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The Tahir Yahya cabinet formed in Iraq on 10 July 1967 does not differ significantly from its predecessor in its general orientation. Like the cabinet formed two months earlier and headed by President Arif himself, the new cabinet has a moderately pro-Nasirist complexion; nine of the 19 ministers are considered to fall into this category in varying degrees. Probably the only rabid Nasirist in the cabinet, however, is Abd al-Karim Farhan, Minister of Agrarian Reform, who was implicated in the abortive pro-Nasirist coup against Arif of June, 1966.

Eleven of the 19 ministers are carry-overs from the previous cabinet, although some of them now hold different portfolios. Long-time Foreign Minister Adnan Pachachi, who is highly respected in the West, has been dropped from the cabinet and made an ambassador to the UN. The new acting foreign minister is an old crony of Arif's who is said to be chronically unable to make up his mind. There are now only two Kurds in the cabinet, both "tame" government Kurds; the former Kurdish minister for reconstruction of the north is thought to have refused to cooperate because of the government's slowness in implementing last summer's settlement with the Kurds. There is one member of the Shiah Muslim minority in the cabinet, who is otherwise a nonentity.

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The new prime minister, Tahir Yahya, has held the post before and was one of the deputy vice-presidents in the last cabinet. He has had connections with the Baath Party, but is considered to be primarily out for himself. There is one other minister who previously belonged to the Baa'th Party, but neither wing of the present Baath Party seems to be represented.

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GPM SUBJECT: Ban on Travel to Iraq.

SP 1. Department has been advised by Belgian Embassy Baghdad through
SC Amembassy Brussels that there seems little danger to foreigners in
SAH Iraq. While Department aware that internal situation Iraq probably
L still unstable, we believe it "now appropriate ease application travel
H ban, particularly since relatively few Americans have reason or desire
AF go there.
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EA 2. Although we are not lifting travel ban, posts, however, ~~we~~ may
EUR amend for travel Iraq passports of returning residents, businessmen
P and their dependents, teachers and other professionals. Tourism not
USIA valid reason travel Iraq at this time. Other applications to be
NSC submitted to Department.
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TO ALL DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS EXCEPT CAIRO KINSHASA KIGALI

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SUBJECT: REPIR

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1. Department receiving increasing number requests grant permission American citizens travel to Iraq. Principal pressure coming from dependents of individuals who have been permitted return Iraq for essential reasons.

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2. View lack representation in Iraq, Department unable adequately evaluate security situation there and thereby determine whether it safe permit limited numbers Americans travel to Iraq.

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3. Would appreciate ~~Request~~ Belgian Embassy evaluation internal security situation soonest, including attitude GOI and public security forces, apparent effectiveness GOI control and attitude populace both in Baghdad and countryside toward American and other foreigners.

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FROM MCCLANAHAN

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EMBASSY PERSONNEL NOW ENGAGED FINAL STEPS CLOSING UP. PLAN DEPART OVERLAND IN FEDTURS (AS RECEIVED). COMCENTER CLOSING NOW. THIS IS FINAL MESSAGE ADVISE ALL POSTS AND AGENCIES AS NECESSARY. FI IMEN ALLAH. DUNCAN

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HAVE RELINQUISHED TO BELGIAN AMB PROTECTION US
INTERESTS WITH GOI CONCURRENCE. ARRANGEMENT
PROVISIONAL. AS DUNCAN HAD DEPARTED BAGHDAD AND ALL
OTHER OFFICERS LEAVING FEW HOURS. AM NOT RPT NOT INFORMING
TURK EMBASSY BAGHDAD. GP-3.
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DEPARTED EMBASSY IN FOUR POV'S AT 1330 FOR TEHRAN.

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PLEASE INFORM BELGIAN GOVT FOR AMB DUPRET THAT HE HAS ACCEPTED PROVISIONAL PROTECTION US INTERESTS. THIS PURSUANT HIS GENERAL INSTRUCTION BE HELPFUL. HE ASKS THEM CONFIRM TO HIM.
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AIRCRAFT UNLIKELY GO OUT. KW-26 UNITS ARE LOADED ON AIRCRAFT.
WILL DEPT AND NSA APPROVE RISK EFFORT TAKE THESE OUT BY
ONE OF TWO CONVOYS LEAVING TONIGHT. BRIEF ANSWER PLEASE FLASH.

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HAVE SEEN BELGIAN AMB. HE AGREES ACCEPT PROVISIONAL
SURRENDER PROTECTION INTERESTS AND WILL SEEK CONCURRENCE
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1. IF TURKS DO NOT RPT NOT ACKNOWLEDGE DEFINITIVE RESPONSIBILITIES AND ACCENT PROTOCOL DE NEBISE BY TIME I SCHEDULED TO GO, I PROPOSE TURN KEYS OVER TO BELGIAN AMB DUPRET WITH LETTERS OF TRANSMITTAL TO GOVT OF IRAQ PER 7 FAM 979.2.

2. FOR COMMO REASONS, BRIEF REPLY WHEATHER OBJECT.
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1. ASKED TO CALL ON DIR GEN PROTOCOL SHAIKHLY AT 11:30 P.M. JUNE 8, ADMIN OFFICER SANDERSON AND I RECEIVED MEMORANDUM IN ARABIC GIVING THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES 48 HOURS; THE COUNSULS IN BASRA AND BAGHDAD 48 HOURS; THE REMAINDER OF THE MEMBERS OF THE EMBASSY AND THE CONSULATES IN BASRA AND BAGHDAD SEVEN DAYS; AND THE OFFICIALS OF THE AMERICAN CULTURAL AND INFORMATION INSTITUTES, CENTERS, AND COUNCILS (SIC) TEN DAYS TO LEAVE

IRAQ. MEMORANDUM ALSO SPECIFIED LOCKING THE EMBASSY AND CONSULATE AND PUTTING A GUARD ON IT WITHIN A PERIOD NOT EXCEEDING SEVEN DAYS. CULTURAL INSTITUTES, PRESS OFFICES, ETC. TO BE LOCKED WITHIN TEN DAYS. COPY ARABIC TEXT BEING SENT OUT BY KENTON KEITH TO TEHRAN THIS EVENING.

2. I EXPRESSED SURPRISE AT SUCH COMPLETE RUPTURE RECALLING MY LETTER EARLIER IN DAY PROPOSING A MISSION TO REMAIN COMMENSURATE WITH LESS THAN DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. I ALSO NOTED SHORTNESS OF TIME. SHAIKHLY SAID HE HAD NO LATITUDE. THIS WAS FULL GOVERNMENT DECISION. I ASKED HIM ENTERTAIN REQUEST FOR ME TO STAY LONGER, PREFERABLY UNTIL ALL STAFF READY TO GO. SANDERSON ALSO POINTED OUT GREAT AMOUNT OF ADMINISTRATIVE DETAIL AND WE REQUESTED AT LEAST TWO WEEKS FOR THIS. SHAIKHLY AGREED TO CHECK BUT UNABLE PROMISE ANYTHING.

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3. I ALSO INFORMED SHAIKHLI THAT TURKISH AMBASSADOR HAD NOTIFIED ME A LITTLE EARLIER IN EVENING OF HIS INSTRUCTION UNDERTAKE PROTECTION OUR INTERESTS. TURK IS SENDING OFFICER TO CONSULT WITH ME EARLY MORNING JUNE 9.

4. SHAIKHLI SEEMED ILL AT EASE WHEN MEETING BEGAN AND DECLINED TRANSLATE ARABIC WHICH I THEN READ. I ASKED WHETHER AND HE AFFIRMED THAT GAILANI HAD PROVIDED OFFICIAL REPORT OF MY COMMENTS EARLIER FOR THE RECORD (BAGHDAD 2144). I COMMENTED THAT CNUS POLICY IMPARTIALITY WAS THAT NEITHER SIDE SEEMED LIKE WHAT WE MUST DO. HE BEGAN TO UNBEND AND SAID WOULD LIMIT COMMENT TO FACT HOPED ARAB RIGHTS WOULD ALWAYS BE BORNE IN MIND. I TOLD HIM I HAD WORKED WITH PROBLEM FOR MANY YEARS AND KNEW US HAD TAKEN ACCOUNT OF THESE. SHAIKHLI THEN EXPRESSED GRATIFICATION FOR PERSONAL RELATIONS AND REGRET TERMINATED. WE THANKED HIM FOR PAST COURTESIES AND ASKED FOR ASSURANCES RE ALL FACILITIES.

5. SHAIKHLI GAVE ASSURANCE WE COULD TAKE OUT ANTHING WE WISH, INCLUDING ITEMS NOT YET CLEARED THROUGH CUSTOMS. DAO AIRCRAFT COULD BE FLOWN OUT ETC. (AIRCRAFT WILL FACILITATE REMOVAL MORE SENSITIVE ITEMS). NO QUESTION ALL OFFICERS HAD FULL DIPLOMATIC PRIVILEGES UNTIL THEY LEAVE.

6. SANDERSON AND I EXPRESSED SAME REACTION WHEN WE LEFT. THE EXTREMISTS HAD WON THIS ONE. WE OBSERVED THE COUNCIL MINISTERS WAS APPARENTLY IN LONG SESSION EARLIER EVENING.

7. WILL COMMENT FURTHER AFTER ADDITIONAL STUDY PROBLEM AND TALK WITH TURKS IN MORNING. WILL APPRECIATE ANY GUIDANCE BY DEPT. AS SOON OR POSSIBLE. DUNCAN
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SUMMARY

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IRAQI SITUATION - ASSESSMENT

1. THE IRAQI REGIME ENTERED PRESENT CRISIS RELUCTANTLY. MODERATES WERE IN SADDLE. THEY WERE CARRIED DEEPER AND DEEPER

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 BY EVENTS. FIRST MILITARY DEMONSTRATIONS THEN COMMITMENT TO ACTION. THEN CONCESSIONS TO SOME EXTREMISTS IN NAME NATIONAL UNITY SUCH AS RELEASE NOTORIOUS PLOTTERS. MEASURES ON OIL PROBABLY TAKEN TO SAFEGUARD OWN POSITION BUT WOULD NOT BE SURPRISED THEY NOW CONSIDER THIS ESSENTIAL WEAPON. ET CETERA.

2. IRAQIS POSITION HARDENING, BOTH OFFICIAL AND PRIVATE. REFLECTS DISILLUSION WITH US NOT ONLY ON PART THOSE WHO BELIEVE STORY OUR MILITARY INVOLVEMENT (WHICH VERY CREDIBLE IN IRAQI EYES GIVEN WAY IT DEVELOPED) BUT ALSO ON PART GREAT MAJORITY WHO FEEL OUR CONCERN FOR ISRAEL HAS DOMINATED OUR STATEMENTS AND ACTIONS BOTH INSIDE UNITED NATIONS AND OUT. REFERENCES TO OPPOSING AGGRESSION BY EITHER SIDE WERE EARLY DISMISSED AS BAREST LIP SERVICE TO IMPARTIALITY. THEY NOW CLAIM OUR AVOIDANCE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT ISRAEL INITIATED HOSTILITIES AND OUR REFERENCE ISRAELI INTERESTS AQABA GULF WHILE CEASE FIRE IN QUESTION ARE FURTHER PROOF OUR PARTISANSHIP.

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3. WHILE OBVIOUSLY OUR INFORMATION RESOURCES HAVE SHARPLY

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DECLINED, WE SENSE FROM PRESS AND A FEW OTHER SOURCES THAT AN INTERNAL IRAQI POLITICAL CONFRONTATION MAY BE SHAPING UP BEHIND THE SCENES. SUCH PLOTTERS AS ARIF ABD AL-RAZZAQ AND SUBHI ABD AL-HAMID WERE RELEASED. THE PRESS IS BEGINNING TO CRITICIZE DIFFERENT CONSERVATIVE ELEMENTS FOR NOT CONTRIBUTING TO THE NATIONAL CAUSE. THE LONG SILENT SHIA DIVINE MUHSIN HAKIM HAS FINALLY SPOKEN OUT TO SUPPORT THE CAUSE (POSSIBLY MOTIVATED BY FEAR OF CONSEQUENCES IF HE DOESN'T). THE CAUTIOUS AND DELIBERATE TECHNIQUES OF MOST OF THE CABINET MEMBERS AND PRESIDENT ARIF PROBABLY CANNOT SATISFY THESE EXTREMISTS AS THE MILITARY SITUATION BECOMES MORE CRITICAL. IF UN EFFORTS FAIL TO CALM SITUATION SOON, A MAJOR BLOW-UP HERE IS A REAL PROSPECT.

4. TODAY IS FIRST IN SOMETIME WITHOUT REPORTS OF SIGNIFICANT DEMONSTRATIONS, WHICH GOVERNMENT EFFORTS, SOMETIMES FRANTIC, HAVE SO FAR CONTAINED. THIS MAY BE BREATHING SPELL BASED ON TODAY'S NEWSPAPER REPORTS BRITISH AND AMERICAN EMBASSIES CLOSED DOWN AND PERSONNEL DEPARTING WITHIN FIVE DAYS (WE HAVE ONLY NEWSPAPERS WORD ON TIME LIMIT HOWEVER). ALL MEDIA CONTINUE

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BLARE REPORTS OF QTE TRIPARTITE AGRSSION END QTE. AMERICAN PROFESSOR CHECKING OUT BAGHDAD UNIVERSITY TODAY TOLD BY GIRL CASHIER HE LUCKY BE LEAVING BECAUSE QTE WE'RE GOING TO KILL ALL OF YOU END QTE. ASKED BY BRITISH AIR ATTACHE ABOUT DISPOSITION OF BRITISH PILOT INSTRUCTORS, IRAQI AIR FORCE CONTACT SAID HE WOULD PREFER SEE THEM HANGING FROM LAMP POSTS. THESE INSTRUCTORS HOPE GO OUT ON BRITISH CONVOY TONIGHT. TWO CAPTURED ISRAELI PILOTS SCHEDULED GO ON IRAQI TELEVISION TONIGHT.

5. FOREGOING HAS SOMEWHAT GRIM RING. I THINK IT ABOUT RIGHT FOR THIS TRADITIONALLY VIOLENT AND DIVIDED COUNTRY WHICH IS ONLY JUST NOW BEGINNING TO COME TO GRIPS WITH THE TRAUMA OF THE OUTBREAK OF HOSTILITIES AND SUBSEQUENT ISRAELI GAINS. WE THINK MOST IRAQIS CAN STILL ACCEPT THE CONCEPT OF A COMPROMISE; BUT THE LONGER THE CRISIS CONTINUES, THE WORSE THE IRAQI INTERNAL SITUATION IS LIKELY TO BECOME, BOTH FROM THE STANDPOINT OF PUBLIC SECURITY AND THE SURVIVAL OF THE FORCES OF MODERATION.

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6. IN THE BROADER AREA CONTEXT AS VIEWED FROM HERE, IT SEEMS TO US THAT THE VARIOUS OPPORTUNITIES TO COMPROMISE AREA ISSUES

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IN THE BROADER INTEREST OF OURSELVES AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY GENERALLY HAVE EACH TIME BEEN ACCEPTED TOO LATE OR NOT AT ALL. WE THINK IT IS BECOMING CRITICAL TO CATCH THE NEXT SUCH OPPORTUNITY AND EXPLOIT IT, OR IF NECESSARY TO GENERATE SOME COMPROMISE PROPOSALS. WHILE AS NOTED ABOVE WE THINK IRAQIS CAN STILL THINK IN TERMS OF COMPROMISE, THEY ALONG WITH SEVERAL OTHER ARABS ARE NOW BEGINNING TO MAKE FATALISTIC SOUNDS OF ACCEPTING THEIR LOSSES AND SETTLING IN FOR A LONG WAR. THEY PRESUMABLY HOPE FOR SOVIET RESUPPLY AND BELIEVE THEY CAN EXPLOIT THE OBVIOUS ARAB STRATEGIC ADVANTAGES OF GREAT DISTANCES AND DISPERSED POPULATION.

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ACDA IRAQI SITUATION - ASSESSMENT

AID 1. THE IRAQI REGIME ENTERED PRESENT CRISIS RELUCTANTLY. MODERATES WERE IN SADDLE. THEY WERE CARRIED DEEPER AND DEEPER

O PAGE 2 RUQTBO 2143 ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ BY EVENTS. FIRST MILITARY DEMONSTRATIONS THEN COMMITMENT TO ACTION. THEN CONCESSIONS TO SOME EXTREMISTS IN NAME NATIONAL UNITY SUCH AS RELEASE NOTORIOUS PLOTTERS. MEASURES ON OIL PROBABLY TAKEN TO SAFEGUARD OWN POSITION BUT WOULD NOT BE SURPRISED THEY NOW CONSIDER THIS ESSENTIAL WEAPON. ET CETERA.

OIR 2. IRAQIS POSITION HARDENING, BOTH OFFICIAL AND PRIVATE. REFLECTS DISILLUSION WITH US NOT ONLY ON PART THOSE WHO BELIEVE STORY OUR MILITARY INVOLVEMENT (WHICH VERY CREDIBLE IN IRAQI EYES GIVEN WAY IT DEVELOPED) BUT ALSO ON PART GREAT MAJORITY WHO FEEL OUR CONCERN FOR ISRAEL HAS DOMINATED OUR STATEMENTS AND ACTIONS BOTH INSIDE UNITED NATIONS AND OUT. REFERENCES TO OPPOSING AGGRESSION BY EITHER SIDE WERE EARLY DISMISSED AS BAREST LIP SERVICE TO IMPARTIALITY. THEY NOW CLAIM OUR AVOIDANCE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT ISRAEL INITIATED HOSTILITIES AND OUR REFERENCE ISRAELI INTERESTS AQABA GULF WHILE CEASE FIRE IN QUESTION ARE FURTHER PROOF OUR PARTISANSHIP.

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3. WHILE OBVIOUSLY OUR INFORMATION RESOURCES HAVE SHARPLY

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DECLINED, WE SENSE FROM PRESS AND A FEW OTHER SOURCES THAT AN INTERNAL IRAQI POLITICAL CONFRONTATION MAY BE SHAPING UP BEHIND THE SCENES. SUCH PLOTTERS AS ARIF ABD AL-RAZZAQ AND SUBHI ABD AL-HAMID WERE RELEASED. THE PRESS IS BEGINNING TO CRITICIZE DIFFERENT CONSERVATIVE ELEMENTS FOR NOT CONTRIBUTING TO THE NATIONAL CAUSE. THE LONG SILENT SHIA DIVINE MUHSIN HAKIM HAS FINALLY SPOKEN OUT TO SUPPORT THE CAUSE (POSSIBLY MOTIVATED BY FEAR OF CONSEQUENCES IF HE DOESN'T). THE CAUTIOUS AND DELIBERATE TECHNIQUES OF MOST OF THE CABINET MEMBERS AND PRESIDENT ARIF PROBABLY CANNOT SATISFY THESE EXTREMISTS AS THE MILITARY SITUATION BECOMES MORE CRITICAL. IF UN EFFORTS FAIL TO CALM SITUATION SOON, A MAJOR BLOW-UP HERE IS A REAL PROSPECT.

4. TODAY IS FIRST IN SOMETIME WITHOUT REPORTS OF SIGNIFICANT DEMONSTRATIONS, WHICH GOVERNMENT EFFORTS, SOMETIMES FRANTIC, HAVE SO FAR CONTAINED. THIS MAY BE BREATHING SPELL BASED ON TODAY'S NEWSPAPER REPORTS BRITISH AND AMERICAN EMBASSIES CLOSED DOWN AND PERSONNEL DEPARTING WITHIN FIVE DAYS (WE HAVE ONLY NEWSPAPERS WORD ON TIME LIMIT HOWEVER). ALL MEDIA CONTINUE

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BLARE REPORTS OF QTE TRIPARTITE AGRSSION END QTE. AMERICAN PROFESSOR CHECKING OUT BAGHDAD UNIVERSITY TODAY TOLD BY GIRL CASHIER HE LUCKY BE LEAVING BECAUSE QTE WE'RE GOING TO KILL ALL OF YOU END QTE. ASKED BY BRITISH AIR ATTACHE ABOUT DISPOSITION OF BRITISH PILOT INSTRUCTORS, IRAQI AIR FORCE CONTACT SAID HE WOULD PREFER SEE THEM HANGING FROM LAMP POSTS. THESE INSTRUCTORS HOPE GO OUT ON BRITISH CONVOY TONIGHT. TWO CAPTURED ISRAELI PILOTS SCHEDULED GO ON IRAQI TELEVISION TONIGHT.

5. FOREGOING HAS SOMEWHAT GRIM RING. I THINK IT ABOUT RIGHT FOR THIS TRADITIONALLY VIOLENT AND DIVIDED COUNTRY WHICH IS ONLY JUST NOW BEGINNING TO COME TO GRIPS WITH THE TRAUMA OF THE OUTBREAK OF HOSTILITIES AND SUBSEQUENT ISRAELI GAINS. WE THINK MOST IRAQIS CAN STILL ACCEPT THE CONCEPT OF A COMPROMISE; BUT THE LONGER THE CRISIS CONTINUES, THE WORSE THE IRAQI INTERNAL SITUATION IS LIKELY TO BECOME, BOTH FROM THE STANDPOINT OF PUBLIC SECURITY AND THE SURVIVAL OF THE FORCES OF MODERATION.

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6. IN THE BROADER AREA CONTEXT AS VIEWED FROM HERE, IT SEEMS TO US THAT THE VARIOUS OPPORTUNITIES TO COMPROMISE AREA ISSUES

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IN THE BROADER INTEREST OF OURSELVES AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY GENERALLY HAVE EACH TIME BEEN ACCEPTED TOO LATE OR NOT AT ALL. WE THINK IT IS BECOMING CRITICAL TO CATCH THE NEXT SUCH OPPORTUNITY AND EXPLOIT IT, OR IF NECESSARY TO GENERATE SOME COMPROMISE PROPOSALS. WHILE AS NOTED ABOVE WE THINK IRAQIS CAN STILL THINK IN TERMS OF COMPROMISE, THEY ALONG WITH SEVERAL OTHER ARABS ARE NOW BEGINNING TO MAKE FATALISTIC SOUNDS OF ACCEPTING THEIR LOSSES AND SETTLING IN FOR A LONG WAR. THEY PRESUMABLY HOPE FOR SOVIET RESUPPLY AND BELIEVE THEY CAN EXPLOIT THE OBVIOUS ARAB STRATEGIC ADVANTAGES OF GREAT DISTANCES AND DISPERSED POPULATION.
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