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COUNTRY: (U) IRAQ (IQ); CHINA (CH)
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SUMMARY: (S/NF) THIS REPORT PROVIDES INFORMATION ON
POSSIBLE CHINESE TECHNICIANS IN IRAQ THAT
BELIEVES ARE INVOLVED IN ASSISTING IRAQ IN ITS
MISSILE PROGRAM
TEXT: I. (S/NF) IRAQ IS DEVELOPING
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A LARGE SCALE MISSILE PROGRAM AND THAT THE CHINESE MAY ACTIVELY BE ASSISTING.

2. (S/NF) THAT IN MID SEPTEMBER A MILITARY TEAM VISITING IN IRAQ OBSERVED A GROUP OF CHINESE IN AN IRAQI MILITARY FACILITY.

3. (S/NF) THAT THE CHINESE WAS IN BAGHDAD TO DISCUSS SUCH MATTERS AS COOPERATION. ARMS DEALS, DELAYS IN PAYMENT, ETC. THE IRAQI MILITARY HOSTED THE CHINESE IN SEVERAL MILITARY CLUBS OR FACILITIES AROUND BAGHDAD. INFORMED HIM THAT ON ONE SUCH OCCASION THE TEAM WAS TAKEN TO A MILITARY CLUB AT A MILITARY FACILITY.

4. (S/NF) WAITING IN THE LOBBY. WHILE THE TEAM WAS WAITING, APPROXIMATELY 20 OR 25 CHINESE CAME IN, APPARENTLY RETURNING FROM WORK AND PASSED BY INTO THE FACILITY. WAS CONVINCED THAT THIS WAS NOT JUST A VISITING DELEGATION, BUT WAS A GROUP OF TECHNICIANS OR WORKERS LIVING IN THE FACILITY AND WORKING SOMEWHERE IN THE AREA.

5. (S/NF) WAS ALSO CONVINCED THAT THE CHINESE HAD PURPOSELY ALLOWED THE TEAM TO OBSERVE THE CHINESE GROUP TO CONVEY THE MESSAGE THAT IRAQ IS NOT DEPENDENT ON EGYPT OR OTHER ARAB COUNTRIES FOR ASSISTANCE.

6. (S/NF) THAT THE CHINESE ARE ASSISTING THE IRAQIS IN MISSILE TECHNOLOGY. AS THE CHINESE ARE NOT IN IRAQ TO ASSIST IN TANK OR A/C PRODUCTION.

7. (S/NF) THAT THE CHINESE MAY NOT BE SELLING MISSILES TO IRAQ, BUT BELIEVES THAT IT IS MORE LIKELY THAT THE CHINESE ARE ASSISTING THE IRAQIS IN DEVELOPING OR PRODUCING MISSILES.

8. (S/NF) THAT SUCH ASSISTANCE IS ON A MISSILE OR MISSILES OTHER THAN THE SCUD OR MODIFIED SCUD.

9. (S/NF) IN REGARDS TO THE MODIFICATION DONE ON THE SCUD BY IRAQ, THAT THIS WAS ACCOMPLISHED BY ASSISTANCE FROM WESTERN SOURCES JUST FOR THE MONEY.

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