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- IN MOBERLY'S ABSENCE, EMBUFFS SHARED TALKING POINTS AND NON-PAPER (REFTEL) WITH BUBERT ALSTON, HEAD OF FCO'S NUCLEAR UNIT. IN RESPONSE TO SPECIFIC QUERY PARA IN UF REFERENCE, ALSTON SUGGESTED WORDING OF FIFTH TALKING POINT OF PARA 6. SECUND SENTENCE SHOULD BE MODIFIED TO READ AS FULLOWS: "UK HAS TAKEN STEPS TO CONTROL EXPORT OF INVERTORS FOR SUCH USE, ... "
- ALSTON NOTED THAT UK LIST OF RECIPIENTS FOR THEIR DEMARCHE HAD BEEN BASED ON ASSESSMENT OF THOSE IN A TECHNOLOGICAL POSITION TO SUPPLY ITEMS IN QUESTION. HE ASKED EMBASSY TO QUERY DEPARTMENT REGARDING INCLUSION OF SPAIN AND BELGTUM IN THE U.S. DEMARCHE AND EXCLUSION OF AUSTRIA, AUSTRALIA AND SWEDEN.
- RE USE OF TALKING POINT REGARDING UK ACTION WITH NON-RECIPIENTS OF UK DEMARCHE (BELGIUM-SPAIN), ALSTON SEES NO DIFFICULTY WITH INCLUSION OF BRUSSELS AND MADRID, BUT WUULD PROPOSE UKG BE GIVEN OPPORTUNITY TO SECRET

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MAKE A PARALLEL APPROACH EMPLOYING A SUITABLY SIMPLIFIED VERSION OF THEIR EARLIER DEMARCHE.

4. ALSTON ALSO REFERRED TO A THIRD CATEGORY OF STATES (E.G. TAIWAN, SOUTH KOREA) IN THE UK LIST GIVEN TO THE DEPARTMENT IN EARLY OCTOBER. WHICH CONTAINED COUNTRIES THAT ARE CONCEIVABLE SUPPLIERS OF INVERTERS, BUT WHOSE POLITICAL REACTIONS TO AN EFFORT TO CONTAIN PAK NUCLEAR EFFORTS MIGHT NOT BE POSITIVE. HE WONDERED HOW THE US PROPOSED TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEM PUSED BY THESE COUNTRIES AS POTENTIAL SUPPLIERS TO PAKISTAN.

5. REQUEST RESPONSE TO QUERIES CUNTAINED PARAS 2 AND 4, AND ADVANCE NOTIFICATION OF AUTHORIZATION OF U.S. DEMARCHE IN OTHER CAPITALS IN ORDER THAT UK MAY MAKE ITS PARALLEL APPROACH IN MADRIO AND BRUSSELS.

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