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SUMMARY: (C/NF) IRAN IS SCALING BACK ON DIVERSIFICATION OF ITS MILITARY PROCUREMENT SOURCES. PRIMARY SOURCE WILL BE UR WITH CHINA AND NORTH KOREA PROVIDING EQUIPMENT AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. THERE WILL NOT BE ANY FURTHER ARMS DEALS WITH BRAZIL, YUGOSLAVIA OR POLAND.

TEXT: 1. (C/NF) THE SOVIET UNION WILL BE THE PRIMARY SUPPLIER FOR IRANIAN LAND FORCES AND AIR FORCE NEEDS. THE SOVIETS HAVE AGREED TO PROVIDE A PRODUCTION FACILITY FOR T-72 TANKS. THE FACILITY TO BE USED WILL BE AN OLD TANK FACTORY IN DAWRUD (PHONETIC SPELLING). THE DAWRUD FACILITY WILL BE OPERATIONAL, FOR ASSEMBLY ONLY, BY DECEMBER 1990. ADDITIONALLY, THE SOVIET UNION HAS AGREED TO PROVIDE BMP-2 PERSONNEL CARRIERS TO IRAN IN 1991. ALL OF THIS SOVIET EQUIPMENT WILL BE PROVIDED TO REGULAR ARMY FORCES: NONE OF THE NEW EQUIPMENT IS DESTINED FOR PASADARAN UNITS. IN LINE WITH NEW SOVIET THINKING ON ARMS SALES, THE DEALS WITH IRAN WILL BE ON A "HARD CURRENCY" BASIS WHICH HAS RESULTED IN MOST OF THE ORDERS FOR ARMS BEING CUT IN HALF.

2. (C/NF) DUE TO FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES, IRAN HAS HAD TO MODIFY PLANS TO ACQUIRE EQUIPMENT FROM OTHER NON-SOVIET SOURCES. IRAN HAD PREVIOUSLY WANTED OTHER SOURCES OF SUPPLY TO SERVE AS INSURANCE AGAINST A SOVIET ARMS CUT-OFF WHICH COULD LEAVE THEM VULNERABLE IN A FUTURE CONFLICT; THIS DIVERSIFICATION ATTEMPT HAS BEEN DROPPED. BRAZIL, YUGOSLAVIA AND POLAND HAVE HAD AGREEMENTS FOR TANK DELIVERIES AND OTHER EQUIPMENT CANCELLED BECAUSE OF THIS DECISION. THE BRAZILIAN MILITARY WHO HAD BEEN HANDLING HIS COUNTRY'S MILITARY SALES WILL RETURN HOME IN NOVEMBER, AND WILL NOT BE REPLACED.

3. (C/NF) THE SOVIET UNION WILL ALSO PROVIDE NEW AIRCRAFT TO THE IRANIAN REGULAR AIR FORCE.

IRAN WILL NOT RECEIVE THE SU-24, BUT WILL GET SOME SU-25 IN 1991. THE IRANIS HAVE ALSO REQUESTED THE SU-27, BUT MAY LACK THE ABILITY TO PAY FOR IT.

THAT 40 IRANIAN PILOTS ARE TAKING MIG-24 TRAINING IN THE SOVIET UNION, WITH THE TRAINING TO BE COMPLETED THIS YEAR. THE SOVIET UNION HAS ALSO AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO PROVIDE THE IRANIS WITH TWO IL-76 WITH

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FURTHER AGREEMENT TO DISCUSS SALE OF THE SA-10
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4. (C/NF) MUCH OF IRAN'S MILITARY PROCUREMENT FROM CHINA AND NORTH KOREA WILL INVOLVE MISSILE SYSTEMS. THERE ARE RUMORS, BUT TO DATE NO HARD INFORMATION, THAT IRAN WILL ACQUIRE THE M-9 AND M-11 FROM CHINA. THE CHINESE ARE PROVIDING IRAN WITH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO PRODUCE THE C/801 MISSILE TO BE MOUNTED ON IRANIAN SHIPS. THESE SYSTEMS ARE FOR USE BY THE REGULAR NAVY. (b)(1),1.4 (c) WAS TOLD THAT THERE IS A MISSILE (C/801) PRODUCTION FACILITY AT MASHAT, AND THERE WERE CHINESE AND NORTH KOREAN TECHNICIANS AT THE FACILITY.

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5. (C/NF) IN NAVY RELATED MATTERS, THE IRANIAN NAVY HAS A CREW (NUMBER UNKNOWN) RECEIVING TRAINING ON A "FOXTROT" CLASS SUBMARINE. THERE IS NO INFORMATION ON DELIVERY DATES OF A "FOXTROT" CLASS SUB TO IRAN WHICH CURRENTLY HAS ONLY SMALL TWO-MAN SUBMARINES. THE IRANIANS HAVE AGREED TO BUY ONE SUB WITH AN OPTION FOR ONE MORE. THE IRANIANS ALSO INTEND TO BUY FOUR "KOMAR" CLASS BOATS FROM THE UR, AND SIX OSA STYLE BOATS, BUT THE NORTH KOREAN VERSION.

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