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SUBJ: CLARINET PILGRIM ASPECT OF LORAN C

LONDON FOR COAST GUARD

REFS: (A) STATE 100008, (B) OSLO 2022, (C) 76 STATE 269489

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1. UNDERSECRETARY OF DEFENSE HOLST AND MOD ACTION OFFICER ON CP LCOL ENERSTAD CALLED AT EMBASSY APRIL 29 TO REQUEST URGENT CLARIFICATION OF CERTAIN ASPECTS OF U.S. REPLY (REF A) TO QUESTIONS RAISED BY NORWEGIANS REPORTED REF B.

2. SPECIFIC ISSUES CONCERN POINTS IN PARA 1 B OF REF A. NORWEGIANS UNDERSTOOD FROM NOV 1975 MEETING IN LONDON (REFS C.D. AND E) THAT PRESENT US PLANS TO DO INCLUDE DEVELOPMENT OF  
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MILTICHANNEL(FOUR BY 1979-80) CP SYSTEM USING TWO NORWEGIAN

STATIONS PLUS THIRD AT SANDUR, ICELAND FOR TRIANGULATION TO COMPLETE US NET. THEY ASK WHETHER THERE HAS BEEN CHANGE IN US PLANNING ON THIS POINT.

3. SECOND ASPECT CONCERNS POSSIBILITY OF USE OF ONE CP CHANNEL BY NORWAY. REF APPEARS TO INDICATE THAT NORWAY MUST INSTALL THRID LORAN C STATION AS A PRECONDITION OF GAINING CP ACCESS. NORWEGIANS UNDERSTOOD, AGAIN FROM EXCHANGE OF VIEWS IN LONDON, THAT THEY HAD TWO OPTIONS FOR EVENTUAL CP PARTICIPATION:

- A. CONSTRUCTION OF THIR LORAN C STATION IN NORWAY;
- B. ACCESS TO US NET (JAN NAYEN-BO-SANDUR) WHEN INSTALLATION OF MULTICHANNEL SYSTEM COMPLETED.

THEY BELIEVE OUR REPLY (REF A) APPEARS TO CONTRADICT EARLIER LONDON INDICATIONS BY ELIMINATING THIS SECOND OPTION.

4. HOLST POINTED OUT THAT GIVEN THE POLITICAL SENSITIVITIES OF THIS ISSUE, HIS MINISTER MUST BE ABLE TO DEMONSTRATE TO THE CABINET AND PARLIAMENT THAT NORWAY WILL GET SOMETHING IN RETURN FOR GRANTING PERMISSION FOR CP. HOLST REITERATED HIS FIRM SUPPORT FOR GRANTING PERMISSION, BUT SAID ANY AMBIGUITIES IN OUR REPLY WOULD MAKE A POSITIVE DECISION MORE DIFFICULT TO DEFEND IN NORWAY.

5. WE BELEIVE IT WOULD BE ADVANTAGEOUS TO RESPOND PROMPTLY AND THROUGHLY TO THIS REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION; OUR ANSWERS WILL HAVE DIRECT BEARING ON NORWEGIAN DECISION.  
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