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MY TELNOS 1655-6 AND YOUR TELNOS 104-5 TO JERUSALEM: IRAQ/KUWAIT:
SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

SUMMARY

1. AGREEMENT IN THE FIVE ON TEXT OF DRAFT SECURITY COUNCIL
RESOLUTION. AIM TO INTRODUCE IT TO OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS ON 17
OCTOBER AND TO HAVE RESOLUTION PASSED BY END OF WEEK. BUT FINAL U S
GO-AHEAD STILL AWAITED.

DETAIL

2. BY THE AFTERNOON OF 17 OCTOBER COUNSELLORS OF THE FIVE HAD
REDRAFTED, AND AMBASSADORS HAD APPROVED, THE PROPOSED SECURITY
COUNCIL RESOLUTION. THE AMERICANS ASKED FOR TIME TO GET FINAL
CLEARANCE FROM WASHINGTON: OTHER MISSIONS ARE READY TO GO AHEAD.

3. THE DISCUSSIONS TOOK AS THEIR STARTING POINT THE TEXT FAXED TO
THE DEPARTMENT OVERNIGHT. NOT ONLY THE AMERICANS BUT ALSO THE OTHER
THREE FELT THAT OUR MATERIAL ON COMPENSATION SHOULD BE MADE LESS
DETAILED AND LESS PROMINENT. THE PASSAGE ON IRAQI TREATMENT OF
KUWAITIS WAS BROUGHT TO THE BEGINNING OF THE OPERATIVE PART OF THE
RESOLUTION, FOLLOWED BY THE PARAGRAPHS ON THIRD COUNTRY NATIONALS
AND DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR MISSIONS IN KUWAIT, AND THEN BY
SIMPLIFIED LANGUAGE ON COMPENSATION. THE RUSSIANS AND CHINESE WERE
ANXIOUS THAT THE DRAFT SHOULD TAKE IN MORE LANGUAGE FROM THE
CUBAN/YEMENI 'PEACE OFFENSIVE' DRAFT. WE HAVE DONE THIS, WHILE
MAKING THE POINTS IN INNOCUOUS LANGUAGE. SEVERAL OTHER SMALL
DRAFTING CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE (TEXT FAXED TO EMERGENCY UNIT, UND
AND ATHENS).

4. IT WAS TENTATIVELY AGREED BY AMBASSADORS THAT THE TEXT WOULD BE
CIRCULATED BEFORE THE END OF THE DAY TO ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS AS AN
INFORMAL WORKING PAPER. LI (CHINA) SAID THAT IN ORDER TO PROTECT
CHINA'S POSITION THE PAPER SHOULD NOT GO OUT AS A DRAFT OF THE FIVE:
AFTER DISCUSSION IT WAS AGREED THAT IT WOULD BE MERELY DESCRIBED AS

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'BROADLY ACCEPTED BY THE FIVE'. ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE FOR MEMBERS OF THE FIVE TO INTRODUCE THE DRAFT IN SEPARATE MEETINGS WITH THE NON-ALIGNED AND NON-NON-ALIGNED MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL ON THE MORNING OF 18 OCTOBER. (AS USUAL CHINA WILL NOT TAKE PART IN THIS BRIEFING EXERCISE: I SHALL BE REPRESENTED BY RICHARDSON, IN ORDER TO PROTECT MY OWN POSITION AS PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL).

5. ALL THESE ARRANGEMENTS HAVE NOW BEEN PUT ON HOLD AS THE AMERICANS HAVE STILL BEEN UNABLE TO GET CLEARANCE OF THE DRAFT FROM WASHINGTON. OUR CONTACTS IN THE U S MISSION DO NOT KNOW THE EXACT CAUSE OF THE HOLD-UP. THEY HAVE TOLD US IN STRICT CONFIDENCE (PLEASE PROTECT) THAT SECRETARY BAKER IS NOT UNHAPPY WITH THE TEXT AS IT HAS EMERGED, BUT HAS ONE FURTHER IDEA ABOUT IT, ON WHICH HE MIGHT SEND A FURTHER MESSAGE TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE. PROVIDED THAT THIS ADDITIONAL LOOP DOES NOT CAUSE SIGNIFICANT DELAY, IT MAY STILL BE POSSIBLE TO MOVE ON TO INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON THE AFTERNOON OF 18 OCTOBER. MY AIM IS TO HAVE THE RESOLUTION PASSED ON 19 OCTOBER.

6. SEE MIFT FOR DISCUSSION ON THE MILITARY STAFF COMMITTEE (MSC).

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