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SUBJECT: SCENESETTER FOR SWEDISH FM LINDH'S CALL ON THE  
SECRETARY

REF: STOCKHOLM 1141

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SUMMARY

1. (C) SWEDISH FOREIGN MINISTER ANNA LINDH WILL USE HER JUNE  
12 CALL ON YOU TO PRESS SWEDEN'S CASE ON A NUMBER OF ISSUES,  
INCLUDING <<IRAQ>> [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], THE MIDDLE EAST PEACE PROCESS,  
TRANSATLANTIC RELATIONS INCLUDING BILATERAL RELATIONS, AND  
NON-PROLIFERATION/DISARMAMENT ISSUES. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ON GUANTANAMO  
AND SANCTIONS [REDACTED] THIS WILL BE THE FIRST  
SENIOR-LEVEL BILATERAL FOREIGN POLICY MEETING SINCE THE UNSC  
STANDOFF ON THE <<IRAQ>> CONFLICT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LINDH WILL  
TRY TO DO SOME FENCE-MENDING, HIGHLIGHTING THE POSITIVE  
ASPECTS OF THE RELATIONSHIP. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] WHAT WE SEEK IN THE NEAR TERM IS A MORE UNIFORMLY  
SUPPORTIVE SWEDISH PUBLIC STANCE ON U.S. POLICIES,  
PARTICULARLY THE CONDUCT OF THE WAR ON TERRORISM.  
RECOMMENDATIONS AND COMMENTS ARE AT PARAS 5, 12, AND 13  
BELOW. END SUMMARY.

A QUICK TRIP BEFORE SUMMER RECESS -- AND EMU  
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2. (C) FOREIGN MINISTER ANNA LINDH WILL MAKE A ONE-DAY STOP  
IN WASHINGTON BEFORE GOING TO NEW YORK BRIEFLY TO DELIVER A  
SPEECH SPONSORED BY THE INTERNATIONAL PEACE ACADEMY AND MEET  
WITH UNSYG ANNAN. COMING JUST BEFORE THE JUNE 16-17 EU  
FOREIGN MINISTERS' MEETING, LINDH MAY SEEK TO USE YOUR  
MEETING TO PREVIEW WHAT THE EU MIGHT EXPECT ON SOME ISSUES  
LIKE THE MIDDLE EAST AT THE JUNE 26 U.S.-EU SUMMIT.

[REDACTED]  
TRANSATLANTIC/BILATERAL AGENDA: A NEW COLD WAR?  
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3. (C) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IN A JUNE 6 ADDRESS TO AN  
INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR IN STOCKHOLM ON SECURITY ISSUES (TEXT  
EMAILED TO EUR/NB), LINDH NOTED THAT AFTER A DECADE WITH  
REDUCED TENSIONS AND INCREASED SECURITY, THERE HAS BEEN A  
SETBACK IN THE PAST FEW YEARS. SHE SAID THIS COULD BE EITHER  
TEMPORARY OR THE APPROACH OF A "NEW COLD WAR." AMONG THREATS  
SHE SAW TO SECURITY TODAY WERE: INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM; A  
NEW ARMS RACE; AN INCREASE IN INTERNAL AND REGIONAL ARMED  
CONFLICTS; WEAK AND FAILED STATES; AND POVERTY. LINDH SAID  
THESE THREATS DID NOT STOP AT NATIONAL BORDERS AND COULD NOT  
BE DEALT WITH BY UNILATERAL ACTION. THEY MUST BE MET WITH A  
VARIETY OF MEANS, NOT ONLY MILITARY. LINDH EMPHASIZED THAT

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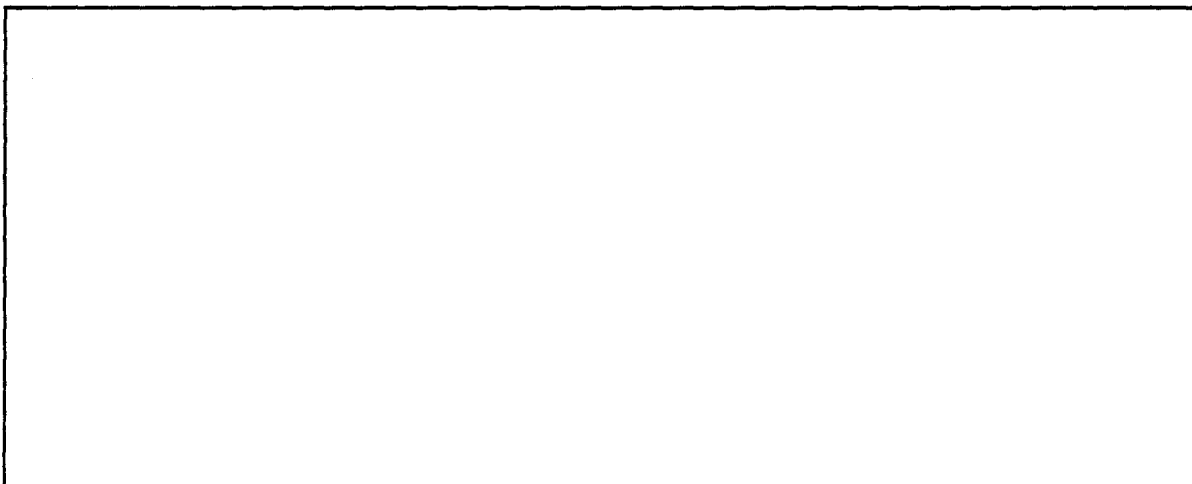
HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE RULE OF LAW MUST BE RESPECTED IN THE  
FIGHT AGAINST TERRORISM (SINGLING OUT CHECHNYA) AND THE NEED  
TO RESTORE CONFIDENCE IN THE UN AND INTERNATIONAL LAW.

LINDH VERSUS THE "LONE RANGER"  
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4. (U) IN HER JUNE 6 SPEECH, LINDH ALSO SAID IT WAS  
"UNACCEPTABLE THAT THE USA ATTACKED <<IRAQ>> WITHOUT A UN  
MANDATE. IT IS IMPORTANT TO SAY THIS, TO PREVENT OTHER  
COUNTRIES FROM DRAWING THE CONCLUSION THAT THEY COULD USE  
PRE-EMPTIVE STRIKES ..." IN A JUNE 7 ARTICLE ABOUT HER  
SPEECH IN THE LARGEST-CIRCULATION INDEPENDENT/LIBERAL  
STOCKHOLM DAILY "DAGENS NYHETER," LINDH WAS FURTHER QUOTED AS  
COMMENTING THAT "THIS IS NOT THE TIME FOR 'THE LONE RANGER,'  
IN A CLEAR REFERENCE TO U.S. PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH, WHO IS  
OFTEN SEEN AS ACTING ALONE." DN'S EDITORIAL THE SAME DAY WAS

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N MINISTER DURING HER  
VISIT WITH COLIN POWELL DOES NOT RECEIVE A DATE FOR THE  
RELEASE OF THE SWEDISH CITIZEN IN CUBA, SHE SHOULD EMPHASIZE  
THAT THIS WILL MAR OUR RELATIONS WITH THE <<UNITED>> <<STATES>>...  
THIS ALSO IS ABOUT SWEDEN'S SELF-RESPECT. HOW SMALL AND WEAK  
MUST WE BE IF WE CAN'T STEP FORWARD AND PUBLICLY MAKE IT  
CLEAR? WE MUST STAND UP FOR OUR RIGHTS BECAUSE IF WE DON'T  
THEY WILL BE TRAMPLED IN THE FUTURE...."



OTHER ISSUES ON LINDH'S LIKELY AGENDA  
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6. (C) <<IRAQ>>:

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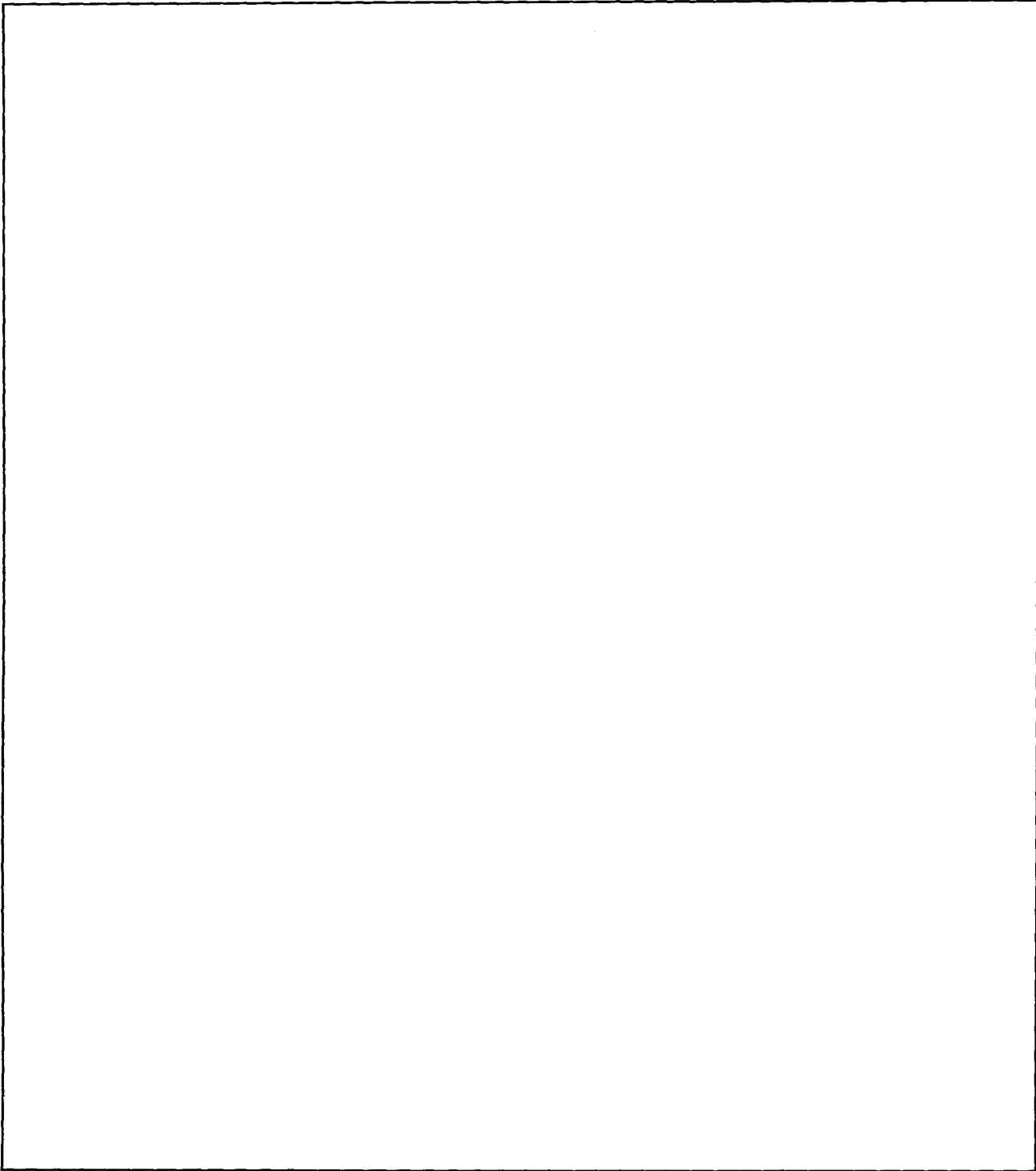
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7. (C) PARTICIPATION IN PEACEKEEPING



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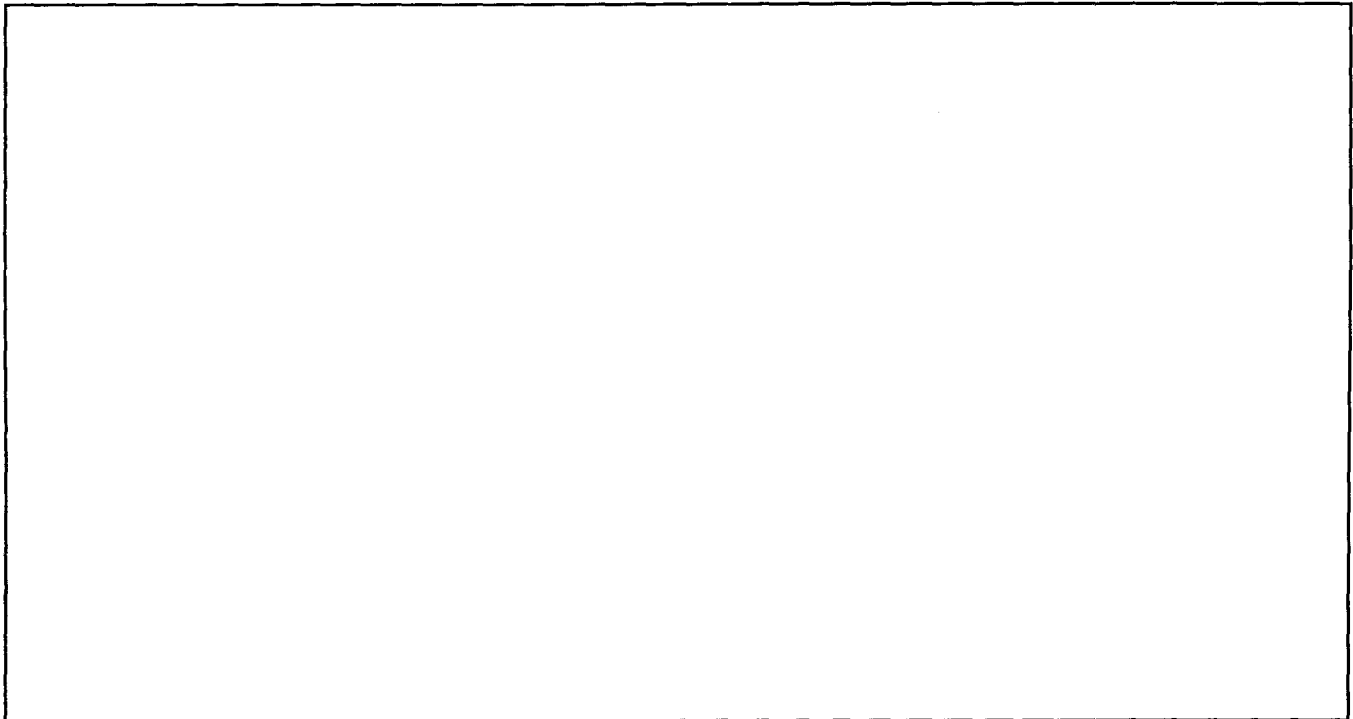
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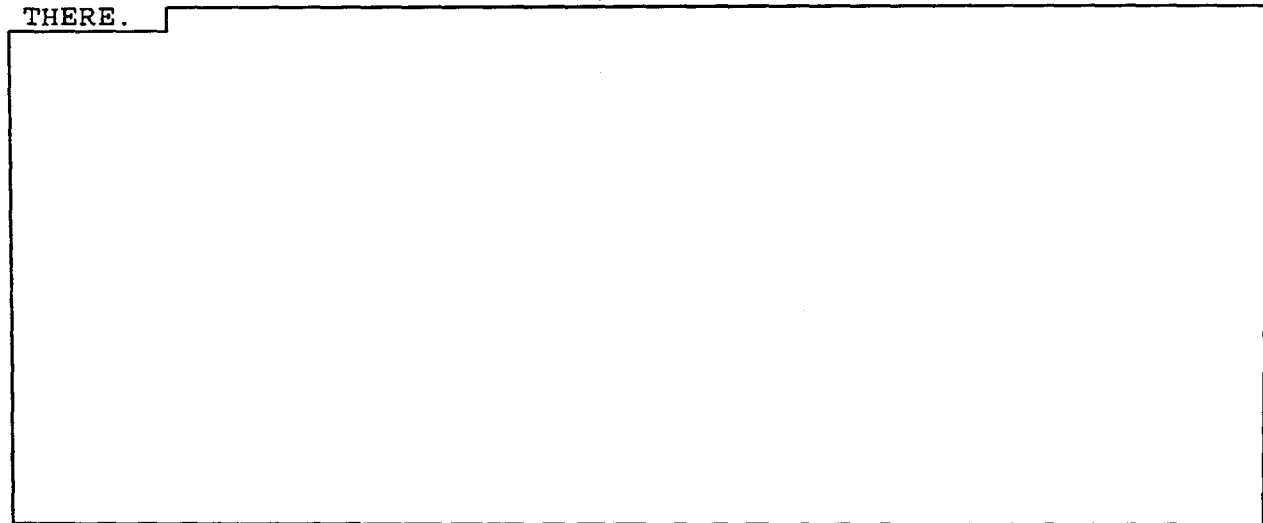
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8. (C) MIDDLE EAST PEACE PROCESS:

-- SWEDEN CLOSELY MONITORS THE PEACE PROCESS, AND LINDH WILL  
BE EAGER FOR ANY BACKGROUND YOU CAN PROVIDE ON DEVELOPMENTS  
THERE.



9. (C) GUANTANAMO [REDACTED]:



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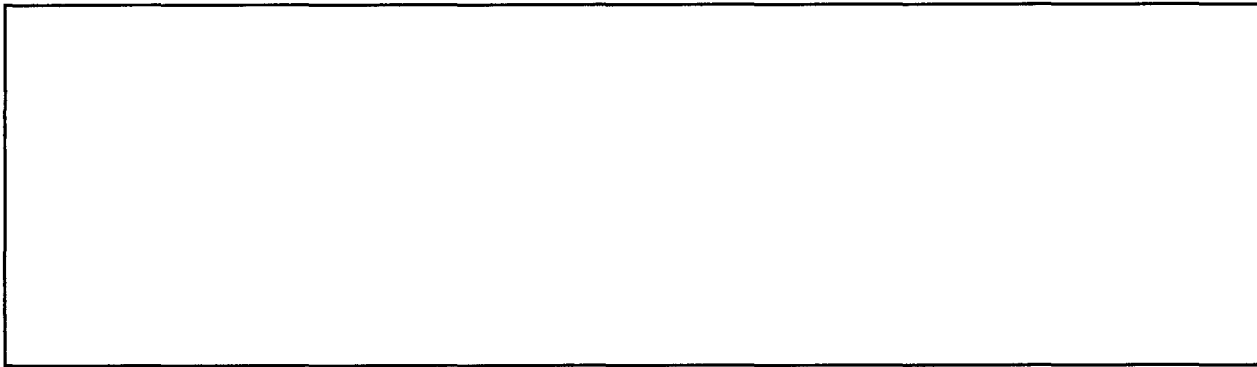
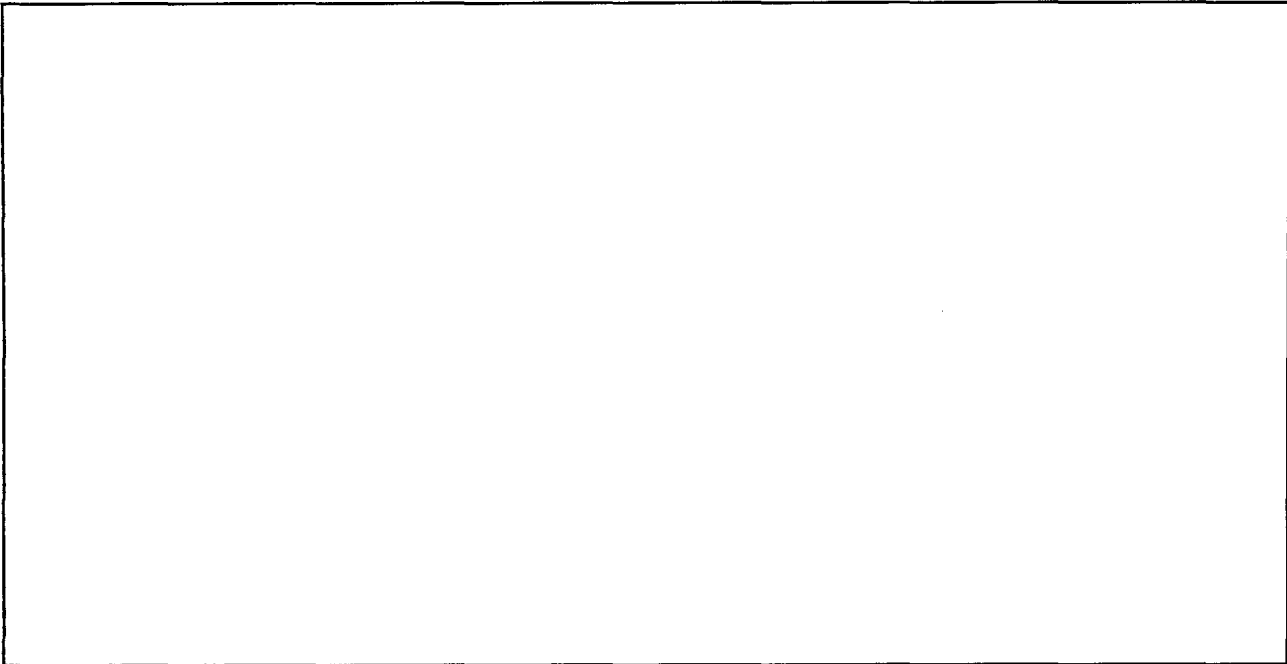
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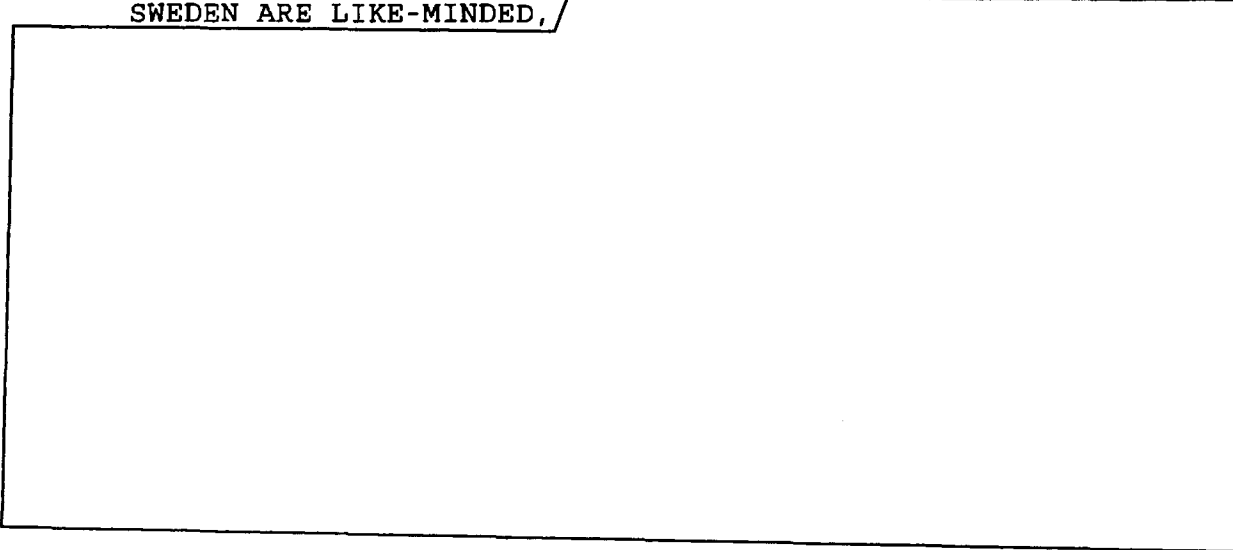
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11. (C) NON-PROLIFERATION/DISARMAMENT: LINDH WILL TRY TO  
HIGHLIGHT THE MANY ISSUES IN THIS AREA IN WHICH THE U.S. AND  
SWEDEN ARE LIKE-MINDED,



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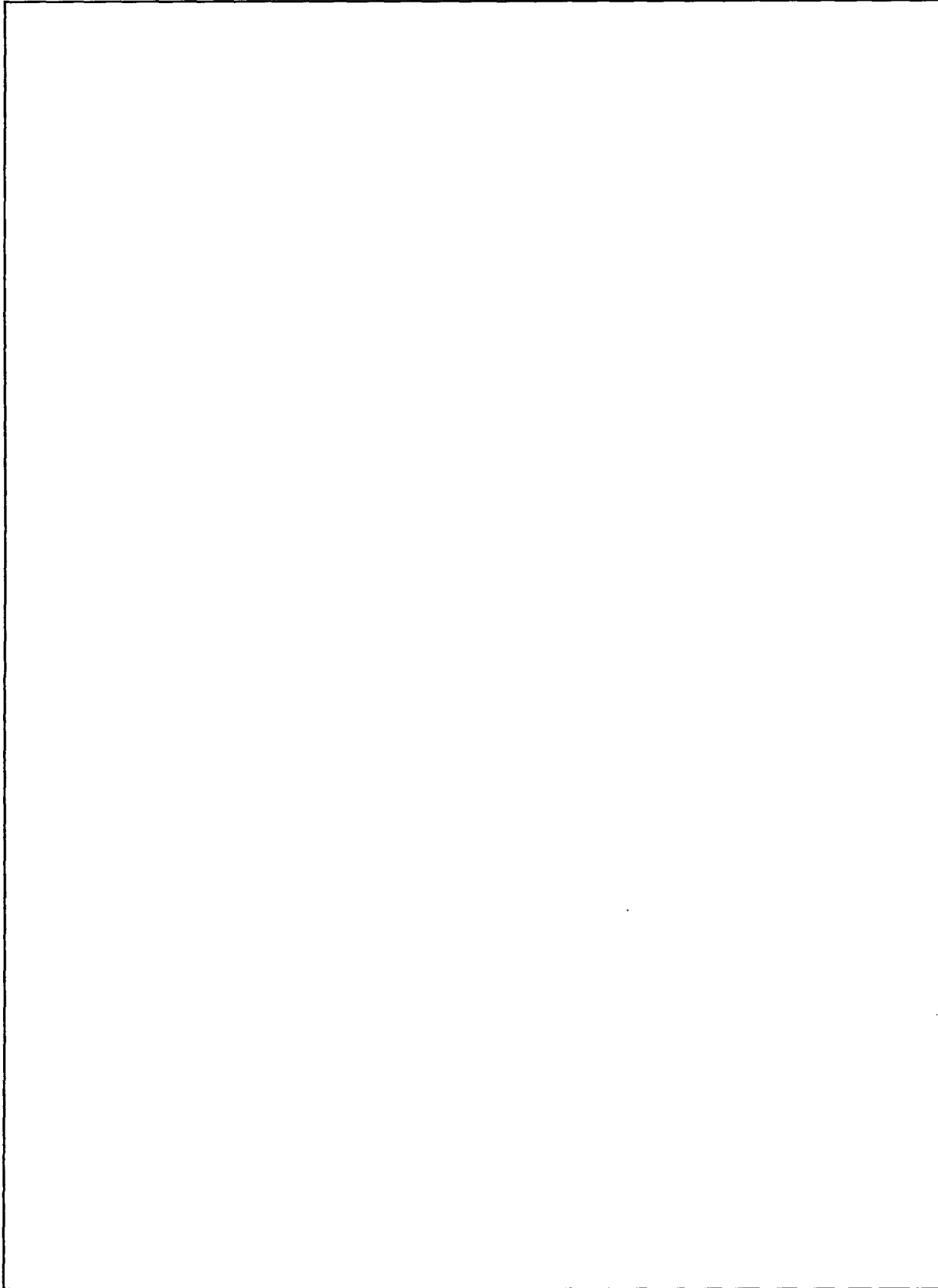
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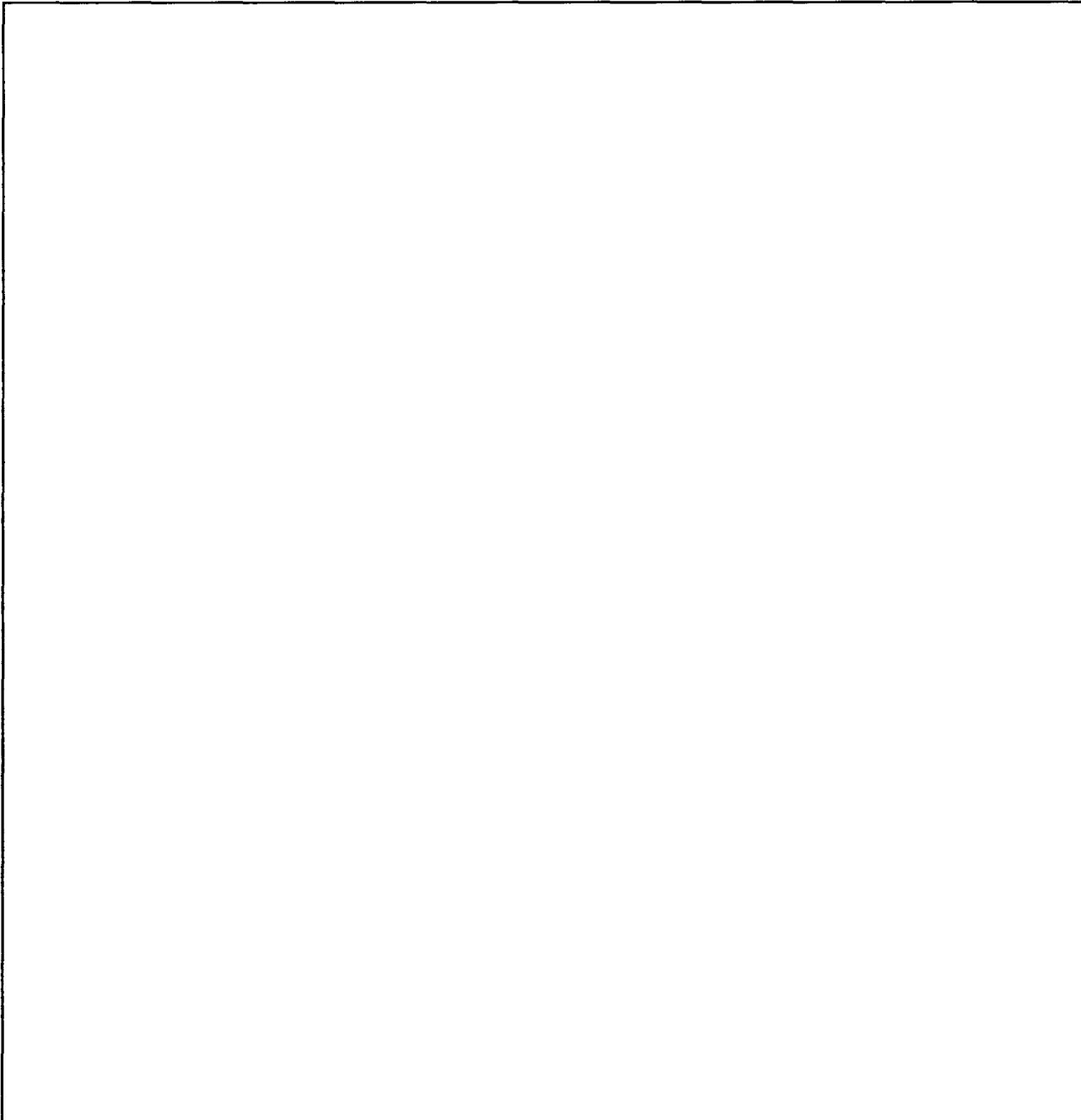
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12. (C) WE BELIEVE THIS MEETING PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY FOR  
YOU TO CONVEY A NUMBER OF POINTS, PARTICULARLY IN ANY  
ONE-ON-ONE SESSION. THESE INCLUDE:



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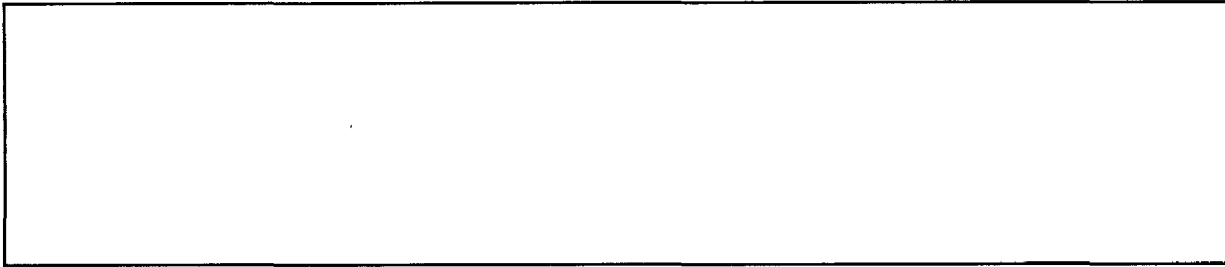


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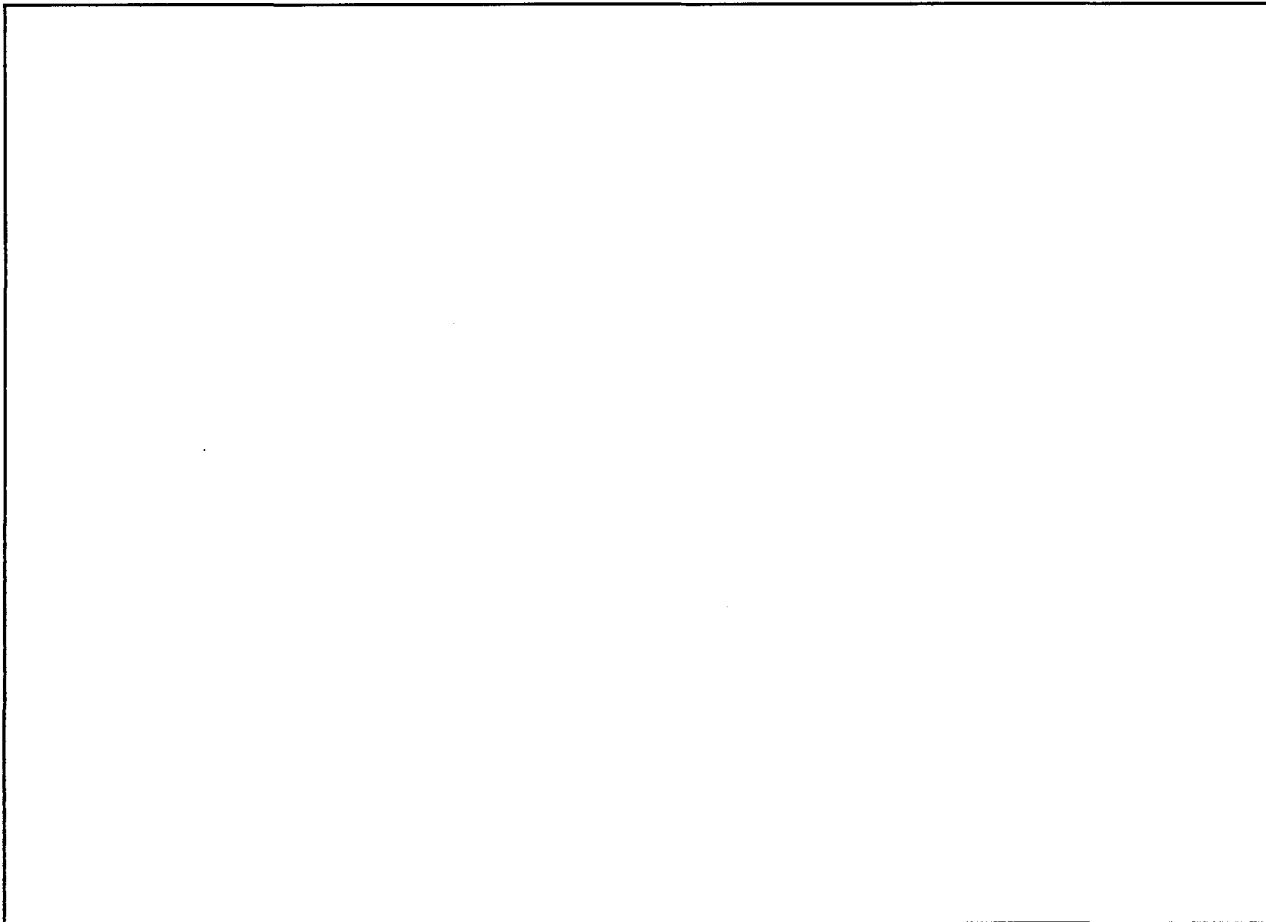
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