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SUBJECT: THE NUCLEAR ISSUE AND KAZAKH PRESIDENT
NAZARBAYEV'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON

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NUCLEAR PUZZLES

2. AT TONIGHT'S (APRIL 29) STATE DINNER FOR TURKISH PRIME MINISTER DEMIREL, I TOLD PRESIDENT NAZARBAYEV'S CHIEF OF STAFF ABYKAYEV THAT I WAS PUZZLED BY NAZARBAYEV'S NUCLEAR POSITION, REVEALED SO FULLY IN THE PRESS TODAY. DID THE KAZAKHS ACTUALLY THINK THAT CENTRAL STRATEGIC FORCES WOULD WITHDRAW FROM KAZAKHSTAN AND LEAVE BEHIND SS-18S TO BE POINTED AT RUSSIA?

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3. I NOTED THAT EVEN IF NUCLEAR WEAPONS WERE LEFT BEHIND, WITHOUT TECHNICAL SUPPORT FROM RUSSIA THEY COULD BECOME A SAFETY RISK IN A MATTER OF MONTHS. HAD KAZAKH OFFICIALS THOUGHT ABOUT THIS?

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4. WALKING OUT OF THE DINNER WITH THE DEFENSE MINISTER, I

REVIEW AUTHORITY:
Frank Perez, Senior
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MADE SIMILAR POINTS TO HIM.



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6. ALSO AT THE DINNER, DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER ABDULLAYEV APPROACHED ME AND ASKED TO GET TOGETHER IN THE DAY OR TWO TO DISCUSS NAZARBAYEV'S VISIT. HE THEN ASKED IF I KNEW U.S. BUSINESSPERSON JIM GIFFEN. WITHOUT ANSWERING, I COMMENTED THAT WASHINGTON WAS WORRIED THAT THE U.S. COMPANY TTE WAS NOT HANDLING WELL THE UNOFFICIAL PORTION OF THE VISIT. ABDULLAYEV, WITH THE WAVE OF A HAND, SAID TTE WAS BEING EXCLUDED FROM ARRANGING THE VISIT.

7. EXPRESSING SURPRISE, I SAID THAT IF THIS WERE SO THEN WE SHOULD MEET IMMEDIATELY. FURTHER, THE KAZAKH GOVERNMENT SHOULD IMMEDIATELY GET AN OFFICIAL ON THE GROUND IN WASHINGTON WHO COULD SPEAK AUTHORITATIVELY IN MAKING VISIT ARRANGEMENTS. ABDULLAYEV AGREED TO MEET.



I WILL TRY TO MEET WITH ABDULLAYEV TOMORROW TO LEARN HIS PERSPECTIVE, HIS INFLUENCE ON THE VISIT, AND KAZAKH PLANS FOR A U.S. CORPORATE SPONSOR. COURTNEY

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