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TELEGRAM NUMBER ^[MODEV] 46 OF 4 DECEMBER

MY MODEV 40:

UN CONFERENCE ON THE LEAST DEVELOPED

1. MIFT CONTAINS TEXT OF NEW PARAGRAPHS AGREED IN INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS.
2. WHILE STILL LACKING IN BALANCE, THE TEXT REPRESENTS THE BEST WE COULD DO GIVEN THE LIMITATIONS ON OUR NEGOTIATING POSITION OF FRENCH RELUCTANCE TO CHANGE MUCH IN THE RESOLUTION AND THEIR PREFERENCE THAT THE COMMUNITY'S NEGOTIATING POSITION SHOULD MERELY BE TO ASSENT AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE TO ALL THE G77 PROPOSALS. THE LEAST DEVELOPED, THROUGH THE G77 SPOKESMAN HAVE SHOWN A MARKED RELUCTANCE TO RECALL OR REFER IN ANY WAY TO THEIR OWN OBLIGATIONS AS AGREED IN PARIS. WE WERE LUCKY TO GET AS MUCH AS THE NEW PARAGRAPH 5BIS.
3. THE FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE RESOLUTION ARE OF THE ORDER OF DOLLARS 2 MILLION. (A/C.2/36/L127). AN INTERROGATION OF THE BUDGET DIVISION IN SECOND COMMITTEE CONSULTATIONS PRODUCED THE REPLY THAT IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO IMPLEMENT THE SNPA AND RESOLUTION WITHIN EXISTING RESOURCES. WE BELIEVE THAT THE AMENDMENT WE HAVE SECURED TO OPERATIVE 11 WHICH REPLACE QUOTE ADDITIONAL UNQUOTE BY QUOTE ADEQUATE UNQUOTE AND REMOVES THE REFERENCE TO QUOTE CARRY OUT THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES UNQUOTE BY UNCTAD ETC (WHICH THEY WOULD CLEARLY USE TO SECURE A MORE GENEROUS ALLOCATION OF FUNDS) WILL GIVE THE ACABQ AND THE FIFTH COMMITTEE A REASONABLE OPPORTUNITY TO ATTACK THE EXAGGERATED CLAIMS PRESENTED IN THE FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS.
4. THIS TEXT WILL NOW BE ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS ON 7 DECEMBER. THE RUSSIANS AND THE AMERICANS WILL MAKE EXPLANATIONS OF VOTE ON OPERATIVE 5 WE HOPE YOU CAN ACCEPT THE TEXT AND DO NOT REQUIRE US TO MAKE ANY EXPLANATION OF VOTE WHICH WOULD GIVE US GREAT DIFFICULTIES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY. GRATEFUL FOR CONFIRMATION DURING THE COURSE OF 4 DECEMBER.
5. PLEASE PASS ADVANCE TO WILLIAMS, APD, ODA.

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