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Dear Mr. Deora:

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Thank you for your most recent letter of June 2. I very much appreciate your concern for the improvement of Indo-U.S. relations, a goal to which the President is strongly committed.

The democratic ties which you cite in your letter are only one part of our relationship, which encompasses a high-level dialogue (symbolized by Prime Minister Gandhi's 1985 visit here), growing private business ties, broad cooperation in science and technology, potential collaboration in defense production, and greater licensing of high-technology items for export to India. The United States has also cooperated with India in countering Sikh terrorism, most recently by the arrest of two suspects wanted in connection with the assassination of General Vaidya.

You have focussed on our security assistance to Pakistan. In fact, the annual monetary value of our military assistance will decrease from previous years under the six-year program. The program is directed not at India but at the very real Soviet threat from Afghanistan. The incursions and deaths on Pakistan's border with Afghanistan have increased dramatically recently. Since the beginning of the year, the Pakistanis have counted 463 air violations of their border, with 342 killed in these air attacks. We fully support Pakistan's need to protect its territory from such attacks and from Soviet presence in Afghanistan.

President Reagan shares your desire for lasting peace in South Asia. The military assistance we have supplied has not upset the regional balance, which continues to be in India's favor.

We believe that a most significant step toward our mutual goal of reducing tensions in South Asia would be withdrawal of Soviet forces from Afghanistan. We think India can play a role in seeking peace in that troubled country and have urged India to use its influence to encourage an agreement which is consistent with United Nations resolutions and which results in the speedy, complete withdrawal of Soviet troops. I ask that you lend your support to this important goal.

With best wishes,

Sincerely Howard H Jr.

Chief of Staff to the President

His Excellency Muril S. Deora Member of Parliament Lok Sabna, India

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 14, 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF

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FROM: FRANK C. CARLUCC

SUBJECT: Response to Indian Member of Parliament

A request to Mr. Deora is attached at TAB A. The themes of the latest letter from Deora are similar to those expressed earlier. As such, I believe it is important that we continue to hammer home the points you raised previously: the importance of Indo-U.S. ties; our assistance to Pakistan to face the Soviet challenge via Afghanistan; and the role India can play in securing Soviet withdrawal from Afghanistan.

Attachments: TAB A Your Response to Mr. Deora TAB B Incoming Letter from Mr. Deora (June 2, 1987) and Background Information July 13, 1987

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR FRANK C. CARLUCCI

FROM: ROBERT B. OAKLEY

SUBJECT: Howard Baker's Reply to Murli Deora

Attached at TAB I is a memo for your signature to Howard Baker forwarding a reply to an Indian Member of Parliament.

Ross, Cockell and Saunders concur.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign and forward the memo at TAB I to Baker.

Approve

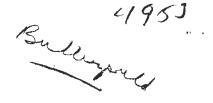
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TO: Howard Baker _____FROM: The Honorable Murli S. Deora

DATE: 2 June 87 SUBJECT: Writes concerning acquisition

of Pakistan of sophisticated weaponry from the U.S.

REFERRAL DATED: 16 June 87 ID# 494107

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You have focussed on our security assistance to Pakistan. In fact, the annual monetary value of our military assistance will decrease from previous years under the six-year program proposed to begin in 1988. It is still a large program, but

The Honorable Murli Deora, M.P. 16, Khetan Bhavan 198, J. Tata Rd. Bombay 400 020

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SUBJECT: WRITES CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF PAKISTAN OF SOPHISTICATED WEAPONRY FROM THE U.S.

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MURLI S. DEORA MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT LOK SABHA.

June 2, 1987

Mr. Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President The White House WASHINGTON United States of America

Dear Mr. Baker,

Many thanks for your reply of May 1.

The view you have expressed regarding U.S. commitment to supporting peace and stability in South Asia is no doubt appreciated.

The people of India, however, are not too certain of the real intention behind Pakistan's acquisition of sophisticated weaponry from the U.S. Their fear is that it may not have much to do with the Afghan factor. Nor does the kind of equipment being sought to be acquired suggest otherwise. The fear is based on sound We recall that Pakistan openly violated the reason, too. Eisenhower-Dulles assurance to India that our neighbour shall not use U.S. arms against us, as was witnessed during the Indo-Pak conflict.

It is only natural for the people of India to expect that the U.S with all its commitment to supporting democracy would be more forthcoming to the Indian standpoint rather than Pakistan's. India remains wedded to democracy throughout which is not the case with her neighbour.

The two of the world's greatest democracies have been keen to strengthen their ties and Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi and President Reagan have been holding dialogues towards this end. We are optimistic that working together India and the U.S. can ensure lasting peace in South Asia. But the arms offer by your and its systematic pile up by Pakistan are Administration oositive deterrents to such efforts. The Pak arms build up is to be seen as definite impediments to economic well-being and progress for both countries as precious resources are bound to be diverted to defence-preparedness and set the clock back for both by years. Hence, India's profound concern, I am sure, is too obvious.

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MURLI S. DEORA MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT LOK SABHA.

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Your appointment to the key position in the U.S. Administration gives us the hope that you would find it possible to counsel your Government to review and reframe its aid policy towards our neighbour. It should be possible for you to persuade President Reagan against any move that will come in the way of building up Indo-American understanding. Your mature advice can secure support for the Indian standpoint and pave the way for lasting peace in South Asia. We are hopeful the U.S. Government would adopt a policy helpful to achieve this.

Best regards.

Yours/sincerely, Murli S Deora 🚞

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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April 30, 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFE

FROM:

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FRANK C. CARLUCCI

Response to Indian Member of Parliament SUBJECT:

A response to Mr. Deora is attached at Tab A. Congressional debate of the last several weeks indicates broad-based support for the Administration's policy of helping Pakistan defend itself against Soviet pressure from Afghanistan.

The relationship with Pakistan notwithstanding, we have also been responsive to Indian requests for high-tech items. We continue to work for a non-nuclear weaponized South Asia in which India and Pakistan develop more cooperative relations.

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Tab A Response to Mr. Deora Tab B Letter from Mr. Deora

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May 12, 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR JOHN TUCK

GRANT S. GREEN

SUBJECT: Foreign Minister Yaqub's Request for a Meeting with Howard Baker

Foreign Minister Yaqub would like to meet with the Chief of Staff to renew his previous contact. The NSC recommends the meeting. The National Security Advisor will also be meeting with the Pakistani Foreign Minister.

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APPOINTMENT REQUEST

Date: Monday, May 18-Friday, May 22

For: Courtesy call for Pakistan Foreign Minister Yaqub Khan, formerly Ambassador to US 15 years ago and says he knew Senator Baker.

RSVP Mr. Fatemi 939-6213

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Note to Frank Carlucci's office: Would you please give us Mr. Carlucci's recommendation on how to respond to this appointment request for Senator Baker. Thanks. SSSlye NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

May 11, 1987

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MEMORANDUM FOR GRANT S. GREEN, JR.

FROM: ROBERT B. OAKLEY

SUBJECT: Foreign Minister Yaqub's Request for a Meeting with Howard Baker

The Chief of Staff's office has asked the NSC for a recommendation on the Yaqub request. A response is attached at Tab I.

Dennis Ross concurs.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the attached memo.
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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

September 26, 1987

Mrs. Farangis K. Shahrokh President, Board of Trustees California Zoroastrian Center 8952 Hazard Avenue Westminister, California 92683

Dear Mrs. Shahrokh:

Your letter to President Reagan regarding Zoroastrian youth from Iran who are in Pakistan and Turkey has been forwarded to me for response.

The United States Government is well aware of the plight of Iranian religious minorities. Of the over 5300 Iranian refugees admitted to the United States as refugees since last October, most are members of religious minority groups who had sought temporary refuge in Asia and Europe.

In fact, United States refugee policy makes special provision for the admission of members of persecuted religious minorities from the Near East and South Asia. In 1985, we expanded the definition of processing priority four for this specific purpose, and Iranian Zoroastrians are specifically mentioned among the groups for whom this change was intended.

Additionally, the President has proposed a 9,000 person ceiling for Fiscal Year 1988 for admissions for refugees from the Near East/South Asian region. The proposal reflects our assessment of resettlement needs from the region, especially by persons fleeing persecution in Iran. I should add, however, that the President will make a final determination of worldwide and regional refugee admissions ceilings only after the required annual consultations with Congress, which are expected to take place later this month. Also, our ability to admit the full number of refugees provided in the President's determination will depend on eventual Congressional approval of adequate appropriations. The appropriations process is legislatively distinct from the consultations process mentioned above, which is designed to set admissions ceilings. Individual applications for refugee status are adjudicated by the Immigration and Naturalization Service within the parameters set forth in the law and the annual admissions ceilings established by the President.

We share your concern for the Zoroastrian youth who have been separated from home and family, and we are deeply affected by the tragic death of the young man you described. We will continue to make every effort to assist refugees fleeing religious and political persecution.

Sincerely,

and Carol P. Hecklinger

Director Refugee Admission and Processing Bureau for Refugee Programs

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Date September 24, 1987

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- REFERENCE: TO: The President FROM: Mrs. Farangis K. Shahrokh

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FROM: MRS. FARANGIS K. SHAHROKH PRESIDENT, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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SUBJECT: REGARDING PLIGHT OF ZOROASTRIAN YOUTH IN PAKISTAN AND TURKEY

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CALIFORNIA ZOROASTRIAN CENTER

August 14, 1987

The Honorable Ronald Reagan President of the United States The White House Washington D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

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The worsening plight of our Zoroastrian youth in the countries outside Iran, particularly in Pakistan and Turkey, two close friends of the United States, necessitated our making an appeal to Hon. George P. Schultz, Secretary of State, Hon. Allen Cranstan, Senator of California and the Hon. Robert Dornan, Representative in Congress.

As we explained in our appeal to the Secrary of State, we are a very small religious community of 30,000 souls in Iran. We do not have a strong lobby outside, neither in the United States, nor in the United Nations. But the United States, as the champion of human rights, is the greatest supporter of freedom in the world.

To date, we have not received any reply from the Secretary of State and the replies by the other two gentlemen do not solve the urgent problem facing our small community. That is why we are writing to you and asking for your compassionate consideration in helping us.

I am enclosing herewith copies of the letters and their relevant replies for your convenience.

We recently received a letter from a group of Zoroastrian young men in Karachi, Pakistan who reported the tragedy of a suicide committed by one of their members. Although we fully understand the pre-occupations of the President of the United States of America, that letter has made us desparate enough to approach you directly and appeal to you for your immediate help.

As a small community, we have survived persecution for the

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last 1,400 years under Muslim rule, but the present regime has proven even worse. We Zoroastrians, along with Christian, Jewish and Bahai minorities, are treated as second class citizens in government and social orders, and we are forced to participate as soldiers in a war which has no holy meaning or any other purpose concerning us.

This devastating war, as we all know, has its heavy casualties. Consequently, these young men of ours and other minorities who can, take the risk of fleeing from their homeland by crossing into the neighboring countries, only to face unexpected hazards and possible death.

As a minute minority, we Zoroastrians implore you to save a few hundred of our young men, a drop in the ocean, but of vital importance for our very survival. These are the youths who have managed to escape from Iran and are now stranded mostly in Turkey, Pakistan and India. Torn from their families and with no escape, they cry out for help.

We appeal to you. Will you take their innocent plight as a special case and be kind enough to arrange a relaxation in immigration rules that will grant them entree Visas to come to the United States?

These youths are skilled and the few thousand Zoroastrians in the United States will take the responsibility to see them settled without being any burden whatsoever to the tax-payers of America.

Right now, as illegal immigrants in Turkey and Pakistan, these young men are not allowed to work or earn any form of livelihood. This intolerable situation increases their desparation and is driving them even to suicide.

May we repeat that our American Zoroastrian families eagerly await the opportunity to care for and support these intelligent, worthy young men who are the innocent victims of persecution and unrelated wars. We will be happy to send to you information on the Zoroastrian families who will provide support, if you so desire. You have our total cooperation in any way that will

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expedite granting the entree Visas.

With love of God we anxiously await your reply and gratefully thank you for your kind consideration.

Yours sincerely,

F. K. Shahoki

Mrs. Farangis K. Shahrokh President Board of Trustees California Zoroastrian Center

P.S. Each day's delay could result in the loss of one more of our dwindling community.

Enclosures.



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The Honourable Trustees California Zoroastrian Center Rustam Guiv Dar-e-Mehr 8952 Hazard Avenue, Westminster, California 92683 U. S. A.

Dear Sirs,

With best wishes

Once again we feel that it is necessary that we write to your esteemed Anjoman, to clarify certain matters that have taken place here. We feel that the seriousness of the situation of some of brothers is not known to everyone concerned.

For example the suicide of our dearest friend Shariar Darabian is a case in point. This suicide has been a source of sorrow and deep depression for all of us here. Two months have already passed since this tragedy when questions have been raised as to how and why this tragic incident had to take place. Unfortunately some people are trying to hide the reality and are conveying to our brothers and friends, false information and biased versions in order to show that it was an unimportant matter.

No words can really convey the feelings of utter despondency, despair and dejection that Shahriar must have experienced to make him take this extreme step.

All of us who are here, have been forced to leave our dear country that we love dearly as the home of our ancestors for

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many thousand of years, only because of the unjustified rules and regulations, pressures and various kinds of discriminations designed specifically against religious minorities by the present authorities. The pressures and discriminations imposed by these unjust methods have been so intolerable that we have had no option but to look elsewhere and hope for a better, freer, and more tolerant country where we could begin a new life without fear of having to give up our faith.

Dear Shahriar's wishes and feelings could not have been any different to those we are experiencing on being rejected by the U. N. and other agencies, and the utter sense of despair, disappointment and hopelessness when all our requests for refuge are refused. In such a state of despair is it any wonder, that he made up his mind to take his own life, as he felt there was absolutely no hope for him.

Yours sincerely,

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23 November 1986

UNHCR, as you may know, needs to entertain care as to its expenditures as a result of the general financial difficulties affecting the United Nations. UNHCR considers that the position and circumstances of several communities, both in Pakistan and abroad, amongst them the Zoroastrian community, are such that continued UNHCR assistance to recognised refugees from Iran belonging to these communities is not considered a first priority.

It has therefore been decided that UNHCR financial assistance to Zoroastrians from Iran, recognised as refugees by UNHCR, will be phased out. Those who have so far received monthly assistance will receive their last payment in December. Others, recognised recently, have already been informed at the time of their recognition that they will not be able to benefit from financial or medical assistance.

Zoroastrians from Iran, recognised as refugees by UNHCR; will however continue to be entitled to their blue registration-card and to resettlement counselling. Those not recognised may continue to renew their white 8-week fletter.

Yours sincerely,

Geldolph A. Everts Head of Sub-office Karachi ROBERT K. DORNAN 38TH DISTRICT, CALIFORNIA

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April 14, 1987

Mrs. Farangis K. Shahrokh President California Zoroastrian Center 8952 Hazard Ave. Westminster, Ca 92683

Dear Mrs. Shahrokh:

Thank for your letter about the plight of the Zoroastrian minority in Iran.

The Iran-Iraq war has raged for nearly seven years now. I have not doubt that the Zoroastrian minority has suffered greatly. The Ayatollah Khomeini has gone to great lengths to subjugate most minorities in the name of Allah. His religious fanaticism knows no bounds.

I will bring up the plight of the Zoroastrians with the Department of State. It is important that the proper authorities in our government are aware of this situation also.

Again, I appreciate your input and look forward to hearing from you again in the future.

Best regard Robert Dornan K.

U.S. Congressman

United States Department of State



Washington, D.C. 20520

June 16 1987

Dear Senator Cranston:

I am writing in response to your letter of June 1, enclosing correspondence from Mrs. Farangis K. Shahrokh, concerning the plight of Zoroastrians in Iran.

The U.S. Government expresses its concern over continuing numan rights violations in Iran in all appropriate fora. Since we do not have diplomatic relations with Iran, our ability to present our views to the Government of Iran are severely circumscribed. However, we do take a vigorous role in international organizations to ensure that this issue remains in full public view.

Regarding Mrs. Shahrokh's request for special immigration facilities for the Iranian Zoroastrian community, you may want to inform her that the U.S. refugee program is intended to address the needs of persons who are determined by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to suffer a well-founded fear of persecution and who qualify for resettlement in the United States.

Sincerely,

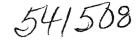
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The Honorable Alan Cranston,

United States Senate.

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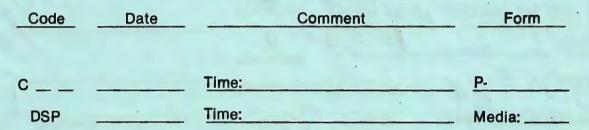
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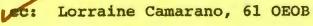
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Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Gordon J. Humphrey United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

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OFFICE OF HOWARD BAKER'S CORRESPONDENCE REQUEST FOR CLEARANCE – COMMENTS TO: Ralph Bellamy TYPE OF RESPONSE: DATE DUE: One-Time Reply Form Reply SUBJECT: Approval of the attached draft for Howard Baker's signature **REQUESTED BY/ADDRESSED TO:** Howard Baker / Gordon J. Humphrey BACKGROUND: Responds to comments and concerns following the Genera accords and the U.S. - Pakistan position on symmetry. DATE: SIGNATURE: Vike Ortego 88 Howard Baker's Correspondence Old Executive Office Building **Room 61** (202) 456-6600 Your Recommendation/Comments: THE NSC CONCURS AS IS_ AS Amended FOR! PAUL S. STevena DATE: SIGNATURE

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510 March 30, 1988

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The Honorable Howard Baker Chief of Staff to the President The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Howard:

I understand that the President will meet today with his senior advisors to decide how to respond to a request yesterday from Pakistan to support the abandonment of the U. S. - Pakistan position on symmetry.

Under the Geneva agreements as they now stand, Pakistan and Afghanistan pledge not to interfere in affairs of each other. In practical terms, that means the Soviets are free to resupply the puppet regime in Kabul, but Pakistan must cut off aid to the Resistance, and the U. S. must act as a guarantor of this one-sided arrangement. It was precisely, the one-sidedness of the arrangement, I understand, that led the Administration two weeks ago to publicly call for symmetry.

I urge you to counsel the President against acceding to the Pakistani request. Indeed, we should tell Pakistan we simply cannot act as guarantor to such a disadvantageous arrangement.

I understand there are certain private assurances about what recourse we might have in the event of difficulties. But please point out, that Pakistan would have to violate the Geneva agreements in order to resupply the resistance, should that prove necessary. And we, as a guarantor, would have to work hand in glove with the Pakistanis in violation of our role as guarantor.

After eight years of struggle to restore Afghanistan, we are at a critical moment. Firmness on our part is essential.

In my view, there would be no support in the Senate for any decision by the U.S. to abandon our policy of symmetry, in favor of the Geneva agreements which do not contain symmetry provisions. Any agreement that the Government of Pakistan must violate in order to resupply the Mujahideen, while the Soviets would be within their rights to supply Kabul, would be a sharp departure from the policy unanimously endorsed by the U.S. Senate.

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With warmest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Humphrey, USS

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Date April 15, 1988

<u>FOR</u>: Mr. Paul Schott Stevens Executive Secretary National Security Council The White House

REFERENCE:

To:_____Howard Baker

From: The Honorable Gordon J. Humphrey

Date: March 30, 1988

Subject: U.S. - Pakistan Position on Symmetry

WH Referral	Dated:	April 8, 1988
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X The attached item was sent directly to the Department of State.

ACTION TAKEN:

- _____ A draft reply is attached.
- X A draft reply will be forwarded.
- A translation is attached.
- _____ An information copy of a direct reply is attached.
- We believe no response is necessary for the reason cited below.
- _____ The Department of State has no objection to the proposed travel.
- Other (see remarks).

REMARKS:

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- ID: 554621
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- TO: HOWARD BAKER
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WASHINGTON DC 20510

SUBJECT: U.S. - PAKISTAN POSITION ON SYMMETRY

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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January 7, 1988

ACTION

SIGNED

MEMORANDUM FOR JOHN D. NEGROPONTE

FROM: DENNIS ROSS

SUBJECT: Prime Minister Junejo's Letter to the President

Attached at Tab I is a memo to the President summarizing the Pakistani Prime Minister's response to the President's message of December 22, 1987.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign and forward the memo to the President.

Approve Disapprove _____

Attachment

Tab I Memo to the President Tab A Letter from Prime Minister Junejo

> Prepared by: Shirin Tahir-Kheli

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