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SPEECH TO NATIONAL DEFENSE TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

MAY 13, 1986

BY CRAIG P. COY

TERRORISM IS ONE OF THE MOST BOTHERSOME AND ALSO ONE OF THE MOST ILL-DEFINED ISSUES BEFORE US TODAY. IT TROUBLES AND CONFUSES AMERICANS AS WELL AS OUR FOREIGN FRIENDS.

POLLS HAVE SHOWN THAT AMERICANS CONSIDER TERRORISM TO BE ONE OF THE MOST SERIOUS PROBLEMS FACING THE U. S. GOVERNMENT TODAY, ALONG WITH THE FEDERAL DEFICIT, STRATEGIC ARMS CONTROL, AND UNEMPLOYMENT. AMERICANS WANT THEIR GOVERNMENT TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THE THREAT OF TERRORISM. AND WE ARE.

THE WHOLE MATTER IS COMPLICATED BY THE SPORADIC NATURE OF THE THREAT. TERRORISM BY IT VERY NATURE IS DESIGNED TO CAPTURE THE PUBLIC'S ATTENTION, IN ORDER TO COERCE AND BLACKMAIL PEOPLE AND NATIONS INTO SUBMITTING TO THE DEMANDS OF THE TERRORIST GROUPS. IN THE ABSENCE OF AN INCIDENT, THE TERRORISTS SUBSIDE INTO OBSCURITY AS FAR AS THE PUBLIC IS CONCERNED. CONSEQUENTLY, TERRORISM IS CHARACTERIZED BY VIOLENT SWINGS IN THE PUBLIC'S MOOD FROM OUTRAGE TO APATHY.

RECENT EVENTS IN LIBYA HAVE FOCUSED OUR ATTENTION ON THE PROBLEM OF STATE-SPONSORED TERRORISM. WE KNOW, AND THE PRESIDENT STATED IN HIS SPEECH BEFORE THE NATION ON APRIL 14TH, THAT OUR RAID ON LIBYA WILL NOT SIMPLY BRING TERRORISM TO AN END. THEREFORE, IF WE ARE TO CONFRONT THIS CHALLENGE -- AND WE MUST-- IT IS IMPORTANT FOR THE AMERICAN PEOPLE TO UNDERSTAND THE NATURE OF THE THREAT AND ISSUES SURROUNDING THE FORMULATION OF A SOUND PUBLIC POLICY. FOR THAT REASON, I AM GRATEFUL FOR THE INVITATION TO BE HERE TODAY.

IN DEALING WITH THE TERRORISM PROBLEM, THE U. S. GOVERNMENT IS FACED WITH A HOST OF DILEMMAS, INCONSISTENCIES, AND CONTRADICTIONS. AMERICANS WANT A MORE ACTIVE AND MILITANT POLICY -- AND WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORTED THE PRESIDENT'S DECISION TO ACT IN LIBYA -- YET THERE IS THE NATURAL REJECTION OF ANY ACTION THAT CAUSES COLLATERAL HARM TO INNOCENT PEOPLE, SUCH AS HOSTAGES OR THE FAMILIES AND NEIGHBORS OF THE TERRORISTS THEMSELVES. THE TERRORISTS ARE AWARE OF THIS ATTITUDE ON THE PART OF AMERICANS AND USE BOTH THE HOSTAGES AND INDIGENOUS CIVILIANS AS SHIELDS FOR THEIR OWN PROTECTION.

WE CANNOT EVEN DEFINE TERRORISM. SOME RELY ON THAT TRITE PHRASE, "ONE MAN'S TERRORIST IS ANOTHER MAN'S FREEDOM FIGHTER." I DO NOT AGREE WITH THAT, BUT THERE ARE MANY IN CONGRESS WHO DO. MANY AUTHORITIES CONSIDER THAT THE PROVISIONAL IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY TO BE THE MOST SAVAGE AND BRUTAL TERRORIST ORGANIZATION NOW IN EXISTENCE. YET, THOUSANDS OF AMERICANS CONTRIBUTE REGULARLY TO PROVIDE THE IRA WITH WEAPONS AND SUPPORT. THE BACKING FOR THE IRA IS SO STRONG THAT A RECENTLY SIGNED PROTOCOL TO THE EXTRADITION TREATY BETWEEN THE U.S. AND GREAT BRITAIN AMENDING THE POLITICAL EXCEPTION PROVISION FOR ACTS OF VIOLENCE AND TERRORISM MAY NOT BE RATIFIED IN THE SENATE. AT A TIME WHEN MRS THATCHER STOOD BY US IN OUR ACTION TO COMBAT LIBYAN TERRORISM AND WHEN WE ARE ACTIVELY SEEKING THE EXTRADITION OF TERRORISTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE ACHILLE LAURO HIJACKING AND OTHER TERRORIST ACTS WE NEED TO STEP UP AND RATIFY THIS EXTRADITION PROTOCOL NOW.

OUR ALLIES AND LIKE-MINDED NATIONS JOIN US IN RHETORIC CONDEMNING TERRORISM, YET UP UNTIL OUR ACTION ON APRIL 14TH, THEY HAD REFUSED TO COOPERATE EXCEPT WHEN THEIR OWN NATIONAL INTERESTS WERE BEST SERVED. I AM NOT A PHILOSOPHER, BUT I HAVE TO WONDER ABOUT THE FUTURE OF A SOCIETY THAT REFUSES TO AGGRESSIVELY PROTECT ITS CITIZENS AND INTERESTS FROM WANTON KILLING AND DESTRUCTION BY CRIMINAL ELEMENTS OR CRIMINAL NATIONS.



SOME HAVE SAID THAT TERRORISM WILL ONLY BE ELIMINATED IF WE SOLVE THE ROOT CAUSES. THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT FINDING SOLUTION TO THE PEACE PROCESS IN THE MIDDLE EAST IS OF VITAL IMPORTANCE TO THE REGION AND THE UNITED STATES. HOWEVER, I HAVE TO WONDER HOW TERRORISM CAN ENCOURAGE THAT PROCESS. WHEN THE PLO WERE DRIVEN OUT OF LEBANON WHICH OF THE ARAB NATIONS EMBRACED THEM? QADHAFI'S ADVICE TO THEM WAS TO COMMIT MASS SUICIDE -- HARDLY THE WORDS OF SOMEONE WITH THEIR BEST INTERESTS IN MIND. SYRIA HAS REPEATEDLY THREATENED ANY JORDANIAN PEACE INITIATIVE WITH ISRAEL WITH TERRORISM AGAINST BOTH COUNTRIES. THE IRANIAN SUPPORTED HIZBALLAH ORGANIZATION HAS HELPED CREATE ANARCHY IN LEBANON. I THINK IT IS WISE TO REMEMBER THE RESULTS OF TERRORISM IN LEBANON. LOOK AT BEIRUT. NOT MANY YEARS AGO IT WAS THE FINANCIAL CENTER OF THE MIDDLE EAST. IT WAS A SYMBOL OF RELIGIOUS TOLERANCE. TOURISTS DELIGHTED IN ITS CAREFREE GAIETY, ITS CULTURE, SOPHISTICATION, AND GRACE. TODAY THUGS AND MURDERERS COMB THROUGH THE RUBBLE. CHAOS REIGNS. NO ONE WHO KNEW BEIRUT THEN OR SEES IT NOW CAN AFFORD TO BE CONFIDENT OR RELAXED ABOUT THE CHALLENGE OF TERRORISM TO CIVILIZATION.

IN SPITE OF THE COMPLEXITY OF THE ISSUES AND THE DILEMMAS INHERENT TO THE PROBLEM, OUR GOVERNMENT IS DETERMINED TO MEET THE THREAT OF TERRORISM HEAD ON. WHEN ONE CONSIDERS THE LIVES LOST AND THE PROPERTY DAMAGE DONE FROM INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM -- PROBABLY LESS THAN ONE PERCENT OF THE FATALITIES AND PROPERTY DAMAGE ON AMERICAN HIGHWAYS -- IT MAY BE HARD TO UNDERSTAND WHY TERRORISM IS PERCEIVED A THREAT TO OUR VITAL NATIONAL SECURITY INTERESTS.

THE IMPACT OF TERRORISM IS FAR GREATER THAN THE MATERIAL LOSSES IN LIVES AND PROPERTY. IT IS QUITE CLEAR THAT THE EFFECT ON THE NATION CAN BE SIGNIFICANT. WHEN THE U.S. IS PERCEIVED AS BEING UNABLE OR UNWILLING TO RESPOND EFFECTIVELY TO TERRORISM:

0 THERE IS A REDUCTION OF PUBLIC SELF-CONFIDENCE IN OUR GOVERNMENT AND OVERALL AMERICAN MORALE

0 THE RELIABILITY OF U.S. LEADERSHIP IN THE EYES OF OUR ALLIES IS ERODED

0 BOTH THE INDIVIDUAL TERRORIST AND HIS CAUSE GAIN CONFIDENCE AND COURAGE WHICH SERVES TO PROMOTE THE DARING AND FREQUENCY OF TERRORIST EPISODES.

IT IS THIS LATTER EFFECT THAT CAUSES US THE GRAVEST CONCERN AND THE ONE THAT THE PRESIDENT SOUGHT TO COUNTER BY OUR ACTION IN LIBYA TO DETER FUTURE ACTS OF TERRORISM BY LIBYA. IF WE DO NOT ACCEPT THIS CHALLENGE WE PERMIT THE TERRORISTS TO GAIN CONFIDENCE AND EXPERIENCE. THEY WILL IN TURN, ATTRACT GREATER SUPPORT AND GAIN INCREASED CAPABILITIES TO CONDUCT MORE FREQUENT, SOPHISTICATED, AND DAMAGING ATTACKS. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES WE COULD EXPECT TO SEE DIRECT TERRORIST ACTION AGAINST OUR DOMESTIC INFRASTRUCTURE, SUCH AS:

0 DESTRUCTION OF COMMUNICATION HUBS, POWER-GENERATING STATIONS OR DISTRIBUTION GRIDS

0 CHEMICAL OR BIOLOGICAL ATTACKS WHICH CAN CAUSE DEATH OR DISABILITY TO LARGE SEGMENTS OF THE POPULATION

0 THE EVACUATION OF LARGE AREAS OF THE COUNTRY, INCLUDING ESSENTIAL FACILITIES AND SERVICES, THROUGH THE DISTRIBUTION OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS INTO THE ENVIRONMENT

0 THE TOTAL DEVASTATION OF URBAN AREAS THROUGH THE DETONATION OF A NUCLEAR DEVICE.

THE FAILURE OF THE U.S. TO UNDERTAKE POSITIVE MEASURES TODAY TO COPE WITH THE TERRORIST THREAT GIVES THE TERRORIST THE OPPORTUNITY AND THE MOTIVATION TO EXPAND HIS CAPABILITIES. WHEN A NUCLEAR DEVICE IS IN PLACE, IT WILL BE TOO LATE TO TRY TO COMBAT THAT THREAT OF TERRORISM.

FIRST, WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND HOW TERRORISM IS EXPANDING. SECOND, WE NEED TO COMPREHEND WHAT IT IS DOING TO US. THIRD, WE NEED TO TAKE SPECIFIC ACTIONS AGAINST TERRORISM, AND TAKE THEM IN A COORDINATED WAY WITH OTHER NATIONS. TERRORISM'S GREATEST ASSET IS INTERNATIONAL DISUNITY.

IT IS NOT JUST THAT TERRORIST ATTACKS ARE INCREASING IN FREQUENCY AND SOPHISTICATION. BEYOND THIS REALITY WE ARE SEEING A NEW PHENOMENA. PERHAPS FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HISTORY WHOLLY DISPARATE GROUPS IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE GLOBE -- THE IRA, THE PLO, THE JAPANESE RED ARMY, M-19, DRUG TRAFFICKERS, RELIGIOUS EXTREMISTS, SEPARATIST POLITICAL MOVEMENTS -- ARE IN CONTACT, ARE COOPERATING AND EVEN COORDINATING. THEY HAVE ONLY TWO THINGS IN COMMON. ONE, A READINESS TO KILL INNOCENT CIVILIANS. TWO, A CONVICTION THAT THEIR PARTICULAR SPECIAL INTEREST CAN BE SERVED BY UNDERMINING CONFIDENCE IN OUR GOVERNMENTS AND BY TEARING AT THE FABRIC OF OUR SHARED CIVILIZATION.

ANOTHER NEW DIMENSION OF TERRORISM IS THAT IT IS SUPPORTED BY GOVERNMENTS OF RECOGNIZED STATES, LIKE LIBYA, SYRIA, IRAN, CUBA, AND ~~ARAB STATES~~<sup>SOUTH YEMEN</sup> WHO OFFER TRAINING, FINANCES, TRANSPORTATION, WEAPONS, TECHNOLOGY, DIPLOMATIC POUCHES, SECURE COMMUNICATIONS, DIPLOMATIC IMMUNITIES, AND SAFEHAVEN TO PREPETRATORS. STATES ARE GIVING TERRORISTS THE ABILITY TO PREPARE ATTACKS WITHOUT DETECTION, TO CONDUCT THEM WITH MILITARY-STYLE TECHNIQUE AND FIREPOWER, AND GET AWAY QUICKLY AND SAFELY.

IN FACT, THE VIRULENCE OF INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM TODAY IS IN LARGE PART DUE TO THE COLLABORATION OF COMMUNIST GOVERNMENTS AND THEIR CLIENT STATES. TERRORISTS CANNOT SUSTAIN A CONCERTED CAMPAIGN OF ATTACKS IN THE WEST WITHOUT SANCTUARY OR DISCREET MEANS OF PASSING FUNDS, ARMS, AND INTELLIGENCE.

WE CAN DEFEAT INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM -- BUT ONLY IF WE UNDERSTAND THE STRATEGY THAT TERRORISM IS USING AGAINST US.

IT IS A FACT THAT A NATION CAN BE RELATIVELY FREE FROM TERRORISM BY PERMITTING TERRORISTS TO COME AND GO RELATIVELY FREELY. BUT SUCH TACIT DEALS ARE A PACT WITH THE DEVIL: THE THREAT IS NOT AVOIDED, ONLY POSTPONED. WHETHER FROM GREED OR COWARDICE, GOVERNMENTS THAT ACQUIESCE IN TERRORISM ARE IN FACT SUPPORTING IT.

NO NATION SHOULD FALL INTO THE TRAP OF OPPOSING TERRORISM ONLY WHEN IT AFFECTS ITS OWN PEOPLE, WHILE IGNORING OR CONDONING OR "UNDERSTANDING" TERRORISM DIRECTED AT SOMEONE ELSE. THE MAJOR PROBLEM CONFRONTING OUR CIVILIZATION HAS BEEN OUR OWN FAILURE TO CONSIDER AN ATTACK ON ONE AS AN ATTACK ON ALL.

OUR SOCIETY WAS FOUNDED UPON SELF-RELIANCE AND SELF-CONFIDENCE OF OUR CITIZENS AS INDIVIDUALS, AS FAMILY MEMBERS AND AS A COMMUNITY. BUT WHEN INNOCENT PEOPLE ARE STRUCK BY TERRORISM THEIR WIVES, HUSBANDS, CHILDREN AND RELATIVES URGE THEIR GOVERNMENT TO CAPITULATE, TO MEET THE TERRORISTS' DEMANDS IN ORDER TO SAVE LIVES. IF THE GOVERNMENT AQUIESCES IN THESE "HUMANITARIAN DEMANDS, THE TERRORIST WINS. IF THE GOVERNMENT DOES NOT, AND DEATH RESULTS, CITIZENS FEEL A HEIGHTENED SENSE OF THEIR OWN AND THEIR GOVERNMENT'S VULNERABILITY. EITHER WAY, CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT IS UNDERMINED.

THUS OUR GOVERNMENT AND OUR CITIZENS MUST EXERCISE WHAT HAS BEEN CALLED "CIVIC VALOR" AND STAND UP TO THE TERRORISTS NO MATTER HOW PAINFUL THE CONSEQUENCES. TERRORISM WILL NOT CEASE UNTIL ITS TARGETS DEMONSTRATE THAT THEY WILL NOT BE INTIMIDATED.

LET ME ALSO ADDRESS ANOTHER OF THE POPULAR MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT TERRORISM -- THE ONE ABOUT "ONE MAN'S FREEDOM FIGHTER IS ANOTHER MAN'S TERRORIST". FREEDOM FIGHTERS ATTACK THE ARMED FORCES OF AN ESTABLISHED REGIME; TERRORISTS DELIBERATELY MURDER AND MAIM THE UNARMED AND INNOCENT. TO EQUATE THE TWO ARGUES A MORAL RELATIVISM AND JEOPARDIZES THE FOUNDATION OF OUR BASIC PRINCIPLES, VALUES, AND CAUSES OUR FUNDAMENTAL POLICIES TO LOSE STATURE. WE HEAR TERRORISM WILL CONTINUE UNTIL THE UNDERLYING GRIEVANCES ARE ADDRESSED. WE HEAR THAT INNOCENT HOSTAGES SHOULD BE EXCHANGED FOR JAILED TERRORISTS. WE HEAR THAT THOSE WHO FIGHT BACK AGAINST TERRORISTS ARE NO BETTER THAN TERRORISTS. RIGHT AND WRONG, INNOCENT AND WICKED, THE GOOD AND THE BAD ARE EQUATED.

WE MUST RECOGNIZE THAT JUST PEOPLE WITH JUST GRIEVANCES DO NOT USE TERRORISM AS A WEAPON. AND WE NEED TO RECOGNIZE THAT IS IS THE TERRORIST WHO SEEKS TO BLOCK PEACEFULLY NEGOTIATED SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS.

WE ARE TOLD THAT RESISTANCE TO TERRORISM WILL ONLY STIMULATE MORE ACTS OF TERRORISM. IN THE SHORT TERM IT PROBABLY WILL -- BECAUSE THE TERRORISTS WILL HAVE PREPARED FOR MONTHS IN ORDER TO LAUNCH SUCH AN UPSURGE IN THE EVENT OF RETALIATION. BUT TERRORISTS CANNOT WITHSTAND A SUSTAINED AND RESOLUTE POLICY OF RESISTANCE AND ACTIVE PURSUIT.

WE ARE TOLD THAT TO OPPOSE A QADHAFI IS SELF-DEFEATING, BECAUSE IT WILL ONLY ENHANCE HIS STATURE AND WIDEN HIS SUPPORT. THAT HAS NOT HAPPENED. THE REALITY IS THAT MOST OF THOSE WHO SIDE WITH QADHAFI ARE MOTIVATED BY FEAR. THE MORE RESOLUTE WE ARE IN TAKING ACTION, THE GREATER THE NUMBER OF NATIONS THAT WILL JOIN US -- AND THE MORE DETERMINED WILL BE THOSE WHO WISH TO CHANGE LIBYAN POLICY OF SUPPORT FOR RADICAL SUBVERSION, AS IN CHAD, AND TERRORISM.

AND, FINALLY, WE ARE TOLD THAT TO OPPOSE QADHAFI'S LIBYA IS FRUITLESS BECAUSE OTHER NATIONS ALSO SUPPORT TERRORISM AND THAT WE DARE NOT DO TO THEM WHAT WE DO TO QADHAFI. WE WILL SEE. TERRORISM MUST BE HALTED. A LINE MUST BE DRAWN. WE HAVE TO START SOMEWHERE. IF LIBYA -- AND OTHERS LIKE NICARAGUA -- ARE ALLOWED TO CONSOLIDATE THEIR POWER THEY WILL ESTABLISH THEMSELVES DEEPER INSIDE THE PROTECTIVE CIRCLE OF THE INTERNATIONAL ANTI-WEST, PRO-TERRORIST CAMP. AND THEN THAT CIRCLE WILL WIDEN EVEN FURTHER.

IT IS ADMITTEDLY DIFFICULT TO STOP TERRORISM, BUT NOT AS DIFFICULT AS SOME WOULD HAVE US BELIEVE. TERRORISM'S STRATEGY IS TO LAUNCH ATTACK AFTER ATTACK; BUT WHEN THE COST OF THOSE ATTACKS EXCEED THE BENEFIT, THAT STRATEGY FAILS. AND TERRORISM'S POLICY IS TO CREATE FEAR; WHEN FEAR IS REPLACED WITH COURAGE, TERRORISM IS FINISHED.



LET ME SUM UP WHAT IS NEEDED:

0 A RECOGNITION OF THE NATURE AND THE THREAT OF TERRORISM

0 A DETERMINATION NOT TO SURRENDER OR CONCEDE. TERRORISTS HAVE TO BE MADE TO FEEL THAT THEIR ATTACKS WILL FAIL AND THAT PUNISHMENT IS A CERTAINTY.

0 A CONVICTION THAT WE CAN WIN -- AND A REFUSAL TO DEFEAT OURSELVES WITH ENDLESS DEBATES THAT CAN ONLY PRODUCE INACTION.

0 A DECISION TO HOLD OUT PROMINENTLY THE POSSIBILITY OF USING MILITARY FORCE AND THE WILLINGNESS TO EMPLOY OTHER, MORE DISCRETE AND LESS VISABLE MEASURES. THIS IS ESSENTIAL TO DETERRENCE.

0 UNITY AMONG OUR FRIENDS AND ALLIES. AND A WILLINGNESS TO COORDINATE AND COOPERATE ON A WIDE VARIETY OF PRESSURES SHORT OF MILITARY ACTION. WE MUST CREATE A COMMON DOCTRINE FOR TACTICAL COOPERATION. WE MUST BE ABLE TO COUNT ON THE COMMON RESOLVE AND COMMON ASSUMPTIONS OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEMOCRACIES.

THANK YOU.

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-STATE "LIBYA/TERRORISM PUBLIC DIPLOMACY

- WORKING GROUP"

E.O. 12356: N/A

TAGS: PTER, CS

SUBJECT: PUBLIC DIPLOMACY PLAN ON COUNTERING

- LIBYAN SUPPORT FOR TERRORISM

REF: USIA 03413

1. MEDIA/POLITICAL ATMOSPHERE: AS ONE OF THE THIRD WORLD'S LONGEST - STANDING DEMOCRACIES AND A FIRM ALLY OF THE U.S., COSTA RICA HAS LONG HAD A NEGATIVE VIEW OF LIBYAN TERRORISM, AS EXPRESSED BY GOCR FIGURES, MEDIA, AND SUCH PUBLIC OPINION AS INFORMAL TV "MAN IN THE STREET" POLIS KHADDAFI'S SUPPORT FOR SUBVERSION AND TERRORISM HAVE BEEN DENOUNCED REPEATEDLY IN LOCAL PRESS, WHICH ALSO STRONGLY SUPPORTED 4/14/86 U.S. STRIKE AGAINST TRIPOLI AND BENGHAZI. ALTHOUGH PRESIDENT OSCAR ARIAS CRITICIZED STRIKE, HE DENOUNCED KHADDAFI'S ACTIVITIES; IN ANY CASE, MANY COSTA RICANS SUBSEQUENTLY ATTACKED HIM FOR HIS STATEMENT OPPOSING THE U.S. STRIKE.

2. BOMBING OF U.S. CONSULATE BUILDING IN SAN JOSE 4/17/86 WAS WIDELY RUMORED TO HAVE BEEN LINKED TO 4/14 U.S. STRIKE, THOUGH NO LEADS HAVE BEEN FORTHCOMING. AT THAT TIME U.S. AMBASSADOR LEWIS TAMBS SAID POSSIBILITY OF LIBYAN-BACKED RETALIATION "COULD NOT BE RULED OUT."

3. GIVEN ABOVE, A MAJOR PD PUSH IN COSTA RICA IS NOT NECESSARY. IN BROAD TERMS, BOTH PEOPLE AND GOCR ALREADY SUPPORT U.S. POSITION ON LIBYAN TERRORISM.

4. POST HAS ALREADY CARRIED OUT A HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL ELECTRONIC DIALOGUE ON LIBYA WITH GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY MIDDLE EAST EXPERT ALBERTO COLL, WHICH RECEIVED BROAD PLAY ON THREE MAJOR COSTA RICAN RADIO STATIONS. SUCH INFO AS HAS BEEN AVAILABLE ON LIBYA'S ROLE IN TERRORISM (BOOKS, WF ARTICLES, VOA FEEDS) HAS BEEN SENT ALL ALONG TO APPROPRIATE CONTACTS.

5. OF ITEMS MENTIONED IN PLAN, MOST USEFUL TO POST WOULD BE SENDING SENIOR JOURNALIST TO TV PROJECT MENTIONED IN PARA 6 REFTEL; TV DOCUMENTARY AND WORLONET PROGRAM ON THIS TOPIC; AND ONGOING FEATURE MATERIAL ALSO OUTLINED IN PARA 6 REFTEL. THESE WOULD PROVIDE US THE TOOLS TO REACH, AS APPROPRIATE, BROAD MEDIA AUDIENCES, SMALLER INFLUENCE GROUPS, AND INFLUENTIAL CONTACTS IN A CONSISTENT AND CONTINUING EFFORT TO GET THE

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E. O. 12356: N/A

SUBJECT: PUBLIC DIPLOMACY ACTION PLAN ON COUNTERING  
LIBYAN SUPPORT FOR TERRORISM

REF: USIA 24713

1. SAN SALVADOR THINKS THE PLAN OUTLINED IS AN  
EXCELLENT ONE, BUT OF LIMITED APPLICABILITY HERE.  
WE HAVE ENCOUNTERED NO CRITICISM OF OUR ACTIONS  
AGAINST LIBYAN TERRORISM IN THE PRESS OR IN  
PERSONAL CONTACTS (EXCEPT, OF COURSE, FROM FMLN  
TERRORISTS, WHO ARE FRIENDS OF LIBYA AND THE  
PLO).

2. MOST SALVADORANS ACCEPT THE POINTS WITHOUT  
BEING ASKED TO, SO WE DO NOT PLAN HIGH PROFILE  
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