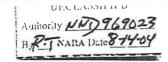
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SUBJECT: DIEGO GARCIA AIRLIFT SERVICE

1. BI-WEEKLY C-130 FLIGHTS: AUTHORIZED PARA 3 REFTEL: SHOULD BE MOST USEFUL IN DEVELOPING PROGRAM MAXIMUM PURCHASE OF: PROVISIONS FOR DIEGO GARCIA FROM MAURITIUS.

2. TO ASSURE MAXIMUM LIFT SUPPLY: BELIEVE NEXT STEP MUST BE FOR QUALIFIED SUPPLY OFFICER FROM APPROPRIATE COMMAND (PRESUMABLY NMCB-40) VISIT HERE NEXT FEW WEEKS TO SET UP LONG-TERM PURCHASE ARRANGEMENTS. EMBASSY PREPARED EXTEND ALL: APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE THIS OFFICER UPON ARRIVAL. APPRECIATE ADVANCE WORD IN ORDER PERMIT US MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS AND HAVE CAR AT AIRFIELD ON HIS ARRIVAL.

3. WE NOTE REF MSG NOT DISTRIBUTED COMCBLANT OR NMCB 40 WHO PRESUMABLY RESPONSIBLE FOR SUPPLY ARRANGEMENTS. GP=4.8REWER

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