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TO: TEHRAN..&

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FOR
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REF: TEHRAN

1. IN LIGHT OF YOUR REQUEST AND AFTER REVIEWING THE TRANSCRIPT IN QUESTION, RECOMMEND YOUR ANSWER TO 16 NOVEMBER 1973 LETTER FROM MARCY BE ALONG THE FOLLOWING LINES:

MR. CARL MARCY, CHIEF OF STAFF, SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE—THIS IS IN RESPONSE TO YOUR LETTER OF 16 NOVEMBER 1973 ON BEHALF OF SENATOR PERCY CONCERNING ^{NS} LINES 19 AND 20 ON PAGE 51 OF THE TRANSCRIPT OF AN EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE ON 7 FEBRUARY 1973.

IN THE LIGHT OF SENATOR PERCY'S REQUEST, I BELIEVE THAT IN LIEU OF THE STATEMENT APPEARING ON THOSE LINES THE FOLLOWING SHOULD BE SUBSTITUTED:

"MR. HELMS. NO, SIR, NOT TO MY KNOWLEDGE."
THIS IS RESPONSIVE ~~ONLY~~ ^{ONLY} TO THE SPECIFIC QUESTION ASKED. THE OTHER POINT WHICH I WAS ATTEMPTING TO EMPHASIZE AND WHICH NOW WILL BE

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DROPPED IS, I BELIEVE, ADEQUATELY COVERED IN OTHER RESPONSES TO SENATOR PERCY'S QUESTIONS WHICH APPEAR IMMEDIATELY BEFORE AND AFTER THIS EXCHANGE.

I NOTE FROM YOUR LETTER THAT THE WORDS "FOR SUCH PURPOSES" HAVE BEEN ADDED AT THE END OF LINE 20 AS REQUESTED IN MY 6 JUNE 1973 COMMUNICATION TO CHAIRMAN FULBRIGHT THROUGH ASSISTANT SECRETARY MARSHALL WRIGHT. MAY I ASSUME CORRECTLY FROM THIS THAT ALL OF THE OTHER CHANGES SUGGESTED IN THE 6 JUNE 1973 COMMUNICATION HAVE BEEN MADE?

PLEASE CONVEY MY DEEPEST APPRECIATION TO SENATOR PERCY FOR HIS INTEREST. ALSO, I HOPE THE DELAY IN YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS LETTER HAS NOT CAUSED ANY INCONVENIENCE, BUT I WAS OUT OF THE COUNTRY WHEN YOUR LETTER ARRIVED ON 26 NOVEMBER 1973.

2. THE SUBSTANCE OF YOUR 6 JUNE 1973 COMMUNICATION TO CHAIRMAN FULBRIGHT IS FOUND IN TEHRAN ~~SECRET~~ ^{SECRET}.

3. MILLER HAS REVIEWED THE ABOVE WITH KARAMESSINES AND GREANEY WHO CONCUR. E2 IMPDET.

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