TO: TEHRAN.

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FOR AMBASSADOR HELMS

FROM NAAS:

1. YOU WILL BE RECEIVING TELEGRAM ON TRANSFERS TO JORDAN AND WILL NOTE THE ABSENCE OF ANY REFERENCE TO EXPOST FACTO AUTHORIZATION FOR UNAPPROVED TRANSFERS. WE WILL IGNORE WHAT HAS ALREADY HAPPENED AND, IF NECESSARY, WILL LATER DEFEND IT. AS A RESULT OF GOI MISINTERPRETATION OF WHAT WAS PERMISSIBLE UNDER F-5 TRANSFER, 1-PW IS ON BOARD BUT DID NOT WISH TO PUT THIS UNDERSTANDING IN MESSAGE TO YOU.

2. SUBJECT OF SEVERAL TELEGRAMS WHICH WE DISCUSSED IN YOUR ROOM HERE AFTER YOUR RECENT ARRIVAL IS VERY MUCH ALIVE. YOUR SATURDAY BREAKFAST COMPANIONS HAVE APPARENTLY REVERSED POSITION TAKEN AT THAT TIME AND ASSIGNMENT NOW APPARENTLY (UNLESS SOMEONE IS PLAYING GAMES) IS DEFINITELY SCHEDULED. YOU WILL RECEIVE MESSAGE WITHIN A WEEK, SO I AM TOLD. MY STRONG, REPEAT STRONG, RECOMMENDATION IS THAT YOU ACCEPT GRACEFULLY AND THEN STUDY TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THIS POSITION MOST CAREFULLY TO ASSURE YOUR CONTROL. MY APOLOGIES TO HENRY RE PHONE CONVERSATION WEDNESDAY. THIS NEW DEVELOPMENT CAME ABOUT LATE WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON AND HAS TOTAL SUPPORT IN THE BUILDING AS WELL AS ACROSS THEE RIVER, INCLUDING SERVICE CHIEFS AND USCINCEUR.

3. BEST REGARDS, E2 IMPDET.

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