THE JAPANESE. THE F.T. SAID:

"NO AMOUNT OF AMERICAN RHETORIC CAN DISGUISE THE FACT THAT JAPAN HAS WON THE LATEST TRADE BATTLE."

BUT THE CONSERVATIVE TIMES REPORTED:

THE WHITE HOUSE WILL VIEW THE AGREEMENT AS A SIGNIFICANT POLITICAL BOOST FOR MR CLINTON AND IT IS LIKELY TO BOOST HIS ELECTORAL CHANCES IN CAR-MAKING STATES."

2. BOSNIA / FUTURE OF THE UN

THE CONSERVATIVE TIMES COMMENTED:

"A LOT OF (THE DEBATE ABOUT THE ROLE OF THE UN IN AMERICA) IS NOT REALLY ABOUT THE UN AT ALL, BUT ABOUT WHO SETS AMERICA'S FOREIGN POLICY AGENDA. BUT THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE WORLD CAN ASSUME THAT AMERICA HAS ALWAYS BLOWN HOT AND COLD ON THE UN AND THAT THIS IS JUST A BAD PATCH." SEE FULLER TEXT BELOW.

3. "MIDDLE EAST PEACE PROCESS

ONE EDITORIAL. SEE TEXT BELOW.

C. TEXT

1. U.S.-JAPAN TRADE ROW

"U.S. AND JAPAN SETTLE CAR TRADE ROW"

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

"THE U.S. AND JAPAN YESTERDAY STRUCK A DEAL IN THEIR CAR

TRADE DISPUTE ONLY HOURS BEFORE WASHINGTON WAS DUE TO IMPOSE TOUGH SANCTIONS ON JAPANESE CAR MAKERS.

"U.S. PRESIDENT BILL CLINTON SAID HE DROPPED THE THREAT OF SANCTIONS AFTER THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT AGREED TO UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 10 LONDON 009139

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DEREGULATE ITS CAR PARTS MARKET AND CAR MANUFACTURERS
THERE PROMISED TO INCREASE PURCHASES OF U.S. CAR PARTS
FOR FACTORIES IN NORTH AMERICA.

"THE CARMAKERS, INCLUDING TOYOTA, NISSAN AND HONDA, ALSO
REAFFIRMED THEIR MARCH 1994 PURCHASE PLANS TO INCREASE
IMPORTS OF FOREIGN-MADE PARTS FOR PRODUCTION IN JAPAN.
THE MIXTURE OF OLD AND NEW PLEDGES PROMPTED BOTH SIDES TO
CLAIM VICTORY.

"MR CLINTON WELCOMED THE AGREEMENT AS A 'MAJOR STEP
FORWARD' FOR FREE TRADE, AS A 'GREAT VICTORY' FOR THE
U.S. WORKER AND A 'GOOD DEAL' FOR THE JAPANESE CONSUMER.
... BUT MR RYUATARO HASHIMOTO, JAPAN'S MINISTER OF
INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY, SAID JAPAN HAD BEEN
ABLE TO 'MAINTAIN ITS BASIC PRINCIPLES' -- REFERRING TO
ITS OPPOSITION TO FIXED NUMERICAL TARGETS FOR FOREIGN
CARS AND CAR PARTS IMPORTED INTO JAPAN."

"THE JAPAN THAT SAYS NO"

THE SAME PAPER COMMENTED IN ITS BACK PAGE 'LEX' COLUMN:

"NO AMOUNT OF AMERICAN RHETORIC CAN DISGUISE THE FACT
THAT JAPAN HAS WON THE LATEST TRADE BATTLE. THE MAIN
BONE OF CONTENTION, COMMITMENT TO A SPECIFIED INCREASE IN
IMPORTS OF U.S. MOTOR COMPONENTS, HAS BEEN DROPPED.

MEANWHILE, THE JAPANESE CAR MANUFACTURERS HAVE AGREED TO
DO WHAT THEY ALREADY WANTED TO: INCREASE PRODUCTION

OFFSHORE. GIVEN THE IMPACT OF THE EVER RISING YEN, JAPANESE PRODUCTION HAS BECOME INCREASINGLY UNCOMPETITIVE. THE CAR MANUFACTURERS HAVE LONG HELD PLANS TO INCREASE U.S. PRODUCTION, BUT SUCH ACTION RISKED GOVERNMENT CRITICISM FOR SACRIFICING JAPANESE JOBS. AFTER THIS TRADE AGREEMENT, IT WILL BE INTERPRETED AS POLITICAL SACRIFICE.

"THE U.S. WAS ALWAYS TREADING ON DIFFICULT GROUND. IT WAS WAVING A FREE-TRADE BANNER, WHILE PROMOTING U.S. TRADE TO THE EXCLUSION OF ITS OVERSEAS COMPETITORS. MEANWHILE, IT WAS FIGHTING AGAINST A MARKET WITH FEW VISIBLE BARRIERS, AND STRONG GROWTH IN FOREIGN CAR IMPORTS. THE MAJOR OBSTACLES TO IMPORTS HAS BEEN TRADITIONAL JAPANESE BUSINESS PRACTICES, RATHER THAN REGULATION. THE AMERICAN TARIFF THREAT HAS AT LEAST ENCOURAGED SEVERAL DEALS OFFERING SOME FOREIGN MAKERS IMPROVED MARKET ACCESS. SINCE DEMAND FOR CHEAP IMPORTS IS GROWING, PRESIDENT CLINTON SHOULD BE ABLE TO SELL THE DEAL.

"IN ADDITION TO RELIEF FOR JAPAN'S CARMAKERS, THE RESOLUTION PROVIDES SOME RELIEF FOR THE RISING YEN. DIRECT INVESTMENT OFFSHORE AND INCREASING IMPORTS WILL ACCELERATE THE DECLINE IN THE YEN-DENOMINATED TRADE SURPLUS. AS THE SURPLUS SHRINKS, U.S. TRADE THREATS SHOULD BECOME A THING OF THE PAST."

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THE SAME PAPER SAID IN A SEPARATE ITEM:

"SIGNIFICANTLY, THE LACK OF AN INDUSTRY-WIDE TARGET FOR FOREIGN PARTS PROCUREMENT, WHICH THE U.S. HAD BEEN SEEKING AND WHICH WAS THE MOST CONTENTIOUS ISSUE IN THE TALKS, WILL MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR THE U.S. TO HOLD EACH

INDIVIDUAL COMPANY RESPONSIBLE FOR ATTAINING ITS OWN
SELF-APPOINTED BUSINESS GOAL.

"PACT BRINGS WIDESPREAD RELIEF TO DEALERS IN U.S."

THE SAME PAPER SAID IN A SEPARATE ITEM:

"JAPANESE CAR DEALERS IN THE U.S. AND DOMESTIC COMPONENTS
MAKERS FACED A BRIGHTER FUTURE AND MORE SCURE
LIVELIHOODS YESTERDAY AS THE U.S. AND JAPAN REACHED A
DEAL TO RESOLVE THEIR CAR TRADE DISPUTE.

"INDUSTRY WIDELY WELCOMED THE U.S. AND JAPANESE DEAL
WHICH TOOK THE SIDES BACK FROM THE BRINK OF A TRADE
ACTION WHICH COULD HAVE SEVERELY DAMAGED THEIR BILATERAL
RELATIONSHIP.

"INITIAL RELIEF, HOWEVER, WAS TEMPERED BY ABIDING CAUTION
AS COMPANIES AND VEHICLE ASSOCIATIONS AWAITED MORE
DETAILED BREAKDOWNS OF PROPOSED PURCHASES, AND DETAILS OF
THE SETTLEMENT FROM THEIR REPRESENTATIVES IN GENEVA. ...

"A SENIOR CONGRESSIONAL AIDE IN WASHINGTON SAID YESTERDAY
THERE WERE STILL OUTSTANDING CONCERNS THAT 'TRADITIONAL
AMERICAN SUPPLIERS' OR PURELY U.S. COMPANIES, WOULD REAP
MOST OF THE BENEFITS OF THE ACCORD, RATHER THAN JAPANESE
JOINT VENTURES OR TRANSPLANTS. HE ALSO HAD PRAISE FOR
CLINTON ADMINISTRATION AND U.S. TRADE NEGOTIATORS WHO, HE
SAID, HAD 'REALLY STUCK THEIR NECKS OUT TO DO WHAT IS

RIGHT'."

"U.S. PLACES ITS TRUST IN JAPAN"

AND IN A SPERATE ITEM:

"MOST OF THE CONCESSIONS FALL A LONG WAY SHORT OF THE
MUSCULAR GOVERNMENT INTERVENTION THE U.S. HAD ORIGINALLY
SOUGHT. NONETHELESS, WASHINGTON ESTIMATES THEY WILL
ALLOW BETWEEN 7,000 AND 8,000 OF JAPAN'S 63,000 REPAIR
GARAGES TO COMPETE MORE FREELY AND RAISE THE NUMBER OF
DEALERS STOCKING U. S. CARS TO 200 NEXT YEAR -- AND 1,000
BY THE END OF THE CENTURY.

"HOWEVER, MEETING THESE TARGETS WILL RELY HEAVILY ON THE
RESPONSE FROM JAPANESE COMPANIES, ON WHOSE NON-BINDING
UNDERTAKINGS THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE OVERALL AGREEMENT
WILL DEPEND."

"LAST "INUTE TALKS SOLVE U.S.-JAPAN CAR DISPUTE"

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THE CONSERVATIVE TIMES REPORTED:

"LAST MINUTE TALKS BETWEEN AMERICA AND JAPAN SECURED AN
 AGREEMENT ON CAR TRADE THAT ALLOWED WASHINGTON TO DROP
 SANCTIONS IT PLANNED TO IMPOSE ON \$5.9BN WORTH OF
 JAPANESE LUXURY CARS.

"NEWS OF THE END TO THE BITTER DISPUTE, WHICH HAD
 THREATENED TO ESCALATE INTO TRADE WAR AND UNDERMINE THE
 CREDIBILITY OF THE FLEDGLING WTO, PUSHED UP THE DOLLAR
 AND WALL STREET.

"MICKEY KANTOR AND RYUATARO HASHIMOTO THRASHED OUT THE
 DEAL IN GENEVA JUST BEFORE YESTERDAY'S DEADLINE FOR THE
 PUNITIVE AMERICAN TRADE SANCTIONS WERE TO GO INTO EFFECT.

JAPAN, WHICH HAD ARGUED THAT THE ISSUE HAD TO BE SETTLED
 BY THE WTO, REJECTED THE NUMERICAL TARGETS AMERICA
 INSISTED WERE NECESSARY TO ENSURE FULL ACCESS FOR U.S.
 CAR AND COMPONENT MAKERS TO PENETRATE THE JAPANESE
 MARKET. ...

"THE PRESIDENT DESCRIBED THE DEAL AS A MAJOR STEP TOWARDS
 FREE TRADE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD AND SAID IT WOULD CREATE
 THOUSANDS OF NEW JOBS FOR AMERICAN WORKERS. TAKING
 IMMEDIATE CREDIT FOR BROKERING AN AGREEMENT THAT HAS
 ELUDED WASHINGTON FOR 20 YEARS, MR CLINTON SAID HIS
 NEGOTIATING TEAM HAD STUCK TO THE TERMS OF A DEAL THE
 WHITE HOUSE HAD INSISTED UPON. ...

"MR CLINTON PRAISED THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT FOR ITS
 COURAGE AND VISION, BUT MADE NO MENTION OF HIS
 ADMINISTRATION'S TOUGH APPROACH TO THE TALKS. HE DID NOT
 OUTLINE WHAT PENALTIES JAPAN MIGHT FACE IF IT DID NOT
 MEET THE REQUIRED TARGETS, BUT SAID THE RECORD \$66BN
 AMERICAN TRADE DEFICIT WITH JAPAN WOULD BE REDUCED
 CONSIDERABLY AS A RESULT OF THE DEAL. THE WHITE HOUSE
 WILL VIEW THE AGREEMENT AS A SIGNIFICANT POLITICAL BOOST
 FOR MR CLINTON AND IT IS LIKELY TO BOOST HIS ELECTORAL
 CHANCES IN CAR-MAKING STATES."

"JAPAN'S DAYS OF BOWING AND APOLOGIZING TO U.S. ARE OVER"

THE SAME PAPER COMMENTED IN A SEPARATE ITEM:

"IN THE POT AND KETTLE SLANGING MATCH THAT HAS PASSED FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN TOKYO AND WASHINGTON, THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAS SELDOM BEEN SO SURE OF ITS POSITION, SO OPENLY ENRAGED AND SO UTTERLY CONTEMPTUOUS OF THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION AS IT IS TODAY.

"ALTHOUGH AGREEMENT WAS REACHED YESTERDAY -- HOURS BEFORE THE DEADLINE EXPIRED FOR WASHINGTON TO WITHDRAW ITS TARIFF THREAT -- THERE HAD BEEN MUCH FRAYING OF TEMPERS IN THE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI), JAPAN'S INDUSTRIAL STANDARD BEARER. THE U.S. HAD THREATENED TO IMPOSE 100 PER CENT TARIFFS ON JAPANESE-MADE LUXURY CARS SOLD IN THE U.S. UNLESS THE JAPANESE BUY MORE U.S.-MADE CAR PARTS. IRONICALLY, WE SHOULD IN SOME UNCLAS SECTION 05 OF 10 LONDON 009139

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WAYS BE REJOICING. FOR THE FIRST TIME, WE ARE SEEING JAPANESE OFFICIALS FIGHTING A GROWN-UP GAME. NO LONGER ARE THEY PREPARED TO PLAY THE ROLE OF THE INFERIOR PARTY DEPENDENT ON FOREIGN MARKETS AND THE GOODWILL OF FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS. NO LONGER WILL THEY BOW AND APOLOGIZE PIANISSIMO, PROMISE TO MAKE AMENDS AND THEN PROCEED TO DO ABSOLUTELY NOTHING.

"THEY HAVE OCCUPIED THE MORAL HIGH GROUND, THEY BELIEVE THEMSELVES TO BE LEGALLY BOLSTERED BY THE WTO AND THEY ARE CONFIDENTLY STANDING FIRM AGAINST AMERICA ON INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED GROUNDS. PERHAPS IT IS FOR THIS REASON THAT THE DISPUTE HAS TURNED SO UGLY. TOKYO'S MANDARINS ARE ALREADY TALKING AGGRESSIVELY OF POSSIBLE RETALIATION. AS ONE MITI OFFICIAL PUT IT: 'NO AMERICAN PRESIDENT HAS EVER DONE ANYTHING SO STUPID. THIS IS A CLEAR VIOLATION OF WTO RULES. THIS IS PART OF CLINTON'S ELECTION CAMPAIGN. UNFORTUNATELY WE MAY HAVE TO HIT BACK WITH SOMETHING THAT MIGHT DAMAGE HIM PERSONALLY.'

"FROM ONE WHOSE MOST CAUSAL OPINION IS NORMALLY DEEPLY PONDERED AND DELIBERATE, THE RAGE UNDERLYING THIS MESSAGE IS CHILLINGLY ELOQUENT. IF JAPAN HITS BACK, IT INTENDS TO HIT HARD. THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY OF ARKANSAS, FOR EXAMPLE, HAS ALREADY BEEN SINGLED OUT PRECISELY BECAUSE CLINTON HAS DEMONSTRATED A PERSONAL INTEREST IN IT IN THE PAST.

"IF SUCH TIT FOR TAT SWIPING WERE TO BEGIN IN EARNEST, THE DAMAGE TO INTERNATIONAL TRADE FLOW COULD BE DEVASTATING. BUT JAPAN, HAVING CALLED WTO RULES INTO PLAY FOR ITS COUNTER-CHARGE AGAINST THE U.S., IS UNLIKELY TO RETALIATE IN SUCH A PUBLIC FASHION UNLESS SANCTIONED BY THE WTO.

"THE MORE DISTURBING OUTCOME OF JAPAN'S NEW POLITICAL BARGAINING MATURITY IS THE FACT THAT IT HAS HIGHLIGHTED THE GAP, CULTURAL AS WELL AS POLITICAL AND EMOTIONAL, THAT IS CLEARLY WIDENING BETWEEN THE TWO MOST POWERFUL ECONOMIES IN THE WORLD. THE PSYCHOLOGICAL DISTANCE IS OPENING UP BETWEEN THE U.S. AND ASIA, SAID THE MITI OFFICIAL. 'AMERICA MAY NOT REALIZE QUITE HOW MUCH IT HAS LOST CREDIBILITY IN THIS PART OF THE WORLD'. ...

"IN STRICTLY LEGAL TERMS, THE JAPANESE MAY BE JUSTIFIED IN CLAIMING THEIR MARKET TO BE ONE OF THE WORLD'S MOST OPEN. BUT IT IS ALSO ONE OF THE WORLD'S HARDEST TO CRACK. JAPANESE BUSINESSMEN WILL INSIST ON SPEAKING JAPANESE, A LANGUAGE IN WHICH FOREIGNERS USUALLY HAVE LITTLE FACILITY. CONSUMERS ARE EXTREMELY DEMANDING AND FOREIGN PRODUCTS HAVE TO BE VERY GOOD TO SELL IN JAPAN.

"FROM THIS REASONABLY DEFENSIBLE POSITION, JAPAN'S TRADE

NEGOTIATORS APPEAR TO BE GROWING MORE CONFIDENT AS EACH TRADE DISPUTE ERUPTS. EVEN IF THIS PUSHES THEIR U.S. COUNTERPARTS TO REGRESS TOWARDS KINDERGARTEN TACTICS OF LASHING OUT TO BLAME OTHERS, IT DEMONSTRATES THAT JAPAN
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IS GROWING UP. IF IT STAYS THE COURSE, JAPAN SHOULD BE APPLAUDED FOR THIS."

"U.S. AND JAPAN REACH LAST MINUTE CAR DEAL"

THE CENTRIST INDEPENDENT REPORTED:

"JAPAN AND THE U.S. REACHED A PACT OVER SALES OF CARS AND CAR PARTS YESTERDAY AT THE ELEVENTH HOUR, AVERTING U.S. SANCTIONS THAT COULD IN TURN HAVE TRIGGERED A DAMAGING TRADE WAR BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

"NEWS OF THE DEAL, NEGOTIATED IN GENEVA BETWEEN THE U.S. TRADE REPRESENTATIVE, MICKEY KANTOR, AND THE JAPANESE FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER RYUATARO HASHIMOTO, WAS INSTANTLY HAILED BY THE BIG THREE U.S. CAR COMPANIES AS A BREAKTHROUGH.

"HOWEVER, THE DEAL FELL SOME WAY SHORT OF ORIGINAL U.S. DEMANDS. THOUGH IT CONTAINS SOME JAPANESE CONCESSIONS, IT OFFERS NONE OF THE NUMERICAL TARGETS THAT THE U.S. HAD BEEN SEEKING. NOR IS IT A LEGALLY BINDING CONTRACT.

"HOWEVER, ITS INSTANT EFFECT WAS TO FORESTALL THE U.S. SANCTIONS THAT HAD BEEN SCHEDULED TO COME INTO EFFECT AT MIDNIGHT LAST NIGHT. WORTH \$6BN, THEY WOULD HAVE ENACTED 100 PER CENT TARIFFS AGAINST 13 MODELS OF LUXURY JAPANESE CARS SOLD IN THE U.S. BY TOYOTA, NISSAN, HONDA AND MITSUBISHI. THERE HAD BEEN FEARS THAT TOKYO MIGHT HAVE

RETALIATED BY BARRING IMPORTS OF U.S. BEEF. WELCOMING THE DEAL, PRESIDENT BILL CLINTON IN WASHINGTON DESCRIBED IT AS 'SPECIFIC' AND 'MEASURABLE' AND A 'MAJOR BREAKTHROUGH TOWARD FREE TRADE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD'.

...

"ANTICIPATING COMPLAINTS THAT THE ARRANGEMENT AMOUNTS TO LITTLE "ORE THAN A GENTLEMAN'S AGREEMENT, MR KANTOR INSISTED THAT 'CONCRETE CRITERIA' HAD BEEN SET WHEREBY PROGRESS IN HONORING THE DEAL COULD BE MEASURED. 'THIS IS A SIGNIFICANT STEP TO FUNDAMENTAL CHANGE, IT IS SOLID, IT IS "EANINGFUL AND IT IS CONCRETE,' MR KANTOR TOLD JOURNALISTS.

"HOWEVER, SKEPTICS WILL SURELY POINT TO JAPAN'S POOR HISTORY OF HONORING AGREEMENTS WITH THE U.S. OVER MORE THAN TWO DECADES OF WRANGLING OVER ACCESS TO ITS MARKETS."

"U.S.-JAPAN CAR TRADE DEAL SIGNED"

THE LIBERAL GUARDIAN REPORTED:

"THE U.S. AND JAPAN YESTERDAY ACHIEVED A BREAKTHROUGH IN THEIR TRADE DISPUTE JUST HOURS BEFORE \$6BN IN SANCTIONS

AGAINST JAPANESE CARS WERE DUE TO COME INTO EFFECT.

"THE COMPROMISE IN GENEVA ALLOWED BOTH SIDES TO CLAIM VICTORY AND AVERTED A DANGEROUS ESCALATION IN TENSION
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BETWEEN TWO OF THE WORLD'S BIGGEST TRADING PARTNERS.
'JAPAN HAS AGREED THAT IT WILL BEGIN TO TRULY OPEN ITS
AUTO AND AUTO PARTS MARKET TO AMERICANS,' PRESIDENT
CLINTON SAID IN WASHINGTON. 'THIS AGREEMENT IS SPECIFIC,

IT IS MEASURABLE. IT WILL ACHIEVE REAL, CONCRETE
RESULTS. '... JAPAN ALSO CLAIMED VICTORY FROM THE TALKS."

"U.S. AND JAPAN CLINCH CARS DEAL"

THE CONSERVATIVE DAILY TELEGRAPH REPORTED:

"THE U.S. AND JAPAN LAST NIGHT SUCCEEDED IN AVERTING A
TRADE WAR BETWEEN THE WORLD'S TWO LARGEST ECONOMIES WHEN
THEY STRUCK A LAST MINUTE DEAL ENDING THEIR BITTER
DISPUTE OVER CARS AND CAR PARTS. ... THE BELEAGUERED
DOLLAR LEAPT ON THE NEWS AS TRADERS HOPED THE U.S. WOULD
FINALLY BEGIN TO REDUCE ITS HUGE TRADE DEFICIT WITH
JAPAN. ...

"UNDER LAST NIGHT'S AGREEMENT, THE U.S. APPEARED TO HAVE
SOFTENED ITS STANCE ON NUMERICAL TARGETS AS JAPAN'S BIG
CAR MAKERS YESTERDAY ANNOUNCED PLANS TO INCREASE
VOLUNTARILY THEIR PURCHASES OF AMERICAN CAR PARTS.
PERHAPS MORE IMPORTANT POLITICALLY FOR MR CLINTON
N,
JAPANESE CAR MAKERS ALSO SAID THEY WILL EXPAND PRODUCTION
IN THE U.S., CREATING MORE AMERICAN JOBS. MR CLINTON
HAILED THE DEAL AS A 'MAJOR STEP TOWARD FREE TRADE
THROUGHOUT THE WORLD,' AND ADDED: 'THIS AGREEMENT IS
SPECIFIC. IT IS MEASURABLE. IT WILL ACHIEVE REAL,
CONCRETE RESULTS."

2. BOSNIA / FUTURE OF THE UN

"WILL THE U.S. DITCH THE UN?"

WRITING IN THE CONSERVATIVE TIMES, AUTHOR OF A BOOK ON THE UN ROSEMARY RIGHTER COMMENTED:

"THE WICKED FAIRY RARELY MISSES A UN CELEBRATION. EVEN IN 1945, STALIN SAW TO THAT. WHEN THE UN CHARTER WAS SIGNED IN SAN FRANCISCO ON JUNE 26, POLAND WAS ABSENT: ITS LEADER WERE DETAINED IN MOSCOW. PRESIDENT WALESZA'S PRESENCE IN SAN FRANCISCO FOR THIS WEEK'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY WAS AN IMPORTANT SYMBOL. BUT HE WAS THE ONLY HEAD OF STATE TO JOIN BILL CLINTON; AND THAT HAS ITS SYMBOLISM TOO.

"THE VAGUE WORDS ABOUT 'STRENGTHENING THE UN' AT THE HALIFAX SUMMIT LAST WEEK GIVE BARELY A HINT OF THE WEST'S EXASPERATION AT THE DILUTION OF THE UN'S POTENTIAL IN THOUSANDS OF POINTLESS LITTLE PROGRAMS, ITS INEXCUSABLE MALADMINISTRATION AND ITS RESISTANCE TO REFORM. IN LONDON ON MONDAY, THE BRITISH GENIUS FOR CEREMONIAL CARRIED THINGS THROUGH. BUT AS OFFICIALS DELICATELY PUT IT, 'THE EXTERNAL ENVIRONMENT IS NOT CONDUCIVE TO CELEBRATION'.

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"FOR 'EXTERNAL ENVIRONMENT' READ THE AMERICAN CONGRESS, WHERE CUTS IN CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE UN ARE PLANNED WHICH WOULD BANKRUPT UN PEACEKEEPING AND LEAVE MUCH OF THE REST OF THE ORGANIZATION ON LIFE SUPPORT. ... BUT STILL MORE SIGNIFICANT IS A POLITICAL MOOD THAT QUESTIONS THE VALUE OF INVESTING ANY AMERICAN POLITICAL CAPITAL IN THE UN.

"AMERICAN IMPATIENCE WITH THE UN'S SPRAWLING MACHINERY IS NEITHER NEW NOR UNJUSTIFIED. UNDER BOTH REAGAN AND BUSH

THE U.S. TRIED, IN FITS AND STARTS, TO PERSUADE GOVERNMENTS TO THINK SERIOUSLY ABOUT WHAT WE NEED GLOBAL MACHINERY FOR -- AND WHICH AGENCIES AND PROGRAMS ARE STILL WORTH THEIR HIRE. SO DEEPLY INGRAINED WAS THE IDEA THAT INEFFECTIVENESS IS 'THE PRICE YOU PAY FOR

UNIVERSALIS"' THAT AMERICA THEN WON LITTLE BACKING, EVEN FROM ITS ALLIES. NOW, WITH THE EUROPEANS FINALLY ACKNOWLEDGING THE NEED FOR SURGERY, MANY ON THE HILL ARE SAYING THAT THE PATIENT MIGHT BE BETTER LEFT TO DIE.

"UNLESS A FEW POWERFUL GOVERNMENTS ARE WILLING TO USE THE POWER OF THE PURSE TO WINNOW OUT THE POINTLESS, THE UN'S SLIDE INTO IRRELEVANCE MAY BE IRREVERSIBLE. WITH MORE THAN 100 UNITS AND AGENCIES, IT WOULD TAKE A WHOLESALE "ASSACRE OF UN SACRED COWS TO DRAG IT INTO THE NEXT CENTURY. BUT 185 STATES CANNOT BE EXPECTED TO DECIDE WHERE TO PRUNE; THEY WOULD NEVER AGREE TO SEND A SINGLE COMMITTEE TO THE KNACKER'S. IT IS TIME FOR A DECISIVE WESTERN LEAD.

"BUT THE FORCES IN WASHINGTON TODAY ARE LED NOT BY REFORMERS, BUT BY REPUBLICANS WHO SEE THE UN AS AN INCUBUS SAPPING AMERICA'S TREASURE AND INHIBITING THE USE OF ITS POWER. ...

"JESSE HELMS, THE POWERFUL OLD WAR HORSE IN CHARGE OF THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, IS NOT THE MAIN PROBLEM. HE BLASTS THE UN AS THE 'NEMESIS OF MILLIONS OF AMERICANS ' -- A WILD OVERSTATEMENT OF ITS POWER. HE HAS NEVER SEEN A FOREIGN AID BILL HE LIKED, AND GIVEN THE CHANCE WOULD PULL AMERICA OUT OF NATO FOR GOOD MEASURE. BUT HIS DETESTATION OF 'ABROAD' IS SO EXTREME THAT HE ENDS UP FRIGHTENING THE HORSES ON HIS OWN SIDE. ROBERT DOLE, THE SENATE MAJORITY LEADER, IS A MORE FORMIDABLE PROPOSITION. HE ARGUES THAT BY UNDERMINING AMERICAN SOVEREIGNTY, MULTILATERALISM MAKES GENUINE U.S. LEADERSHIP IMPOSSIBLE, SOWS DOUBT AMONG VOTERS ABOUT WHETHER AMERICA CONTROLS ITS OWN FOREIGN POLICY, AND SO

ENCOURAGES ISOLATIONISM. AND THE MORE THE EUROPEAN ALLIES TAKE HIM TO TASK, THE BETTER HE LIKES IT. ...

"A LOT OF THIS IS NOT REALLY ABOUT THE UN AT ALL, BUT ABOUT WHO SETS AMERICA'S FOREIGN POLICY AGENDA. BUT THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE WORLD CAN ASSUME THAT AMERICA HAS ALWAYS BLOWN HOT AND COLD ON THE UN AND THAT THIS IS JUST A BAD PATCH. THE BRITISH, WHO UNDERSTAND THIS BETTER THAN MOST, ARE PUSHING FOR A NEW, INCENTIVE-BASED
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APPROACH TO UN REFORM. THE IDEA IS TO IDENTIFY TASKS
WHERE THERE IS NO PROPER SUBSTITUTE FOR JOINT ACTION, AND
SWITCH FUNDS TO THOSE PARTS OF THE UN WHICH HAVE A REAL
JOB TO DO AND ARE CAPABLE OF DOING IT. THIS WOULD PUT
THE HORSE OF POLICY BACK IN FRONT OF THE INSTITUTIONAL
CART: UN HEADS WOULD HAVE TO SHOW WHERE THEY MIGHT FIT IN
A NEW ORDER. IT COULD WORK -- WITH STURDY AMERICAN
BACKING. BUT IF THE U.S. TAKES AWAY ITS MARBLES, THE UN
GAME BECOMES DIFFICULT TO PLAY AT ALL. THAT IS JUST WHAT
MANY IN THE NEW AMERICAN RIGHT NOW WANT."

"BOSNIAN SKIES"

THE INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL TIMES EDITORIALIZED:

"GERMANY'S WILLINGNESS TO TAKE A MORE ACTIVE PART IN
PEACEKEEPING MISSIONS HAS BEEN WARMLY WELCOMED BY ITS
ALLIES. IT IS BOTH INEVITABLE AND DESIRABLE THAT
EUROPE'S LEADING ECONOMIC POWER SHOULD PLAY A MORE
PROMINENT ROLE IN THE COLLECTIVE SECURITY EFFORTS OF THE
VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS -- FROM THE UN TO WEU -- TO WHICH
IT BELONGS.

"YET THE DEPLOYMENT IN THE BOSNIAN SKIES OF SOME OF THE

"OST SOPHISTICATED FIGHTER-BOMBERS IN EUROPE -- A MOVE
WHICH THE BUNDESTAG IS EXPECTED TO ENDORSE TOMORROW -- IS
THE WRONG ACTION IN THE WRONG PLACE. IN THE
CIRCUMSTANCES, GERMAN SOCIAL DEMOCRATS ARE RIGHT TO BE
DUBIOUS.

"FAR FROM PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATE AND RELATIVELY SAFE
TESTING GROUND FOR THE PRINCIPLE OF GERMAN INVOLVEMENT IN
'OUT OF AREA' MILITARY MISSIONS, THE PROPOSED DISPATCH TO
BOSNIA OF GERMAN TORNADOES LOOKS ALL TOO LIKELY TO REOPEN
HISTORICAL WOUNDS, AND PROVIDE THE BALKAN HATE MACHINE
WITH AN UNDESERVED BOOST.

"IN THE PECULIAR WORLD VIEW DISSEMINATED BY SERB
PROPAGANDISTS, IT IS AN ARTICLE OF FAITH THAT THE
COLLAPSE OF YUGOSLAVIA IN 1991, AND THE OCCUPATION AND
PARTITION OF THE COUNTRY BY THE NAZIS, FORM PART OF A
SINGLE CONSPIRACY AGAINST THE NATION. TO AN OUTSIDER
THIS MAY SOUND LIKE PARANOIA; BUT SUCH THEORIES HAVE A

STRONG ENOUGH GRIP ON SERB HEARTS AND MINDS TO HAVE PROVIDED A PATH TO POWER FOR PRESIDENT MILOSEVIC AND HIS PROXIES.

"THE ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT OF GERMAN FORCES IN THE BOSNIAN CONFLICT WOULD GALVANIZE THE MOST EXTREME NATIONALISTS, AND STRAIN THE FAITH OF THOSE SERBS WHO HAVE SO FAR RESISTED THEIR BLANDISHMENTS.

"GERMANY IS RIGHT TO SET ABOUT THE NECESSARY TASK OF REBUILDING ITSELF AS A RESPECTED, RESPONSIBLE PLAYER IN INTERNATIONAL PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS. BUT AN ACTION OPEN TO CHALLENGE IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL, AND AN ENVIRONMENT STILL POISONED BY HISTORICAL GRIEVANCES, IS

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SCARCELY AN APPROPRIATE BEGINNING."

3. MIDDLE EAST PEACE PROCESS

"STICKING TO THE TIMETABLE OF PEACE"

THE LIBERAL GUARDIAN EDITORIALIZED:

"WHEN IS A DEADLINE A DEAD LETTER? WHEN IT HAS BEEN SET IN THE ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN PROCESS, NOW LIMPING TOWARDS ANOTHER TIMETABLED HURDLE ON SATURDAY AMID THE USUAL CONFUSION. BACK IN MARCH THE TALKS ON EXPANDING PALESTINIAN SELF-RULE WERE GOING SO BADLY THAT IT WAS AGREED -- WITH NO CLEAR LOGIC -- TO FIX JULY 1 AS THE TARGET DATE. ISRAEL INSTANTLY TALKED DOWN THE AGREEMENT BY SAYING IT WAS ONLY AN 'ASPIRATION'. BUT IT HAS RAISED EXPECTATIONS, WHICH BOTH SIDES KNOW THEY HAVE TO SATISFY AT LEAST ON THE MARGIN. IN PARTICULAR, SOME PROGRESS MUST BE SHOWN ON ISRAELI DEPLOYMENT FROM THE POPULATED AREAS OF THE WEST BANK TO ALLOW ELECTIONS FOR A PALESTINIAN COUNCIL TO GO AHEAD. EARLIER THIS WEEK THERE

WERE OPTIMISTIC REPORTS THAT THE PALESTINIANS NOW
ACCEPTED ISRAEL'S PROPOSAL FOR A 'PARTIAL' REDEPLOYMENT,
WITH SOME TOWNS RELINQUISHED BEFORE THE ELECTIONS AND
SOME AFTERWARDS. YESTERDAY THE PLO HALF-DENIED THIS,
SAYING THAT WHILE REDEPLOYMENT MIGHT BE PHASED, ELECTIONS
WOULD ONLY BE HELD IN AREAS WHERE IT WAS COMPLETE. BUT
THE DETAILS ARE LIKELY TO BE BLURRED IN WHAT MAY BE
PRESENTED THIS WEEKEND AS ANOTHER 'PARTIAL' AGREEMENT.
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"ISRAEL ARGUES THAT IT IS MORE IMPORTANT TO GET THE
DETAILS RIGHT AND THAT THE SECURITY SITUATION MUST TA
KE

PRECEDENCE. WHY STICK TO ARBITRARY DATES ON THE CALENDAR
IF IT "EANS RISKING ISRAELI LIVES? YET THE TIMETABLE HAS
A PURPOSE, BOTH TO INDICATE GOOD FAITH AND TO ENSURE THAT
THE PEACE PROCESS WILL BE SEEN TO PRODUCE RESULTS. IF
MORE PALESTINIANS LOSE HOPE AND TURN TO VIOLENCE (AS SO
MANY ALREADY HAVE), ISRAEL'S SECURITY WILL NEVER BE
GUARANTEED. A DISPOSSESSED AND ALIENATED PEOPLE CANNOT
BE KEPT WAITING FOR EVER." MCBRIDE
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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT WALESIA URGES CONGRESS TO CONTINUE
FUNDING U.S. MEMBERSHIP IN THE ILO

1. IN A JUNE 1 LETTER TO SENATE MAJORITY LEADER DOLE, PRESIDENT WALESIA URGED THE CONGRESS TO RECONSIDER A PROPOSAL BY SENATOR HELMS TO CEASE USG CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ILO. OUR UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF WALESIA'S LETTER FOLLOWS BELOW. WE HAVE FAXED COPIES OF THE ORIGINAL AND OUR TRANSLATION TO DRL/IL AND THE ILO OFFICE IN WASHINGTON.

BEGIN TEXT:

WARSAW, JUNE 1, 1995

DEAR MR. SENATOR!

I HAVE LEARNED THAT IN THE CONTEXT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY'S BROAD PROGRAM TO BALANCE THE BUDGET, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, SENATOR JESSE HELMS, HAS PROPOSED TO CEASE FINANCING, AND, AS A RESULT, TO WITHDRAW THE UNITED STATES FROM THE ILO. UNDERSTANDING THE NEED TO LIMIT VARIOUS GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES, CONSIDERING THE PARTICULAR MEANING OF THE ILO, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK YOU TO RECONSIDER THIS PROPOSAL. I VERY MUCH VALUE THE MORE THAN 70 YEARS OF THE ILO'S ACHIEVEMENTS. I DEEPLY BELIEVE IN THE MEANING OF

PROMOTING DEMOCRACY AT THE PLANT LEVEL THROUGH MODERN LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS, PEACEFUL CONFLICT RESOLUTION AND COLLECTIVE BARGAINING NEGOTIATIONS ON WAGES, BENEFITS, AND WORKING CONDITIONS. THE ARE THE BASIC PILLARS OF EVERY SOCIETY GOVERNED BY THE RULE OF LAW, THANKS TO WHICH PEACE BETWEEN NATIONS CAN BEST BE PROMOTED. PEACE CAN BE BUILT ONLY ON THE BASIS OF RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION.

PERSONALLY, I CAME INTO CLOSE CONTACT WITH THE ILO WHEN I HEADED THE "SOLIDARITY" TRADE UNION IN ITS STRUGGLE FOR FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY IN POLAND. THE ILO, THANKS TO THE ACTIVISM OF ITS OFFICIALS, PLAYED A SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN REMINDING THE WORLD OF OUR EXISTANCE AND OUR GOALS. IT SUPPORTED US IN THE MOST DIFFICULT TIMES OF OUR UNDERGROUND EXISTANCE. THE COMMITTEE ON INQUIRY CREATED BY THE ILO AFTER THE IMPOSITION OF MARTIAL LAW IN MY COUNTRY MADE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CHANGES WHICH BROUGHT DEMOCRACY TO POLAND.

I KNOW THAT THE ENORMOUS ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE ILO ARE NOT LIMITED TO POLAND. THE ILO OPERATED ACTIVELY AND OPERATES FURTHER ON BEHALF OF ALL THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN FIGHTING TYRANNY AROUND THE WORLD. IT HAS BEEN AND CONTINUES TO BE POSSIBLE TO ACHIEVE THESE NOBLE GOALS THANKS TO THE KEY ROLE WHICH THE UNITED STATES HAS PLAYED IN THIS ORGANIZATION SINCE ITS FOUNDATION IN 1919 BY PRESIDENT WOODROW WILSON. THE FUTURE OF THE ILO WITHOUT THE ENGAGEMENT OF YOUR COUNTRY IS DIFFICULT TO IMAGINE.

THEREFORE, LET ME AGAIN UNDERSCORE THE NEED TO FURTHER SUPPORT THE ILO. I THINK THAT IT IS IN YOUR COUNTRY'S INTEREST, AS WELL AS THAT OF THE ENTIRE WORLD.

(SIGNED)
LECH WALESIA

HIS EXCELLENCY
SENATOR ROBERT DOLE

END TEXT.

2. COMMENT: AFL-CIO PRESIDENT KIRKLAND HAD ASKED PRESIDENT WALESIA IN MAY TO REMIND U.S. CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS OF SOME OF THE EXCELLENT WORK THE ILO HAS DONE HISTORICALLY, USING THE ILO'S ROLE IN ASSISTING THE SOLIDARITY MOVEMENT AS AN EXAMPLE. THIS LETTER IS WALESIA'S RESPONSE. REY

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SUBJ: HAITIAN MEDIA REACTION, JULY 3, 1995

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E.O. 12356: N/A

SUBJECT: HAITIAN MEDIA REACTION, JULY 3, 1995

1. ELECTIONS: IN ITS JUNE 30-JULY 2 EDITION, LE NOUVELLISTE REPORTS "ANSELME REMY CRITICIZES THE IRI'S ATTITUDE". BEGIN QUOTES: "THE PRESIDENT OF THE CEP, IN AN INTERVIEW GIVEN TO RADIO KISKEYA, ON THURSDAY, ACCUSED THE IRI OF HAVING HELPED MESS UP THE ELECTIONS, BY ADOPTING THE ANTI-LAVALASSIEN (PRESIDENT ARISTIDE'S MOVEMENT) CAUSE. ACCORDING TO MR. REMY, THE IRI DID NOT CARE ABOUT EITHER THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DEMOCRACY OR THE ORGANIZATION OF ELECTIONS. 'THEY ARE TAKING CARE OF THEIR OWN BUSINESS IN HAITI. THEY ARE TRANSFERING U.S. POLICY TO HAITI', HE SAID."

2. RADIO STATIONS' BROADCASTS: SIGNAL RADIO BROADCAST CONSECUTIVE ITEMS TITLED: "SEVERAL POLITICAL PARTIES DEMANDED THE CANCELLATION OF THE JUNE 25TH ELECTION;" AND "THE UNITED STATES, THE EUROPEAN UNION AND CANADA HAVE SALUTED THE JUNE 25TH ELECTION THAT THEY CONSIDER A STEP FORWARD FOR DEMOCRACY."

3. CONGRESSIONAL HEARING: IN THE SAME BROADCAST, SIGNAL REPORTS: "SENATOR JESSE HELMS HAS CONVOKED THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE ON JULY 10 TO TALK ABOUT THE RECENT HAITIAN ELECTIONS. SENATOR HELMS WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE MEMBERS' OPINIONS ABOUT THE FRAGILITY OF THE ELECTIONS." ON THE SAME SUBJECT, MAGIK STEREO REPORTS THAT "REYNOLD GEORGES FROM (THE RIGHT-WING POLITICAL PARTY) ALLAH ANNOUNCED THAT ON JULY 10 THE U.S. SENATE WILL MAKE A DECISION ON THE ORGANIZATION OF HAITI'S ELECTIONS. MR. GEORGES, WHO IS IN FAVOR OF THE ANNULMENT OF THE ELECTIONS, TALKS ABOUT AN EVENTUAL AID SUSPENSION TO HAITI IF THE CEP'S POSITION ON THE ELECTIONS REMAINS UNCHANGED. HE ANTICIPATES A CIVIL WAR IF LAVALAS IS PROCLAIMED THE VICTOR."

4. CONATEL AND TV STATIONS: IN SAME ISSUE, LE NOUVELLISTE REFERS TO "THE WAR OF THE FREQUENCIES" BY SAYING: "INDEED, WE UNDERSTAND THAT A TV STATION CAN JAM ANOTHER ONE. THAT CAN EVEN BE A TECHNICAL PROBLEM. BUT WHY SHOULD THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC INTERVENE? PEOPLE ARE MAKING BOTH THOUGHTFUL AND BASELESS COMMENTS ABOUT THIS. ARE THEY TRYING TO KEEP ALL FREE SPACE ON VHF FOR TNH, WHICH IS LOOKING FOR MORE AUDIENCE? OR IS IT TO INCREASE THE AUDIENCE FOR GOVERNMENT PROPAGANDA?"

5. REFUGEES: RADIO METROPOLE CARRIES A REPORT ON "HUNDREDS OF HAITIAN MINORS WHO WERE INTERNED IN GUANTANAMO FOR UP TO ONE YEAR HAVE BEEN AUTHORIZED TO ENTER THE UNITED STATES. UPON THEIR ARRIVAL, THEY WILL BE WELCOMED BY THEIR FAMILIES OR GO TO FOSTER HOMES."

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SUBJECTS:

1. HARRY WU'S ARREST AND US-CHINA RELATIONS
2. US-VIETNAM RELATIONS

HEADLINES AND EXCERPTS:

1. HARRY WU'S ARREST AND US-CHINA RELATIONS

--"WIELDING WRONG WEAPON"

LEADING INDEPENDENT ENGLISH-LANGUAGE SOUTH CHINA MORNING
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(READERSHIP: 223,000)

JULY 14 EDITORIAL

"AMERICAN POLITICIANS HAVE SHORT MEMORIES. RELATIONS
WITH CHINA HAVE ONLY RECENTLY BEGUN TO BE DISENTANGLED
FROM US DOMESTIC POLITICS. NOW, JESSE HELMS, REPUBLICAN
CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, AND
A DEMOCRAT COLLEAGUE HAVE INTRODUCED A RESOLUTION
DEMANDING AN END TO CHINA'S MOST FAVORED NATION (MFN)

TRADING STATUS. ONCE AGAIN CHINA IS BEING DRAGGED INTO THE DOMESTIC AGENDA....

"...THE REPUBLICANS HAVE BECOME THE MOST VOCAL CHINA-BASHERS, WHILE CONGRESSIONAL DEMOCRATS SLINK ALONG ON THEIR COAT-TAILS. TRUE, CHINA'S DETENTION OF AN AMERICAN CITIZEN, HARRY WU HONGDA, AND ITS AWARD OF MAJOR CONTRACTS TO AMERICAN'S EUROPEAN COMPETITORS HAVE HEIGHTENED THE TENSIONS OVER WASHINGTON'S DECISION TO GRANT TAIWANESE PRESIDENT LEE TENG-HUI A VISA. HOWEVER, THE FACTS MR CLINTON WAS FORCED TO FACE UP TO HAVE NOT CHANGED. MFN WITHDRAWAL IS TOO CRUDE A BLUNDERBUSS AND THE RECOIL ON THE ECONOMY TOO VIOLENT TO MAKE IT A USEFUL WEAPON."

--"[US] INTERESTS IN ASIA NO TRIVIAL MATTER; SINO-US CONFLICT NOT EASY TO SETTLE"

INDEPENDENT HONG KONG ECONOMIC JOURNAL
(READERSHIP: 87,000)

JULY 14 EDITORIAL

COMMENTING ON THE NEW YORK TIMES' JULY 13 STORY ON US-CHINA RELATIONS, THE PAPER SAID: "...WE CONSIDER IT IMPOSSIBLE THAT THESE TWO MESSAGES WILL MATERIALIZE. FIRST, WHETHER THE US GOVERNMENT GIVES A GREEN LIGHT FOR LEE TENG-HUI'S US VISIT IS A MATTER OF AMERICA'S INTERNAL AFFAIRS; HOW CAN IT TOLERATE OTHER NATIONS' OPENLY MEDDLING IN THE ISSUE? THE GREEN LIGHT GIVEN BY THE CLINTON ADMINISTRATION FOR LEE TENG-HUI'S US VISIT AT THE END OF MAY WAS A RESULT OF CONGRESSIONAL PRESSURE (NEARLY ALL THE CONGRESSMEN HELD THAT THIS SHOULD BE DONE). AT THE MOMENT, IT IS NOT PRACTICAL TO ASSUME THAT THE CONGRESS' ATTITUDE WILL SUDDENLY CHANGE. AND CONGRESS HAS NOT CHANGED ITS POSITION. HOW CAN THE [US] GOVERNMENT INVITE RIDICULE AND REBUFF BY BEING ANTAGONISTIC TO THE CONGRESS JUST OVER THIS MATTER?...

"AS TO THE MESSAGE THAT CHINA WILL NOT PUT AN AMERICAN CITIZEN HARRY WU IN JAIL EVEN IF IT IS PROVEN THAT HE ENGAGED IN UNLAWFUL ACTIVITIES, THIS IS ALSO HARD TO BELIEVE...WE HOLD THAT THIS IS BEYOND BELIEF, BECAUSE THE CHINESE SIDE WILL NOT BOW TO THE US SIDE'S PRESSURE. AND IN THE US GOVERNMENT'S EYES, HARRY WU IS NOT AS IMPORTANT AS SUCH. IT WILL IN NO WAY EXCHANGE ITS TAIWAN POLICY FOR HARRY WU'S FREEDOM.

"WE DO NOT KNOW HOW RELIABLE THE SOURCE OF THE NEW YORK TIMES' STORY IS. IF THERE WERE REALLY TWO DIPLOMATIC OFFICIALS WHO GAVE HIM (THE REPORTER OF NEW YORK TIMES) SUCH A BRIEFING, WE BELIEVE THAT THEY WERE PROBABLY PLAYING A JOKE."

2. US-VIETNAM RELATIONS

--"US-VIETNAM RIFT SEALED, BUT WOUNDS STILL HAVE TO HEAL"

INDEPENDENT ENGLISH-LANGUAGE EASTERN EXPRESS
BY THE PAPER'S WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT PAUL GODFREY
JULY 14 COMMENTARY

"...THE WAR OCCUPIES A UNIQUE POSITION IN AMERICAN POPULAR CULTURE AND A WHOLE MEDIA INDUSTRY HAS GROWN OUT

OF CATALOGUING THE US INVOLVEMENT IN VIETNAM. IT IS VIRTUALLY A NATIONAL OBSESSION, WITH EVERY AMERICAN HOLDING HIS OR HER OWN PRIVATE VIETNAM IN THEIR HEAD....

"THE WIDER REASONS BEHIND NORMALIZATION WAS HINTED AT UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 02 HONG KONG 008006

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THIS WEEK BY THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE, WINSTON LORD, WHEN HE NOTED THAT VIETNAM IS DUE TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS, WITHIN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS. THE FORMER AMBASSADOR TO CHINA SAID NOT HAVING TIES WITH ONE ASEAN MEMBER WOULD WEAKEN US EFFECTIVENESS IN DEALING WITH THE REGIONAL AND SECURITY ORGANIZATION.

"WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE, WARREN CHRISTOPHER, DUE TO HEAD A US DELEGATION TO THE ASEAN REGIONAL SECURITY FORUM AND POST-MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE EARLY NEXT MONTH IN BRUNEI, TALKING TO VIETNAM MAKES SENSE IN TERMS OF ENHANCING US INFLUENCE IN THE REGION. OTHERS BELIEVE THE MOVE HAS EVEN BROADER STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS AS A COUNTERBALANCE TO THE PHENOMENAL GROWTH IN CHINA'S ECONOMIC AND MILITARY POWER EVEN THOUGH BEIJING HAS HEARTILY ENDORSED NORMALIZATION BETWEEN THE US AND VIETNAM...."

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KEY STORIES IN THE MEDIA:

MAARIV LED WITH A REPORT THAT CHAIRMAN ARAFAT TOLD
ISRAELI MINISTER SHULAMIT ALONI IN GAZA YESTERDAY
THAT PALESTINIAN POLICE HAVE ARRESTED 5 PALESTINIANS
INVOLVED IN THE KILLING OF THE TWO ISRAELIS EARLIER
IN THE WEEK IN A WADI NEAR JERICHO.

YEDIOT BANNERED A STORY THAT OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS
REVEAL THAT ISRAEL HAS SECRETLY AGREED TO LET EAST
JERUSALEM PALESTINIANS PAY TAXES TO THE PALESTINIAN
AUTHORITY. GOI SOURCES EXPLAINED THAT THE AGREEMENT
REFERS TO EAST JERUSALEMITES WITH BUSINESSES OUTSIDE
THE CITY.

HA'ARETZ LED WITH A STORY THAT THE U.S.
ADMINISTRATION AND JESSE HELMS' SENATE COMMITTEE ARE
DRAFTING LEGISLATION SETTING THE TERMS FOR CONTINUED
U.S. ASSISTANCE TO THE PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY. AMONG
OTHER THINGS, THE LEGISLATION SETS A DEADLINE FOR
THE REWRITING OF THE PALESTINIAN COVENANT.

ACCORDING TO A DAVAR TOP STORY, ISRAEL HAS AGREED TO
LET THE PALESTINIANS DRAW A LARGER QUANTITY OF WATER
DURING THE INTERIM SETTLEMENT. IN RETURN, THE
PALESTINIANS AGREED TO LEAVE THE WATER OWNERSHIP
ISSUE TO THE PERMANENT SETTLEMENT NEGOTIATIONS.
PRESIDENT WEIZMAN HAS COME UNDER CONSIDERABLE FIRE,
BUT ALSO WON SOME PRAISE, FOR HIS REMARKS LINKING
THE ARAD ROCK FESTIVAL TRAGEDY TO THE
"AMERICANIZATION" OF ISRAELI SOCIETY. MAARIV
REPORTED THAT A U.S. EMBASSY OFFICIAL STATED THAT,
DUE TO THE TRAGIC NATURE OF THE ARAD INCIDENT, IT
WOULD REFRAIN FROM REACTING TO WEIZMAN'S CHARGES.

THE PALESTINIAN TRACK:

SUMMARY:

JERUSALEM POST: "SEVENTY-FOUR PERCENT OF ISRAELIS BELIEVE THERE SHOULD BE A NATIONAL REFERENDUM BEFORE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF STAGE TWO OF THE OSLO AGREEMENT, ACCORDING TO A POLL RELEASED YESTERDAY."

MAARIV'S SCHNITZER COMMENTED, "ON WHAT GROUNDS HAS UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 03 TEL AVIV 011865

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THE GOVERNMENT DECIDED THAT SOME OF THE TERRITORY TAKEN IN 1967 CANNOT BE CEDED WITHOUT PERMISSION FROM THE PEOPLE, WHILE SOME\$OF IT MAY BE HANDED BACK WITHOUT THE PEOPLE'S PERMISSION?."

HA'ARETZ'S BENZIMAN COMMENTED, "THE SUSPICION THAT THE MURDERERS (OF THE TWO ISRAELI HIKERS) HAVE FLED TO JERICHO CREATES A PROBLEM FOR THE GOI BY CALLING INTO QUESTION THE VALIDITY OF ITS SECURITY AGREEMENTS WITH THE PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY."

JERUSALEM POST EDITORIALIZED, "RABIN AND SOME OF HIS MINISTERS STILL ROUTINELY REPEAT THE MANTRA THAT JERUSALEM WILL REMAIN THE UNDIVIDED CAPITAL OF ISRAEL. BUT THE GOVERNMENT'S ACTIONS POINT TO AN ACQUIESCENCE IN THE DIVISION OF THE CITY."

BLOCK QUOTES:

I. "74 PERCENT OF POPULATION FAVORS REFERENDUM ON OSLO-STAGE 2"

THE JERUSALEM POST (RIGHT-WING) REPORTED, "SEVENTY-FOUR PERCENT OF ISRAELIS BELIEVE THERE SHOULD BE A NATIONAL REFERENDUM BEFORE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF STAGE TWO OF THE OSLO AGREEMENT, ACCORDING TO A POLL RELEASED YESTERDAY. SEVENTEEN PERCENT SAID THERE WAS NO NEED FOR A REFERENDUM. THE SURVEY, CONDUCTED BY THE MUTAGIM COMPANY FOR INDEPENDENT MEDIA REVIEW

AND ANALYSIS, FOUND THAT 72 PERCENT BELIEVE THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD RETAIN CONTROL OF THE HOLY PLACES IN JUDEA AND SAMARIA, INCLUDING RACHEL'S TOMB, WITH 14 PERCENT SAYING ISRAEL SHOULDN'T HAVE CONTROL. AS FOR ARCHEOLOGICAL SITES, 62 PERCENT SAID ISRAEL SHOULD RETAIN CONTROL, 23 PERCENT SAID IT SHOULDN'T, AND 12 PERCENT HAD NO OPINION. THE JULY 18 SURVEY OF 503 ADULTS HAD A 4.5 MARGIN OF ERROR."

II. "THE BATTLE OVER RACHEL'S TOMB"

COLUMNIST SHMUEL SCHNITZER COMMENTED IN MAARIV (PLURALIST, INDEPENDENT): "SO UNCERTAIN IS THE GOVERNMENT THAT ITS ACTIONS INDEED SUIT ITS ELECTION-CAMPAIGN PROMISES THAT IT HAS PLEDGED NOT TO PULL OUT OF THE GOLAN WITHOUT HOLDING A NATIONAL REFERENDUM ON THE ISSUE. BY THE SAME TOKEN, THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD ASK THE NATION ABOUT IDF WITHDRAWAL FROM JUDEA AND SAMARIA. WHAT MAKES THE GOI THINK THAT HANDING RACHEL'S TOMB BACK TO THE PALESTINIANS, OR TURNING ISRAELI CITIES AND TOWNS WITHIN THE GREEN LINE INTO BORDER SETTLEMENTS, IS NOT AN ISSUE THAT MERITS A REFERENDUM? ON WHAT GROUNDS HAS THE GOVERNMENT DECIDED THAT SOME OF THE TERRITORY TAKEN IN 1967 CANNOT BE CEDED WITHOUT UNCLAS SECTION 03 OF 03 TEL AVIV 011865

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PERMISSION FROM THE PEOPLE, WHILE SOME OF IT MAY BE HANDED BACK WITHOUT THE PEOPLE'S PERMISSION?
RACHEL'S TOMB, SOON TO BE DECORATED WITH A PALESTINIAN FLAG, HAS BECOME THE SYMBOL OF THE INTERNAL CONTROVERSY AND THE FEARS OF A DIVIDED NATION, WHICH IS RISING FOR A LAST-DITCH BATTLE OVER ITS HERITAGE AND ITS DREAMS."

III. "THE DOUBLE MURDER"

COLUMNIST UZI BENZIMAN COMMENTED IN HA'ARETZ (LIBERAL, INDEPENDENT): "WADI KELT, WHERE TWO ISRAELI HIKERS WERE MURDERED THIS WEEK, IS NOT SOME

OUT-OF-THE-WAY SHRINE WATCHED OVER BY A HANDFUL OF RELIGIOUS ZEALOTS. IT IS -- OR, MORE ACCURATELY, IT USED TO BE -- A SCENIC SPOT OF GREAT NATURAL BEAUTY THAT ATTRACTED THOUSANDS OF ISRAELIS EVERY YEAR. THE SUSPICION THAT THE MURDERERS HAVE FLED TO JERICHO CREATES A PROBLEM FOR THE GOI BY CALLING INTO QUESTION THE VALIDITY OF ITS SECURITY AGREEMENTS WITH THE PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY. THE INCIDENT APPEARS TO VINDICATE THE POLITICAL OPPOSITION'S WARNING THAT THE AREAS HANDED OVER TO ARAFAT WILL BECOME AN ASYLUM FOR PALESTINIAN TERRORISTS THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN THE OSLO PROCESS ARGUE THAT THE INTERIM AGREEMENT WITH THE PALESTINIANS -- ONCE IT HAS BEEN SIGNED -- WILL GUARANTEE THE SECURITY OF ISRAELI HIKERS THIS WEEK'S EVENTS, HOWEVER, HAVE RENDERED SUCH ARGUMENTS SOMEWHAT HOLLOW."

IV. "SECRET AGREEMENTS ON JERUSALEM"

THE JERUSALEM POST EDITORIALIZED, "THE VERY FACT THAT ISRAEL HAS AGREED TO ALLOW JERUSALEM ARABS TO VOTE FOR THE PALESTINIAN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND EVEN TO BE ELECTED TO IT IS TANTAMOUNT TO RELINQUISHING ITS AUTHORITY OVER THE CITY'S ARAB INHABITANTS. TRUE, CANDIDATES FOR THE COUNCIL MAY HAVE TO HAVE A NOMINAL SECOND RESIDENCE OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS, BUT THIS HARDLY FOOLS ANYONE. THAT JERUSALEM ARABS CAN NOW PAY TAXES DIRECTLY TO THE PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY MAKES THE DIVISION (OF JERUSALEM) COMPLETE. RABIN AND SOME OF HIS MINISTERS STILL ROUTINELY REPEAT THE MANTRA THAT JERUSALEM WILL REMAIN THE UNDIVIDED CAPITAL OF ISRAEL. BUT THE GOVERNMENT'S ACTIONS POINT TO AN ACQUIESCENCE IN THE DIVISION OF THE CITY. IN EVERY SPEECH YASSER ARAFAT MAKES, HE DECLARES THAT JERUSALEM WILL BE THE CAPITAL OF THE PALESTINIAN STATE. HE MAY KNOW WHEREOF HE SPEAKS."

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SUMMARY OF PRESS GUIDANCE ON AFRICA:

1. NIGERIA (AF): REACTION TO ARREST OF OBASANJO'S LAWYER
2. SOUTH AFRICA (AF): POSTPONEMENT OF LOCAL ELECTIONS
3. CHAD (AF): SEN. HELMS' CONCERNS OVER AID PROGRAM
4. BURUNDI (WH): STATEMENT: DISCUSSION WITH NGO COMMUNITY
(END) SUMMARY)

1. NIGERIA (AF): REACTIONS TO ARREST OF OBASANJO'S LAWYER

Q: WHAT IS YOUR REACTION TO THE ARREST OF FORMER NIGERIAN HEAD OF STATE OBASANJO'S LAWYER YESTERDAY IN LAGOS? DO YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION?

A: -- WE UNDERSTAND THAT OBASANJO'S LAWYER, TUNJI ABAYOMI, WAS ARRESTED AT HIS OFFICE YESTERDAY IN LAGOS AFTER A

PRESS CONFERENCE. HE REMAINS IN DETENTION AND HAS NOT BEEN CHARGED.

-- WE EXPECT THE GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA TO ACT IN A MANNER THAT RESPECTS THE RIGHTS OF ALL ITS CITIZENS.

-- THE ARREST AND DETENTION WITHOUT CHARGES OF OBASANJO'S LAWYER IS INCONSISTENT WITH DUE PROCESS. MR. ABAYOMI SHOULD EITHER BE CHARGED OR RELEASED.

Q: WHAT IS USG POLICY TOWARDS NIGERIA?

A: -- THE UNITED STATES CONTINUES TO SUPPORT EFFORTS TO RESTORE CIVILIAN1 DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT IN NIGERIA. THE UNITED STATES HAS NOT, AND WILL NOT, SUPPORT ANY INDIVIDUAL.

-- OUR PRIMARY GOAL IS TO ENCOURAGE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF --AND RESPECT FOR-- AN OPEN, PLURALISTIC, AND DEMOCRATIC PROCESS THAT ENSURES THAT THE WILL OF THE NIGERIAN PEOPLE IS RESPECTED.

-- OUR PUBLIC STATEMENTS HAVE REFLECTED OUR DEEP CONCERNS FOR THE SAFETY AND WELFARE OF THOSE CURRENTLY DETAINED, INCLUDING THOSE REPORTEDLY CONVICTED OF ALLEGED COUP PLOTTING.

-- SPARING THE LIVES OF THE ACCUSED1 AND ALLOWING AN OPEN APPEAL PROCESS WOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH THE NIGERIAN GOVERNMENT'S PROFESSED COMMITMENT TO DUE PROCESS, AND WITH ITS STATED GOAL OF RESTORING NIGERIA TO DEMOCRATIC CIVILIAN RULE.

2. SOUTH AFRICA (AF) POSTPONEMENT OF LOCAL ELECTIONS

Q: WHAT IS YOUR REACTION TO THE ANNOUNCED POSTPONEMENT OF LOCAL ELECTIONS IN CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES IN SOUTH AFRICA?

A: -- SOUTH AFRICA HAS UNDERTAKEN A MASSIVE EFFORT TO UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 03 STATE 180575

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REGISTER ITS CITIZENS TO VOTE IN ITS FIRST DEMOCRATIC LOCAL ELECTIONS. ALONG WITH REGISTERING TENS OF MILLIONS OF VOTERS, SOUTH AFRICANS MUST DRAW UP NON-RACIAL MUNICIPAL DISTRICTS. THIS PROCESS HAS TAKEN LONGER THAN EXPECTED.

WE ARE ENCOURAGED THAT SOUTH AFRICA'S MAJOR POLITICAL PARTIES ARE WORKING CLOSELY TOGETHER TO PREPARE FREE AND FAIR LOCAL ELECTIONS. IT IS FOR SOUTH AFRICANS TO AGREE ON THE TIMETABLE TO MEET THESE GOALS.

3. CHAD (AF): SEN HELMS' CONCERNS OVER AID PROGRAM

Q: CAN YOU CONFIRM THAT SENATOR HELMS HAS ASKED THE SECRETARY FOR A FULL ACCOUNTING OF DOLLARS 4 MILLION IN USAID FUNDS TO PAY THE SALARIES AND OTHER EXPENSES OF CHADIAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS?

A: -- WE DO NOT COMMENT ON THE CONTENT OF COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN CONGRESS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

-- AS REQUIRED BY LAW? WE ROUTINELY INFORM CONGRESS OF DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS IN ALL COUNTRIES. WE ARE HAPPY TO RESPOND TO CONGRESSIONAL REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT SPECIFIC PROGRAMS AT ANY TIME.

Q: CAN YOU CONFIRM THAT DOLLARS 4 MILLION IN USAID FUNDS WERE USED TO PAY THE SALARIES AND EXPENSES OF CHADIAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS? WHAT WAS THE PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM?

A: -- USAID'S AGRICULTURAL TRADE AND POLICY REFORM PROGRAM (ATPRP), WHICH WAS APPROVED IN SEPTEMBER 1992, HAD AS ITS GOAL THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A SERIES OF TARIFF AND TAX REFORMS DESIGNED TO AUGMENT CHAD'S AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION AND GET THE COUNTRY ON THE PATH TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT.

-- PART OF THE PROGRAM PROVIDED BUDGETARY SUPPORT TO THE GOVERNMENT OF CHAD TO OFFSET LOSSES IN GOVERNMENT REVENUES WHICH OCCURRED WHEN THE REFORMS WERE FIRST IMPLEMENTED. THE LAST TRANCHE OF THIS BUDGETARY SUPPORT, IN THE AMOUNT OF DOLLARS 4 MILLION, WAS USED TO PAY SALARIES AND OTHER RELATED EXPENSES OF THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE.

-- USAID CLOSELY SUPERVISED THE DISBURSEMENTS OF

PAYMENTS. SALARY PAYMENTS AVERAGING DOLLARS 122 PER MONTH WERE PAID TO APPROXIMATELY 6,600 CIVIL SERVANTS FROM NOVEMBER 1994 - FEBRUARY 1995.

-- CHAD IS ONE OF THE POOREST COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD, WITH A PER CAPITA INCOME OF ONLY ABOUT DOLLARS 180 PER

YEAR. ABOUT 80 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION DEPENDS ON SUBSISTENCE AGRICULTURE. THUS, REFORMS IN THE AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SECTOR WHICH ENCOURAGE INCREASED PRODUCTION FOR DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION AND EXPORT WILL HAVE SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON IMPROVING THE LIVES OF MOST OF CHAD'S POPULATION.

4. BURUNDI (WH): STATEMENT: DISCUSSION WITH NGO COMMUNITY

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ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS DISCUSS BURUNDI WITH NGO COMMUNITY

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS MET TUESDAY AFTERNOON WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF LEADING NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS ENGAGED IN BURUNDI AT THE WHITE HOUSE. THIS MEETING WAS HELD TO UNDERSCORE THE ADMINISTRATION'S CONCERN OVER THE CURRENT POLITICAL INSTABILITY AND POTENTIAL HUMANITARIAN CRISIS IN BURUNDI AND TO EXCHANGE VIEWS WITH ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN BURUNDI.

NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISOR ANTHONY LAKE HOSTED THE MEETING ALONG WITH UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE TIMOTHY WIRTH, UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE WALTER SLOCOMBE, AND U.S. AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATOR BRIAN ATWOOD. ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS OUTLINED U.S. POLICY OBJECTIVES IN BURUNDI, INCLUDING EFFORTS TO PROMOTE REGIONAL STABILITY, ESTABLISH A CLIMATE TO FACILITATE RECONCILIATION, RESTORE DEMOCRACY AS WELL AS TO END THE CYCLE OF IMPUNITY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES. THEY REVIEWED U.S. GOVERNMENT CONTRIBUTIONS TO HUMANITARIAN AND OTHER ASSISTANCE IN THE REGION, TOTALING MORE THAN DOLLARS 600 MILLION SINCE OCTOBER 1993.

THIS MEETING PROVIDED AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A USEFUL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON THE CURRENT SITUATION IN BURUNDI. DISCUSSION FOCUSED ON CHALLENGES THAT LIE AHEAD AND WAYS IN WHICH THE

UNITED STATES1 THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AND THE NGO
COMMUNITY CAN COOPERATE AND MAXIMIZE THE EFFICIENCY OF
THEIR EFFORTS TO HELP DEFUSE TENSIONS AND RESTORE
STABILITY TO THE REGION.

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MR. BURNS: GOOD AFTERNOON. WELCOME TO THE STATE
DEPARTMENT BRIEFING. FIRST QUESTION TO DON.

Q WOULD YOU LIKE TO GIVE US AN UPDATE ON BIHAC?

MR. BURNS: BE GLAD TO. WE ARE MONITORING THE
SITUATION, AS YOU CAN IMAGINE, VERY CLOSELY. LET ME
GIVE YOU A DESCRIPTION OF WHAT WE THINK IS HAPPENING
THERE.

THE SERB ASSAULT ON BIHAC IS EXTREMELY SERIOUS AND
THREATENS TO DRAW CROATIA INTO THE WAR TO PROTECT THE
BIHAC ENCLAVE.

WE HOPE THE CONFLICT CAN BE CONTAINED TO BOSNIA.
CROATIAN MILITARY ASSISTANCE COMES AT THE REQUEST OF THE
BOSNIAN GOVERNMENT TO RELIEVE PRESSURE FROM CONTINUED
INCURSIONS BY CROATIAN SERBS ACROSS THE BORDER.

THE UNITED NATIONS REPORTS THAT THE JOINT SERB
OFFENSIVE HAS OVERRUN 38 SQUARE MILES IN THE WESTERN
ENCLAVE OF BIHAC IN THE PAST WEEK, CAUSING 8,000 PEOPLE
FROM BIHAC TO HAVE TO FLEE THEIR HOMES.

THE MAYOR OF BIHAC HAS REPORTED THAT 58 BOSNIANS
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HAVE BEEN KILLED AND 180 WOUNDED IN THE PAST FEW DAYS.

AS FOR THE OTHER SAFE AREAS, AS YOU KNOW THERE IS
CONTINUED SHELLING AND FIGHTING IN SARAJEVO WHERE THE
BOSNIAN HEALTH MINISTRY HAS REPORTED THAT TWO MORE
PEOPLE WERE KILLED YESTERDAY AND 13 MORE WOUNDED.

GORAZDE HAS BEEN FAIRLY QUIET. I WOULD NOTE THAT IN
RESPONSE TO THE NOW VERY CLEAR AND DECISIVE THREAT OF
NATO AIR STRIKES AGAINST THE BOSNIAN SERBS, THE BOSNIAN
SERB LEADERSHIP HAS SAID THAT THEY HAVE NO PLANS TO
ATTACK THE ENCLAVE IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

WE WILL SEE. WE ARE WATCHING THAT SITUATION IN A
VERY CLOSE WAY.

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IN TUZLA, THERE ARE STILL TENS OF THOUSANDS OF
DISPLACED PEOPLE FROM THE FIGHTING IN SREBRENICA AND
ZEPA AND ELSEWHERE. IN SREBRENICA ITSELF -- DESPITE THE
PLEDGE OF THE BOSNIAN SERBS THAT THEY WOULD GIVE ACCESS
TO THE RED CROSS AND OTHERS TO THE PEOPLE WHO WERE
DETAINED THERE -- I DON'T BELIEVE THAT THAT HAS YET
HAPPENED, AND WE WOULD CALL UPON THE BOSNIAN SERBS ONCE
AGAIN TO GIVE ACCESS TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, TO
PERTINENT INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OPERATING IN THE
AREA TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY CAN CARE FOR THE PEOPLE WHO
LOST THEIR HOMES IN SREBRENICA.

ZEPA, ALTHOUGH THERE ARE STILL POCKETS OF
RESISTANCE, PEOPLE STILL FIGHTING IN ZEPA, THE UNHCR
REPORTS THAT MOST OF THE ENCLAVE HAS FALLEN INTO BOSNIAN
SERB HANDS.

THERE HAVE BEEN CONVOYS CARRYING PEOPLE, BOTH
CIVILIANS AND BOSNIAN GOVERNMENT FIGHTERS, OUT OF ZEPA,
AND TOWARDS BOSNIAN GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED TERRITORY. I
BELIEVE SEVERAL THOUSAND PEOPLE HAVE LEFT ZEPA BY THAT
MEANS.

WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE BOSNIAN SERBS HAVE PREVENTED
THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS AND THE
UNHCR TO MONITOR THE EVACUATION. THE INTERNATIONAL
COMMUNITY IS VERY DISPLEASED BY THIS BECAUSE OF WHAT
HAPPENED IN SREBRENICA, AND WE HAVE TO BE AWARE THAT
THERE WERE GROSS ATROCITIES AND BRUTALITIES CARRIED OUT
IN SREBRENICA.

THE INTENT OF THE UNITED NATIONS NOW IS TO TRY TO MONITOR THE EXODUS OF THESE PEOPLE SO THAT WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO PLAY A ROLE IN ASSURING THAT THEY ARE FAIRLY TREATED AS THEY TRY TO MAKE THEIR WAY TO BOSNIAN GOVERNMENT-HELD TERRITORY.

SO THE SITUATION THROUGHOUT BOSNIA IS QUITE CRITICAL, AS WE HAVE GONE THROUGH THE DESCRIPTION OF WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THESE ENCLAVES.

JUST ANOTHER NOTE ON ZEPA: WE HAVE SEEN THE PRESS REPORTS OF THE POSSIBLE USE OF CHEMICAL GAS OR CHEMICAL WEAPONS BY THE BOSNIAN SERBS IN THE FINAL DAYS OF THEIR MILITARY ASSAULT ON ZEPA.

WE ARE NOT IN A POSITION TO CONFIRM THESE REPORTS RIGHT NOW, BUT WE ARE CERTAINLY GOING TO URGE THE UNITED NATIONS AND OTHERS TO LOOK INTO THEM, BECAUSE WE CERTAINLY DON'T WANT TO DISCREDIT THESE REPORTS. WE WANT TO LOOK INTO THEM. THEY SEEM TO BE REPORTS BY A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO ARE DOING THE FIGHTING INSIDE ZEPA.

Q YOUR FAIRLY GRIM REPORT ON WHAT'S GOING ON AT ALL THE DIFFERENT AREAS, DOES ANY OF THIS THEN TRIGGER THE NEW RESOLVE TO RETALIATE, TO USE NATO POWER IN THIS?

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MR. BURNS: WELL, DON, YOUR QUESTION JUST GIVES ME AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A LARGER POINT BEFORE I GO AND ANSWER YOUR QUESTION DIRECTLY.

WE THINK THAT SINCE THE LONDON MEETING LAST FRIDAY, THE WEST, LED BY THE UNITED STATES, HAS TAKEN A NUMBER OF STEPS TO ACHIEVE THE OBJECTIVE THAT WE THINK IS FUNDAMENTAL TO THIS CONFLICT, AND THAT IS TO STRENGTHEN UNPROFOR.

THE LONDON CONFERENCE AGREED THAT THE UNITED NATIONS SHOULD BE REINFORCED AND THAT NATO AIR POWER SHOULD BE DEPLOYED IF NECESSARY TO DEFEND GORAZDE. WHAT WAS IMPORTANT ABOUT THE NATO CONFERENCE THAT FOLLOWED IT WAS THAT IT NOT ONLY CONFIRMED THE DECISION TO DEPLOY NATO AIR POWER AND CONFIRMED THE DECISION TO ISSUE AN ULTIMATUM, IT INSTRUCTED NATO TO PREPARE CONTINGENCY PLANS FOR POSSIBLE OPERATIONS IN THE OTHER SAFE AREAS, MOST NOTABLY BIHAC.

WE WERE ALSO ENCOURAGED TO SEE IN THE STATEMENT

ISSUED BY THE UNITED NATIONS YESTERDAY, BY THE SPOKESMAN FOR SECRETARY GENERAL BOUTROS-GHALI, THAT THE UNITED NATIONS BELIEVES THAT NATO AND THE UNITED NATIONS OUGHT TO PREPARE CONTINGENCY EFFORTS FOR BIHAC, BECAUSE OF THE CRITICAL NATURE OF THE FIGHTING THERE. AND WE WERE VERY HAPPY TO SEE THAT BOUTROS-GHALI DECIDED YESTERDAY TO DELEGATE AUTHORITY FOR THE DUAL-KEY ARRANGEMENTS TO HIS MILITARY COMMANDERS ON THE GROUND.

THIS NOW ALLOWS, HAVING TAKEN THESE DECISIONS AT LONDON AND AT BRUSSELS, AND HAVING SEEN THE RESULTS OF BOUTROS-GHALI'S DELIBERATIONS YESTERDAY, THIS NOW ALLOWS THE UNITED STATES AND ITS ALLIES NOT ONLY TO ACTIVELY IMPLEMENT THE ULTIMATUM DELIVERED TO MR. MLADIC ON SUNDAY ON GORAZDE, BUT TO CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY OF FURTHER ACTION ELSEWHERE.

RIGHT NOW I AM NOT AWARE THAT WE HAVE A SPECIFIC REQUEST FOR THAT TYPE OF EITHER CLOSE AIR SUPPORT OR AIR STRIKES IN BIHAC, BUT WE ARE CERTAINLY DRAWING UP THE PLANS TO UNDERTAKE THOSE ACTIVITIES SHOULD IT BE NECESSARY.

THE PROCESS FOR THAT WOULD BE FOR THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL TO RECONVENE, AND IT CAN DO SO ON A MOMENT'S NOTICE, IN BRUSSELS AND TO CONSIDER ANY REQUEST THAT DOES COME IN THE FUTURE.

Q WELL, IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU DON'T HAVE A LOT OF TIME IN BIHAC. THAT SITUATION IS DETERIORATING FAIRLY RAPIDLY, ISN'T IT?

MR. BURNS: THE SITUATION THERE IS QUITE DIFFERENT THAN THE THREAT THAT WAS POSED BY WHAT WE THOUGHT WAS AN IMMINENT BOSNIAN SERB MILITARY OFFENSIVE IN GORAZDE.

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THE SITUATION IN BIHAC IS DIFFERENT, NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF THE DIFFERENCE IN TERRAIN BUT ALSO BECAUSE OF THE PRESENCE OF FEDERATION FORCES, BOTH BOSNIAN AND CROATIAN, AND BECAUSE OF THE PRESENCE OF NOT ONLY BOSNIAN SERB ELEMENTS AND CROATIAN SERB ELEMENTS, BUT A RENEGADE REBEL MOSLEM ARMY. THE FIGHTING IS VERY CONFUSED, AND THE SITUATION IS QUITE CHAOTIC.

SO IN MILITARY TERMS, TO CALCULATE WHETHER EITHER CLOSE AIR SUPPORT OR AIR STRIKES MAKES SENSE IS SOMEWHAT MORE PROBLEMATIC IN BIHAC THAN IT HAS BEEN IN GORAZDE, OR EVEN IN SARAJEVO.

Q ISN'T THERE SOME CONCERN WITHIN THE UNCLAS SECTION 04 OF 17 STATE 180135

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ADMINISTRATION THAT IF THE ALLIES DON'T ACT QUICKLY ON BIHAC, THAT THE CROATIAN GOVERNMENT WILL GET EVEN MORE INVOLVED AND THUS WIDEN THE WAR?

MR. BURNS: THE CONCERN IS THAT THE BOSNIAN SERBS AND THEIR CROATIAN SERB COMPATRIOTS HAVE ON THEIR OWN DECIDED TO WIDEN THE WAR. THEY HAVE WIDENED IT BY A VERY AGGRESSIVE MILITARY CAMPAIGN AGAINST BIHAC. THEY HAVE MADE THAT DECISION. THEY TOOK THE FIRST STEP.

THERE IS A FEDERATION IN PLACE BETWEEN CROATIA AND BOSNIA. THE BOSNIAN GOVERNMENT REQUESTED CROATIAN MILITARY SUPPORT. WE CERTAINLY WOULD LIKE TO SEE THIS WAR CONTAINED. NO ONE WANTS TO SEE THE WAR SPILL OVER INTO CROATIA OR ANY OTHER REGION. BUT I WOULD JUST NOTE THE FACT THAT THE BOSNIAN SERBS BEGAN THIS FIGHT, AND THAT THERE IS A FEDERATION IN PLACE. THERE WAS A REQUEST MADE, AND THE CROATIANS ARE RESPONDING TO THAT.

SO, YES, THERE IS A CONCERN ABOUT LIMITING THE WAR. I THINK THAT THE ONUS AND THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FIGHTING HAS TO BE PLACED WHERE IT SHOULD BE PROPERLY, AND THAT IS ON THE SHOULDERS OF THE SERBS AND THE VARIOUS SERB FACTIONS.

Q I JUST HAVE A FOLLOW-UP ON THAT. WHEN THE SECRETARY GENERAL DELEGATED HIS DUAL-KEY, DOES THAT APPLY ONLY TO GORAZDE, OR CAN THAT ALSO APPLY TO OTHER ENCLAVES LIKE BIHAC, OR DOES THIS ALL HAVE TO GO BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD IF THERE IS A DIFFERENT SCENARIO?

MR. BURNS: IN READING THE STATEMENT THAT WAS ISSUED FROM NEW YORK YESTERDAY, IT IS VERY CLEAR THAT IT PERTAINS TO GORAZDE, TO SUPPORT THE DECISION TAKEN BY THE UNITED STATES AND ITS ALLIES ON GORAZDE, WITH BOTH CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND MILITARY AIR STRIKES, BOTH BEING VERY DIFFERENT MILITARY OPERATIONS.

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THE STATEMENT DOESN'T SAY ANYTHING ABOUT THE DUAL-KEY PERTAINING TO OTHER POSSIBLE OPERATIONS THROUGHOUT BOSNIA.

Q NICK, GOING BACK TO THE POSSIBLE USE OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS, HAVE YOU BEEN ABLE TO BOUNCE IT OFF YOUR OWN EXPERTS? DO THE REPORTS HAVE A RAY OF TRUTH, ACCORDING TO YOUR PEOPLE WHO KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT THESE WEAPONS?

MR. BURNS: WE ARE DOING THAT NOW, JIM. AND WE ALSO WANT TO TALK TO THE UNITED NATIONS, PARTICULARLY PEOPLE WHO MAY HAVE ACCESS TO BOTH ZEPA AND ALSO THE PEOPLE WHO JUST LEFT ZEPA, THE BOSNIAN FIGHTERS, TO QUESTION THEM.

I WOULD JUST SAY THIS: ABSENT THE ABILITY TO

CONFIRM RIGHT NOW, WE HAVE TO LOOK AT RECENT HISTORY. WE HAVE TO LOOK AT THE BEHAVIOR OF THE BOSNIAN SERBS THEIR BRUTAL BEHAVIOR, THEIR WILLINGNESS TO DEPLOY ANY MEANS TO CLEANSE, AS THEY SAY, ETHNICALLY CLEANSE THE AREA OF MUSLIMS. AND I CERTAINLY WOULDN'T PUT IT BEYOND THE BOSNIAN SERBS TO DEPLOY SUCH TACTICS.

WHILE WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO CONFIRM THEM, WE CERTAINLY ARE IN NO WAY DISCREDITING THESE REPORTS AND ARE TAKING THEM VERY, VERY SERIOUSLY.

Q THERE IS A NEW REPORT THAT THE BOSNIAN SERBS HAVE NOW ONCE AGAIN BLOCKED THE HUMANITARIAN AID COMING INTO SARAJEVO. IS THAT THE SORT OF THING THAT WOULD TRIGGER ACTION FROM THE ARTILLERY BATTERIES MANNED BY THE BRITISH AND FRENCH?

MR. BURNS: WELL, WE HAVE SEEN REPORTS OF CONTINUED UNCLAS SECTION 05 OF 17 STATE 180135

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BOSNIAN SERB INTRANSIGENCE IN HONORING INTERNATIONAL COMMITMENTS THEY HAVE MADE TO ALLOW HUMANITARIAN CONVOYS

INTO SARAJEVO. THEY ARE NOT HONORING THEM.

THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO RESPOND TO THAT, WE THINK, IS THE WAY THAT THE BRITISH AND THE FRENCH ARE CURRENTLY RESPONDING, BY TRYING TO WIDEN AND OPEN UP THE MT. IGMAN ROAD AND POSSIBLY TO OPEN UP OTHER CORRIDORS, TRANSPORTATION CORRIDORS, INTO SARAJEVO TO HELP RELIEVE THE SIEGE.

WE HAVE SAID ON A NUMBER OF OCCASIONS THAT THE UNHCR STATISTICS FOR APRIL, MAY AND JUNE SHOW THAT SARAJEVO AND MOST OF THE OTHER ENCLAVES ARE RECEIVING A TENTH OF THEIR NORMAL EXPECTED FOOD AND MEDICAL DELIVERIES. WE SIMPLY CAN'T AFFORD TO ONLY BRING A TENTH OF THESE SUPPLIES IN AS WE APPROACH A FOURTH WINTER OF THE BOSNIAN WAR.

SO I THINK THE WAY TO OPPOSE THE BOSNIAN SERBS IS TO SUPPORT THE BRITISH AND THE FRENCH IN DEPLOYING THE RAPID

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REACTION FORCE TO OPEN UP THESE CORRIDORS. AND THAT IS WHAT THE BRITISH AND THE FRENCH HAVE SAID THAT THEY HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH.

THE TACTIC OF CONTAINING THE BOSNIAN SERBS IN

GORAZDE IS QUITE DIFFERENT. THAT IS THE USE OF MILITARY AIR POWER. THE TACTIC OF CONTAINING THEM ELSEWHERE, IN BIHAC, PERHAPS IN SARAJEVO, IF THERE ARE OTHER PROVOCATIONS -- IT REALLY MUST BE CONSIDERED IN A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS AND WILL BE BY THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL SHOULD THOSE REQUESTS COME IN.

Q BUT I'M A LITTLE CONFUSED AT YOUR ANSWER TO A PREVIOUS QUESTION ABOUT THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S STATEMENT.

IS THERE SOME CONFUSION OVER WHETHER HE WAS REFERRING TO THE DUAL-KEY ARRANGEMENT APPLYING ONLY TO GORAZDE AND NOT TO THE OTHER SAFE AREAS?

MR. BURNS: I DON'T THINK THERE IS CONFUSION. THE FUNDAMENTAL DECISION THAT HAD TO BE MADE AT LONDON AND CONFIRMED AT BRUSSELS WAS HOW SHOULD THE LEADING WESTERN COUNTRIES DEPLOY MILITARY POWER TO PROTECT GORAZDE AND TO DETER A BOSNIAN SERB ADVANCE. AND THERE WERE A

NUMBER OF PROPOSALS MADE. THE ONE THAT WAS AGREED TO WAS THE AMERICAN PROPOSAL FOR AIR POWER.

IN MAKING THAT PROPOSAL AND IN MAKING THE DECISION, NATO FORMALLY REQUESTED THAT THE UNITED NATIONS' SECRETARY GENERAL, MR. BOUTROS-GHALI, RELINQUISH HIS CIVILIAN CONTROL OVER THE DUAL-KEY AND DELEGATE THAT TO U.N. COMMANDERS ON THE GROUND, FOR THE SPECIFIC EXAMPLE OF GORAZDE, BOTH FOR CLOSE AIR SUPPORT TO PROTECT THE U.N. PEACEKEEPERS IN GORAZDE, THE BRITISH, AND ALSO FOR MILITARY AIR STRIKES TO CONTAIN THE BOSNIAN SERBS OR TO THREATEN THEM SHOULD THEY EITHER ADVANCE AGAINST THE CITY OR MASS TANKS OR FIGHTERS IN AN ATTEMPT TO MAKE AN ADVANCE UPON THE CITY. AND BOTH CATEGORIES WOULD APPLY. AND SO THE DUAL-KEY -- THE RELINQUISHMENT OF CIVILIAN CONTROL CERTAINLY PERTAINS TO GORAZDE, AND THE STATEMENT WAS VERY CLEAR ABOUT THAT.

I DO NOT SEE, MYSELF, ANYTHING IN THE STATEMENT THAT WAS SPECIFIC ABOUT WIDER AIR ACTIONS BEYOND THOSE THAT WOULD BE CLOSE TO THE FIGHTING PERTAINING TO OTHER PARTS OF BOSNIA. I THINK IT'S A QUESTION THAT NEEDS TO BE ANSWERED PERHAPS FROM THE UNITED NATIONS.

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BUT THE MOST PERTINENT MILITARY QUESTION IN DELIVERING THE ULTIMATUM WAS GORAZDE, AND THAT'S THE ONE WE NEEDED ANSWERED NOW TO MAKE THE ULTIMATUM EFFECTIVE.

Q HAS THE UNITED STATES OR NATO SOUGHT THIS

CLARIFICATION AS TO JUST WHAT IS BOUTROS-GHALI TALKING

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ABOUT? IS HE TALKING ABOUT ONLY GORAZDE, OR IS HE TALKING ABOUT OTHER ACTIONS IN BOSNIA?

MR. BURNS: WE'RE CERTAINLY GOING TO CONTINUE OUR CONVERSATIONS WITH THE U.N. WE WORK WITH THEM EVERY DAY, AND SO THAT PROCESS WILL CONTINUE.

BETSY.

Q SO, NICK, IT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE IT'S AS EASY -- IF THE COMMANDERS ON THE GROUND CALL FOR SUPPORT IN BIHAC, IT'S NOT AS EASY AS GOING TO NAC AND GETTING AN OVERNIGHT OKAY OR PLAN OF ACTION IF YOU'VE GOT TO GO BACK TO BOUTROS-GHALI AND GET THAT CHANGE IN THE DUAL-KEY EXTENDED.

MR. BURNS: OUR ASSUMPTION IS THAT IF THERE IS A NECESSITY FOR NATO TO BECOME INVOLVED IN OTHER ENCLAVES ALONG THE LINES OF THE PLAN FOR GORAZDE -- THAT IS, CLOSE AIR SUPPORT OR MILITARY AIRSTRIKES -- OUR ASSUMPTION IS THAT THE CHANGE IN THE DUAL-KEY WOULD BE IN PLACE.

I WAS JUST TRYING TO BE VERY FACTUAL ABOUT ANSWERING A SPECIFIC QUESTION ABOUT WHAT WAS IN THE STATEMENT YESTERDAY AND WHAT WAS NOT. BUT CERTAINLY OUR ASSUMPTION WOULD BE THAT THAT WOULD BE EXTENDED TO THE OTHER AREAS.

IN RESPONDING TO ANY REQUEST TO DETER A THREAT AGAINST BIHAC OR ANY PLACE ELSE, WE BELIEVE THAT THE PROCESS WOULD BE QUITE SIMPLE AND FLEXIBLE. IT WOULD BE A NATO PROCESS, A DECISION FOR NATO COUNTRIES TO TAKE IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL. WE DON'T BELIEVE THAT WE'D HAVE TO GO BACK FOR A U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION OR FOR A U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING.

SO I DO THINK THAT THE STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL YESTERDAY WAS QUITE CLEAR. IT WAS VERY PROMISING AND VERY SUPPORTIVE IN OUR EFFORT TO HAVE THE U.N. AND NATO WORK WELL TOGETHER.

CHARLIE.

Q WHAT ABOUT EXTENDING THE U.N.'S DUAL-KEY TO THE FRENCH GENERAL AND NOT THE BRITISH GENERAL, AS YOU HAD TALKED ABOUT AND HAD PREFERRED, WE BELIEVE. DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENT ON THE SECRETARY GENERAL --

MR. BURNS: THE PRIMARY EFFORT HERE WAS TO CONVINCE THE UNITED NATIONS THAT IT REALLY MADE MORE TACTICAL MILITARY SENSE TO HAVE THE DECISION IN THE PLACE OF MILITARY COMMANDERS, AND THAT WAS OUR PRIMARY OBJECTIVE.

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A NUMBER OF AMERICAN OFFICIALS SAID -- AND I THINK WE EVEN SAID PUBLICLY -- THAT PERHAPS OUR FIRST DESIRE WOULD BE TO HAVE THE TWO SMITHS BE THE PEOPLE WITH THE KEYS IN THEIR HAND, BUT WE'RE VERY PLEASED THAT THE DECISION IS MADE -- THAT CIVILIANS WILL NOT BE TURNING

THE KEY OR PREVENTING THE TURNING OF THE KEY, AND THAT IT WILL BE MILITARY PEOPLE ON THE GROUND.

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WE HAVE A VERY GOOD RELATIONSHIP WITH GENERAL JANVIER, AS DO A NUMBER OF THE NATO MILITARY PEOPLE THAT WILL BE INVOLVED IN THIS PROCESS.

TOM.

Q ARE WE READY FOR ANOTHER PART OF THE WORLD YET?

MR. BURNS: I THINK WE'LL STAY ON BOSNIA AND THEN GO -- JUDD.

Q I HAVE A QUESTION ON YESTERDAY'S SENATE VOTE. HOW CONCERNED IS THE ADMINISTRATION THAT THE MESSAGE -- IF THE EMBARGO WERE TO BE UNILATERALLY LIFTED, IF THE PROCESS WOULD BE COMPLETED -- WHAT THE MESSAGE MIGHT BE REGARDING OTHER U.S.-BACKED SANCTIONS, SUCH AS IN IRAQ?

MR. BURNS: THAT'S AN EXCELLENT QUESTION. (LAUGHTER)

Q WHAT YOU'VE TALKED ABOUT BEFORE, BUT I'D LIKE YOU TO TALK ABOUT AGAIN.

MR. BURNS: IT'S AN EXCELLENT QUESTION BECAUSE -- I THINK THERE ARE TWO POINTS TO BE MADE HERE JUDD. ONE IS THAT I KNOW A NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT HAVE TRIED TO ANALYZE YESTERDAY'S SENATE VOTE BY SAYING, "IT REALLY DOESN'T MAKE A DIFFERENCE; IT WAS ONLY A SYMBOLIC GESTURE, AND IT'S NOT GOING TO AFFECT THE SITUATION ON THE GROUND."

THAT'S NOT THE WAY THAT THIS ADMINISTRATION SEES THAT VOTE. OUR ALLIES HAVE TOLD US PRIVATELY -- NOT JUST FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES, BUT PRIVATELY IN THE LAST SEVERAL DAYS THAT A UNILATERAL UNITED STATES ELIMINATION OF THE EMBARGO OR A LIFTING OF THE EMBARGO WOULD HAVE A PROFOUND EFFECT ON THEIR ABILITY TO KEEP THEIR FORCES IN THE FIELD. WE TAKE THAT VERY SERIOUSLY.

WE MAKE THE CALCULATION THAT WE CANNOT AFFORD TO

HAVE THE UNITED NATIONS CONTINUE TO FAIL IN THE FIELD, AND THAT IT IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO WORK WITH OUR ALLIES, BECAUSE THEY HAVE MADE THE DECISION TO AUGMENT THEIR FORCES, TO STRENGTHEN THEM. AND I'D MAKE THE ARGUMENT THAT HAVING GONE TO LONDON AND MADE A DECISION TO ISSUE AN ULTIMATUM, HAVING THEN TRANSFERRED THE DISCUSSION TO BRUSSELS AND HAVING HAD NATO CONFIRM THAT

DECISION AND GET READY TO IMPLEMENT IT,

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HAVING NATO MAKE CONTINGENCY PLANS NOW FOR BIHAC AND OTHER AREAS IS A DRAMATIC STRENGTHENING OF UNPROFOR IN A VERY DIFFICULT SITUATION WHERE UNPROFOR NEEDS HELP.

WE DON'T THINK IT'S RIGHT THAT THE UNITED STATES SIMPLY WALK OUT ON ITS NATO ALLIES AT A TIME WHEN THEY NEED HELP, AND THAT IS THE FUNDAMENTAL WAY THAT WE VIEW YESTERDAY'S SENATE RESOLUTION.

BUT TO GO TO THE OTHER POINT, JUDD, I THINK YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT THAT THE UNITED STATES AS A LEADING MEMBER OF THE UNITED NATIONS, A FOUNDING MEMBER, THE HOST COUNTRY AND A MEMBER OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL, CANNOT TREAT U.N. RESOLUTIONS AS IT WISHES. THERE ARE U.N. RESOLUTIONS THAT WE CARE VERY DEEPLY ABOUT PERTAINING TO IRAQ.

WE CERTAINLY WOULDN'T WANT TO SEE ONE OF OUR PARTNERS UNILATERALLY ADVOCATE OR IGNORE THOSE RESOLUTIONS. OUR PARTNERS WANT US TO TAKE THE U.N. ARMS EMBARGO ON BOSNIA AND ON CROATIA AND ON THE OTHER COUNTRIES SERIOUSLY, AND WE INTEND TO DO THAT.

SO WE TAKE THE VOTE YESTERDAY AS A VERY SERIOUS UNCLAS SECTION 08 OF 17 STATE 180135

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VOTE. WE OPPOSE WHAT HAPPENED, AND WE'LL DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS DOES NOT BECOME THE LAW OF THE LAND.

Q CAN I FOLLOW ON THAT, ON THE FIRST PART OF YOUR ANSWER. WHEN THE ALLIES HAVE TOLD YOU PRIVATELY THAT THEY -- IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT FOR THEM TO KEEP THEIR TROOPS IN THE FIELD, IS THAT CONDITIONED ON THE HEDGES IN THE BILL -- THE FACT THAT THE BILL DOES NOT REQUIRE UNILATERAL LIFT UNTIL A CERTAIN NUMBER OF THINGS HAPPEN DOWN THE ROAD? DO THEY UNDERSTAND THAT DISTINCTION, OR ARE THEY NOT MAKING --

MR. BURNS: I THINK THE ALLIES UNDERSTAND. THEY ALL

HAVE VERY GOOD EMBASSIES IN WASHINGTON. I THINK THEY FULLY UNDERSTAND WHAT THE CONDITIONS ARE HERE. I THINK WHAT BOTHERS THEM AND WHAT BOTHERS US IS THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD BE SAYING IN A VERY LOUD VOICE, IF THIS LAW PASSES AND BECOMES THE LAW OF THE LAND, WE'RE WALKING OUT.

THE UNITED NATIONS HAS FAILED. THE SITUATION IS TOO TOUGH FOR US. WE'RE GOING TO LEAVE, AND WE'RE GOING TO LET THE PARTIES FIGHT IT OUT. THAT'S NOT A MESSAGE THAT WILL HELP OUR ALLIES KEEP THEIR TROOPS IN THE FIELD. IT'S NOT GOING TO DO ANY GOOD IN SUPPORTING WHAT MOST AMERICANS SUPPORT, WHICH IS JUSTICE FOR THE MUSLIMS WHO ARE BEING BRUTALIZED BY THE BOSNIAN SERBS, BECAUSE IT WILL WIDEN THE WAR.

WHO WILL BE LEFT IN BOSNIA TO DEFEND GORAZDE AND TO DEFEND THE OTHER SAFE AREAS SHOULD THEY NEED AIR POWER TO BE

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DEFENDED? WHO WILL BE LEFT TO CARE FOR THE NOW OVER 60,000 REFUGEES THAT HAVE BEEN PRODUCED BY THE FIGHTING, JUST OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF WEEKS. THERE ARE 200,000 PEOPLE IN BIHAC. WHO'S GOING TO CARE FOR THOSE PEOPLE IF THEY'RE DRIVEN OUT BY THE BOSNIAN SERBS?

THESE ARE THE QUESTIONS THAT WE HAVE RAISED WITH THOSE WHO VOTED FOR THIS AMENDMENT IN THE UNITED SENATE, AND IT WILL CONTINUE TO RAISE. WE UNDERSTAND THE MORAL OUTRAGE. WE UNDERSTAND THE FRUSTRATION THAT PEOPLE FEEL ABOUT WHAT HAS HAPPENED IN BOSNIA OVER THE LAST FOUR YEARS. WE ALL SHARE IT. WE SHARE IT AS A GOVERNMENT, AND THE PRESIDENT HAS SPOKEN TO THIS AS WELL AS THE SECRETARY. WE SHARE IT PERSONALLY.

BUT THE ANSWER IS NOT TO WALK AWAY, THROW UP YOUR ARMS AND SAY, "WE CAN'T DO ANYTHING." THE ANSWER IS, "SUPPORT OUR ALLIES. SUPPORT THE UNITED NATIONS. DO WHAT WE CAN NOW THAT WE'VE STRENGTHENED THE UNITED NATIONS. DEPLOY NATO AIR POWER, IF NECESSARY, TO DETER, CONTAIN AND PUNISH THE BOSNIAN SERBS." THAT'S THE ANSWER.

Q HOW DO YOU RESPOND THEN TO THE PRIME MINISTER OF BOSNIA WHO HAS A VERY DIFFERENT VIEW OF THIS THAN THE ADMINISTRATION DOES?

MR. BURNS: I KNOW THE PRIME MINISTER OF BOSNIA DOES HAVE A DIFFERENT VIEW. WE HAVE A DISAGREEMENT WITH HIM ON THIS. I WOULD NOTE THAT THERE ARE OTHER PEOPLE IN THE BOSNIAN GOVERNMENT WHO ARE NOT MAKING SUCH DRAMATIC PUBLIC STATEMENTS, AND THERE ARE OTHER PEOPLE WHO WANT

US TO STAY AND WHO WANT -- AND I THINK HAVE APPLAUDED THE ACTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES IN LEADING THE WESTERN CONSENSUS TOWARDS A FIRMER LINE AGAINST THE BOSNIAN

SERBS, JUST IN THE LAST WEEK.

WE DO HAVE A DISAGREEMENT WITH HIM. WE HAVE GREAT
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RESPECT FOR HIM. WE CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND THE MOST
DIFFICULT POSITION THAT HE IS IN.

Q DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENT ON THE RESIGNATION OF
THE U.N. HUMAN RIGHTS INVESTIGATOR, THE FORMER POLISH
PRIME MINISTER?

MR. BURNS: WE'VE SEEN THE STATEMENT THAT MR.
MAZOWIECKI MADE THIS MORNING. HE IS SOMEONE WE
CERTAINLY HAVE HIGH RESPECT FOR, GIVEN HIS ROLE IN
LEADING POLAND TOWARDS DEMOCRACY BUT ALSO THE ROLE THAT
HE'S PLAYED WITH THE UNITED NATIONS OVER THE LAST
SEVERAL MONTHS. WE REGRET HIS RESIGNATION, BECAUSE HE
WAS PLAYING AN IMPORTANT ROLE.

LAURA.

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Q THIS IS A TECHNICAL QUESTION CONCERNING THE WAR
CRIMES TRIBUNAL. NOW THAT GENERAL MLADIC AND MR.
KARADZIC HAVE BEEN CHARGED, WHAT AUTHORITY IS ACTUALLY
NEEDED TO APPREHEND THESE TWO MEN?

MR. BURNS: THEY WERE INVESTIGATED OVER A PERIOD OF
SEVERAL MONTHS. THEY'VE NOW BEEN INDICTED BY THE WAR
CRIMES TRIBUNAL, AND THE WAR CRIMES TRIBUNAL WOULD LIKE
TO PROCEED TO TRIAL. TO BRING THEM TO TRIAL, THEY MUST
BE APPREHENDED. I THINK THE PRACTICAL EFFECT OF THE
INDICTMENT IS THAT BOTH GENTLEMEN OUGHT NOT TO BE MAKING
RESERVATIONS FOR SUMMER VACATIONS OUTSIDE OF THEIR AREA;
THAT ALL MEMBER GOVERNMENTS OF THE UNITED NATIONS WOULD
HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO SEEK THEIR DETENTION, SHOULD THEY
TRAVEL OUTSIDE OF THE AREA IN WHICH THEY NOW RESIDE. I
THINK THAT'S THE PRACTICAL EFFECT.

WHAT IS MORE COMPLICATING, OF COURSE, TO BE
REALISTIC ABOUT THIS IS HOW ONE WOULD APPREHEND THEM
SHOULD THEY NOT LEAVE PALE AND ITS SURROUNDINGS. THAT'S
A MUCH MORE DIFFICULT QUESTION. I THINK THAT THERE HAVE

BEEN A NUMBER OF STATEMENTS FROM THE TRIBUNAL TO THE
EFFECT THAT THESE INDICTMENTS NOW HAVING BEEN MADE,
WE'RE NOT QUITE SURE WHEN THE TRIALS WILL BEGIN, BECAUSE
WE'RE NOT QUITE SURE WHEN THESE GENTLEMEN WILL BE ABLE
TO BE DETAINED. BUT THAT CERTAINLY IS THE OBJECTIVE OF
THE TRIBUNAL, AND, AS WE HAVE NOTED, THE UNITED STATES

FULLY SUPPORTS BOTH THE CREATION OF THE TRIBUNAL AND ITS ACTIONS, AND WE'LL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT IT.

Q NICK, WHAT IF YOU WANT TO HOLD (INAUDIBLE).
CAN KARADZIC GO?

MR. BURNS: IF WE FACE THE PROSPECT IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF MONTHS OF AN INTERNATIONAL PEACE CONFERENCE OUTSIDE OF BOSNIA, I THINK WE'D BE VERY PLEASED INDEED, CONSIDERING THE SITUATION AS WE'VE JUST DESCRIBED IT THIS MORNING ON THE GROUND.

THEY ARE VERY, VERY FAR FROM AN INTERNATIONAL PEACE CONFERENCE. THEY'VE SHOWN NO WILLINGNESS TO SIT DOWN WITH ANYBODY TO TALK ABOUT PEACE. THEY SIMPLY WANT TO TALK ABOUT WAR. WAR FAVORS THEM. PEACE DOES NOT FAVOR THEM.

BETSY.

Q DIFFERENT QUESTION?

MR. BURNS: STILL ON BOSNIA?

Q SAME SUBJECT.

MR. BURNS: DAVID.

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Q FORGIVE ME IF YOU'VE BEEN ASKED THIS, BECAUSE I WAS A BIT LATE, BUT AT WHAT POINT DO YOU EXPECT TO BE ABLE TO EXTEND THE SAME KINDS OF WARNINGS AS YOU HAVE OVER GORAZDE TO BIHAC?

MR. BURNS: THAT'S THE QUESTION OF THE DAY. IT'S A VERY IMPORTANT QUESTION, GIVEN THE FACT THAT THE MOST INTENSE FIGHTING RIGHT NOW IS IN BIHAC, NOT IN GORAZDE, NOT IN TUZLA. THE SITUATION IS EXTREMELY CONFUSED, PARTLY BECAUSE OF THE TERRAIN, PARTLY BECAUSE OF THE

FACT ON BOTH SIDES YOU HAVE A NUMBER OF ARMIES FIGHTING.

ON THE ATTACKING SIDE, THE PEOPLE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS ARE CROATIAN SERBS AND BOSNIAN SERBS AND THE REBEL MUSLIM ARMY. ON THE DEFENDING SIDE YOU HAVE THE BOSNIAN GOVERNMENT, THE CITIZENS OF BIHAC -- 200,000 OF THEM -- AND THE CROATIAN ARMY, WHICH HAS A FEDERATION WITH BOSNIA AND WHICH HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO INTERVENE BY THE BOSNIAN GOVERNMENT.

IT'S CONFUSED, AND SO IT'S NOT AN EASY SITUATION AROUND WHICH ONE CAN PLAN EFFECTIVE USE OF AIR POWER TO DETER THE ATTACKERS, AS IT CLEARLY IS IN GORAZDE, WHICH IS SURROUNDED BY THE ATTACKERS. THE BATTLE LINES ARE DRAWN SOMEWHAT HAPHAZARDLY IN THIS CASE.

Q DOES THAT MEAN AIR POWER WOULD BE OF NO USE IN BIHAC -- THE THREAT OF AIR POWER WOULD BE OF NO USE?

MR. BURNS: IT DOESN'T NECESSARILY MEAN THAT AT ALL, DAVID. IT JUST MEANS THAT RIGHT NOW THERE IS NO CONSENSUS, I THINK, ON THE PART OF THE DEFENDERS OR OF THE NATO COUNTRIES THAT HAVE TROOPS ON THE GROUND, THAT THAT IS A DECISION THAT WE SHOULD MAKE RIGHT NOW TO DEPLOY AIR POWER.

I THINK, FRANKLY, MOST PEOPLE BELIEVE THAT BIHAC CAN BE DEFENDED AND WILL BE DEFENDED BECAUSE OF THE STRENGTH OF THE FEDERATION BETWEEN BOSNIA AND CROATIA. HAD IT NOT BEEN FOR THAT FEDERATION, HAD THE BOSNIAN GOVERNMENT BEEN LEFT TO ITS OWN DEVICES TO FACE THESE MARAUDING ARMIES I THINK IT WOULD BE A VERY VERY DIFFERENT PICTURE, PERHAPS AKIN TO THE ONE THAT THEY FACED IN SREBRENICA SEVERAL WEEKS AGO. BUT I THINK THAT MOST ANALYSTS WOULD SAY THAT THE INCLUSION NOW OF -- THE ADDITION OF THE CROATIAN MILITARY FORCES WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE -- A DECISIVE DIFFERENCE FOR THE BOSNIAN GOVERNMENT.

Q DO YOU THEREFORE WELCOME THE INCLUSION OF THE CROATIAN FORCES?

MR. BURNS: WE HAVE SAID THAT WE DO NOT FAVOR A WIDENING OF THIS WAR. THE BOSNIAN SERBS, THE CROATIAN SERBS

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AND THE MUSLIM -- THE RENEGADE MUSLIM ARMY HAVE WIDENED THE WAR. THE RESPONSIBILITY RESTS ON THEIR SHOULDERS FOR HAVING DONE SO.

WE'VE ALSO NOTED THAT THERE IS A FEDERATION IN PLACE; THAT ONE MEMBER OF THE FEDERATION, BOSNIA, REQUESTED THE ASSISTANCE OF THE OTHER, AND THE OTHER HAS COME TO ITS RESCUE. I THINK THAT'S AN ADEQUATE DESCRIPTION -- AN ACCURATE DESCRIPTION OF THE AMERICAN POSITION.

Q HAS ANY U.S. OFFICIAL MAKE ANY CONTACT WITH THE PRESIDENT OF (INAUDIBLE) FOR THE LAST COUPLE OF DAYS CONCERNING THE LIFTING OF THE EMBARGO OF BOSNIA?
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MR. BURNS: THERE WAS A CONTACT GROUP MEETING YESTERDAY IN LONDON. BOB FRASURE -- AMBASSADOR BOB FRASURE REPRESENTED THE UNITED STATES. I UNDERSTAND THAT THE EUROPEAN UNION NEGOTIATOR CARL BILDT REPORTED TO THE CONTACT GROUP ABOUT THE QUESTION THAT YOU ASKED -- THE STATUS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS ON RECOGNITION THAT DO INVOLVE THE GOVERNMENT IN BELGRADE.

AS YOU KNOW, THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF BACK AND FORTH ABOUT THIS. THIS WAS ORIGINALLY A NEGOTIATION IN WHICH THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT -- NAMELY, AMBASSADOR BOB FRASURE -- PLAYED THE LEADING ROLE. IN THE LAST COUPLE OF WEEKS, THAT ROLE HAS BEEN PLAYED BY MR. BILDT.

IT'S OUR POSITION THAT THE TIME IS NOT YET RIPE FOR THE CONCLUSION OF THIS AGREEMENT. WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE THAT RECOGNITION OF BOSNIA WOULD BE AN IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT. WE ALSO BELIEVE, HOWEVER, THAT IN ORDER FOR THIS RECOGNITION TO HAVE REAL MEANING, ADDITIONAL STEPS MUST BE TAKEN TO STABILIZE THE SITUATION ON THE GROUND AND SEAL THE BORDER BETWEEN BOSNIA AND SERBIA.

AS WE DISCUSSED THIS ISSUE IN LONDON LAST FRIDAY NIGHT WITH OUR NATO ALLIES AND CONTACT GROUP MEMBER -- ALLIES -- IT WAS VERY CLEAR THAT NOT ALL OF THE ISSUES HAD BEEN RESOLVED. THERE WAS AN ISSUE OF FROZEN ASSETS THAT HAD NOT BEEN RESOLVED, AND WE'VE ALWAYS TALKED ABOUT MUTUAL RECOGNITION BETWEEN BOSNIA AND THE GOVERNMENT IN BELGRADE.

IT WAS NOT AT ALL CLEAR LAST WEEKEND IN LONDON THAT THE BOSNIAN GOVERNMENT WAS SATISFIED AND WAS WILLING TO TAKE THE STEPS TO RECOGNIZE. SO IT'S THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES THAT WE SHOULD CONTINUE THIS DIALOGUE;

THAT THIS WOULD BE A VERY IMPORTANT ACOMPLISHMENT, BUT IT IS NOT YET RIPE FOR ACCOMPLISHMENT.

Q NEW SUBJECT?

MR. BURNS: FINE.

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Q CHINA. DID YOU SEE THE HARRY WU TAPE, AND DO YOU HAVE ANY REACTION TO IT?

MR. BURNS: I UNDERSTAND THAT OUR EMBASSY IN BEIJING HAS OBTAINED A COPY OF THIS TAPE THAT MANY OF US SAW ON TELEVISION THIS MORNING. BUT WE HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED A REPORT FROM THE EMBASSY ABOUT ITS ANALYSIS OF THIS TAPE. I WOULD SIMPLY SAY THIS: IT'S VERY DIFFICULT FOR US, WATCHING TELEVISION HERE IN WASHINGTON, TO DETERMINE WHAT THIS TAPE IS, WHO PRODUCED THE TAPE, HOW IT FELL

INTO THE HANDS OF COMMERCIAL BROADCASTING COMPANIES FOR A PRICE, AND I WOULD JUST NOTE THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT THAT THEY HAVE IN FACT ISSUED THIS TAPE OR CONFIRMING THAT THE PERSON ON THE TAPE IS HARRY WU AND CONFIRMING WHAT HE MAY OR MAY NOT BE SAYING.

THE CENTRAL QUESTION FOR US ON THIS CASE, SINCE JUNE 23, THE DAY WE WERE ADVISED THAT HARRY WU WAS UNDER DETENTION, HAS BEEN THIS: HE'S AN AMERICAN CITIZEN WITH A VALID CHINESE VISA IN HIS VALID AMERICAN PASSPORT. HE OUGHT TO BE RELEASED ON HUMANITARIAN GROUNDS.

I NOTICE THAT MUCH OF THE COMMENTARY COMING OUT OF CHINA TALKS ABOUT THE LEGAL BASIS FOR THIS AND THE TRIAL, AND WHAT CRIMES MAY OR MAY NOT HAVE BEEN (COMMITTED), AND CONFESSIONS THIS MORNING. THAT'S NOT THE PERTINENT QUESTION FOR US. THE PERTINENT QUESTION IS, HE OUGHT TO BE RELEASED, AND HE OUGHT TO BE RELEASED
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IMMEDIATELY.

IT'S THAT MESSAGE THAT WE WILL CONTINUE TO EXTEND AND SEND TO THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT.

Q (INAUDIBLE) ABOUT CHINESE INTENTIONS IF THIS IS AS IT'S PURPORTED TO BE, A TAPE BEING RELEASED BY A

BRANCH OF THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT?

MR. BURNS: WE SIMPLY DON'T KNOW. I THINK YOU COULD PROBABLY MAKE A CASE EITHER WAY. IT COULD BE GOOD NEWS; IT COULD BE NEGATIVE NEWS. WE SIMPLY DON'T KNOW, BECAUSE WE DON'T KNOW WHO PRODUCED THIS TAPE. IT HAS NOT BEEN CLAIMED AS -- THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT HAS NOT YET CLAIMED OWNERSHIP, AND THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALLY -- THE FOREIGN MINISTRY AT LEAST -- HAS NOT MADE STATEMENTS ABOUT THESE SO-CALLED CONFESSIONS THAT THE TAPE DISCUSSES; AND THAT NEWS AGENCIES AND NEWS REPORTS HAVE DISCUSSED FROM CHINA.

WE WANT TO BE VERY CAREFUL NOT TO JUMP TO ANY CONCLUSIONS UNTIL WE ARE ABLE TO TALK SPECIFICALLY AND DIRECTLY TO THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT ABOUT WHAT THEY THINK IS HAPPENING.

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I WOULD ALSO SAY THAT WE HAVE AN OBVIOUS INTEREST IN SEEING HARRY WU. WE HAVE NOT SEEN HIM IN A NUMBER OF

WEEKS. WE BELIEVE THAT IT MAKES SENSE FOR US TO HAVE ACCESS TO HIM, TO ASSURE OURSELVES THAT HE'S OKAY, THAT HE'S WELL, AND TO CONTINUE TO MAKE THE CASE DIRECTLY TO THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT THAT HE OUGHT TO BE RELEASED.

Q HAVE YOU BEEN GIVEN ASSURANCES THAT YOU'LL GET YOUR MONTHLY VISIT AT LEAST, AND WHEN WOULD THAT BE?

MR. BURNS: I THINK THE CHINESE HAVE ASSURED US THAT WE'LL GET OUR MONTHLY VISIT. WE HAVE ASKED THEM FOR MORE FREQUENT VISITS.

Q WHEN WILL THAT BE, IF IT IS AT THE ABSOLUTELY OUTSIDE LIMIT?

MR. BURNS: I BELIEVE IT'S AROUND AUGUST 9, 10 OR 11, SOMEWHERE IN THAT NEIGHBORHOOD. I CAN CHECK ON THAT EXACT DATE. I BELIEVE MR. MACIAS, OUR CONSUL GENERAL, VISITED HIM IN WUHAN AROUND JULY 9, 10 OR 11 -- ONE OF THOSE DAYS.

Q NICK, IS THIS GOING TO AFFECT THE AGENDA OR THE TONE OF THE MEETINGS THAT MR. CHRISTOPHER IS GOING TO HAVE IN BRUNEI WITH THE CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTER?

MR. BURNS: IT IS CERTAINLY AN ISSUE IN U.S.-CHINA RELATIONS AND WILL REMAIN AN ISSUE UNTIL MR. WU IS RETURNED SAFELY, TO HIS HOME IN CALIFORNIA. THE AGENDA IS PRETTY WELL SET. THE UNITED STATES AND CHINA HAVE A VERY IMPORTANT RELATIONSHIP. WE HAVE SECURITY, ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL ISSUES ON THAT AGENDA. A NUMBER OF THEM HAVE GREAT CONSEQUENCE FOR THE FUTURE OF BOTH OF OUR COUNTRIES, AS PACIFIC COUNTRIES, AS PACIFIC POWERS.

THAT'S THE AGENDA: TO LOOK AT ALL THE MAJOR ISSUES IN THE RELATIONSHIP, AND TO SEE IF THERE'S A WAY TO SURMOUNT THE DIFFICULTIES OF THE LAST COUPLE OF MONTHS TO PROVIDE A MORE STABLE FOOTING AND FOUNDATION FOR THE U.S.-CHINA RELATIONSHIP. THAT'S WHAT SECRETARY CHRISTOPHER HOPES TO DO.

I WLD JUST REMIND YOU, HE'LL BE AT THE NATIONAL PRESS CLUB TOMORROW. HE'LL BE GIVING A MAJOR ADDRESS ON ASIA POLICY, WHICH, OF COURSE, WILL COVER OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH CHINA.

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Q BUT TO CLARIFY, DOES THAT MEAN THAT THE MESSAGE THE SECRETARY WILL BE TAKING TO BRUNEI IS THAT AS LONG AS HARRY WU IS DETAINED, U.S.-CHINESE RELATIONS CAN'T BE IMPROVED?

MR. BURNS: THE MESSAGE IS THE UNITED STATES AND CHINA MUST HAVE A GOOD RELATIONSHIP. THEY MUST HAVE THE

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ABILITY TO WORK THROUGH BOTH OUR DIFFERENCES AND ALSO THOSE ISSUES WHERE WE CAN COOPERATE AND MOVE FORWARD TOGETHER. HARRY WU IS, OF COURSE, A MAJOR CASE ON THE U.S.-CHINESE AGENDA. IT WILL REMAIN SO UNTIL HE'S RELEASED.

WE'RE MAKING NO THREATS HERE. WE'RE NOT MAKING ANYTHING CONTINGENT ON ANYTHING ELSE. WE'RE SIMPLY SAYING THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT MATTERS TO US. HIS FREEDOM MATTERS TO US, AND WE'LL CONTINUE TO ASSERT THAT. WE'RE ALSO SAYING THAT THE RELATIONSHIP MATTERS, AND THAT BOTH OF US BEAR RESPONSIBILITY FOR IMPROVING THE RELATIONSHIP.

TOM.

Q WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE DEPUTY SECRETARY'S TRIP TO HAITI?

Q COULD WE STAY ON CHINA?

MR. BURNS: TOM, MAYBE WE'LL STAY ON CHINA.

Q I'M SORRY. I THOUGHT YOU HAD FINISHED WITH CHINA. I BEG YOUR PARDON.

MR. BURNS: WE'LL GO DIRECTLY TO YOU AFTER WE FINISH IN CHINA.

Q DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENT ON A XINHUA REPORT, DESCRIBING WHAT HARRY WU MAY HAVE DONE 30 YEARS AGO OR 20 YEARS AGO? YOU KNOW, THAT THE CHINESE HAVE DISCLOSED THAT HE COMMITTED THEFT -- GRAND THEFT, RAPE AND SWINDLED MONEY BEFORE HE WAS FIRST THROWN INTO PRISON? DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENT ON THAT?

MR. BURNS: UNLESS I'M MISTAKEN, IT'S NOT NORMAL FOR A NEWS AGENCY TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT. I THINK WE HAVE TO WAIT AND SEE WHAT THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT HAS TO SAY ABOUT THOSE CHARGES.

I WOULD JUST NOTE, THOUGH, IN ANSWER TO YOUR QUESTION -- BECAUSE I DO WANT TO BE HELPFUL TO YOU -- HAD THEY HAD THOSE CONCERNS, WHY THEN DID THEY ISSUE HIM SEVERAL VISAS TO ENTER CHINA AFTER HE BECAME A NATURALIZED AMERICAN CITIZEN.

HARRY WU IS A GREAT CHAMPION OF HUMAN RIGHTS. HE'S A MAN WHO HAS SUFFERED GREATLY IN HIS LIFE, WHO HAS SPOKEN ELOQUENTLY ABOUT THOSE SUFFERINGS AND ABOUT THE SUFFERINGS OF A MUCH WIDER GROUP OF PEOPLE -- HUMAN RIGHTS DISSIDENTS IN CHINA. HE DESERVES AND HAS OUR

RESPECT.

Q WHEN SECRETARY CHRISTOPHER MEETS FOREIGN MINISTER QIAN, IS THE SECRETARY LIKELY TO EXTEND ON BEHALF

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OF PRESIDENT CLINTON AN INVITATION FOR THE CHINESE PRESIDENT TO COME HERE FOR A SUMMIT?

MR. BURNS: I SIMPLY DON'T KNOW. THE U.S.-CHINA UNCLAS SECTION 14 OF 17 STATE 180135

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AGENDA IS VERY FULL. WE WANT TO HAVE A GOOD

RELATIONSHIP. WE WANT TO HAVE FREQUENT MEETINGS AND HIGH-LEVEL MEETINGS. THE QUESTION OF A PRESIDENTIAL MEETING IS A QUESTION FOR PRESIDENTS TO DECIDE, AND OUR PRESIDENT IS BILL CLINTON, AND HE HAS TO MAKE THAT DECISION.

SECRETARY CHRISTOPHER WILL BE CARRYING A VERY BROAD MESSAGE FROM THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT, AND THAT IS THAT WE HAVE GOT TO GET THIS RELATIONSHIP BACK ON TRACK. WE'VE GOT TO RESOLVE PROBLEMS, AND WE'VE GOT TO DO IT IN A CONSTRUCTIVE WAY.

DAVID.

Q ON THE TAPE, ONE OF THE MOST INTERESTING THINGS IN IT IS WHERE HARRY WU IS BEING QUESTIONED AND IS REALLY CRITICIZING THE BBC, BUT THE MAIN CHARGE AGAINST HIM IS STEALING STATE SECRETS. DOES THE DEPARTMENT HAVE ANY GREATER UNDERSTANDING THAN IT USED TO OF -- OR EXACTLY WHAT THE CHARGES ARE, WHAT THEY'RE BASED ON AT THIS POINT?

MR. BURNS: NO, WE DO NOT.

Q WHAT SECRETS HE STOLE?

MR. BURNS: NO, WE DO NOT. WE'VE RECEIVED VERY LITTLE INFORMATION FROM THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT. I BELIEVE WE'VE REPORTED TO YOU IN FACT THE EXTENT OF OUR UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT THE CHARGES ARE AS HE FACES A POSSIBLE TRIAL IN THE FUTURE.

HE IS IN A PRETRIAL PERIOD NOW, AS DESCRIBED BY THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT, WHERE THEY ARE INVESTIGATING CHARGES MADE AGAINST HIM FOR ALLEGED CRIMES AND DETERMINING WHETHER OR NOT TO BRING HIM TO TRIAL. WE HAVE NOT BEEN

GIVEN ANY SPECIFIC INFORMATION ABOUT THE DETAILS OF ANY ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF THE LAW THAT HE MAY OR MAY NOT HAVE COMMITTED.

I WOULD JUST NOTE THAT WE HAVE NOT ESTABLISHED THE VALIDITY OF THESE TAPES. IF THEY ARE VALID, I THINK EVERYBODY UNDERSTANDS THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH SUCH TAPES ARE MADE. HARRY WU HAS BEEN A TIRELESS ADVOCATE OF HUMAN RIGHTS. HE HAS SPOKEN VERY CLEARLY UNDER ADVERSE CIRCUMSTANCES ABOUT HUMAN RIGHTS PROBLEMS IN CHINA, AND THEREFORE WE WOULD LOOK AT SUCH TAPES WITH A GREAT DEAL SKEPTICISM.

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Q NICK, WOULD THE EMBASSY HAVE TO PAY THE REPORTED \$3,000 THAT OTHER NEWS AGENCIES WERE CHARGED, APPARENTLY IN OBTAINING THE TAPE.

MR. BURNS: I CERTAINLY HOPE NOT. (LAUGHTER) I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT THE EMBASSY WOULD. I THINK IT'S APPALLING THAT ANYBODY WOULD SELL SUCH A TAPE. IN THE FIRST PLACE, I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT THE EMBASSY WOULD AGREE TO PURCHASE ONE. IT'S A GOOD QUESTION, THOUGH.

WE'RE OFF CHINA. TOM.

Q WHY IS THE DEPUTY SECRETARY IN HAITI? AND THE SECOND PART OF THE QUESTION IS WHAT'S THE SIGNIFICANCE AND THE TIMING OF MR. REMY'S RESIGNATION?

MR. BURNS: DEPUTY SECRETARY STROBE TALBOTT IS IN HAITI BECAUSE HE HAS HAD A REGULAR SERIES OF MEETINGS WITH THE HAITIAN LEADERSHIP, INCLUDING WITH PRESIDENT ARISTIDE. HE'S BEEN ACCOMPANIED DOWN TO HAITI TODAY -- IT'S A ONE-DAY VISIT -- BY BRIAN ATWOOD, THE DIRECTOR OF USAID, AND BY JAN LODAL, WHO IS DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY UNCLAS SECTION 15 OF 17 STATE 180135

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OF DEFENSE.

STROBE TALBOTT HAS SINCE WELL BEFORE LAST SEPTEMBER, WHEN DEMOCRACY RETURNED TO HAITI, TAKEN A LEADING ROLE IN THE ADMINISTRATION ON THIS POLICY. HE'S TAKEN A GREAT PERSONAL INTEREST IN THE ISSUE AND IN BUILDING A NEW RELATIONSHIP WITH THE HAITIAN GOVERNMENT AND HE HAS A VERY CLOSE, I THINK, UNDERSTANDING AND A GOOD UNDERSTANDING OF THE PROBLEMS THERE.

SO HE'S GONE DOWN TO TALK ABOUT OUR RELATIONSHIP. HE'S GONE DOWN TO TALK ABOUT THE CHALLENGE FOR THE HAITIAN GOVERNMENT TO BOLSTER ITS ELECTORAL MACHINERY

AND BOLSTER ITS CAPABILITIES TO HOLD FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS IN THE FUTURE. ALSO TO DISCUSS A NUMBER OF OTHER PROBLEMS PERTAINING TO THE CHALLENGES OF BUILDING DEMOCRACY IN HAITI.

Q WHILE HE WAS IN THE AIR, MR. REMY RESIGNED. WHAT DO YOU MAKE OF THE TIMING OF THAT?

MR. BURNS: I BELIEVE IT MUST BE COINCIDENTAL. I

CAN'T IMAGINE THAT THERE WOULD BE ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN THIS TRIP AND A RESIGNATION BY SOMEONE IN HAITI.

Q (INAUDIBLE) (LAUGHTER)A

MR. BURNS: THANK YOU, TOM. DO YOU HAVE A FOLLOW-UP QUESTION?

Q NO.

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MR. BURNS: OKAY.

Q HAMAS TERRORISTS IN NEW YORK. DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING ON THE FELLOW WHO WAS DETAINED AT KENNEDY ON TUESDAY, AND PARTICULARLY DO YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION ON HOW THE AUTHORITIES GOT WIND OF HIM? WAS THERE A TIP FROM THE ISRAELIS?

MR. BURNS: I BELIEVE I'M GOING TO HAVE TO REFER YOU TO JUSTICE ON THIS PARTICULAR CASE. I HAVE VERY LITTLE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS INDIVIDUAL. I CAN TELL YOU THAT THE IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE DETAINED MUSA ABU MARZUK TUESDAY AT THE KENNEDY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN NEW YORK, THAT HIS IMMIGRATION STATUS IS CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW, AND ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS HAVE TO BE REFERRED TO THE IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE ON HIM.

I AM NOT IN A POSITION TO GIVE YOU ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THIS PARTICULAR CASE.

Q THE HOUSE PASSED YESTERDAY THE BILL TO FUND -- TO PAY YOUR SALARIES ESSENTIALLY -- THE STATE DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZATION BILL, APPROPRIATIONS BILL. THE PRESIDENT SAID YESTERDAY THAT HE WOULD VETO THE SENATE AUTHORIZATION BILL BY JESSE HELMS, WHICH MANDATES THE RESTRUCTURING OF THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS AGENCIES.

IS THE ADMINISTRATION GOING TO VETO THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS BILL FOR THE STATE DEPARTMENT?

MR. BURNS: THAT'S A DECISION THAT ONLY THE PRESIDENT CAN MAKE. THE PRESIDENT EXERCISES THAT RIGHT, AND THE SECRETARY OF STATE, OF COURSE, WILL ADVISE HIM

IN THAT MATTER, WOULD BE ONE OF THE PEOPLE WHO DOES.

BUT I DON'T WANT TO PUT MYSELF INTO THAT PLACE TO TALK ABOUT THAT PUBLICLY OR TO PREDICT WHAT MIGHT HAPPEN PUBLICLY.

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CLEARLY, AS YOU KNOW, THE ADMINISTRATION HAS A VERY STRONG OBJECTION TO PROPOSED LEGISLATION THAT WOULD COMPEL THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TO TAKE UNDER ITS WINGS THREE AGENCIES OF THE U. S. GOVERNMENT.

WE ALSO HAVE A STRONG OBJECTION TO THE FACT THAT NOT ONLY OUR OPERATING BUDGET, BUT AMERICAN ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS HAVE BEEN CUT TO THE BONE, BEYOND WHAT IS RATIONAL, AND BEYOND WHAT IS IN THE INTERESTS OF THIS COUNTRY IN MEETING AND ADVANCING OUR INTEREST OVERSEAS.

THE PRESIDENT AND THE SECRETARY HAVE BOTH SPOKEN TO THAT IN THE LAST COUPLE OF DAYS, AND THEY HAVE SENT LETTERS TO THE CONGRESSIONAL LEADERSHIP ON BOTH ISSUES.

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Q JUST TO FOLLOW-UP ON THAT, THE HOUSE BILL YESTERDAY ALSO INCLUDED AN AMENDMENT TO PREVENT SPENDING ANY MONEY TO CREATE AN EMBASSY, TO EXPAND THE PRESENT DIPLOMATIC STRUCTURE IN HANOI, AND TO ESTABLISH AN EMBASSY, I BELIEVE.

DO YOU HAVE ANY REACTION TO THAT MOVE?

MR. BURNS: WE VERY MUCH DISAGREE WITH IT AND OPPOSE IT AND WILL CONTINUE TO OPPOSE IT. THE PRESIDENT HAS MADE A DECISION THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL NORMALIZE ITS RELATIONS WITH VIETNAM. HE HAS DONE THAT. WE HAVE FORMAL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS IN PLACE.

SECRETARY CHRISTOPHER ON AUGUST 5TH AND 6TH WILL OPEN THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY IN HANOI. HE WILL BEGIN A RELATIONSHIP WITH HIS COUNTERPARTS, THE PRIME MINISTER AND THE FOREIGN MINISTER OF VIETNAM. HE WILL GO THERE TO TALK ABOUT THE ISSUE THAT CONCERNS ALL OF US, THE REMAINS OF OUR POWS AND MIAS THAT MAY BE HANDED OVER -- SOME OF WHICH MAY BE HANDED OVER TO SECRETARY CHRISTOPHER ON HIS TRIP, AND THE FATE OF THOSE WHO DISAPPEARED FROM THE WAR AND WHOM WE HAVE NO RECORD.

THAT IS THE CENTRAL ISSUE IN OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH VIETNAM.

THE PRESIDENT AND THE SECRETARY HAVE MADE A

DETERMINATION BASED ON ALL OF THE WORK THAT THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT HAS DONE WITH THE VIETNAMESE DATING BACK TO THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION, INCLUDING MOST NOTABLY THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION, THAT OUR ABILITY TO MAKE PROGRESS ON POW/MIAS IS GOING TO BE MUCH STRONGER IF WE HAVE AN ON-GOING RELATIONSHIP WITH VIETNAM THAN IT WILL BE IF WE FAIL TO TAKE THE STEPS TO NORMALIZE OUR RELATIONS.

WE FEEL VERY CONFIDENT THAT THIS IS THE RIGHT DECISION FOR THE UNITED STATES AND WE ARE GOING TO CONTINUE TO ASSERT THE POINT WITH THE CONGRESS THAT WE HAVE OPENED THE EMBASSY. WE HAVE BEGUN DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS, AND WE CAN'T STOP ONCE WE HAVE BEGUN, AND WE SHOULD NOT STOP ONCE WE HAVE BEGUN.

Q YOU ARE DESCRIBED ON THE OP-ED PAGE OF THE WASHINGTON POST THIS MORNING --

MR. BURNS: I SAW THAT.

Q -- AS THE ABLE SPOKESMAN FOR THE STATE DEPARTMENT. AN ARTICLE THAT ALSO SAYS THAT YOU WERE MISLED BY YOUR SOUTH ASIAN COLLEAGUES IN THE DEPARTMENT. WOULD YOU LIKE TO COMMENT ON THAT?

MR. BURNS: I THINK IT IS A MOST UNFAIR CHARACTERIZATION OF MY COLLEAGUES IN THE SOUTH ASIA BUREAU WHO ARE AMONG THE BEST COLLEAGUES THAT I HAVE IN UNCLAS SECTION 17 OF 17 STATE 180135

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BUILDING, INCLUDING THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROBIN RAPHEL AND INCLUDING A NUMBER OF OTHERS. THEY ARE VERY, VERY ACCOMPLISHED PROFESSIONALS, SO I DO TAKE ISSUE WITH THAT.

I WOULD JUST SAY, ON THIS GENERAL QUESTION -- LET'S GO TO THE SUBSTANCE -- WE BELIEVE THAT PAKISTAN HAS NO INTEREST IN SEEING IRAN ACQUIRE NUCLEAR WEAPONS, AND WE ARE UNAWARE OF ANY CURRENT PAKISTANI ASSISTANCE TO IRAN'S NUCLEAR WEAPONS PROGRAM.

WE HAVE SEEN REPORTS THAT THE FORMER CHIEF OF

PAKISTAN'S ARMY STAFF, GENERAL BEG, MAY HAVE BEEN INTERESTED IN THE PAST, BEFORE THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT TOOK OFFICE, IN NUCLEAR COOPERATION WITH IRAN. WE ARE UNAWARE OF ANY OFFICIAL COOPERATION HAVING TAKEN PLACE, ALTHOUGH WE OBVIOUSLY CANNOT RULE OUT THE POSSIBILITY OF

SO I AM MAKING A DISTINCTION HERE BETWEEN WHAT WE THINK COULD POSSIBLY HAVE HAPPENED, THEORETICALLY IN THE PAST, AND WHAT WE BELIEVE TO BE THE CASE NOW. THAT IS, THE GOVERNMENT IN PLACE NOW, THE GOVERNMENT OF PRIME MINISTER BHUTTO, IS NOT EXTENDING NUCLEAR ASSISTANCE TO IRAN.

MR. BURNS: YES. I WOULD JUST STICK BY THE STATEMENT THAT I HAVE MADE.

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