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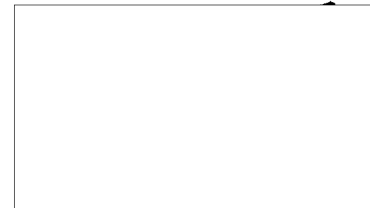
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TAGS: AORC, PREL, AO, US, OAU  
~~SUBJECT: ANGOLA. OAU REQUEST ON MINISTERIAL DELEGATION TO WASHINGTON~~

REF: FENDRICK (USUN)/MILAS (AF/RA) 3/25 TELECON

1. MISSION RECEIVED DIP NOTE (TEXT IN PARA 4) MARCH 25 FROM OAU EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT ANNOUNCING PLAN TO SEND FOREIGN MINISTERS OF CAPE VERDE, NIGERIA AND ZAMBIA AND OAU SECRETARY-GENERAL TO WASHINGTON APRIL 11-15 TO MEET WITH THE SECRETARY, ASSISTANT SECRETARY CROCKER, CONGRESSIONAL FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEES, BLACK CAUCUS AND ANTI-APARTHEID GROUPS ON "THE DETERIORATING SITUATION IN ANGOLA."
2. OAU AMBASSADOR YOUSOUFOU TOLD MISSION OFFICER MARCH 25 HE UNDERSTOOD AMBASSADORS IN WASHINGTON OF THE THREE COUNTRIES BEING REPRESENTED WERE COORDINATING DETAILS OF TRIP WITH DEPARTMENT, AND HE WAS SENDING NOTE TO MISSION ONLY AS A COURTESY AFTER OUR INQUIRY ON THE STATUS OF THE TRIP.
3. MISSION HAS SENT OAU MISSION INTERIM RESPONSE THAT INFORMATION HAS BEEN TRANSMITTED TO DEPARTMENT FOR REPLY.
4. BEGIN TEXT OF OAU NOTE:

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY TO THE UNITED NATIONS PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND HAS THE HONOUR TO INFORM IT THAT THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY IS, IN IMPLEMENTATION OF ITS RESOLUTION, SENDING A MINISTERIAL DELEGATION COMPOSED OF THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF CAPE VERDE, NIGERIA AND ZAMBIA AND ITS SECRETARY GENERAL TO WASHINGTON FROM 11 TO 15 APRIL 1988 TO REVIEW THE CONTINUOUSLY DETERIORATING SITUATION IN THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA.

THE MISSION INTENDS TO HOLD TALKS, DURING ITS STAY IN WASHINGTON, WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE, THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR AFRICAN AFFAIRS, THE SENATE

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FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, THE HOUSE SUB-COMMITTEE ON AFRICA, SENATE AND HOUSE MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS, THE BLACK CONGRESSIONAL CAUCUS, THE AFRICAN AMBASSADORS IN WASHINGTON, ANTI-APARTHEID GROUPS, TRANS-AFRICA, FREE SOUTH AFRICA MOVEMENT AND THE BLACK NATIONAL LEADERSHIP ROUND TABLE.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT WOULD IN THIS CONNECTION BE MOST GRATEFUL IF IT COULD BE INFORMED OF THE SUITABILITY OF THE PROPOSED PROGRAMMES TO THE HONORABLE SECRETARY OF STATE AND HIS COLLEAGUES AS WELL AS THE OF THE RENDERING OF ORGANIZATIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE MISSION TO SEE THE PERSONALITIES AND GROUPINGS INDICATED ABOVE WITHIN THE TIME FRAME OF THE VISIT. THE AMBASSADOR OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA TO THE UNITED STATES HAS KINDLY AGREED TO ASSIST IN THE CO-ORDINATION OF THE PROGRAMME OF THE MISSION. AN EARLY REPLY TO THE PRESENT NOTE FROM THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE UNITED STATES WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

END TEXT...

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END OF MESSAGE

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