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SUBJECT: ARRANGEMENTS FOR RETURN OF SURVIVORS

REF: BUSENELL/DIKEOS TELECON

1. PRESS ALREADY BEGINNING TO CONVERGE ON CHARLESTON,
SOUTH CAROLINA, AS INTEREST IN POTENTIAL ARRIVAL OF

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SURVIVORS AT CHARLESTON AIR FORCE BASE (AFB) MOUNTS. WE
EXPECT GREAT PRESSURE FROM LARGE NUMBERS OF PRINT, RADIO,
AND TV JOURNALISTS FOR ACCESS TO SURVIVORS FOR INTERVIEWS
AND FILMING.

2. WE ARE NOW IN PROCESS OF DEVELOPING ARRANGEMENTS TO
RECEIVE AND PROCESS SURVIVORS. WHILE WE SEE NO PROBLEM
IN PROVIDING PRESS OPPORTUNITY TO PHOTOGRAPH ARRIVAL OF
PLANE FROM A DISTANCE, WE ARE LOOKING AT QUESTION OF MEDIA
ACCESS DURING PROCESSING AND DEPARTURE FROM BASE IN VIEW
OF THE REPORTED CONCERN OF SOME SURVIVORS FOR THEIR
PERSONAL SAFETY.

3. IN DEVELOPING OUR PLANS IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO HAVE
EMBASSY'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND ADVICE. IT WOULD BE OF GREAT
ASSISTANCE IF WE KNEW ATTITUDE OF SURVIVORS (OR A SAMPLING
OF OPINION) ON THIS ISSUE. IT MAY BE THAT SOME SURVIVORS
WOULD WELCOME AN OPPORTUNITY TO TELL THEIR STORIES TO
THE MEDIA WHILE OTHERS WOULD PREFER ANONYMITY INSOFAR AS
POSSIBLE. CHRISTOPHER

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