SUBJECT

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TO RUQMB/AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI PRIORITY 3726
RUQMB/AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA PRIORITY 9321
RUMQ/AMEMBASSY BANGKOK PRIORITY 8088
RUMQ/AMEMBASSY BEIRUT PRIORITY 3038
RUQM/AMEMBASSY BLANTYRE PRIORITY 6219
RUQHEG/AMEMBASSY CAIRO PRIORITY 8541
RUQHE/H/AMEMBASSY CANBERRA PRIORITY 6975
RUQHEPCT/AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN PRIORITY 4940
RUQH/AMEMBASSY COLOMBIA PRIORITY 1082
RUQJK/AMEMBASSY DACC PRIORITY 6468
RUQOD/AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM PRIORITY 4360
RUGMOD/AMEMBASSY DOHA PRIORITY 1110
RUGKRP/AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE PRIORITY 6215
RUMJ/AMCONSUL KON G KONG PRIORITY 3350
RUEML/AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD PRIORITY 6126
RUKBT/AMEMBASSY JACKA PRIORITY 0713
RUMQ/AMEMBASSY JIDDA PRIORITY 0731
RUSBLK/AMEMBASSY KABUL PRIORITY 4635
RUEML/AMCONSUL KARACHI PRIORITY 6927
RUDC/AMEMBASSY LONDON PRIORITY 5520
RUMJ/AMEMBASSY KATHMANDU PRIORITY 7808
RUMK/AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM PRIORITY 6666
RUMJ/AMEMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR PRIORITY 6816
RUMH/AMEMBASSY KUWAIT PRIORITY 4634
RUKFD/AMEMBASSY LISBON PRIORITY 1899
RUEHPCG/AMCONSUL LOURENCO MARQUES PRIORITY 3227
RUVPQ/AMEMBASSY LUZAKA PRIORITY 8241
RUDQA/AMEMBASSY MANAMA PRIORITY 4526
RUMVC/AMEMBASSY MANILA PRIORITY 8993
RUMDI/AMEMBASSY NOGADISCO PRIORITY 6541
RUEHNO/AMEMBASSY MOSCOW PRIORITY 0382
RUMON/AMEMBASSY MUSCAT PRIORITY 2045
RUVQG/AMEMBASSY NAIROBI PRIORITY 4595
RUFHNA/USMISSION NATO PRIORITY 1165
RUFHND/AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI PRIORITY 2829
RUFNPS/AMEMBASSY PARISS PRIORITY 1817
RUEHL/USLOR Peking PRIORITY 6547
RUVQPL/AMEMBASSY PORT LOUIS PRIORITY 5219
RUEHPC/AMEMBASSY PRETORIA PRIORITY 2129
RUMJRV/AMEMBASSY RANGOON PRIORITY 7170
RUMMSN/AMEMBASSY SANA PRIORITY 7185
RUKOSP/AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE PRIORITY 1976
RUFHIA/AMEMBASSY TANAPARIVE PRIORITY 5113
RUGMHR/AMEMBASSY TEHRAN PRIORITY 8998
RUGMD/AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV PRIORITY 7218
RUEHKO/AMEMBASSY TOKYO PRIORITY 5786
RUEHDP/USMISSION USUN NEW YORK PRIORITY 5760
RUEHBAZ/AMEMBASSY WELLINGTON PRIORITY 1928
RUSHAA/USCINCEUR PRIORITY
RUCBSAA/CINCLAM PRIORITY
RUSHQG/CG/CINCPAC HONOLULU HI PRIORITY
RHHMB/CG/CINCPACFLT PRIORITY
RUDONA/USCOSNAVIG PRIORITY
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1. BY A VOTE OF 51 TO 44, THE SENATE ADOPTED AN AMENDMENT BY SEN. CULVER (IOWA) TO THE FY 76 MILCON APPROPRIATIONS BILL WHICH DELAYS USE OF THE 13.8 MILLION DOLLARS FOR DIEGO GARCIA UNTIL JULY 1, 1976.

2. THE TEXT OF THE AMENDMENT READS: "NONE OF THE FUNDS APPROPRIATED IN THIS ACT MAY BE USED PRIOR TO JULY 1, 1976 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CARRYING OUT ANY MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECT ON THE ISLAND OF DIEGO GARCIA." END QUOTE.

3. SEN. CULVER SAID THAT DEFERRAL OF THE USE OF THESE FUNDS WOULD ALLOW TIME TO "TEST THE SOVIET'S OUT REGARDING MUTUAL ARMS RESTRAINT IN THIS PRESENTLY STABLE AREA OF THE WORLD."

4. FY 75 FUNDS ARE NOT AFFECTED. 18.1 MILLION DOLLARS IS STILL AVAILABLE FOR USE IN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS WHEN THE UK APPROVES THE EXPANSION AGREEMENT. WE ESTIMATE THAT BRITISH APPROVAL MAY BE RECEIVED IN APPROXIMATELY ONE MONTH.

5. IN JOINT CONFERENCE ON THE STATE DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZATION BILL (STATE OMNIBUS), THE MEMBERS DELETED AMENDMENT NUMBER 874 (REFTEL A), THE KENNEDY, CULVER AMENDMENT WHICH CALLED FOR A FULL REPORT ON THE DIEGO GARCIA EVACUATION ISSUE. THE MEMBERS FELT THAT HE REPORT THE DEPARTMENT SUBMITTED TO CONGRESS ON OCT 18 ON THIS ISSUE FULFILLED THIS REQUIREMENT.

6. THE KENNEDY-PELL-CRANSTON AMENDMENT REPORTED IN REFTIL B WAS ALSO DELETED. THIS AMENDMENT EXPRESSED THE SENSE OF THE CONGRESS REGARDING ARMS LIMITATION TALKS WITH THE SOVIET UNION. KISSINGER BT

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