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TAGS: MARR, MASS, PREL, BK
ZSUBJECT: DEMARCHE ON T & E CONTRACT: FEDERATION
- LEADERSHIP PLEASED WITH MPRI SELECTION

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1. CLASSIFIED BY JOHN K. MENZIES } AMBASSADOR, PER 1.5(D).
2. (C) SUMMARY: WE MET WITH PRESIDENT ZUBAK AND CONFIDENTIAL

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SPOKE WITH V.P. GANIC MAY 24 CONCERNING THE

RECOMMENDATION OF MPRI AS THE PRIME CONTRACTOR FOR THE TRAIN-AND-EQUIP PROGRAM. BOTH EXPRESSED THEIR APPROVAL OF THE SELECTION AND AGREED TO COORDINATE ON AN ANNOUNCEMENT. END SUMMARY.

3. (C) PER REFTTEL, WE MET WITH FEDERATION PRESIDENT ZUBAK MAY 24 TO DISCUSS THE ACQUISITION SUPPORT INSTITUTE'S RECOMMENDATION OF MPRI AS THE PRIME CONTRACTOR FOR T & E. ZUBAK AGREED WITH THE SELECTION AND PLEDGED TO RAISE THE MATTER IMMEDIATELY WITH DEFENSE MINISTER SOLJIC. (WE LATER RECEIVED A CALL FROM ZUBAK'S OFFICE INFORMING US THAT SOLJIC ALSO ENDORSED THE SELECTION.) ZUBAK SAID HE WOULD COORDINATE WITH US ON THE PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT.

4. (C) WE TELEPHONED V.P. GANIC, NOW TRAVELING IN AUSTRIA, MAY 24 AND RAISED THE SAME POINTS. GANIC SAID HE KNEW THE WORK OF MPRI AND WAS PLEASED PERSONALLY WITH THE RECOMMENDATION. HE PROMISED TO DISCUSS THE MATTER WITH HIS COLLEAGUES AND REPORT BACK A DEFINITIVE RESPONSE. HE ALSO INDICATED INTEREST IN A COORDINATED ANNOUNCEMENT.
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