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IO PRESS GUIDANCE
June 20, 1994

RWANDA:
CURRENT SITUATION

Q. Please provide an update on the fighting and on UN peace efforts in Rwanda.

- A. -- UN SOURCES REPORT THAT THE FIGHTING BETWEEN RPF AND GOVERNMENT FORCES CONTINUED IN KIGALI OVER THE WEEKEND WITH NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN THEIR RELATIVE POSITIONS. UNAMIR ALSO REPORTS THAT IT APPEARS THE FIGHTING IS INTENSIFYING NEAR BUTARE AND RUHENGERI. AN EVACUATION OF ABOUT 825 RWANDAN CIVILIANS FROM KIGALI UNDER UNAMIR ESCORT OCCURRED ON SATURDAY.**
- CEASE-FIRE TALKS UNDER UNAMIR AUSPICES WERE HELD OVER THE WEEKEND. NO DATES HAVE BEEN SET YET FOR FURTHER TALKS THIS WEEK.**

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RWANDA

Q: What is happening at the UN on the French plan to send an intervention force to Rwanda? Have the French circulated a resolution providing for Security Council endorsement of the intervention? Do we expect them to? Do we support the French plan to intervene in Rwanda?

A: -- CONSULTATIONS AT THE UN CONTINUE ON THE FRENCH PLAN TO SEND AN INTERVENTION FORCE TO RWANDA.

-- THE FRENCH ARE CIRCULATING A DRAFT RESOLUTION AT THE COUNCIL TODAY.

-- WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE IDEA OF AN EARLY DEPLOYMENT OF INTERNATIONAL FORCES, INCLUDING FRENCH FORCES, TO HELP PUT AN END TO THE ATROCITIES IN RWANDA. WE HAVE BEEN ACCELERATING OUR OWN EFFORTS TO EQUIP NEW UN FORCES SCHEDULED TO GO THERE.

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RWANDA REFUGEES: UPDATE

Q: Would you provide an update on the Rwanda refugee crisis?

- A: -- REFUGEES CONTINUE TO FLEE RWANDA INTO NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES. SOME 516,000 RWANDANS HAVE TAKEN REFUGE IN TANZANIA, ZAIRE, BURUNDI, AND UGANDA. THE MAJORITY OF THESE REFUGEES (ABOUT 410,000) ARE IN TANZANIA.**
- THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES (UNHCR) IS COORDINATING A MASSIVE RELIEF EFFORT. BENACO, CURRENTLY THE LARGEST REFUGEE CAMP IN THE WORLD, NOW HAS AN ESTIMATED POPULATION OF 330,000.**
- RELIEF ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS UNHCR, ICRC, AND THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF RED CROSS SOCIETIES (IFRC) ESTIMATE RELIEF NEEDS FOR 1994 TO TOTAL WELL OVER \$200 MILLION. THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAM (WFP) HAS ALSO APPEALED TO THE DONOR COMMUNITY FOR FOOD AID AND CASH CONTRIBUTIONS TO CONTINUE FEEDING THOSE IN NEED.**

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Q: What is the U.S. doing to help?

- A: -- THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS CONTRIBUTED 15 MILLION DOLLARS TO UNHCR, THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAM, AND THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE RED CROSS TO SUPPORT THEIR ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS FOR THE REFUGEES.**
- IT ALSO CONTRIBUTED 35 MILLION DOLLARS TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR THE RED CROSS (ICRC) IN MARCH FOR ITS EMERGENCY PROGRAMS IN AFRICA. MUCH OF THIS FUNDING IS BEING USED FOR RWANDA.**
- USAID'S OFFICE OF FOREIGN DISASTER ASSISTANCE HAS SENT A DISASTER ASSISTANCE RESPONSE TEAM (DART) TO THE AREA. TEAM MEMBERS ARE CURRENTLY EVALUATING CONDITIONS IN BURUNDI AND UGANDA.**
- IT HAS ALSO MADE TWO MILLION DOLLARS AVAILABLE TO ICRC FOR RELIEF OPERATIONS IN RWANDA.**

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- FOOD FOR PEACE HAS APPROVED CONTRIBUTIONS OF OVER 68 MILLION DOLLARS IN FOOD COMMODITIES FOR THE RWANDA/BURUNDI REGIONAL EMERGENCY THIS FISCAL YEAR.**
- THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE HAS PROVIDED 12.7 MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF FOOD COMMODITIES FOR THE RWANDA/BURUNDI EMERGENCY.**
- THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE HAS AIRLIFTED APPROXIMATELY 768 TONS OF HUMANITARIAN RELIEF SUPPLIES FOR UNHCR, WFP, UNICEF AND ICRC TO DISTRIBUTE TO REFUGEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS. AIRLIFT SUPPORT TO DATE IS VALUED AT OVER 6 MILLION DOLLARS.**

Q: Has TPS been granted to Rwandans living in the U.S.?

A: -- ON JUNE 7, 1994, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AUTHORIZED TEMPORARY PROTECTED STATUS (TPS) FOR RWANDANS WHO ARRIVED IN THE U.S. ON OR BEFORE JUNE 7, 1994.

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SOMALIA

Q: What information do you have on the kidnapping of an AP correspondent in Mogadishu on June 18?

- A: -- AN AMERICAN AP CORRESPONDENT WAS
KIDNAPPED IN MOGADISHU ON JUNE 18. A KENYAN
ASSOCIATE WAS ATTACKED BY THE KIDNAPPERS
BUT WAS NOT ABDUCTED**
- THE U.S. LIAISON OFFICE IN MOGADISHU REMAINS IN
CLOSE CONTACT WITH AP AND WITH PEOPLE WHO
ARE NEGOTIATING THE CORRESPONDENT'S
RELEASE. WE HAVE NO INFORMATION ON THE
STATUS OF THIS EFFORT, EXCEPT THAT
NEGOTIATIONS ARE UNDERWAY.**
- USLO MOGADISHU UNDERSTANDS THAT THE AP
CORRESPONDENT IS BEING TREATED WELL. USLO
HAS ASSISTED IN DELIVERING FOOD, WATER AND
CLOTHING.**
- THIS INCIDENT UNDERSCORES THE CONTINUING
THREAT OF CRIMINAL VIOLENCE AND BANDITRY IN
SOMALIA AND POINTS TO THE NEED FOR POLITICAL
RECONCILIATION IN THE COUNTRY.**

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AFRICA: OAU SUMMIT

Q: What was the purpose of the Organization of African Unity (OAU) Summit in Tunisia?

A: -- ONCE A YEAR, HEADS OF STATE REPRESENTING THE OAU MEMBERSHIP GATHER TO DISCUSS MAJOR ISSUES AFFECTING THE AFRICAN CONTINENT. THIS YEAR'S OAU SUMMIT TOOK PLACE IN TUNISIA, WHICH ASSUMES THE OAU CHAIRMANSHIP FOR THE COMING YEAR.

Q: What of significance emerged from the meeting?

A: -- WHILE THE U.S. IS NOT A MEMBER OF THE OAU, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR AFRICAN AFFAIRS GEORGE MOOSE ATTENDED THE CONFERENCE AS AN INVITED GUEST. THE OAU WORKING SESSIONS WERE OPEN TO MEMBERS ONLY.

-- THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THIS YEAR'S SUMMIT -- ATTENDED BY 43 HEADS OF STATE -- INCLUDE THE ADMISSION OF SOUTH AFRICA TO FULL MEMBERSHIP, FURTHER PROGRESS IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CONFLICT RESOLUTION MECHANISM, AND THE PASSAGE OF A CODE OF CONDUCT FOR OAU MEMBER STATES. THE SUMMIT ALSO FOCUSED ON IMMEDIATE AREAS OF CONCERN, SUCH AS THE TRAGEDY IN RWANDA.

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Q: With whom did Assistant Secretary Moose meet?

A: -- ASSISTANT SECRETARY MOOSE MET WITH MORE THAN TWO DOZEN AFRICAN LEADERS, DISCUSSING A FULL RANGE OF ISSUES FROM RWANDA TO POSSIBLE ECONOMIC INITIATIVES FOR THE CONTINENT. WE WILL BE FOLLOWING UP ON THESE DISCUSSIONS OVER THE COMING WEEKS.

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June 17, 1994

HAITI: INTERDICTION/PROCESSING OF HAITIAN BOAT PEOPLE

Q. Can you provide an update on interdictions and refugee processing of Haitian boat people?

A. INTERDICTIONS

- THERE WERE NO INTERDICTIONS FRIDAY, JUNE 17.**
- 38 HAITIAN BOAT PEOPLE WERE INTERDICTED OVER THE WEEKEND -- 20 ON SATURDAY, JUNE 18 AND 18 ON SUNDAY, JUNE 19.**
- THIS BRINGS TOTAL INTERDICTIONS SINCE THE PROCESSING FACILITY BEGAN OPERATIONS ON JUNE 15 TO 73.**

REFUGEE PROCESSING ON THE COMFORT

- THE 38 HAITIANS INTERDICTED OVER THE WEEKEND ARE CURRENTLY ENROUTE TO THE REFUGEE PROCESSING FACILITY ON THE USNS COMFORT.**
- WE EXPECT THEM TO BE TRANSFERRED TO THE COMFORT ON TUESDAY, JUNE 21.**

MOVEMENTS TO GUANTANAMO

- THE 6 HAITIANS APPROVED FOR REFUGEE STATUS WERE MOVED TO GUANTANAMO NAVAL BASE FOR FURTHER PROCESSING ON FRIDAY, JUNE 17.
- THOSE BOUND FOR THE U.S. WILL GO THROUGH EXPEDITED PROCESSING. UNHCR WILL ASSIST IN REFERRING SOME CASES TO OTHER COUNTRIES FOR RESETTLEMENT.

REPATRIATIONS

- THE 29 HAITIANS DENIED REFUGEE STATUS WILL BE REPATRIATED TO HAITI TODAY.

IN-COUNTRY REFUGEE PROCESSING

- I WOULD LIKE TO STRESS THAT IN-COUNTRY REFUGEE PROCESSING, AT ONE OF THE THREE PROCESSING SITES IN HAITI, REMAINS THE BEST AND SAFEST ALTERNATIVE FOR THOSE HAITIANS WHO BELIEVE THEY HAVE A CLAIM TO REFUGEE STATUS.

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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC: SANCTIONS' ENFORCEMENT

Q: What's the latest on the sanctions' enforcement at the border? Is the Dominican Republic making any effort to tighten the flow of goods?

A: -- BORDER ENFORCEMENT IS NOT YET SUFFICIENT. THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY RECOGNIZES THAT THE LEAKAGE ACROSS THE DOMINICAN/HAITIAN BORDER REMAINS SERIOUS. D.R. PRESIDENT BALAGUER ALSO ACKNOWLEDGES THIS. HE HAS ASKED THE U.N. FOR ASSISTANCE AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY IS WORKING TO PROVIDE WHAT'S NEEDED.

- AS YOU KNOW, A MULTI-LATERAL TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT TEAM VISITED THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC TO DISCUSS WITH THE GOVERNMENT WHAT ASSISTANCE IT NEEDS TO STRENGTHEN ENFORCEMENT OF THE SANCTIONS. THAT REPORT IS NOW WITH THE SECRETARY GENERAL. IT'S UP TO THE U.N. WHETHER OR WHEN THE CONTENTS OF THE REPORT WILL BE RELEASED.

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- U.N./OAS SPECIAL ADVISER DANTE CAPUTO AND PRESIDENT BALAGUER AGREED TO A MULTILATERAL TEAM OF EXPERTS TO BE DRAWN FROM U.S. MEMBER STATES TO ASSIST THE DOMINCANS IN CONTROLLING SMUGGLING ACROSS THE BORDER. THE INTERNATIONAL TEAM WILL ALSO PROVIDE EQUIPMENT AND LOGISTICAL SUPPORT TO HELP THESE JOINT OPERATIONS.

- WE ARE NOT PREPARED TO SPECULATE ON WHICH STATES MAY CHOOSE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS SANCTIONS MONITORING EFFORT SINCE THE DETAILS ARE STILL UNDER DISCUSSION.

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COLOMBIA: Election of Ernesto Samper

Q: What is the reaction to the election of Ernesto Samper as Colombia's new president?

A: WE CONGRATULATE THE COLOMBIAN PEOPLE FOR A PEACEFUL ELECTION PROCESS. COLOMBIANS REGISTERED THE HIGHEST PARTICIPATION RATE IN A PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION IN COLOMBIA'S HISTORY THIS PAST SUNDAY, REAFFIRMING THEIR LONG-STANDING DEMOCRATIC TRADITIONS.

WE HOPE WE WILL ^{BE}ABLE TO CONTINUE WITH PRESIDENT-ELECT SAMPER THE CLOSE COOPERATION THAT WE HAVE ENJOYED WITH PRESIDENT GAVIRIA'S ADMINISTRATION ON THE FULL RANGE OF ISSUES OF VITAL IMPORTANCE TO BOTH OUR COUNTRIES - ESPECIALLY THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUG TRAFFICKING AND ITS CORRUPTING INFLUENCES, AS WELL AS ECONOMIC LIBERALIZATION AND HEMISPHERIC INTEGRATION, AND PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

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COLOMBIA AND PERU: FORCEDOWN ISSUE

Q: What is the status of the U.S. Interagency review on radar intelligence-sharing with Colombia and Peru?

A: -- ROBERT GELBARD, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS MATTERS RETURNED LAST WEEK FROM A TRIP TO COLOMBIA AND PERU. HE LED AN INTER-AGENCY TEAM OF NSC AND DOD OFFICIALS WHICH HELD INTENSE AND EXTENDED TALKS WITH SENIOR COLOMBIAN AND PERUVIAN OFFICIALS REGARDING COUNTERNARCOTICS ASSISTANCE AND COOPERATION.

-- THE TALKS WERE TIED TO THE ON-GOING INTER-AGENCY POLICY REVIEW ON THE ISSUE OF SHARING INFORMATION AND PROVIDING AIR INTERDICTION ASSISTANCE TO COLOMBIA AND PERU.

-- COLOMBIA, PERU AND THE U.S. CONTINUE TO COOPERATE ON A HOST OF COUNTERNARCOTICS ACTIVITIES AND THE U.S. REMAINS COMMITTED TO PURSUING STRONG COUNTERNARCOTICS COLLABORATION WITH COLOMBIA AND PERU. ALL THREE GOVERNMENTS ARE SEEKING A SOLUTION THAT WILL PRODUCE THE MOST EFFECTIVE AND VIGOROUS COUNTERNARCOTICS EFFORT POSSIBLE UNDER THE LAW.

-- If asked: THE REVIEW IS NOT YET COMPLETED.

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NORTH KOREA: NUCLEAR ISSUE

Q. Has the U.S. given up on determining the operating history of North Korea's reactor?

A. -- THE OPERATING HISTORY OF NORTH KOREA'S REACTOR IS A KEY FACTOR IN DETERMINING THE ACCURACY OF NORTH KOREA'S PLUTONIUM DECLARATION TO THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY (IAEA).

-- WHEN NORTH KOREA DISCHARGED SPENT FUEL FROM THE REACTOR, THE IAEA SAID THAT ONE METHOD OF RECONSTRUCTING ITS OPERATING HISTORY WAS IRREVOCABLY LOST. THERE ARE OTHER METHODS OF DETERMINING THE ACCURACY OF NORTH KOREA'S PLUTONIUM DECLARATION, PARTICULARLY THROUGH ACCESS TO NORTH KOREA'S SUSPECTED NUCLEAR WASTE SITES. THIS IS SOMETHING WE WILL WANT TO DISCUSS IN A THIRD ROUND OF HIGH-LEVEL TALKS.

-- WITHOUT RESOLUTION OF THE ISSUE OF NORTH KOREA'S PAST PLUTONIUM PRODUCTION, NORTH KOREA CANNOT RETURN TO FULL COMPLIANCE WITH ITS INTERNATIONAL NONPROLIFERATION OBLIGATIONS.

Q. Is the crisis over?

**A. -- PRESIDENT CARTER'S RECENT TRIP TO NORTH KOREA MAY
HAVE PROVIDED A BASIS FOR FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS.
WE WILL BE EXPLORING THIS WITH THE NORTH KOREANS
IN OUR OWN CHANNELS IN THE COMING DAYS.**

Q. Any comment on former President Carter's remarks that U.S. policy on sanctions was misguided?

A. -- WE TOOK A LEADING ROLE IN EFFORTS TO RESOLVE THE NORTH KOREAN NUCLEAR ISSUE THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS AT THE REQUEST OF THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL AFTER THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY REPORTED THAT ITS SAFEGUARDS IN NORTH KOREA WERE THREATENED.

-- OVER THE PAST YEAR, WE HAVE BEEN TRYING TO DETERMINE IF NORTH KOREA IS INTERESTED IN RESOLVING THIS ISSUE THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS. WE SAID FROM THE BEGINNING THAT IF OUR DIALOGUE DID NOT ADVANCE, WE WOULD RETURN THE ISSUE TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL FOR FURTHER ACTIONS, INCLUDING SANCTIONS.

-- BASED ON PRESIDENT CARTER'S RECENT TRIP, WE WILL BE EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITY OF A RETURN TO DIALOGUE.

-- WE THINK THIS POLICY HAS BEEN THE CORRECT ONE; WE WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW IT.

EAP Press Guidance
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NORTH KOREA: RECENT DIPLOMATIC DEVELOPMENTS

Q. Through which diplomatic channels are we seeking to verify former President Carter's discussions with Kim Il Sung?

A. -- WE WILL MOVE TO CONFIRM KIM IL SUNG'S OFFER THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS THIS WEEK.

-- I HAVE NO DETAILS FOR YOU ON HOW WE WILL DO THIS.

Q. What is the State Department's view of the North-South summit?

A. -- WE WOULD WELCOME THE CONVENING OF A SUMMIT BETWEEN THE PRESIDENTS OF SOUTH AND NORTH KOREA.

-- IT COULD BE A CONSTRUCTIVE, FIRST STEP TO RESOLVE THEIR DIFFERENCES THROUGH DIALOGUE.

Q. Has South Korean President Kim called for a cabinet level meeting next week to plan a summit?

A. -- WE HAVE NOTED REPORTS THAT ON JUNE 20 PRESIDENT KIM YOUNG SAM PROPOSED TO PRESIDENT KIM IL SUNG VIA A TELEPHONE MESSAGE A MEETING OF DEPUTY PRIME MINISTERS AT 10:00 A.M. ON JUNE 28 IN PANMUNJOM TO DISCUSS PROCEDURAL MATTERS FOR A SUMMIT MEETING.

-- I WOULD REFER YOU TO SOUTH KOREAN AUTHORITIES FOR FURTHER DETAILS.

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Q. Do you have any comment on South Korea moving 300 troops and heavy weapons into the DMZ? North Korea has accused South Korea of intensifying a war atmosphere.

A: -- WE HAVE SEEN THE PRESS REPORTS ON SUCH NORTH KOREAN ACCUSATIONS.

-- IT APPEARS TO BE NORMAL NORTH KOREAN PROPAGANDA, IN WHICH THE NORTH ROUTINELY ACCUSES SOUTH KOREA OF PROVOCATIVE ACTS.

-- WE HAVE NO REPORTS OF UNUSUAL SOUTH KOREAN MILITARY MOVEMENTS.

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**CA PRESS GUIDANCE
MONDAY, JUNE 20, 1994**

SINGAPORE: RELEASE OF MICHAEL FAY

Q: Is the U.S. government helping Michael Fay return to the United States?

**A: -- MICHAEL FAY IS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED
FROM PRISON IN SINGAPORE TOMORROW, JUNE 21.**

**WE UNDERSTAND THAT HIS FATHER WILL BE
TRAVELING TO SINGAPORE TO ACCOMPANY HIM
ON HIS RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES.**

**THE U.S. EMBASSY CONTINUES TO BE IN TOUCH
WITH THE FAMILY AND WILL PROVIDE
APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE AS NECESSARY.**

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Chinese Illegal Migrants

Q: What is the status of the latest Coast Guard interdiction of a vessel carrying illegal Chinese migrants?

A: -- ON JUNE 18, THE U.S. COAST GUARD INTERDICTED A U.S.- FLAGGED FISHING VESSEL WITH 120 CHINESE MIGRANTS APPROXIMATELY 350 MILES EAST OF VIRGINIA. THE FISHING VESSEL HAD EARLIER RENDEZVOUSED WITH A LARGE VESSEL WHICH DEPARTED THE AREA. U.S. IMMIGRATION SERVICE OFFICIALS ARE NOW ON THE SCENE INTERVIEWING THE MIGRANTS AND THE CREW OF THE FISHING VESSEL. THIS CASE HAS ALL THE CHARACTERICS OF AN ALIEN SMUGGLING VENTURE.

Q: Who are the people on board the vessel?

A: -- THE MIGRANTS ARE UNDOCUMENTED, BUT APPEAR TO BE CHINESE NATIONALS SIMILAR TO THOSE DISCOVERED IN EARLIER ALIEN SMUGGLING INCIDENTS.

Q: Where are they going to be put into port?

A: -- IN KEEPING WITH OUR PREVIOUS PRACTICE IN SUCH INCIDENTS, WE HOPE TO TAKE THE MIGRANTS TO A THIRD COUNTRY WHICH WILL ASSIST IN REPATRIATING THEM TO CHINA.

-- WE WILL BE CONTACTING GOVERNMENTS IN THE REGION TO REQUEST THEIR ASSISTANCE.

ONLY IF ASKED:

Q: What is the ultimate disposition of the people?

A: -- AS IN PREVIOUS CASES, WE EXPECT THAT CHINA WILL ACCEPT THE RETURN OF ITS NATIONALS.

**EUR PRESS GUIDANCE
JUNE 20, 1994**

CONTACT GROUP

Q: What is the Contact Group doing? Where is Ambassador Redman? Who is he meeting with?

A: -- THE CONTACT GROUP CONCLUDED PRODUCTIVE MEETINGS IN LONDON LAST THURSDAY.

-- WE HAVE NOTHING FURTHER TO ADD CONCERNING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE GROUP AT THIS TIME.

-- AMBASSADOR REDMAN REMAINS IN EUROPE FOR CONSULTATIONS, AND WILL JOIN THE SECRETARY IN BRUSSELS TO PARTICIPATE IN HIS MEETING WITH RUSSIAN FOREIGN MINISTER KOZYREV.

-- (IF ASKED) A FURTHER MINISTERIAL MEETING OF THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE CONTACT GROUP HAS NOT YET BEEN SCHEDULED.

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Sides Harass Each Other, But Bosnia Largely Quiet

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SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) - Bosnian Serbs and the Muslim-led government taunted each other with artillery and sniper fire, but were avoiding bigger violations today of a U.N.-negotiated cease-fire.

Bosnian Serbs claimed two soldiers were killed in an ambush of a military convoy near the embattled town of Gorazde, and that three soldiers were wounded in a mortar attack in northern Bosnia.

One person was killed and three were wounded by Bosnian Serb sniper fire near the former Holiday Inn in central Sarajevo.

The four-week truce, during which mediators hoped to make progress on an overall settlement in Bosnia, is now a week and a half old. There are few signs of progress.

Fighting has persisted throughout Bosnia. The heaviest has been between government forces and soldiers loyal to renegade Muslim leader Fikret Abdic in the northwest corner of Bosnia, and along Serb-Muslim front lines in northern Bosnia. There has been sporadic shelling elsewhere.

U.N. spokesman Major Rob Annink in Sarajevo said the U.N. military commander for Bosnia, Lt. Gen. Sir Michael Rose, had written to both sides expressing concern about cease-fire violations.

Annink reported about 100 detonations - apparently from artillery - along the Serbs' northern Bosnian corridor linking their holdings in much of Croatia and Bosnia with Serbia.

Yugoslavia's Tanjug news agency reported three Serb soldiers were wounded Sunday in an attack of light mortars by the Bosnian army near Gradacac. It claimed Bosnian Croats, allied with the Muslims, fired heavy mortars at targets a little farther north.

Annink said Bosnian Serbs reported the ambush about six miles south of Gorazde, in which two soldiers were killed and two wounded.

In central Bosnia, government forces apparently were seeking control of a stretch of road between Ribnica and Zavidovici, some 20 miles east. That would give them a paved road between Zavidovici and Tuzla, the main northern government-held town.

Bosnian radio reported Sunday that Serb forces were shelling government positions and a residential area between Vozuca and Ribnica to the east.

There was no sign of progress in the latest diplomatic effort.

U.S. envoy Charles Redman met during the weekend with Bosnian President Alija Izetbegovic in Sarajevo and Croatian President Franjo Tudjman in Zagreb, Croatia.

Redman is a member of the so-called contact group of American, Russian and Western European envoys proposing a division giving Serbs 49 percent of Bosnia and the Muslim-Croat federation 51 percent.

The Serbs control 70 percent of Bosnia and are reluctant to give up land.

Bosnia's Serbs launched the war two years ago after Croats and Muslims voted to secede from Yugoslavia. More than 200,000 people

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MUSLIM-CROAT ALLIANCE

Q: What is the status of the Muslim Croat alliance?

**A: -- AS PRESIDENT TUDJMAN'S JUNE 14 VISIT TO SARAJEVO
DEMONSTRATED, THE ALLIANCE BETWEEN BOSNIAN
MUSLIMS AND CROATS IS HOLDING STRONG.**

**-- AS PART OF AN AGREEMENT REACHED BETWEEN
PRESIDENTS TUDJMAN AND IZETBEGOVIC DURING THAT
MEETING, CROATIA AND BOSNIA HAVE AGREED TO HAVE
JOINT EMBASSIES IN SOME COUNTRIES.**

**-- BOTH PARTIES CONTINUE TO WORK CLOSELY TO
STRENGTHEN THEIR TIES AND RESOLVE ANY
OUTSTANDING ISSUES.**

(IF PRESSED)

**-- WE BELIEVE BOTH PARTIES ARE FIRMLY COMMITTED TO
THE FEDERATION AND CONFEDERATION AGREEMENTS
SIGNED IN WASHINGTON IN MARCH.**

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BOSNIA: FIGHTING UPDATE

Q: What is the fighting situation in Bosnia? Has the cease-fire been violated?

A: -- ON SUNDAY FIGHTING SUBSIDED AND BOSNIA WAS RELATIVELY QUIET. THE UN REPORTED ONLY SMALL VIOLATIONS OF THE CEASE-FIRE AND NO MAJOR INFANTRY OPERATIONS TAKING PLACE.

-- ON SATURDAY, GOVERNMENT FORCES CONTINUED TO CLASH WITH MUSLIM INSURRECTIONISTS SUPPORTED BY THE BOSNIAN SERBS IN THE NORTHWESTERN ENCLAVE OF BIHAC (BEE-hahtch).

-- ALSO ON SATURDAY NEAR THE CENTRAL BOSNIAN TOWN OF DOBOJ (DOUGH-boy), BOSNIAN SERBS AND GOVERNMENT SOLDIERS EXCHANGED MORTAR AND INFANTRY FIRE.

NEA PRESS GUIDANCE
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MIDDLE EAST PEACE PROCESS

Q: What is keeping Arafat from going to Jericho? When do you expect him to finally arrive?

A: YOU'D HAVE TO ADDRESS THAT QUESTION TO THE PLO.

Q: But isn't it important for implementation of the DOP for him to get there and take charge?

A: IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES IS UNDERWAY. THE PALESTINIANS HAVE ASSUMED RESPONSIBILITY IN THE SECURITY AND ECONOMIC AREAS. THERE'S STILL MUCH TO BE DONE AND THIS WILL REQUIRE CONTINUOUS LEADERSHIP AND DECISION-MAKING NOT ONLY BY CHAIRMAN ARAFAT, BUT BY THE MANY PALESTINIANS INVOLVED IN ADMINISTERING THE DAY-TO-DAY AFFAIRS OF NEW PALESTINIAN INSTITUTIONS.

If pressed:

I'M JUST NOT GOING TO SPECULATE ABOUT THE TIMING OR THE IMPACT OF THE CHAIRMAN'S PRESENCE IN JERICHO.

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Q: One of the things that Arafat has said is that he's holding out for more international assistance before going to Gaza/Jericho? Any reaction to that?

A: THE UNITED STATES HAS WORKED CLOSELY WITH OTHERS IN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO HELP PROVIDE THE MATERIAL SUPPORT NECESSARY FOR SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES. THE PALESTINIANS WILL HAVE TO DO THEIR PART TOO.

I'D JUST REMIND YOU ALSO OF THE SUCCESSFUL MEETING OF THE AD HOC LIAISON COMMITTEE (THAT'S THE BODY THAT COORDINATES ASSISTANCE) IN PARIS RECENTLY. AS YOU KNOW, THE SECRETARY HAD BEEN IN TOUCH WITH OTHER MAJOR DONORS TO URGE THEM TO SHIFT SOME OF THEIR AID TO HELP MEET SHORT TERM NEEDS, AND THEREBY HELP ASSURE SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES. SO WE WERE PLEASED THAT SEVERAL DONORS ANNOUNCED THEY WOULD SHIFT A PORTION OF THEIR ASSISTANCE TO THE HOLST FUND. (THAT'S THE FUND ADMINISTERED BY THE WORLD BANK FOR CHANNELLING URGENT START-UP ASSISTANCE TO THE PALESTINIANS.)

THE UNITED STATES REORIENTED TEN MILLION DOLLARS TO THE FUND, OUT OF OUR COMMITMENT OF ONE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS IN ASSISTANCE IN THE FIRST YEAR. THAT'S IN ADDITION TO THE TEN MILLION WE HAVE ALREADY PROVIDED TO THE HOLST FUND.

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Q: What's the status of the decision on the location of the AID mission for Gaza/Jericho? Will it be located in East Jerusalem?

A: WE'RE STILL WORKING ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE AID MISSION TO SUPPORT THE ISRAEL/PLO AGREEMENT. WE'VE BEEN CONSULTING WITH THE PARTIES AND HOPE TO FINALIZE SOME OF THE DETAILS IN THE NEAR FUTURE. I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ELSE ON THAT RIGHT NOW.

Q: Wouldn't an AID mission in Jerusalem legitimize PLO claims to that city?

A: I'M NOT GOING TO GET INTO THAT.

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VISAS: ASSISTING APPLICANTS FOR VISA LOTTERY

Q: Do you have anything to say about lawyers and others exploiting applicants to the visa lottery?

A: -- THE DECISION TO HIRE A LAWYER IN A VISA MATTER IS ENTIRELY UP TO THE APPLICANT. WE HAVE DESIGNED AN ENTRY PROCEDURE FOR THE VISA LOTTERY THAT WE BELIEVE CAN BE COMPLETED WITHOUT ASSISTANCE BY FOLLOWING SOME SIMPLE INSTRUCTIONS.

-- HOWEVER, IF SOME APPLICANTS PREFER USING AN OUTSIDE SERVICE, THAT IS THEIR CHOICE. THERE ARE MANY LEGITIMATE ATTORNEYS AND IMMIGRATION CONSULTANTS ASSISTING LOTTERY APPLICANTS AT REASONABLE FEES, OR IN SOME CASES, GRATIS. UNFORTUNATELY, THERE ARE OTHERS WHO ARE CHARGING EXORBITANT RATES AND MAKING UNREALISTIC CLAIMS.

-- THE SELECTION OF WINNERS IN THE LOTTERY IS ENTIRELY RANDOM, DONE BY COMPUTER. NO OUTSIDE SERVICE CAN IMPROVE AN APPLICANT'S CHANCES OF BEING SELECTED, AND NOBODY CAN GUARANTEE AN ^{ENTRANT} ~~WINNER~~ WILL WIN. ANY SERVICE THAT CLAIMS IT CAN IMPROVE AN APPLICANT'S ODDS WOULD BE PROMISING SOMETHING IT CANNOT DELIVER.

Q: Can the Department stop those charging exorbitant fees?

A: -- THAT WOULD BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE VARIOUS AGENCIES WHICH MONITOR THIS SORT OF BUSINESS, SUCH AS STATE CONSUMER AFFAIRS OFFICES, OR STATE BAR ASSOCIATIONS.

Q: What are the entry procedures?

A: -- PERSONS CAN SUBMIT A SINGLE APPLICATION ON A PLAIN SHEET OF PAPER, LISTING FULL NAME, DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH, THE SAME INFORMATION FOR SPOUSE AND CHILDREN, AND MAILING ADDRESS. IT IS SENT IN A STANDARD ENVELOPE, WITH THE COUNTRY OF BIRTH LISTED IN THE UPPER LEFT CORNER.

-- APPLICATIONS ARE MAILED TO ONE OF SIX ADDRESSES, *IN THE U.S.*, DEPENDING ON THE REGION WHERE THE APPLICANT WAS BORN. THEY MUST ARRIVE BEFORE JUNE 30.

-- WE HAVE COPIES OF THE COMPLETE RULES FOR ANY OF YOU WHO ARE INTERESTED.

Background for Briefer:

The visa lottery, actually named the Diversity Immigrant Visa Program, was mandated by Congress in the Immigration Act of 1990. This is its first year of operation, replacing a smaller, three-year lottery program.

The diversity lottery provides 55,000 visas to applicants selected at random. It is open to all persons except those born in 11 countries that exceeded a certain high level of immigration defined in the law. Applicants must have a high school education or equivalent, or have worked at least two years in a job normally requiring two years training or experience.

Winners must still qualify for immigration in accordance with all other sections of U.S. immigration law.

This is a permanent program, with a new lottery each year.

In fiscal year 1993, we issued a half-million immigrant visas.

Since the lottery entry period opened June 1, we have received more than 3 million applications.

financial transactions, we are advising Americans not engaged in essential diplomatic or humanitarian work to depart Haiti as early as possible. The US embassy in Haiti is sending home its dependents and a number of its personnel. The Embassy will maintain a reduced staff to ensure it can provide services to American citizens, administer humanitarian aid programs, continue refugee processing, and monitor and report on the situation in Haiti.

- We are also taking very seriously the issue of enforcement and have made significant and diplomatic progress in ensuring the sanctions work.
- An eleven-person assessment team was in the Dominican Republic to determine what future logistical and other support will be needed by the Dominican government to seal its border to Haiti against smuggling of sanctioned goods.
- Very pleased with the progress of Bill Gray's efforts.
- We have reached agreement with both Jamaica and the Turks and Caicos Islands on use of facilities on their territory or in their territorial waters for processing Haitian migrants.
- The US naval ship Comfort, and the Ukrainian Vessel Gruziya arrived off the coast of Port Royal, Jamaica. One month from now, we will open a second facility on the Turks and Caicos Islands.
- (If asked about Aristide's implied endorsement of military intervention: we have not ruled in or out any option, including the military option. We are now focusing on sanctions.)

- Madeleine had good working mtg w/ Mavontov in N.Y.; went thru text of reso. to continue to work thru issues; working toward consensus
- Chns/Koz mtg tomorrow