BODY:

COUNTRY: (U) NORWAY (NO); IRAN (IR); CHINA (PRC)

SUBJ: IIR POSSIBLE NEW MISSILE IN IRANIAN OOB (U)

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SUMMARY: (S//NORED) HAS REPORTED THAT IRAN HAS ACQUIRED THE CHINESE C801 SURFACE-TO-SURFACE MISSILE.

TEXT: 1. (S//NORED) IN IRAN ON 871213 WHO INFORMED HIM THAT IRAN HAS TAKEN DELIVERY OF CHINESE MANUFACTURED C801 SURFACE-TO-SURFACE MISSILES ON 871214, AND AT THAT TIME REFERENCE WAS MADE TO IRANIAN ACQUISITION OF C801 AND C601 (NFI) MISSILES OBTAINED BY THE IRANIANS.

2. (S//NORED) THAT IN IRAN WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THE INTRODUCTION OF THE NEW CHINESE MISSILES BECAUSE OF THEIR POTENTIAL EMPLOYMENT IN AN ANTI-SHIP ROLE.

COMMENT: 1. (S//NORED) WAS UNABLE TO EXPLAIN REPORT OF "C601" MISSILE, FOR WHILE C801 IS WELL KNOWN CHINESE SSM (REP JAMES WEAPONS SYSTEMS), "C601" DESIGNATION WAS NOT FAMILIAR. THAT HE MERELY WANTED TO PASS ALONG DETAILS EXACTLY AS THEY CAME FROM

2. (S//NORED)