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YOUR TELNO 210: REGISTRATION OF THE HONG KONG AGREEMENT AT THE UN.

- 1. EVERYTHING WENT BEAUTIFULLY ACCORDING TO PLAN, INCLUDING IN THE END, THE ATTENDANCE OF THE CHINESE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE (BUT ONLY AFTER A LITTLE PERSONAL PERSUASION BY ME). THE CENTRAL POINT OF THE CEREMONY INVOLVED LING QING AND I SIMULTANEOUSLY PLACING OUR NOTES REQUESTING REGISTRATION PLUS CERTIFIED COPIES INTO THE RIGHT AND LEFT HANDS OF THE UN LEGAL COUNSEL WHILE PRESS PHOTOGRAPHERS FROM THE UN PRESS SERVICE AND ONE FROM HSINHUA PHOTOGRAPHED THE SCENE, WITH THE UN FLAG IN THE BACKGROUND.
- 2. THE FACTS WOULD THEREFORE ENTIRELY JUSTIFY THE WORD QUOTE SIMULTANEOUSLY UNQUOTE IF YOU WISHED TO MAINTAIN IT. HOWEVER, (PARA 1 OF TUR) YOU MAY OF COURSE NOW DROP THE WORD ''ACTING''.
- 3. THE SECRETARY GENERAL DID INDEED INCLUDE A WARM MENTION OF THE OCCASION IN HIS LUNCHEON TOAST TO LING. AT THE REGULAR PRESS CONFERENCE EARLIER IN THE DAY, THE SG'S PRESS SPOKESMAN CONFIRMED THAT THE REGISTRATION WOULD TAKE PLACE AND RECALLED THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S STATEMENT OF LAST SEPTEMBER ON SIGNATURE, (SEE MY TELNO 455). UNTIL SPOKESMAN GIVES OUT THE SUBSTANCE OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S LUNCHEON TOAST I AM AFRAID THAT PEREZ DE CUELLAR'S REMARKS MUST BE REGARDED AS PRIVATE AND UNSUITABLE FOR USE.