FROM: Tehran
TO: Secretary of State
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We are of opinion start VOA broadcast in Kurdish (DEPTEL 226, July 27) may be of value in reaching fairly large number more or less isolated peoples and in countering Sov broadcasts in Kurdish from clandestine station.

In planning experimental broadcasts we believe Dept should keep in mind advisability (1) avoiding specific anti-Sov character of broadcasts in favor of a strong but subtle attack on Communism’s fallacies and shortcomings, (2) avoiding encouragement Kurdish nationalism, and (3) encourage the support Central Iran Govt. Foregoing line is recommended in order avoid possible resentment Central Iran Govt authorities whose continued cooperation is essential connection USIE activities Iran.

GRADY

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