TO: STATE RCI INFO SC WASHINGTON.

FOLLOWING FROM COM FOR STATE

1. PLEASE PASS TO ASSISTANT SECRETARY AHTERTON FROM AMBASSADOR HELMS: BEGIN TEXT AS RESULT OF A PERSONAL INQUIRY WHICH I MADE THROUGH CHANNELS, HAVE RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING REPLY ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF PROCURING AMBASSADOR ZAHEDI'S MESSAGE TO THE SHAH ABOUT HIS TALK WITH THE SECRETARY:

AMBASSADOR ZAHEDI'S MESSAGE STATED HE WAS SENDING REPORT OF HIS CONVERSATION WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER VIA FIRST AVAILABLE COURIER. ZAHEDI'S MESSAGE DID NOT PROVIDE SUMMARY OR ANY SUBSTANTIVE COMMENT ON THIS SUBJECT."

2. IN VIEW OF THE FOREGOING FEEL WE NEED FULLER EXPOSITION OF WHAT THE SECRETARY SAID TO ZAHEDI THAN WAS CONTAINED IN STATE 175395. YOU COULD SEND ME SUCH A TELEGRAM THROUGH REGULAR DEPARTMENT CHANNELS SIMPLY AS AN ADDENDUM WITHOUT ANY REFERENCE TO THIS REQUEST.

3. BELIEVE I SHOULD FOLLOW UP WITH SHAH ON MATTER DISCUSSED IN TEHRAN 6860 BUT AM AT A DISADVANTAGE IN SO DOING UNLESS I CAN COUNTER WITH MY OWN VERSION OF WHATEVER ZAHEDI MAY HAVE REPORTED ABOUT WHAT THE SECRETARY SAID.

4. WARM REGARDS AND MANY THANKS. END TEXT.

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B. DIRECTOR 588316
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1. ACCORDING NSA, AMBASSADOR ZAHEDI'S MESSAGE STATED HE WAS SENDING REPORT OF HIS CONVERSATION WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER VIA FIRST AVAILABLE COURIER. ZAHEDI'S MESSAGE DID NOT PROVIDE SUMMARY OR ANY SUBSTANTIVE COMMENT ON THIS SUBJECT.

2. IT POSSIBLE ZAHEDI UTILIZED SERVICES OF RORED/1 TO ACT AS COURIER TO TRANSMIT HIS REPORT TO SHAH'S STAFF. E2 IMPDET.
SECRET

TO CALL NOT HAVE BEEN COVERED BY RORED.

COS NOW FIRST AT 1830

THURSDAY 15 AUGUST

RORED RETURN TO TAHRA
FRIDAY NIGHT 16 AUGUST