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Approved for Release: 2016/03/23 C06496672 Top Secret (b)(3)(b)(1)INDIA-PAKISTAN: **Talks Extended** Indian and Pakistani negotiators on Saturday proposed a mutual freeze in border deployments and scheduled a third day of talks to defuse tensions. Military activity in India remains high, and the (b)(1)Pakistani Air Force is about to begin a major exercise. (b)(3)(b)(1)the Indian and Pakistani Foreign Secretaries agreed in principle on Saturday to halt military (b)(1)movements to the border as a first step in reducing tensions the two sides, which had been scheduled to issue a joint communique yesterday, extended talks through today 2 July to discuss measures to deescalate tensions. (b)(3)(b)(1)(b)(3)(b)(1)Comment: India is likely to accept only an agreement on a mutual drawdown on border forces and reassurances of each side's intentand to press Pakistan to return its forces to peacetime positions while rebuffing any Pakistani attempts for longer term confidencebuilding measures. Meanwhile, the apparently businesslike and constructive tone of the meetings has already begun to reduce (b)(3)tensions in both capitals. An agreement limited to freezing deployments will offer little to reduce border tensions in areas where both sides occupy forward positions. Continuing troop movements and incomplete intelligence will make it difficult for either country to monitor the freeze. (b)(3)Top Secret (b)(3)2 2 February 1987

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