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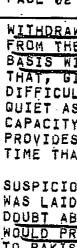
SUBJECT: PAKISTAN REPROCESSING

UNDER SECRETARY NEWSOM BRIEFED CLEM ZABLOCKI AND JOHN GLENN AUGUST 11 ON PAKISTAN. ON THE BASIS OF HIS RECENT TRIP HE STRESSED THE PRECARIOUSNESS OF THE PAKISTAN SITUATION, THEIR CONCERN OVER AFGHANISTAN, AND THE U.S. INTERESTS INVOLVED IN RESUMING NORMAL AID TO THAT COUNTRY. THIS BACKGROUND HE MENTIONED FOR THEIR INFORMATION ONLY THAT FRENCH WERE CURRENTLY DISCUSSING POSSIBLE WITHDRAWAL FROM THE PAKISTAN REPROCESSING PROJECT THE ADMINISTRATION MIGHT, WITHIN A FEW WEEKS, THEM TO CONSULT ON RESUMED AID, BOTH ZABLOCKI NUCLEAR INTENTIONS AND THAT,

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CONGRESS WILL PROBABLY FROM THE PAKISTANIS THAT THEY BASIS WITH REPROCESSING, THE UNDER SECRETARY POINTED OUT THAT, GIVEN THE PAKISTAN POLITICAL SITUATION, THIS MAY BE DIFFICULT AND THAT WE MAY HAVE TO PROCEED ON A BASIS OF QUIET ASSURANCES FROM PAKISTAN OR DUR DWN ESTIMATE OF THEIR ZABLOCKI POINTED OUT THAT THE GLENN AMENDMENT PROVIDES FOR A PRESIDENTIAL WAIVER BUT ASSERTED AT THE SAME TIME THAT THIS PATH WOULD NOT BE POPULAR UNLESS THE

SUSPICION THAT PAKISTAN WOULD PROCEED WITH REPROCESSING WAS LAID TO REST. GLENN PREDICTED THAT IF THERE WAS DOUBT ABOUT PAKISTAN'S INTENTIONS THERE WERE THOSE WHO WOULD PROPOSE A SPECIFIC PROHIBITION TO PAKISTAN. CHRISTOPHER

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