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E.O. 12065: ROS-1,3 (4/7/01, DRAPER, M.)  
TAGS: PEPR, PDIP, IK, US, XF, QYIP (HAIG, C.)  
SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S MESSAGE TO IRAQI FOREIGN MINISTER

1..(S - FUL TEXT.)  
2. PLEASE HOLD THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FOR DELIVERY WHEN DRAPER REACHES BAGHDAD.  
3. BEGIN TEXT OF SECRETARY'S MESSAGE TO FOMHIN HAHMADI:  
DEAR MR. FOREIGN MINISTER: I HAVE JUST COMPLETED A VISIT TO FOUR KEY COUNTRIES IN THE MIDDLE EAST. THIS HAS BEEN MY FIRST OVERSEAS TRIP AS SECRETARY OF STATE, WHICH ILLUSTRATES THE HIGH IMPORTANCE THE UNITED STATES ATTACHES TO THIS REGION.  
I HAVE ASKED A MEMBER OF THE PARTY ACCOMPANYING ME ON THIS VISIT--DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE MORRIS DRAPER--TO PAY A VISIT TO BAGHDAD. I WANT HIM TO SHARE WITH THE IRAQI GOVERNMENT SOME OF THE RESULT OF THIS TRIP AND THE BASIC POLICY ATTITUDES OF THE UNITED STATES TOWARDS THE ISSUES AND THE THREATS ENDEMIC TO THE REGION. THE UNITED STATES CONSIDERS IRAQ AN IMPORTANT COUNTRY, WHICH HAS BEEN CARRYING OUT AN AMBITIOUS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND WHICH HAS THE CAPACITY TO INFLUENCE MAJOR TRENDS IN THE REGION. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT OUR TWO COUNTRIES BE ABLE TO EXCHANGE VIEWS, FREELY AND ON  
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A SYSTEMATIC BASIS. THERE ARE ISSUES ON WHICH I BELIEVE

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WE WOULD FIND AGREEMENT, AND THERE ARE ISSUES WHICH  
DIVIDE US. NEVERTHELESS, IT WOULD BE BEST TO TALK  
THEM OVER SO THAT WE CAN COME TO UNDERSTAND MORE FULLY  
THE VIEWS OF ONE ANOTHER.

I WILL BE LOOKING FORWARD TO AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET  
WITH YOU PERSONALLY AND TO HAVING A GOOD TALK. I ASSUME  
THAT THIS WILL BE POSSIBLE IF YOU DECIDE TO ATTEND THE  
UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION THIS YEAR BUT  
WE SHOULD LOOK FOR EARLIER CHANCES TO MEET IF POSSIBLE.  
I WILL BE LOOKING FORWARD TO MR. DRAPERS REPORT OF  
HIS TALKS IN BAGHDAD. SINCERELY, ALEXANDER HAIG.  
END TEXT. HAIG

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