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1. BRIGADIER JAN GAARE, ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF AT MINISTRY OF DEFENSE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONICS AND ACTION OFFICER FOR CLARINET PILGRIM, HAS PROPOSED MEETING BETWEEN RESPONSIBLE U.S. GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND NORWEGIAN AUTHORITIES. PURPOSE OF MEETING WOULD BE TO DISCUSS A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS WHICH HAVE ARISEN ON NORWEGIAN SIDE AND TO ESTABLISH BASIS FOR FAVORABLE NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT DECISION.

2. ALTHOUGH ANXIOUS TO BE RESPONSIVE TO U.S. PROPOSAL MINISTRY OF DEFENSE PROCEEDING WITH EXTREME CAUTION AS RESULT OF PUBLICITY SURROUNDING HELLEBUST AFFAIR CONFIDENTIAL

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- 3. NORWEGIANS ARE PREPARED TO TRAVEL LONDON FOR MEETING (THEIR RATIONAL IS BOTH US COAST GUARD EUROPE AND CINCUSNAVEUR BASED IN LONDON)
 OR TO RECEIVE US OFFICIALS IN OSLO AT MUTUALLY AGREED TIME. WHATEVER ARRANGEMENTS FOR MEETING WITH NORWEGIANS ON CLARINET PILGRIM, WE BELIEVE US ANSWERS TO NORWEGIAN QUESTIONS WILL HAVE DIRECT BEARING ON NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT DECISION.
 RANK, NEGOTIATING AUTHORITY AND MAKEUP OF US DELEGATION SHOULD REFLECT THIS FACT.
- 4. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF QUESTIONS UNOFFICIALLY PASSED FROM MOD TO EMBASSY OFFICER WHICH NORWEGIANS PLAN TO RAISE AT MEETING:

BEGIN TEXT:

- 1. WHAT IS RATE OF INFORMATION THE SYSTEM CAN CARRY(NUMBER OF CHANNELS,BITS/CHARACTERS PER SECOND)?
 WOULD AN INCREASE OF PRESENTLY PLANNED INFORMATION
 CAPACITY RESULT IN NAVIGATIONAL DEGRADATION? IF SO,
 WHAT IS CONSIDERED PRACTICAL LIMIT?
- 2. IF SYSTEM CAN CARRY MORE THAN ONE CHANNEL, CAN CHANNELS BE OPERATED INDEPENDENTLY BY DIFFERENT USERS? COULD, FOR INSTANCE, NORWAY AND US INDEPENDENTLY UTILIZE DIFFERENT STATIONS IN SAME CHAIN? CAN DOUBLE RATED STATIONS BE KEYED INDEPENDENTLY OF EACH OTHER?
- 3. CAN EACH SEPARATE LORAN-C STATION BE OPERATED AS AN INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS TRANSMITTER? IS THERE IN THIS RESPECT ANY DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MASTER AND SLAVE?
- 4. CAN THE SYSTEM OFFER ANY CAPACITY AS AN INTERSTATION COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM FOR LORAN-C CHAIN?
- 5. WOULD INTRODUCTION OF CLARINET PILGRIM HAVE CONFIDENTIAL

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ANY INFLUENCE ON POSSIBLE FUTURE PLANS TO EXPAND THE LORAN-C SYSTEM IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC REGION AND THE REMODELING OF THE SYSTEM THAT COULD BE THE RESULT OF SUCH PLANS?

6. HAVE RECEIVERS BEEN DEVELOPED FOR UTILIZING CLARINET PILGRIM AS A COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM ONLY?

7. BY WHICH MEANS OR IN WHAT WAY WOULD MESSAGES TO BE TRANSMITTED BY LORAN-C STATIONS IN NORWAY BE TRANSFERRED FROM ORIGINATOR(POSSIBLY NATIONAL US HEADQUARTERS) TO THE APPROPRIATE LORAN-C STATION?

8. WHAT TYPE OF TRAFFIC---IN GENERAL TERMS--WOULD

BE PASSED OVER THE SYSTEM?

- 9. WHAT SECURITY CLASSIFICATION WILL BE PLACED ON CLARINET PILGRIM:
- A. IN IMPLEMENTATION PHASE?
- B. IN OPERATIONAL PHASE?

10. COMMANDER NORTH NORWAY (COMNON) AS A
PRINCIPLE SUBORDINATE COMMANDER TO CINCNORTH IN
WAR,WILL EXERCISE RADIO TRANSMISSION CONTROL OF LORAN-C
TRANSMITTERS, IN HIS AREA OF COMMAND IN ACCORDANCE
WITH MC-136(PARA 8). SUCH CONTROL WILL BE BASED
ON INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO HIM,AND COULD RESULT IN
CLOSING DOWN OF THESE TRANSMITTERS FOR A LENGTH OF TIME
DEPENDENT ON THE TACTICAL SITUATION. WOULD THIS
BE CONSISTENT WITH THE USN'S USE OF CLARINET PILGRIM?

END TEXT.

5. PLEASE ADVISE EMBASSY OF US GOVERNMENT PREFERENCES FOR DATES AND SITE OF MEETING.

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