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FOR POLITICAL ADVISER FROM HEAD OF CHANCERY

FUTURE OF HONG KONG: VISIT TO HONG KONG BY CHINESE ACADEMY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES DELEGATION

- 1. WE HAVE RECEIVED A VISA APPLICATION FOR A CASS 'STUDY GROUP' LED BY HUAN XIANG TO VISIT HONG KONG FOR FOUR WEEKS FROM 26 JUNE. SPONSORED BY NCNA HONG KONG. OTHER MEMBERS OF THE TEAM ARE YU GUANGYUAN, QIAN JUNRUI, XU DIXIN, JIANG GANZHANG. OUR TELNO IMMA 843 REFERS.
- 2. THIS IS A HIGH-LEVEL DELEGATION WITH ACCESS TO THE TOP HERE AND THE VISIT IS POTENTIALLY OF GREAT IMPORTANCE. AS YOU KNOW. THERE HAVE BEEN EARLIER REPORTS THAT HUAN HEADS AN ADVISORY GROUP ON THE QUESTION OF HONG KONG'S FUTURE. YOU WILL RECALL THAT HE VISITED HONG KONG LAST YEAR AND WAS RECEIVED BY THE ACTING GOVERNOR.
- 3. YOU WILL NO DOUBT WISH TO MAKE CONTACT WITH HIM DURING HIS VISIT AND WE WOULD SEE GREAT VALUE IN A CALL ON THE GOVERNOR, OF WHOM HUAN SPOKE HIGHLY WHEN HE HAD LUNCH WITH THE AMBASSADOR LAST JUNE. I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT WE SHOULD PASS A MESSAGE TO CASS. AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OFFERING TO GIVE ANY ASSISTANCE WE CAN FOR THE VISIT.

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