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1. I SAW BALAGUER THIS MORNING TO TALK TO HIM ABOUT FINAL DATE FOR DEPARTURE IAPF. IN ACCORDANCE WITH REF TELECON AND BUNKER-CRIMMINS CONVERSATION DURING FORMER'S MOST RECENT VISIT, I TOLD BALAGUER THAT ANY EXTENSION STAY IAPF BEYOND DATE ESTABLISHED PRESENT PLAN, I.E., SEPT 20, WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT FOR US LOGISTICALLY AS WELL AS POLITICALLY. WENT ON TO SAY THAT, UNLESS

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HE HAD SOME DEFINITE REASON FOR BELIEVING HE NEEDED IAPF PRESENCE SUCH AS SOME SPECIFIC MOVE HE PLANNED TO MAKE WHILE IAPF STILL HERE, WE WOULD CONSIDER EXTENSION A MISTAKE.

2. BALAGUER COURTEOUSLY BUT FIRMLY SAID HE CONSIDERED IT VERY IMPORTANT THAT A TOKEN IAPF FORCE STAY IN THE COUNTRY UNTIL THE FULL PERIOD ESTABLISHED IN THE MFM RESOLUTION WAS EXHAUSTED. HE EXPLAINED THAT HE WANTED THE PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECT OF THE IAPF TO BE OPERATING AS LONG AS POSSIBLE DURING THE TIME HE WAS MAKING ADJUSTMENTS IN THE MILITARY STRUCTURE. ON THIS POINT, HE SAID HE WANTED LONG-DELAYED (ON DOMINICAN SIDE) BRIEFING OF CHIEFS STAFF BY MAAG ON OUR STUDY TO BE CARRIED OUT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. WE AGREED ON SEPT. 19).

3. WHEN I POINTED OUT THAT MEETING HIS REQUEST WOULD GIVE HIM ONLY ONE ADDITIONAL WEEK, HE SAID HE UNDERSTOOD BUT BELIEVED THAT THE WEEK WOULD BE HELPFUL AS INSURANCE. RESPONDING TO MY QUESTION,

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