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SUBJECT: HENCON: SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH IRAQI  
DEPPRIMMIN TARIQ AZIZ, NOVEMBER 26, 1984, 10:00 A.M.

1. [REDACTED]
2. SUMMARY: IN THE FIRST OFFICIAL MEETING DURING TARIQ AZIZ' VISIT TO WASHINGTON AT THE DEPARTMENT ON NOVEMBER 26, THE SECRETARY WELCOMED THE RESUMPTION OF U.S.-IRAQI DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS AND EMPHASIZED THE U.S. DESIRE TO BASE THESE RELATIONS ON THE PRINCIPLES OF EQUALITY, MUTUAL RESPECT, AND RECIPROCITY. AZIZ STATED THAT HIS MAIN PURPOSE WAS TO ASK THE U.S. TO ENCOURAGE ITS FRIENDS

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AND ALLIES TO ADOPT A "CORRECT ANALYSIS" OF THE SITUATION

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IN IRAN AND IN THE IRAN-IRAQ WAR, SO THAT THEY WOULD CHANGE CURRENT POLICIES THAT TEND TO PROLONG THE WAR. THROUGHOUT THE MEETING, AZIZ EMPHASIZED THE NEED FOR REALISM AND MATURITY FOR ALL PARTIES-- THE ARABS, IRAN, AND ISRAEL-- IN DEALING WITH THREATS TO REGIONAL STABILITY. AZIZ INVITED THE SECRETARY TO VISIT BAGHDAD TO OBSERVE FOR HIMSELF HOW IRAQ HAS SURVIVED THE CHALLENGES OF THE WAR. THE SECRETARY REITERATED THE U.S. INTEREST IN THE EARLIEST PEACEFUL END TO THE WAR, AND STATED THAT THE U.S. WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH ITS

FRIENDS TO THIS END. THE SECRETARY NOTED THAT THE U.S. WILL CONTINUE ITS PRINCIPLED OPPOSITION TO THE USE AND PRODUCTION OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS, AND TOOK POSITIVE NOTE OF IRAQ'S STATEMENTS CONDEMNING TERRORISM. HE PROBED FOR IRAQI THINKING ON THE ARAB-ISRAELI CONFLICT, RECALLING PRESIDENT SADDAM HUSSEIN'S REMARKS TO CONGRESSMAN SOLARZ IN 1982 REGARDING THE NEED FOR SECURITY FOR BOTH ISRAEL AND THE PALESTINIANS. THE SECRETARY ALSO EMPHASIZED THE NEED FOR COOPERATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS REGARDING THE FUNCTIONING OF THE U.S. EMBASSY IN BAGHDAD (SEPTTEL), END SUMMARY.

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BILATERAL RELATIONS:  
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3. THE SECRETARY WELCOMED THE IRAQI VISITORS AND EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO REESTABLISHING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. HE STATED THAT WE DESIRE TO CONTINUE TO EXPAND OUR RELATIONS IN THE FUTURE ON THE BASIS OF EQUALITY AND MUTUAL RESPECT. TARIQ AZIZ THANKED

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THE SECRETARY FOR THE HOSPITALITY SHOWN HIS DELEGATION AND NOTED IRAQ'S DESIRE TO SEE RELATIONS CONTINUE TO EXPAND. HE REMARKED THAT, SINCE THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT OF IRAQ HAD NEVER ENJOYED FULL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THE U.S., IRAQ VIEWS THE PRESENT EVENT AS THE ESTABLISHMENT, RATHER THAN THE RE-ESTABLISHMENT, OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS.

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THE GULF WAR  
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4. THE WAR AND THE U.S.: AZIZ SAID IRAQ IS SATISFIED THAT THE U.S. ANALYSIS OF THE WAR'S THREAT TO REGIONAL STABILITY IS "IN AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE" WITH IRAQ'S, AND EXPRESSED PARTICULAR APPRECIATION FOR U.S. EFFORTS TO STOP THE FLOW OF WESTERN ARMS TO IRAN. HE STATED THAT IRAQ'S SUPERIORITY IN WEAPONRY NOW ASSURES ITS DEFENSE, BUT THAT THE WAR WOULD NOT TURN ON ONE OR TWO KEY PIECES OF EQUIPMENT POSSESSED BY EITHER SIDE. THE SECRETARY REMARKED THAT SUPERIOR INTELLIGENCE ALSO MUST BE AN IMPORTANT FACTOR IN IRAQ'S DEFENSE. AZIZ ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THIS MAY BE TRUE. AZIZ SAID THAT IRAQ MAY NOW BE THE COUNTRY MOST SECURE FROM THE IRANIAN THREAT, THOUGH IT IS STILL AT WAR; IRAQ HAS SURVIVED THE IDEOLOGICAL, ECONOMIC, POLITICAL, AND MILITARY CHALLENGES OF THE WAR, AS THE SECRETARY WOULD SEE FOR HIMSELF IF, AS IRAQ HOPED, HE VISITS BAGHDAD. HOWEVER, THERE IS NO TELLING WHETHER

THE SMALLER STATES OF THE GULF COULD SURVIVE SUCH CHALLENGES. OTHER COUNTRIES SHOULD THEREFORE DO WHATEVER THEY CAN TO CONTAIN THE IRANIAN THREAT.

5. IRAQI CONCERN FOR IRAN: AZIZ SAID THAT PROLONGATION OF THE WAR POSES A THREAT TO IRAN'S INTERNAL STABILITY, AN ESPECIALLY SERIOUS PROBLEM FOR A COUNTRY BORDERING THE

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USSR. INSTABILITY IN IRAN AND ITS EXPOSURE TO THE USSR COULD CREATE A "GRAVE SITUATION" IN IRAQ'S REGION. IRAQ IS THEREFORE CONCERNED ABOUT IRAN'S FUTURE; IRAQ HAS "NO POLITICAL CHOICE" OVER THE TYPE OF GOVERNMENT IN NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES, AND IS ABLE TO LIVE COMFORTABLY WITH A VARIETY OF GOVERNMENTS AMONG ITS NEIGHBORS. FOR EXAMPLE, IRAQ HAS INTIMATE COOPERATION WITH TURKEY, A MEMBER OF NATO. THE STABILITY OF IRAN, AZIZ CONTENDED, IS NOT IRAQ'S RESPONSIBILITY ALONE, BUT ALSO THAT OF ALL REGIONAL COUNTRIES AND THOSE OUTSIDE THE REGION, PARTICULARLY THOSE WITH SUBSTANTIAL INTERESTS AND HISTORICAL TIES, AS IN THE CASE OF THE UK.

6. WESTERN POLICIES TOWARD THE WAR: AZIZ SAID HIS MAJOR OBJECTIVE IS TO URGE THE U.S. TO "INTENSIFY" ITS EFFORTS, WITH IRAQ, TO CONVINCE

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7 AZIZ ASKED WHETHER IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR HIM TO REQUEST THE PRESIDENT'S PERSONAL INTERVENTION WITH HEADS OF STATE OF ALLIED AND FRIENDLY COUNTRIES TO PERSUADE THEM TO CHANGE THEIR VIEWS OF AND POLICIES TOWARD IRAN.

9. U.S. POLICY: THE SECRETARY REPLIED THAT IT WOULD BE PERFECTLY APPROPRIATE FOR AZIZ TO MAKE THIS REQUEST TO THE PRESIDENT, AND THAT HE WILL CONTINUE TO RAISE THESE ISSUES IN HIS OWN MEETINGS WITH WESTERN LEADERS. HE SAID THAT THE PRESIDENT WOULD HAVE NO HESITANCY IN ADDRESSING [REDACTED]

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THIS ISSUE WITH ALLIED HEADS OF STATE, AND INDEED HAS ALREADY DONE SO. HE ASSURED AZIZ THAT THE U.S. WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH ITS ALLIES ON DEALING WITH IRAN, IN PARTICULAR ON CURBING THE FLOW OF WESTERN ARMS TO IRAN. HE SAID THIS IS AN INSOLUBLE PROBLEM, BUT THAT WE MUST KEEP WORKING ON IT. THE ONLY APPROACH IS TO SECURE AGREEMENTS FROM OTHER COUNTRIES, AND THEN TO GO BACK TO THEM WITH INFORMATION ON SPECIFIC SALES TO IRAN THAT CONTRAVENE THEIR POLICIES. THE SECRETARY SAID THAT, AS AZIZ HAD SUGGESTED, THE U.S. AND IRAQ AGREE ON POLICY TOWARD THE WAR; MAKING THE POLICY WORK REQUIRES SPECIFIC INFORMATION.

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CHEMICAL WEAPONS  
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10. WELCOMING THE CANDOR WITH WHICH WE HAVE CONDUCTED OUR DIPLOMATIC DIALOGUE, THE SECRETARY REMARKED THAT IRAQ CAN EXPECT THE U.S. TO MAINTAIN ITS OPPOSITION TO BOTH THE USE AND PRODUCTION OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS. THIS POSITION IS NOT DIRECTED SPECIFICALLY AT IRAQ, BUT IS TAKEN OUT OF CONCERN OVER THIS FORM OF WARFARE ALL OVER PRIME MINISTER NOW WOULD SEND THE WRONG SIGNAL. SHULTZ

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