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TAGS: PREL, UNSC, BK, SR, HR  
SUBJECT: BOSNIA: SECURITY COUNCIL DISCUSSES HOLBROOKE VISIT

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REASON: 1.5 (D)

1. (C) SUMMARY. ON JULY 23, THE SECURITY COUNCIL MET IN INFORMALS TO DISCUSS THE SITUATION IN BOSNIA. AMBASSADOR ALBRIGHT BRIEFED THE COUNCIL ON THE ACTIVITIES OF SPECIAL ENVOY HOLBROOKE IN THE REGION. COUNCIL MEMBERS CONGRATULATED HOLBROOKE ON HIS SUCCESS AND AGREED THAT KARADZIC'S AGREEMENT TO WITHDRAW FROM POLITICAL LIFE MARKS A STEP FORWARD TOWARD PEACEFUL ELECTIONS IN SEPTEMBER. HOWEVER, THE COUNCIL EMPHASIZED THAT IT SEEKS A FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DAYTON ACCORDS, INCLUDING THE TRIAL OF KARADZIC AND MLADIC IN THE HAGUE. END SUMMARY.

2. (C) ON JULY 23, THE SECURITY COUNCIL MET IN  
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INFORMALS TO DISCUSS THE SITUATION IN BOSNIA. AMBASSADOR ALBRIGHT BRIEFED THE COUNCIL ON THE ACTIVITIES OF SPECIAL ENVOY HOLBROOKE IN THE BALKANS JULY 16-19. HOLBROOKE'S TRIP PRODUCED TWO NOTABLE OUTCOMES: AN AGREEMENT TO THE EFFECTIVE REMOVAL OF KARADZIC FROM THE POLITICAL SCENE AND AN AGREEMENT ON A VISIT TO BELGRADE BY VICE PRESIDENT GANIC AND FOREIGN MINISTER PRLIC ON JULY 23 AND 24 AS A CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURE.

3. (C) ON THE ISSUE OF KARADZIC, AMBASSADOR ALBRIGHT EMPHASIZED KARADZIC'S AGREEMENT TO RELINQUISH HIS GOVERNMENTAL AND POLITICAL OFFICES AND WITHDRAW IMMEDIATELY AND PERMANENTLY FROM POLITICAL ACTIVITIES, FORGOING ANY APPEARANCE IN PUBLIC OR ON ANY MEDIA. KARADZIC WILL BE MONITORED CLOSELY TO ENSURE HIS FULFILLMENT OF THESE OBLIGATIONS- PRESIDENT PLAVSIC AND SDS CHAIRMAN BUHA HAVE BOTH AFFIRMED THEIR COMMITMENT TO FULFILL THE DAYTON AGREEMENT, BUT THEIR WORDS ARE NOT ENOUGH. THERE MUST BE DRAMATIC IMPROVEMENT IN SRPSKA PERFORMANCE IN THE AREAS OF HUMAN RIGHTS, FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION AND FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT- WHILE THIS IS NOT A SOLUTION IN AND OF ITSELF, IT IS A SIGNIFICANT STEP IN

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THE RIGHT DIRECTION ON THE ROAD TO ELECTIONS.

4. (C) [REDACTED]

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HOLBROOKE'S EFFORTS AND NOTED THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS FIRST STEP TOWARDS SUCCESSFUL ELECTIONS. HOWEVER, THEY  
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AGREED THAT THE AGREEMENT BY ITSELF IS INSUFFICIENT AND EMPHASIZED THAT THEY FULLY EXPECT TO SEE KARADZIC, MLADIC AND OTHERS BROUGHT TO JUSTICE IN THE HAGUE.

[REDACTED] SUGGESTED THE CONTACT GROUP MIGHT MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COUNCIL ON WAYS TO STRENGTHEN THE INTERNATIONAL WAR CRIMES TRIBUNAL. [REDACTED] NOTED THAT CARL BILDT'S APPEARANCE AT THE COUNCIL ON JULY 31 WOULD PROVIDE AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO EXAMINE THE BOSNIAN SITUATION IN THE WAKE OF KARADZIC'S REMOVAL FROM POLITICAL LIFE.

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5. (C) [REDACTED] STATED THAT SINCE KARADZIC HAD RESIGNED FROM ALL POSTS OF POLITICAL POWER, THE RELEVANT ARTICLES OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT AND FLORENCE CONFERENCE WERE BEING ABIDED BY. [REDACTED] SUPPORTS THE RESULTS OF HOLBROOKE'S MISSION WHICH ACHIEVED "BALANCED AND EQUITABLE" RESULTS. [REDACTED] SAID THE [REDACTED] APPRECIATED THAT HOLBROOKE DID NOT JUST CONFINE HIS DISCUSSIONS TO THE KARADZIC ISSUE BUT ALSO TALKED ABOUT CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES BETWEEN SARAJEVO AND BELGRADE SUCH AS THE GANIC VISIT. [REDACTED] NOTED THAT THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL TRIBUNAL IS ONE ISSUE WHICH

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