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SUBJECT: LIBYAN ACTIVITY IN AFRICA

1. ~~SECRET~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. IN VIEW OF LIBYA'S CONTINUED PRESENCE IN CHAD DESPITE AGREEMENT WITH FRANCE TO WITHDRAW, OVERTURES TO IMPROVE RELATIONS WITH A NUMBER OF AFRICAN STATES SUCH AS MAURITANIA AND GAMBIA, APPARENT SUCCESSES IN EUROPE (VISITS TO SPAIN AND MALTA) AND IN NORTH AFRICA (MOROCCO UNION), AF BUREAU SPECULATES THAT QADHAFI WILL LOOK FOR NEW POLITICAL AND/OR MILITARY GAINS IN AFRICA.

3. TO PROVIDE POLICY MAKERS WITH POSSIBLE SCENARIOS, INR WILL PREPARE AN ASSESSMENT OF WHAT MIGHT BE EXPECTED FROM QADHAFI OVER THE NEXT SIX MONTHS TO TWO YEARS. THE ASSESSMENT WILL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT OPPORTUNITIES FOR QADHAFI THAT MIGHT ARISE OUT OF AFRICAN MILITARY AND ECONOMIC WEAKNESSES AS WELL AS CONSTRAINTS ON HIS ACTIONS, EITHER BECAUSE OF LIMITATIONS AT HOME OR PRESSURES FROM OUTSIDE. ASSESSMENT WILL BE PREPARED JOINTLY BY INR/AA, INR/NESA AND INR/WEA.

4. INR WOULD APPRECIATE ADDRESSEES' VIEWS ON QUESTIONS POSED BELOW AS WELL AS ANY OTHER COMMENTS YOU MIGHT FEEL WOULD BE USEFUL. SOME QUESTIONS ARE CLEARLY INAPPLICABLE TO CERTAIN POSTS. IN GENERAL TERMS, WE WOULD APPRECIATE HEARING WHAT ADDRESSEES CONSIDER THE MOST LIKELY LIBYAN ACTIONS AS WELL AS LIKELY RESPONSES OF HOST COUNTRIES. WE HOPE TO FINISH THE ASSESSMENT BY EARLY FEBRUARY AND WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY COMMENTS BY JANUARY 21.

5. FOR AF POSTS:

- WHAT IS THE CURRENT LIBYAN PRESENCE IN YOUR HOST COUNTRY?
- BRIEFLY DESCRIBE HOST COUNTRY'S LIBYA POLICY.
- WHAT HOST COUNTRY FACTORS (POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, MILITARY) WNET QADHAFI'S INTEREST OR PROVIDE HIM OPPORTUNITIES EITHER FOR IMPROVED BILATERAL TIES OR MISCHIEF MAKING?
- WHAT FACTORS SERVE OR COULD SERVE TO CONSTRAIN HIM?
- TO WHAT EXTENT WOULD HOST GOVERNMENT

- SUPPORT/RESIST/DISREGARD LIBYAN MILITARY OR SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES ELSEWHERE IN AFRICA?
- IN WHAT WAYS DOES HOST COUNTRY FACILITATE OR DETER INCREASED LIBYAN INFLUENCE ELSEWHERE IN AFRICA?
- TO WHAT EXTENT IS ISLAM OR A COMMON HERITAGE A FACTOR IN RELATIONS BETWEEN LIBYA AND HOST COUNTRY?
- UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES IS ARMED CONFLICT LIKELY OR POSSIBLE BETWEEN HOST COUNTRY AND LIBYA?

FOR NEA POSTS:

- IN VIEW OF RECENT AGREEMENTS SIGNED WITH LIBYA, WHAT ARE THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR OR CONSTRAINTS AGAINST FURTHER EXPANSION OF RELATIONS BETWEEN YOUR COUNTRY AND QADHAFI? DO YOU EXPECT A MILITARY SALES/TRAINING RELATIONSHIP TO CONTINUE TO GROW?
- WOULD THOSE RELATIONS SUFFER IN THE EVENT OF FURTHER QADHAFI MISCHIEF-MAKING IN AFRICA?

FOR PARIS:

- INR FOUND PARIS 00471 MOST HELPFUL IN MEETING ASSESSMENT'S REQUIREMENTS AND WOULD WELCOME FURTHER ELABORATION THE EMBASSY MAY WISH TO MAKE ALONG THESE LINES IN AN AFRICA CONTEXT, IN PARTICULAR, TO WHAT EXTENT WOULD FRANCE COMMIT ITS MILITARY AND/OR ECONOMIC RESOURCES TO OPPOSE FURTHER LIBYAN INCURSIONS INTO FRANCOPHONE AFRICA?
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