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SUBJECT: PAKISTAN REPROCESSING VS FRENCH COMMERCIAL DEALS

1. FRENCH AMBASSADOR LEGOURRIEREC TELLS ME GOF EXPECTS A FURTHER LETTER FROM GENERAL ZIA TO PRESIDENT GISCARD WILL BE DELIVERED BY PAK EMBASSY IN PARIS SOON. PRIMARY PURPOSE WILL BE TO BUILD A PUBLIC RECORD OF GOP EFFORTS TO OBTAIN THE REPROCESSING PLANT.

2. SECONDARY PAK PURPOSE, ACCORDING TO LEGOURRIEREC, WILL BE TO ATTEMPT TO MAINTAIN LINKAGE BETWEEN THE PLANT AND THE COMMERCIAL SAVIEM TRUCK DEAL. PAKS HAD OBTAINED ONE OR MORE EXTENSIONSOF EARLIER SAVIEM DEADLINES FOR MAKING DOWN PAYMENT THAT WOULD FREEZE ORIGINALLY ESTIMATED COSTS. CURRENT DEADLINE IS SEPT 11, AND PAKS ARE PRESSING FOR ANOTHER EXTENSION TO SEPT 30. PAKS LAST WINTER HAD EXPLICITLY LINKED REPROCESSING WITH SAVIEM DEAL, BUT FRENCH HAVE CONSISTENTLY INSISTED THERE IS NO CONNECTION BETWEEN THE TWO MATTERS. I INFERRED, ALTHOUGH LEGOURRIEREC DID NOT SAY, THAT FRENCH MAY RELUCTANTLY AGREE TO EXTEND SEPT 11 DEADLINE. HOWEVER LEGOURRIEREC WAS CATEGORICAL IN SAYING NO

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AMOUNT OF PAK PRESSURE ON COMMERCIAL DEALS CAN CHANGE GISCARD DECISION NOT TO SUPPLY ANY KIND OF REPROCESSING PLANT. HUMMEL

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