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### IRAQ/KUWAIT: SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

1. KIMMITT HAS JUST TOLD ME SHEVARDNADZE HAS ASKED BAKER FOR ANOTHER DAY'S GRACE BEFORE A RESOLUTION IS PUT TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL, SO THAT THE SOVIET POSITION CAN BE WORKED THROUGH THE PRESIDENTIAL COUNCIL. SHEVARDNADZE HAS SAID THAT SATURDAY WOULD BE AN ABSOLUTE DEADLINE.

2. KIMMITT'S RECOMMENDATION TO BAKER IS THAT THE AMERICANS SHOULD AGREE PROVIDED A SOVIET YES ON 25 AUGUST IS CLEARLY IN PROSPECT. HIS UNDERSTANDING IS THAT FOLLOWING CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN THE US, UK AND FRENCH NAVAL COMMANDERS ON THE USS LASALLE, A FURTHER DELAY OF 24 HOURS WOULD HAVE NO OPERATIONAL EFFECT. ALL FOUR OF THE TANKERS WHICH HAVE PREVIOUSLY BEEN TRACKED ARE NOW IN YEMENI WATERS BUT THE NEXT VIOLATOR WILL NOT COME INTO QUESTION UNTIL SUNDAY 26 AUGUST.

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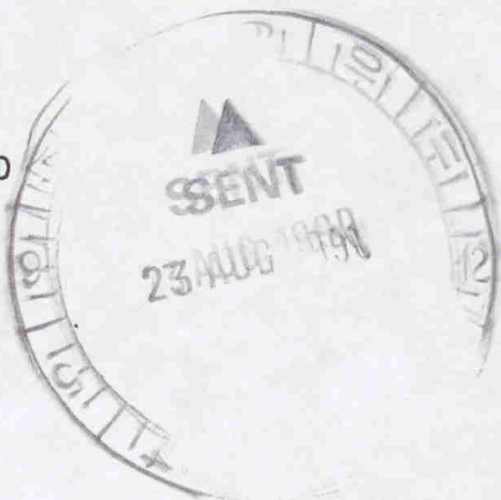
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