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TO AMEMBASSY BOGOTA IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SNAR, CO

SUBJECT: HELICOPTERS AND CORRUPTION ISSUE

REFERENCES: (A) BOGOTA 3471; (B) BOGOTA 3560

1. A DECISION HAS BEEN MADE TO HOLD UP, AT LEAST TEMPORARILY, DELIVERY OF THE HELICOPTERS PENDING PLANNED DEMARCHE ON THE HIGH LEVEL CORRUPTION ISSUE. THE EMBASSY SHOULD NOT RPT NOT PROCEED TO RESOLVE HELICOL CONTRACT/INSURANCE QUESTION (FYI - AGREEMENT HAS BEEN REACHED HERE FOR USG TO PAY INSURANCE COSTS AS A LINE ITEM IN A GOC-HELICOL, BUT NOT A TRIPARTITE, CONTRACT. SPECIFIC NEGOTIATING INSTRUCTIONS HAVE BEEN DRAWN UP AND WILL BE SENT TO EMBASSY AT APPROPRIATE TIME).

2. THE SENIOR ADVISER ON NARCOTICS MATTERS, MATHEA FALCO,
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WILL BE VISITING COLOMBIA SOON TO DISCUSS PROBLEM WITH PRESIDENT LOPEZ-MICHELSSEN. DURING HIS MAY 9 MEETING, ASSISTANT SECRETARY TODMAN WILL INFORM PRESIDENT OF MS. FALCO'S VISIT DURING WHICH NARCOTICS WILL BE DISCUSSED. AMBASSADOR TODMAN WILL DEFER ANY INDEPTH DISCUSSION OF NARCOTICS TO HER MEETING.

3. SEPTELS WILL FOLLOW ON PRECISE SCHEDULE AND OUTLINE
POINTS MS. FALCO INTENDS TO COVER WITH PRESIDENT LOPEZ-
MICHELSEN. CHRISTOPHER

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