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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (PARAGRAPH 6)

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ENCOURAGING

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CONGRESSIONAL VISITS

1. C - ENTIRE TEXT

2. SUMMARY: WHILE MOST EMBASSIES WOULDN'T NORMALLY BE
CAUGHT DEAD ASKING FOR AN INCREASE IN CONGRESSIONAL
VISITORS, WE RECOMMEND THAT WASHINGTON ENCOURAGE LEADING
MEMBERS OF CONGRESS WITH STRONG CREDENTIALS ON DEFENSE
POLICY TO VISIT LONDON IN THE COMING MONTHS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAS SIGNALLED A
WILLINGNESS TO HOST A ONE-DAY SEMINAR ON THE FUTURE OF
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NATO IF, FOR EXAMPLE, SENATOR NUNN SHOULD COME TO LONDON
OR IF A DELEGATION FROM THE SENATE ARMS CONTROL OBSERVER
GROUP WERE TO STOP OFF HERE EN ROUTE BACK FROM GENEVA.
END SUMMARY.

DECAPTIONED

DEMOCRATS' WARNINGS GET THROUGH

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3. WE HAVE PREVIOUSLY EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF ENCOURAGING PROMINENT SENATORS AND CONGRESSMEN, PARTICULARLY DEMOCRATS, TO VISIT LONDON [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] DURING THEIR FALL 1986 VISITS, SENATORS PELL AND SARBANES AND CONGRESSMAN SOLARZ WERE ESPECIALLY EFFECTIVE IN CONVEYING [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] UNILATERAL NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT IS OPPOSED BY AMERICANS OF ALL POLITICAL PERSUASIONS.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

6. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE BROACHED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THE IDEA OF A ONE- OR TWO-DAY SEMINAR ON THE "FUTURE OF NATO." SUCH AN EVENT WOULD BE AN EFFECTIVE MEANS OF HEIGHTENING AWARENESS OF THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE DEFENSE POLICIES

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BEING PROMOTED BY OPPOSITION PARTIES IN THE UK AND OTHER WEST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, AND OF RAISING POLITICAL CONSCIOUSNESSES ABOUT CONGRESSIONAL DISQUIET OVER BURDENSARING. IT COULD BE BUILT AROUND THE VISIT OF A DELEGATION OF LEADING CONGRESSMEN, AND INCLUDE A MIXTURE OF ACADEMICS, JOURNALISTS, BRITISH GOVERNMENT AND OPPOSITION MP'S, AND PERHAPS DEFENSE EXPERTS AND POLITICIANS FROM OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRIES AS WELL.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SAID HE THOUGHT [REDACTED] WOULD BE VERY INTERESTED IN HOSTING SUCH AN EVENT.

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7. WE UNDERSTAND THAT SENATOR NUNN IS CONSIDERING A VISIT TO KEY WEST EUROPEAN CAPITALS, PERHAPS DURING THE

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SSIONAL RECESS. ASSUMING THE SENATOR DOES

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NOT WANDER OFF THE RESERVATION AGAIN ON THE U.S. TROOP
WITHDRAWAL ISSUE, HE WOULD BE OUR FIRST CHOICE OF A
CANDIDATE AROUND WHOM TO ORGANIZE A CONFERENCE ALONG THE
LINES DESCRIBED ABOVE; LES ASPIN WOULD ALSO BE AN
EXCELLENT CHOICE. ANOTHER POSSIBILITY, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] WOULD BE TO ENCOURAGE A BIPARTISAN CONTING

NT
FROM THE SENATE ARMS CONTROL OBSERVER GROUP TO STOP OFF
IN LONDON AFTER ONE OF THEIR VISITS TO GENEVA.

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