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IN RESPONSE ENBOFF APPROACH RE DIEGO GARCIA TODAY, FONOEF (ROSE, PERMANENT UNDERSECRETARY'S OFFICE) REPLIED REQUEST MAKES SENSE IN VIEW DELAY ON BROADER CONSULTATIONS AND SAID PERMISSION FOR SURVEY TEAM SHOULD GIVE HMG RPT HMG NO DIFFICULTY SINCE UNDERLYING CONCEPT IN LINE WITH GENERAL PLANS FOR INDIAN OCEAN ISLANDS. ENBOFF STRESSED URGENCY AND ROSE PROMISED EARLY OFFICIAL REPLY. ROSE EXPRESSED VIEW THAT IN FORMULATING REPLY HMG MIGHT FEEL IT NECESSARY TO CONSIDER IMPACT OF LARGE MILITARY INSTALLATION ON FEW INHABITANTS OF THIS SMALL ISLAND. ENBOFF RESPONDED THAT, PERHAPS THIS ASPECT MIGHT BETTER BE CONSIDERED DURING BROADER DISCUSSIONS AND ASKED THAT CONSIDERATION NOW RPT NOW BE LIMITED TO SRUVEY QUESTION. IF SRUVEY RESULTS NEGATIVE, QUESTION OF IMPACT WOULD NOT RPT NOT ARISE. ROSE AGREED, SAYING REQUEST WOULD BE GIVEN URGENT ATTENTION. WILL FOLLOW UP.

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