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AMERICAN EMBASSY HAVE ASKED US TO PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE FOR PRIME MINISTER

BEGINS:

DEAR MADAME PRIME MINISTER: THE PRESIDENT HAS ASKED ME TO EXPRESS TO YOU HIS PROFOUND ADMIRATION FOR YOUR FORTHRIGHT AND COURAGEOUS COMMENTS TO THE PRESS IN INDIA ON PAKISTAN'S DEFENSE NEEDS AND ON THE SITUATION IN AFGHANISTAN. AS SO OFTEN HAS BEEN THE CASE, WE FIND OURSELVES IN COMPLETE AGREEMENT WITH YOU. ALLOW ME TO ADD MY PERSONAL GRATITUDE AND THANKS FOR THE TIME YOU GAVE ME IN OUR MEETING LAST WEEK IN LONDON. RESPECTFULLY, ALEXANDER M. HAIG, JR.

ENDS.

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