1. (S - ENTIRE TEXT)

2. WE HAVE POached TO YOU ON JANUARY 25 A STUDY ON PAKISTAN. PAKISTAN APPEARS TO BE MOVING TOWARD ACQUISITION OF NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVES CAPABILITY WHICH POSES AN ACUTE DILEMMA FOR US AT A TIME WHEN WE WISH TO BE MORE SECRET.

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SUPPORTIVE OF PAKISTAN. IT IS CLEAR ALSO THAT PAKISTAN'S
URGE TO ACQUIRE A NUCLEAR CAPABILITY IS STIMULATED BY
THE FACT OF INDIA'S EXPLOSION. WE WOULD APPRECIATE
THE VIEWS OF BOTH AMBASSADORS ON WHETHER WE CAN DEAL WITH
THESE AS RELATED PROBLEMS. IN PARTICULAR, WE WOULD
LIKE YOUR REACTION TO THE PROPOSAL FOR AN APPROACH TO
PR. 'MINISTER DESAI AND WOULD WELCOME ANY OTHER
THOUGHTS YOU HAVE ON THIS MATTER.

3. UP UNTIL NOW IN OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH INDIA ON SAFE-
GUARDS, WE HAVE NOT LINKED THAT ISSUE TO THE PROBLEM OF
PAKISTAN. WE NOW KNOW THAT INDIA HAS GOOD INTELLIGENCE
ABOUT PAKISTAN'S ENRICHMENT PROGRAM AND IS CONCERNED
M. MORARI DESAI'S PRINCIPLED STAND AGAINST NUCLEAR
EXPLOSION TESTS WILL RAPIDLY BECOME UNTEMPERABLE IN
DOMESTIC POLITICAL TERMS IF PAKISTAN APPROACHES THE
NUCLEAR THRESHOLD. THERE COULD THEN BE GROWING
DOMESTIC PRESSURE IN INDIA TO RESUME WORK ON AN
EXPLOSIVE PROGRAM PERHAPS LEADING TO WEAPONIZATION
AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF A DELIVERY CAPABILITY. WE ARE
CONSIDERING REQUESTING THAT AMBASSADOR SONEEN IN A
ONE-ON-ONE CONVERSATION WITH DESAI DISCUSS THE PROBLEM
AND SUGGEST THE NEED FOR AN INDO-PAK AGREEMENT IN THE
FORM OF A JOINT DECLARATION ON NON-DEVELOPMENT AND
NON-USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS -- A PROPOSAL MADE BY THE
PAKISTANIS LAST YEAR. A JOINT DECLARATION COULD PROVIDE
ZIA WITH SOME RATIONALE PERMITTING HIM TO REVERSE HIS
PRESENT COURSE AND TERMINATE THE ENRICHMENT AND REPRO-
CESSING PROGRAMS. BUT OUT AT THIS TIME 'APPROACHING
ZIO WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY, SONEEN'S AND AMB. HUMMEL'S
VIEWS ON THIS SUGGESTION.

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