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SUBJECT: FAA SECTION 32--POLITICAL PRISONERS

REF: STATE 150955

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFTTEL, I CALLED ON BOLIVIAN FOREIGN MINISTER GUZMAN ON JULY 19 TO PROVIDE HIM AND THE GOB WITH TEXT OF SECTION 32 OF FAA. I EXPLAINED THAT WHILE SENSE OF CONGRESSIONAL PROVISION IS NOT MANDATORY REQUIREMENT UPON THE PRESIDENT, IT DOES EXPRESS CONTINUING CONGRESSIONAL CONCERN WITH POLITICAL PRISONERS AND HUMAN RIGHTS. I NOTED THAT SECTION WAS IN FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT AND THAT APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS NOW BEING CONSIDERED. I NOTED THAT BOLIVIA WAS NOT BEING SINGLED OUT BUT THAT ALL AID RECIPIENT GOVERNMENTS WERE BEING INFORMED OF THIS PROVISION. I INDICATED THAT SECTION 32 DESERVES SERIOUS CONSIDERATION BY THE GOB.

2. FOREIGN MINISTER GUZMAN READ SPANISH TEXT I PROVIDED HIM OF SECTION 32 AND INDICATED HIS GENERAL APPROVAL OF THE CONGRESSIONAL SENTIMENT. HE NOTED DIFFERENCE BETWEEN GOVERNMENT TAKING ACTION AGAINST CITIZENS FOR POLITICAL PURPOSES AND CITIZENS ENGAGING IN ILLEGAL ACTS AGAINST GOVERNMENT REQUIREING PROTECTIVE MEASURES BY AUTHORITIES. HE NOTED THAT NEWLY INSTALLED MILITARY CABINET SHOULD IMPROVE
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POLITICAL STABILITY IN BOLIVIA AND THAT EPISODES SUCH AS

THE RECENT ABORTIVE PLOT OF JUNE 4/5 SHOULD NOT RECUR.
THEREFORE, GOB NEED NOT RESORT TO REPRESSIVE MEASURES BECAUSE
POLITICAL TRAQUILITY SHOULD BE INSURED NOW. FOREIGN MINISTER
SAID FOREGOING REMARKS SHOULD BE TREATED AS HIS IMMEDIATE
PERSONAL REACTION TO READING TEXT OF SECTION 32 OF FAA.
HE SAID HE WOULD HAVE EARLY OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH PRESIDENT
AND WOULD REVIEW WITH HIM THE CONGRESSIONAL CONCERNS SO AS
TO GIVE ME AN OFFICIAL GOB POSITION.
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