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OTTAWA SUMMIT: POLITICAL ADVISERS' MEETING OTTAWA 5 JULY

- 1. POLITICAL ADVISERS OF SEVEN MET TODAY NEAR OTTAWA, UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF MR GOTLIEB (CANADA), TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING ASPECTS OF THE SUMMIT:
- A) TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION AT SUMMIT
- B) AGENDA FOR FOREIGN MINISTERS
- C) ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS, INCLUDING HOW TO MESH POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC DISCUSSIONS, AND
- D) COMMUNIQUE.
- 2.. DETAILS OF A) AND B) ARE IN MY TWO IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING TELEGRAMS. I SHALL BE DISCUSSING THE UPSHOT OF ITEM C) WITH SIR R. ARMSTRONG WHEN HE ARRIVES. CONSIDERATIONOF ITEM D) IS CONTINUING.

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MIPT: OTTAWA SUMMIT: TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION AT SUMMIT

- 1. IN ADDITION TO SUBJECTS LISTED IN GARSIDE'S MINUTE OF 26 JUNE, BRIEFING WILL BE NEEDED FOR THE PRIME MINISTER ON CENTRAL AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN (ESPECIALLY US IDEAS ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT), THE LAW OF THE SEA AND SOUTH WEST ASIA (GULF AND IRAN).
- 2. THE GERMANS SAID THAT CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT WOULD DEFINITELY WISH TO DISCUSS THE LAW OF THE SEA. THERE WAS A QUESTION WHETHER THIS WOULD BE IN A NORTH/SOUTH CONTEXT OR MORE GENERALLY. THE PRIME MINISTER'S BRIEF SHOULD INCLUDE AN ACCOUNT OF THE LIKELY POSITIONS OF THE GERMANS AND THE JAPANESE, AND THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE AMERICAN'S REVIEW OF UNLOSC. (THERE WAS A PRETTY GENERAL FEELING THAT THIS SUBJECT WAS TOO COMPLEX AND DETAILED FOR A USEFUL HEADS OF GOVERNMENT DISCUSSION. BUT I THINK WE MAY NEVERTHELESS NEED A FAIRLY DETAILED BRIEF (OR PERHAPS A GENERAL POLITICAL BRIEF, WITH A MORE DETAILED ANNEX)).
- 3. THE FRENCH AND JAPANESE EXPRESSED GENERAL RESERVATIONS ABOUT DISCUSSION OF POLITICAL SUBJECTS AT THE SUMMIT, BUT DID NOT OPPOSE IT. PARADOXICALLY THE JAPANESE SAID THAT MR SONODA WOULD HAVE QUITE A BIT TO SAY ABOUT CAMBODIA.
- 4. THE ITALIANS WERE MOST INSISTANT THAT THERE SHOULD BE POLITICAL DISCUSSION AND THAT THIS SHOULD ALSO BE MENTIONED IN THE COMMUNIQUE. (PRIVATELY THE ITALIANS HAVE TOLD US COLOMBO ATTACHES GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THIS, PARTLY AS A FUNCTION OF HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH HIS OWN PRIME MINISTER, CF WHAT CAGIATI SAID TO ME ON 3 JULY ON THE SAME SUBJECT.

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5. THE CANADIANS SAID THAT TRUDEAU MIGHT OR MIGHT NOT WANT TO DISCUSS CRISIS MANAGEMENT WITH HIS FELLOW HEADS OF STATE OR GOVERNMENT. THIS WOULD DEPEND PARTLY ON THE TIME AVAILABLE AND ON HOW CONSIDERATION OF THIS SUBJECT WENT AT FOREIGN MINISTER LEVEL, WHERE THEIR MINISTER WOULD MENTION IT. BUT THEY ARE NOT PRESSING FOR IT TO BE COVERED IN THE COMMUNIQUE.

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MIPT: OTTAWA SUMMIT: AGENDA FOR FOREIGN MINISTERS

- 1. CANADIANS TABLED AN AGENDA THAT WAS IDENTICAL WITH PARAGRAPH 4 OF OUR BRIEF NO 1 (ORGANISATION OF SUMMIT).
- 2. THE FRENCH EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS ABOUT INCLUDING NAMIEIA AND SOUTH AFRICA. THE CANADIANS AND GERMANS SAID THESE MUST EE DISCUSSED. THE OTHER ITEMS WERE ACCEPTED WITHOUT QUESTION.
- 3. THE GERMANS SEEM TO THINK THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTERS SHOULD DISCUSS THE LAW OF THE SEA (PRESUMABLY IN ADDITION TO WHATEVER MAY BE SAID BY SCHMIDT TO HIS COLLEAGUES - SEE PARA 2 OF MIPT) AND THE AMERICANS SAID THAT SW ASIA INCLUDING THE GULF AND IRAN SEEMED BOUND TO COME UP AS WELL.

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