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CONTROL TO FOREIGN GOVERNMENT CONTROL.

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AND (D).

1. (U) THIS IS AN ACTION MESSAGE -- SEE PARAGRAPH 3.

2. (S) USG HAS DECIDED TO TRANSFER FOR RELEASE FOUR (4) DETAINEES  
CURRENTLY DETAINED UNDER U.S. CONTROL AT THE NAVAL BASE  
GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA, TO THE GOVERNMENT OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
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PROCESS OF DETERMINING THE PRECISE TIMING AND MODALITIES OF THE TRANSFER AND RELEASE FROM GUANTANAMO TO [REDACTED] AND WILL PROVIDE THE DETAILS OF THE RELEASES AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE.

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3. (S) POSTS ARE INSTRUCTED TO APPROACH THE HOST GOVERNMENTS IMMEDIATELY AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL TO INFORM GOVERNMENTS OF THE TRANSFERS AND RELEASES, CONFIRM THAT THE GOVERNMENTS ARE WILLING TO ACCEPT THE DETAINEES, AND CONFIRM THAT THE DETAINEES WILL BE TREATED HUMANELY DURING ANY PERIOD THAT THE DETAINEE IS WITHIN THEIR CONTROL. POSTS SHOULD DRAW ON THE TALKING POINTS IN PARAGRAPH FOUR.

4. (C) TALKING POINTS:

-- OUR DETENTION OF ENEMY COMBATANTS IS LAWFUL AND NECESSARY..

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-- IT IS NECESSARY TO REMOVE ENEMY COMBATANTS FROM THE BATTLEFIELD AND TO DETAIN THEM FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR MILITARY FORCES, AND THE PREVENTION OF FUTURE ATTACKS.

-- SUCH DETAINEES MAY BE DETAINED UNTIL THE CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES.

-- AFTER INITIAL SCREENINGS IN AFGHANISTAN DECISIONS WAS MADE TO TRANSFER THOSE DETAINEES TO GUANTANAMO BAY WHO ARE BELIEVED TO POSE A THREAT TO THE UNITED STATES AND COALITION SECURITY INTERESTS.

-- AT GUANTANAMO, THESE DETAINEES ARE SUBJECTED TO FURTHER SCREENING AND QUESTIONING.

-- THE USG HAS DETERMINED THAT IT MAY RELEASE OR TRANSFER INDIVIDUALS FROM GUANTANAMO WHO NO LONGER POSE A THREAT TO THE UNITED STATES OR COALITION SECURITY INTERESTS. SUCH DETERMINATIONS ARE MADE ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS AND DEPEND UPON A VARIETY OF FACTORS.

FOR [REDACTED]

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-- AFTER ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATIONS CONDUCTED AT GUANTANAMO USG HAS DETERMINED THAT THREE OF YOUR NATIONALS NO LONGER POSE A THREAT TO THE UNITED STATES OR COALITION SECURITY INTERESTS AND THEREFORE ARE SUBJECT TO RELEASE. THESE THREE ARE: [REDACTED]

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-- WE ARE PREPARED TO RELEASE THEM BACK INTO YOUR COUNTRY OR  
CONTROL WITHOUT RESTRICTION. PRIOR TO DOING SO, WE WOULD LIKE TO  
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CONFIRM THAT YOU ARE WILLING TO ACCEPT THE RELEASE OF THE  
DETAINEES INTO YOUR COUNTRY AND THAT YOU AGREE TO TREAT THE  
DETAINEES HUMANELY DURING ANY PERIOD THAT THEY ARE UNDER YOUR  
CONTROL AND IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH THE PRINCIPLES OF THE  
GENEVA CONVENTIONS, CUSTOMARY INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW AND  
APPLICABLE INTERNATIONAL TREATY OBLIGATION..

-- WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF FINALIZING THE MODALITIES  
SURROUNDING THE TRANSFER AND RELEASE AND WILL CONSULT WITH YOU AS  
THE DETAILS DEVELOP.

-- WE DO NOT INTEND TO PUBLICIZE THE RETURN AND RELEASE OF  
THESE DETAINEES. AT THIS TIME WE REQUEST THAT YOU ALSO NOT  
PUBLICLY DISCLOSE THE RETURN OR RELEASE. SUCH DISCLOSURE COULD  
THREATEN THE TRANSFER OPERATION, THE SAFETY OF THE RELEASED  
DETAINEE, AS WELL AS THE OPERATIONS AND SECURITY AT GUANTANAMO.  
WE ARE PREPARED, HOWEVER, TO WORK WITH YOU ON A PUBLIC DIPLOMACY  
STRATEGY WHEN IT BECOMES NECESSARY.

-- WE PLAN TO NOTIFY THE ICRC OF THE UPCOMING TRANSFER AND  
RELEASE ONCE THE MODALITIES ARE FINALIZED AND MAY SEEK ITS  
ASSISTANCE.

FOR [REDACTED]

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-- WE HAVE DETERMINED THAT ONE OF YOUR NATIONALS, [REDACTED] B1, B6, B7(A), B7(C)  
[REDACTED] NO LONGER POSES A THREAT TO THE UNITED STATES OR  
COALITION SECURITY INTERESTS AND THEREFORE IS APPROPRIATE FOR  
RELEASE.

-- WE ARE PREPARED TO RELEASE HIM BACK INTO YOUR COUNTRY OR  
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CONTROL WITHOUT RESTRICTION. PRIOR TO DOING SO, WE WOULD LIKE TO  
CONFIRM THAT YOU ARE WILLING TO ACCEPT THE RELEASE OF THE  
DETAINEE INTO YOUR COUNTRY AND THAT YOU AGREE TO TREAT THE  
DETAINEE HUMANELY DURING ANY PERIOD THAT HE IS UNDER YOUR CONTROL  
AND IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH THE PRINCIPLES OF THE GENEVA  
CONVENTIONS, CUSTOMARY INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW AND  
APPLICABLE INTERNATIONAL TREATY OBLIGATION

-- WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF FINALIZING THE MODALITIES  
SURROUNDING THE TRANSFER AND RELEASE AND WILL CONSULT WITH YOU AS

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THE DETAILS DEVELOP.

-- WE DO NOT INTEND TO PUBLICIZE THE RETURN AND RELEASE OF THESE DETAINEES. AT THIS TIME WE REQUEST THAT YOU ALSO NOT PUBLICLY DISCLOSE THE RETURN OR RELEASE. SUCH DISCLOSURE COULD THREATEN THE TRANSFER OPERATION, THE SAFETY OF THE RELEASED DETAINEE, AS WELL AS THE OPERATIONS AND SECURITY AT GUANTANAMO. WE ARE PREPARED, HOWEVER, TO WORK WITH YOU ON A PUBLIC DIPLOMACY STRATEGY WHEN IT BECOMES NECESSARY.

-- WE INTEND TO INFORM THE ICRC OF THE UPCOMING TRANSFER AND RELEASE ONCE THE MODALITIES ARE FINALIZED AND MAY SEEK ITS ASSISTANCE.

4. MINIMIZE CONSIDERED.  
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