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1. (U) THIS IS AN ACTION MESSAGE, SEE PARAGRAPH 16.

SUMMARY

2. (C) AT AN APRIL 6 MEETING, A/S ROTH TOLD INDONESIAN AMBASSADOR DORODJATUN THAT HE HOPED THERE WOULD BE AGREEMENT ON A NEW INDONESIA-IMF AGREEMENT SOON AND THAT THE EXIM BANK WOULD BE IN A POSITION TO ANNOUNCE STEPS ON TRADE CREDITS. DORODJATUN CAUTIONED THAT BANK RESTRUCTURING WILL TAKE SOME TIME, POTENTIALLY DELAYING ACTION ON TRADE INSURANCE. ROTH AND ACTING A/S KRECZKO EXPRESSED USG CONCERNS OVER THE FORCIBLE REPATRIATION OF ACEHNESE REFUGEES AND REPORTS OF THEIR MISTREATMENT UPON THEIR RETURN. DORODJATUN SAID THAT ECONOMIC STRESSES WERE PRODUCING HIGH LEVELS OF ECONOMIC MIGRANTS. ROTH TOLD DORODJATUN OF USG CONCERNS ON HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES INCLUDING A POSSIBLE BAN ON ON-CAMPUS DEMONSTRATIONS, DETENTIONS AND DISAPPEARANCES. IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION FROM INDONESIAN

DCM NASUTION, ROTH SAID THAT THERE APPEARS TO BE LITTLE CURRENT MOVEMENT IN THE DIALOGUE ON EAST TIMOR. END SUMMARY.

3. (U) EAP ASSISTANT SECRETARY STANLEY ROTH MET WITH INDONESIAN AMBASSADOR DORODJATUN AT A/S ROTH'S REQUEST ON APRIL 6 AT THE STATE DEPARTMENT. ALSO IN ATTENDANCE WERE CONFIDENTIAL

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INDONESIAN DCM NASUTION, INDONESIAN POLITICAL COUNSELOR
WIJONO, PRM ACTING A/S KRECZKO, EAP/PIMBS DIRECTOR
HARTWICK, PRM STAFF, AND INDONESIA DESK OFFICER
(NOTETAKER)

IMF AND EXIM ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. (C) ROTH BEGAN BY SAYING THAT HE HOPED THERE WOULD BE A NEW INDONESIAN AGREEMENT WITH THE IMF PRIOR TO HIS APRIL 15

ARRIVAL IN JAKARTA AND THAT THE USG WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO CONCURRENTLY ANNOUNCE STEPS ON TRADE CREDITS. THE OUTSTANDING ISSUE FOR THE EXIM BANK, HE NOTED, IS A SOVEREIGN GUARANTY. WE WOULD THUS GREATLY APPRECIATE ANYTHING THE GOI COULD DO IN THIS REGARD, AS AN ANNOUNCEMENT ON TRADE CREDITS WOULD HELP GET THE NEW IMF AGREEMENT OFF TO A BETTER START BY ENHANCING MARKET CONFIDENCE.

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REFUGEES/MIGRANTS

7. (C) ROTH NOTED USG CONCERNS ON THE ISSUE OF REPATRIATION OF INDONESIAN REFUGEES AND ILLEGAL MIGRANTS FROM MALAYSIA. LIKE ANY OTHER COUNTRIES, INDONESIA AND MALAYSIA NEED TO CONTROL THEIR BORDERS, HE SAID, BUT IT IS

IMPORTANT TO DISTINGUISH REFUGEES FROM ECONOMIC MIGRANTS. THE USG, IS VERY CONCERNED BY THE RIOTS IN THE CAMPS THAT LED TO NINE DEATHS, THE FORCIBLE REPATRIATION OF ACEHNESE TO INDONESIA AND BY REPORTS OF THEIR MISTREATMENT UPON THEIR RETURN. THE USG HOPES TO HAVE A SERIOUS DIALOGUE WITH THE GOL ON THIS ISSUE, HE SAID.

S. (C) KRECZKO SAID THE USG CONSIDERS IT IMPORTANT THAT THE GOT: 1) DOES NOTHING TO DISCOURAGE THE GOM FROM ALLOWING UNHCR SCREENING OF INDONESIANS IN MALAYSIA; 2) RESTORE ICRC ACCESS TO DETENTION CENTERS FOR RETURNING REFUGEES; AND 3) ALLOW THE ICRC TO RESUME ASSISTANCE TO RETURNEES. KRECZKO THEN REINFORCED THE MESSAGE OF CONFIDENTIAL

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DISTINGUISHING BETWEEN MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES AND ENSURING
THAT RETURNEES ARE NOT MISTREATED.

HUMAN RIGHTS/DISAPPEARANCES

- 10. (C) ROTH SAID THAT THE ADMINISTRATION AND CONGRESS HAVE OTHER CONCERNS ON HUMAN RIGHTS INCLUDING:
- O A RECENT STATEMENT BY THE EDUCATION MINISTER THAT DEMONSTRATIONS MAY NOT BE ALLOWED ON CAMPUSES;
- O THE CONTINUING DETENTION OF HUNDREDS OF PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATION PARTICIPANTS; AND
- O A NUMBER OF DISAPPEARANCES INCLUDING TIMORESE ACTIVISTS AND A KEY AIDE TO OPPOSITION LEADER MEGAWATI.

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11. (C) THE USC APPRECIATES THE MILITARY'S RESTRAINT TO DATE IN DEALING WITH PROTESTS, THE ALLOWANCE OF ON-CAMPUS DEMONSTRATIONS SO FAR, AND THE DECREASE OF ANTI-SINO INDONESIAN VIOLENCE, ROTH SAID. DESPITE THESE POSITIVE CONFIDENTIAL

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DEVELOPMENTS, HE CONTINUED, RECENT NEGATIVE REPORTS HAVE				
CAUSED A SENSE OF ALARM, AND PERCEPTIONS OF INCREASING GOI				
REPRESSION COULD BE A MAJOR BLOW TO EFFORTS TO ASSIST				
INDONESIA ECONOMICALLY AND TO ACHIEVE OTHER LONG-TERM GOALS				
SUCH AS RESUMPTION OF IMET.				
ROTH REPLIED THAT THE				
PROSPECTS FOR A DIALOGUE WOULD LIKELY DIMINISH IF ON-CAMPUS				
DEMONSTRATIONS WERE BANNED. ROTH ADDED THAT THE USC OF				
COURSE BELIEVES THAT PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATORS SHOULD BE				
ALLOWED TO VOICE THEIR OPINIONS ANYWHERE ON- OR OFF-CAMPUS.				
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14. (C) ROTH NOTED THAT AGREEMENT ON AND AGGRESSIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF AN IMF PROGRAM CAN RAPIDLY TURN AROUND A SEEMINGLY DIRE SITUATION, AS WAS THE CASE IN THE ROK AND CONFIDENTIAL

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EAST TIMOR

15. (C) NASUTION ASKED ABOUT USC PERCEPTIONS ON DEVELOPMENTS ON EAST TIMOR. ROTH RESPONDED THAT IN THEIR FEBRUARY MEETING, RAMOS HORTA WAS UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT THERE HAD BEEN ENOUGH PROGRESS THAT HE WOULD BE ABLE TO RETURN TO EAST TIMOR UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE INTRA TIMORESE DIALOGUE. HOWEVER, ROTH SAID, WHEN HE MET WITH FM ALATAS IN MARCH, ALATAS THOUGHT SUCH A VISIT WOULD BE PREMATURE AND WAS NOT A SERIOUS OPTION. ROTH ADDED THAT, DESPITE A LOT OF MOTION ON THE ISSUE INCLUDING AMB.

MARKER'S CONTINUED PURSUIT OF THE UN-FACILITATED DIALOGUE, PROGRESS ON EAST TIMOR APPEARS TO HAVE STALLED.

ACTION REQUEST

- 16 (C) EMBASSY IS INSTRUCTED TO APPROACH THE GOL AT THE HIGHEST APPROPRIATE LEVEL ON REFUGEE/HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES USING THE FOLLOWING TALKING POINTS:
- O WE UNDERSTAND THE STRAINS CAUSED BY THE ONGOING FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC CRISIS IN INDONESIA AND YOUR GOVERNMENT'S DESIRE TO MAINTAIN ORDER. HOWEVER, RECENTLY THERE HAVE BEEN SOME DISTURBING REPORTS ON HUMAN RIGHTS.
- O WE ARE VERY CONCERNED BY REPORTS OF A NUMBER OF DISAPPEARANCES AND DETENTIONS OF REFORM AND OPPOSITION CONFIDENTIAL

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PAGE 08 STATE 062622 080259Z FIGURES INCLUDING HAYANTO TASLAM AND ANDI ARIEF.

O IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF INDONESIA PUT ITS FULL WEIGHT BEHIND SECURING THE IMMEDIATE AND FULL B₁

INVESTIGATION OF ALL DISAPPEARANCES

- O WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT REPORTS OF RECENT DETENTIONS AND ARRESTS OF ACTIVISTS INCLUDING RATNA SARUMPAET AND OVER 100 STUDENTS DETAINED FOLLOWING A FEBRUARY 11 PROTEST MARCH. WE ARE ALSO DEEPLY CONCERNED BY REPORTS THAT SOME OF THOSE ARRESTED HAVE BEEN SUBJECTED TO PHYSICAL ABUSE WHILE IN DETENTION.
- O WE EXPECT THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF INDONESIA WILL ENSURE THAT ALL THOSE DETAINED AND ARRESTED ARE DEALT WITH IN A MANNER THAT ENSURES THAT THEIR DUE PROCESS RIGHTS ARE FULLY RESPECTED AND THAT THEY ARE NOT SUBJECTED TO INHUMANE OR DEGRADING TREATMENT.
- O ALTHOUGH THE FIGURES NAMED ABOVE ARE AMONG THE MOST WIDELY KNOWN, THERE ARE MANY OTHER REPORTED DISAPPEARANCES AND DETENTIONS AS WELL. THE FACT THAT WE HAVE NOT NAMED ANY PARTICULAR INDIVIDUAL DOES NOT MEAN THAT WE ARE NOT INTERESTED IN THEIR CASE.
- O WE ARE ALSO DEEPLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE ALLEGED MISTREATMENT OF INDONESIAN MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES, IN PARTICULAR THE ACEHNESE.
- O AS WE ARE ALSO DOING WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MALAYSIA, WE URGE YOU TO FULLY INVOLVE THE UNHCR AND THE ICRC IN CONFIDENTIAL

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 THIS ISSUE SO THAT INDONESIA'S CREDIBILITY REGARDING
 THE PROTECTION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF ALL RNIGRANTS AND
 RETURNEES IS ASSURED.
- O WE ALSO STRONGLY BELIEVE THAT INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN ORGANIZATIONS SHOULD BE GIVEN ACCESS TO RETURNED REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS.
- O THIS IS A CRITICAL TIME OF INTERNATIONAL INTEREST IN INDONESIA. SERIOUS DOUBTS ABOUT INDONESIA'S COMMITMENT TO DUE PROCESS AND PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS WILL UNDERMINE INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS TO WORK WITH YOUR GOVERNMENT TO RESTORE GROWTH AND STABILITY.

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