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SUBJ: NATO CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT PROTOCOL ON INTERNATIONAL
LAW IN ARMED CONFLICT

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AT APRIL 6 POLAD6 MEETING, LARGE MAJORITY ACCEPTING DRAFT
MANDATE INCLUDING AUGUST 31 AS A TARGET DATE FOR COMPLETION.
ONLY US AND NORWEGIAN REPS EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS ABOUT DESIRA-
BILITY OF SUCH AN EARLY DATE, AND WE MADE STATEMENT THAT WE
CONSIDER AUGUST 31 DATE TENTATIVE AND SUBJECT TO RECONSIDERATION
ONCE CONFERENCE CONCLUDES IN JUNE. NORWEGIANS TOOK SIMILAR
POSITION. DRAFT MANDATE HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO NORTH ATLANTIC
COUNCIL FOR FINAL APPROVAL UNDER SILENCE PROCEDURE, BY APRIL 13.
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