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TEXT OF REPORT BY RADIO AUSTRALIA ON 20 JULY

AUSTRALIA'S FOREIGN MINISTER HAS REJECTED SUGGESTIONS THAT THE US WOULD HAVE TO AGREE TO HAVE ALLEGED TALEBAN FIGHTER DAVID HICKS

RETURNED TO AUSTRALIA FOR TRIAL. THE PENTAGON HAS DELAYED CHARGING

MR HICKS WHILE AN AUSTRALIAN DELEGATION HEADS TO THE UNITED STATES

FOR TALKS TO ENSURE HE RECEIVES A FAIR TRIAL.

MR DOWNER SAYS MR HICKS CAN'T BE TRIED IN AUSTRALIA OVER HIS ALLEGED INVOLVEMENT WITH TERRORISTS.

[DOWNER] THE AMERICAN PERSPECTIVE - AND TO THIS EXTENT I DO AGREE WITH THEIR PERSPECTIVE - IS THAT THESE ARE PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER WITH AL-QA'IDAH, THIS IS THE WORLD'S MOST EGREGIOUS TERRORIST ORGANIZATION. AND (?THEY DON'T

WANT TO) SEE THESE PEOPLE DURING THE WAR AGAINST TERRORISM WANDERING AROUND THE STREETS, INCLUDING THE STREETS OF OUR COUNTRY.

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