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1. ON FEBRUARY 9 EMBASSY RECEIVED A FIRST PERSON NOTE DATED

FEB 9, FROM THE VENEZUELAN FOREIGN MINISTRY REGARDING

THE ASSETS OF THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE IN VENEZUELA. THE NOTE, WHICH

RESPONDS TO THE EMBASSY'S NOTE SENT AS INSTRUCTED IN THE REF,

STATES THAT UNDER VENEZUELAN LAW, THERE IS NO PROCEDURE FOR

IMMOBILIZING THE ASSETS OF PEOPLE'S TEMPLE UNTIL GIVEN

AUTHORITY TO DO SO BY THE COURTS. THE NOTE THEN STATES, HOWEVER,

THAT THE GOV IS ALSO INTERESTED IN THE MATTER AND THAT THE

FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS RELAYED OUR REQUEST TO OTHER AGENCIES WHICH

MIGHT BE COMFETENT FOR THEIR OPINION. THE NOTE CLOSES BY

SAYING THE FOREIGN MINISTER WILL BE IN FURTHER TOUCH WITH

AMBASSADOR TO PASS ON THE RESULTS OF THESE INTER-GOV CONSULTATIONS.

2. THE EMBASSY IS POUCHING A COPY OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY'S NOTE TO ARA/AND/V - SEGEANT.

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