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1. CLASSIFIED BY EUR SDAS RUDOLF V. PERINA. REASON:
1.5(D).

2. (C) WE WELCOME THE REPORTED INTEREST OF FOREIGN
MINISTER PANGALOS IN GREEK PARTICIPATION IN THE U.S. -LED,
INTERNATIONAL TRAIN AND EQUIP PROGRAM FOR THE BOSNIAN
FEDERATION (REF TEL). GREEK PARTICIPATION WOULD BE
CONSISTENT WITH OUR DESIRE TO BROADEN INTERNATIONAL
SUPPORT FOR THE T AND E PROGRAM BEYOND THE U.S. AND
ISLAMIC COUNTRIES.

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3. (C) EMBASSY MAY INFORM GOG INTERLOCUTORS THAT THE TASK
FORCE ON MILITARY STABILIZATION IN THE BALKANS IS PREPARED
TO BRIEF GREEK AUTHORITIES, EITHER IN WASHINGTON OR IN
ATHENS, AS THE GOG PREFERENCES, ON THE STATUS AND GOALS OF THE

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PROGRAM AND TO DISCUSS MODALITIES OF POSSIBLE GREEK
PARTICIPATION.

4. (C) IN PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS WITH GREEK AUTHORITIES,
EMBASSY MAY PROPOSE THE FOLLOWING AREAS IN WHICH WE WOULD
WELCOME GREEK SUPPORT:

- - STATEMENT OF POLITICAL SUPPORT. WE WOULD WELCOME A
STATEMENT OF GOG SUPPORT ALONG THE LINES OF THE STATEMENT

ISSUED BY GERMAN DEFENSE MINISTER RUEHE ON JULY 26 WHEN HE ANNOUNCED THE FRG OFFER OF TRAINING FOR BOSNIAN MILITARY PERSONNEL. RUEHE STATED THAT PREVENTING THE RETURN OF WAR -CAN BE ACHIEVED MOST EFFECTIVELY BY A BALANCE OF POWER BETWEEN THE CONFLICTING PARTIES. THE ARMS CONTROL AGREEMENT AND THE TRAIN AND EQUIP PROGRAM ARE IMPORTANT MILESTONE ON THE ROAD TO STABLE PEACE." (TEXT IN BONN 11162.)

- - LIFTING OR MODIFICATION OF THE EU ARMS EMBARGO. WE HAVE APPROACHED KEY ALLIES TO ASK THEM TO WORK TO LIFT OR MODIFY THE EU ARMS EMBARGO ON BOSNIA. THE DUTCH HAVE NOTED THAT THE EMBARGO RESOLUTION IS SUBJECT TO REVIEW UPON IFOR'S DEPARTURE. WE WANT THE EU TO MODIFY THE EMBARGO TO PERMIT INDIVIDUAL EU MEMBER OR ASSOCIATE STATE (PARTICULARLY CENTRAL EUROPEANS) TO PARTICIPATE IF THEY WISH.

- - TRAINING. THE GERMANS HAVE AGREED TO PROVIDE HELICOPTER PILOT AND MAINTENANCE TRAINING AND M113 MAINTENANCE TRAINING. WE WOULD WELCOME GREEK OFFERS OF TRAINING IN AREAS TO BE DETERMINED AFTER CONSULTATIONS
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WITH THE MPRI AND THE BOSNIAN FEDERATION MOD.

- - LETHAL OR NON-LETHAL EQUIPMENT. THE FEDERATION WOULD WELCOME OFFERS OF EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING NON-LETHAL ITEMS SUCH AS TRUCKS AND ENGINEERING VEHICLES, HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT, INDIVIDUAL SOLDIERS' PROTECTIVE GEAR, ETC.

- - PRESS THE BOSNIAN SERBS TO FULFILL THEIR ARMS CONTROL OBLIGATIONS.

SARAJEVO MINIMIZE CONSIDERED.
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