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SUBJECT: PROSPECTIVE PORT VISIT OF USS DAVIS

REF: CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HI DTG 240203Z DEC 77

1. I NOTE FROM LONG RANGE PLANNING SCHEDULE PROVIDED REFTEL THAT USS DAVIS (DD937) IS PRESENTLY SCHEDULED TO MAKE PORT VISIT TO VICTORIA MARCH 20-25. AS YOU PROBABLY ALREADY AWARE, A CONFERENCE OF "PROGRESSIVE PARTIES OF INDIAN OCEAN" IS EXPECTED TO BE HELD IN SEYCHELLES AROUND TIME OF DAVIS VISIT. PARTICIPANTS INCLUDE, IN ADDITION TO SEYCHELLES, DELEGATIONS FROM COMMUNIST AND RADICAL LEFT PARTIES FROM REUNION, LEFTIST MMM FROM MAURITIUS AND RULING PARTIES FROM MADAGASCAR AND COMOROS. ANNOUNCED THEME OF CONFERENCE IS DEMILITARIZATION OF INDIAN OCEAN AND IT CAN BE ANTICIPATED THAT U.S. (AND OTHER WESTERN) NAVAL PRESENCE AND OUR FACILITY ON DIEGO GARCIA WILL COME UNDER SHARP ATTACK BY SOME CONFEREES.

2. ALTHOUGH ACTUAL DATES OF CONFERENCE HAVE YET TO BE FINALIZED, THERE IS STRONG INDICATION THAT IT WILL TAKE PLACE EITHER IN LATE MARCH OR EARLY APRIL. AMBASSADOR LE MELLE AND I FEEL THAT  
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IT PRUDENT FOR U.S. TO MAINTAIN LOWEST POSSIBLE MILITARY PROFILE DURING CONFERENCE PERIOD. VISIT BY USN WARSHIP DURING OR SHORTLY BEFORE CONFERENCE WOULD, THEREFORE, BE UNDESIRABLE AND THAT REQUEST FOR CLEARANCE COULD CONSTITUTE EMBARRASSMENT TO GOS WHICH, AS YOU KNOW, HAS BEEN UNIFORMLY RECEPTIVE TO REQUESTS FOR USN PORT AND AIRCRAFT VISITS. DAVIS VISIT IN MARCH TIME FRAME, CONCEIVABLE, COULD EVEN JEOPARDIZE GOS RECEPTIVITY TO FUTURE VISITS.

3. ACCORDINGLY, DAVIS VISIT SHOULD BE DEFERRED UNTIL AFTER CONFERENCE IS CONCLUDED AND NEW ASSESSMENT CAN BE MADE OF GOS ATTITUDE. ALTHOUGH, AS STATED ABOVE, ACTUAL CONFERENCE DATES PRESENTLY UNKNOWN, FOR PLANNING PURPOSES, NO VISIT SHOULD BE SCHEDULED PRIOR TO MAY 1. THERE ARE INDICATIONS SEYCHELLES GOVERNMENT WILL HOLD MAJOR CELEBRATION IN EARLY JUNE TO MARK FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF JUNE 5 COUP D'ETAT. WILL ADVISE LATER IF VISIT IN THAT TIME FRAME WOULD BE APPROPRIATE.

4. I WILL KEEP YOU FULLY INFORMED OUTCOME OF CONFERENCE AND IMPACT, IF ANY, ON USN PORT VISITS. WARM REGARDS.  
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