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COUNTRY: (U) SOUTH AFRICA (SF); ARABIAN PENINSULA (A4).

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SUBJ: [REDACTED] SOUTH AFRICAN PRESIDENTIAL VISIT TO THE PERSIAN GULF REGION (U)
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SUMMARY: ~~(S/NF/WN)~~ SOUTH AFRICAN PRESIDENT MANDELA RECENTLY TOURED THE PERSIAN GULF STATES IN WHICH SOUTH AFRICA HAS RECENTLY OPENED DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS. A CONFERENCE OF THE MISSIONS IS SCHEDULED TO BE HELD IN BAHRAIN TO DETERMINE REGIONAL ACCREDITATIONS.

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TEXT: 1. ~~(S/NF/WN)~~ [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AS OF MID-APRIL 1995, SOUTH AFRICAN PRESIDENT NELSON ((MANDELA)) HAD CONCLUDED A TOUR OF SEVERAL PERSIAN GULF STATES TO ENCOURAGE INVESTMENT AND TRADE IN SOUTH AFRICA. MANDELA VISITED STATES IN WHICH SOUTH AFRICA'S NEWLY-ELECTED GOVERNMENT RECENTLY OPENED DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS. THE PRESIDENT EMPHASIZED TO THE GULF COUNTRIES THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WAS A NEW GOVERNMENT, STABLE, AND HAD CREATED A SUITABLE CLIMATE FOR INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES.
2. ~~(S/NF/WN)~~ MANDELA EXTENDED INVITATIONS TO ALL THE GULF HEADS-OF-STATE TO VISIT SOUTH AFRICA, AND TO SEND DELEGATIONS TO SEE FIRST HAND THE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE IN SOUTH AFRICA. HE ASSURED THE HEADS-OF-STATE THAT THEY WOULD ALL RECEIVE 'RED CARPET TREATMENT' BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (DEA) DURING THEIR VISITS. [REDACTED] ALL THE GULF STATES ACCEPTED THE INVITATION.

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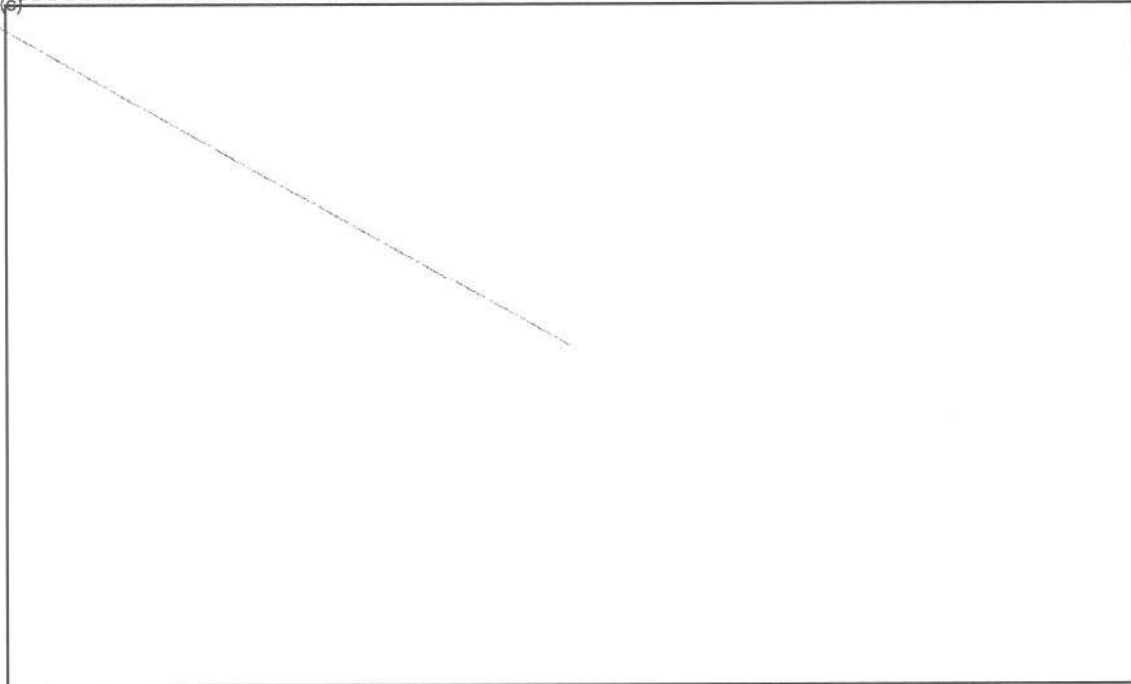
~~(S/NF/WN)~~ [REDACTED] THE NEWLY OPENED SOUTH AFRICAN MISSIONS IN THE GULF REGION WERE SCHEDULED TO HOLD A CONFERENCE IN LATE APRIL IN BAHRAIN TO DETERMINE WHICH



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WILL BE ACCREDITED AS NONRESIDENT DIPLOMATS TO THOSE GULF
COUNTRIES
THAT DO NOT HOST A SOUTH AFRICAN EMBASSY. THE SOUTH AFRICAN
EMBASSIES IN RIYADH, ABU DHABI, SAUDI ARABIA, AND THE CONSULATE IN
JEDDAH, WILL SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO THE CONFERENCE. THREE
OFFICERS FROM THE DFA IN PRETORIA WILL ALSO ATTEND.

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