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BEEN HIT WITH INDIRECT FIRE TWICE IN THE PAST MONTH, CAUSING A TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF THE FACILITY ON BOTH OCCASIONS . IT IS NOT CLEAR WHICH FACTION WAS RESPONSIBLE, ALTHOUGH THE ACTION WAS LIKELY INTENTIONAL HARASSMENT OF THE UN IN BOTH CASES. ALL FACTIONS SEE HUMANITARIAN RELIEF AS MILITARILY SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY BECAUSE FOOD AND FUEL ARE DIVERTED TO THE VARIOUS MILITARY FORCES. THUS, IN A TIME OF INCREASED FIGHTING IN SARAJEVO, THE SERBS WOULD BE THE OBVIOUS CULPRITS IN AN ATTEMPT TO INTERRUPT THE FLOW OF COMBAT SUPPLIES TO THE MUSLIMS. FOR THIS VERY REASON, HOWEVER, WE MUST REMEMBER THAT THE MUSLIMS WOULD GAIN A GREAT DEAL OF PROPAGANDA VALUE FROM SUCH SERB ACTIVITY. IT IS THUS VERY TEMPTING FOR THE MUSLIMS TO CONDUCT THE SHELLING AND BLAME THE SERBS.

BRITSIH EMBASSY IN ZAGREB CLAIMED THAT EC MEDIATOR LORD OWEN HAD
BEEN CONDEMNED TO DEATH FOR BEING RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEATHS OF
130,000 MUSLIMS IN BOSNIA. SENTENCE WAS PASSED BY THE QUOTE HONOUR
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OUTLOOK

ADMINISTRATIONS AT ALL LEVELS HONOUR THESE SAME COMMITMENTS. THE UNHCR IS REPORTEDLY PREPARING TO RESUME RELIEF EFFORTS IN CENTRAL BOSNIA FOLLOWING THE SIGNING OF THIS ACCORD. DG INT COMMENT: THIS WIDE REACHING AGREEMENT IS A POSITIVE ACHEIVEMENT, WHICH REFLECTS AN OFFICIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE POTENTIAL HUMANITARIAN DISASTER IN BOSNIA THIS WINTER. HOWEVER, WHAT THE FACTIONAL LEADERS HAVE PROMISED IS PROBABLY VERY FAR FROM WHAT THEY CAN DELIVER. THE WEAK AND DECENTRALIZED COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEMS OF EACH OF THE FACTIONS IS AN IMMEDIATE HANDICAP ON THEIR ABILITY TO FULFILL ANY OF THEIR PROMISES. THE WIDESPREAD PROLIFERATION OF WEAPONS AND THE EXISTENCE OF VARIOUS OFFICIAL AND UNOFFICIAL PARAMILITARY GROUPS, WHO OFTEN HAVE INDIVIDUAL AND LOCAL AGENDAS, ALSO PRESENT OBVIOUS CHALLENGES TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF EVERY PART OF THIS HUMANITARIAN AGREEMENT. HOWEVER, WHAT MAKES THIS EFFORT MOST LIKELY TO FAIL IS

9. (S/REL NATO) OUTLOOK. THE YCC ASSESSES THAT SERIOUS TALKS IN GENEVA WILL NOT OCCUR AS LONG AS IZETBEGOVIC BELIEVES THAT AIR STRIKES WILL BE FLOWN AGAINST THE SERBS. THESE AIR STRIKES WILL GREATLY STRENGTHEN HIS POSITION AND LIKELY MAKE HIM LESS COOPERATIVE IN NEGOTIATIONS. THIS COULD EASLIY CAUSE THE TALKS TO COLLAPSE COMPLETELY. BOSNIAN SERB FORCES ARE EXPECTED TO DEFEND THEMSELVES AGAINST AIR STRIKES. THERE IS A STRONG POSSIBILITY THAT THEY WILL RETALIATE BY TARGETTING UNPROFOR. THE BSA OCCUPATION OF MOUNT IGMAN IS NOT ADVERSELY AFFECTING THE SITUATION IN SARAJEVO. IT IS SIMPLY AN EXCUSE FOR IZETBEGOVIC TO DELAY NEGOTIATIONS. HIS OWN TROOPS HAVE BEEN THE WORST VIOLATERS OF THE 30 JUL CEASE-FIRE AGREEMENT.

PROTECT UN-DESIGNATED SAFE AREAS AND TO ENFORCE THE CEASEFIRE.

COMMENT: CURRENTLY THE MUSLIM FORCES ARE THE MAIN VIOLATOR OF THE CEASEFIRE. THEY ARE FOLLOWED CLOSELY IN THIS BY THE BOSNIAN CROATS. SINCE 30 JULY, THE SERBS HAVE BEEN THE MOST COMPLIANT WITH THE TERMS OF THE CEASEFIRE. IZETBEGOVIC'S DEMANDS ARE CLEARLY BASED ON THE POPULAR IMAGE OF THE BOSNIAN SERBS AS THE BAD GUYS.

IZETBEGOVIC WILL MEET WITH PRESIDENT BILL CLINTON TODAY (8 SEP).

OUTLOOK

5. (S/REL NATO) THE REDUCED MILITARY ACTIVITY REFLECTS THE CURRENT POLITICAL SITUATION. IZETBEGOVIC IS TRYING TO GAIN SUPPORT IN THE FORM OF INTERNATIONAL INTERVENTION. IN THE ABSENCE OF SUCH INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT, IZETBEGOVIC WOULD PROBABLY RETURN TO GENEVA WITH RELAXED DEMANDS FOR SERB AND CROAT CONCESSIONS. THE NEGOTIATIONS WOULD THEN LIKELY CONTINUE WITH EACH FACTION MAKING FURTHER SMALL CONCESSIONS UNTIL AN AGREEMENT WAS REACHED. WE CONTINUE TO ASSESS THAT THE THREE SIDES WOULD SIGN A PEACE ACCORD RELATIVELY QUICKLY IN THE ABSENCE OF OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE. HOWEVER, A COMPLETE ABSENCE OF INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT FOR THE MUSLIMS APPEARS UNLIKELY AT THIS TIME. THIS WILL PROBABLY MAKE

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WILL PROBABLY WITHDRAW EVEN THEIR CURRENT CONCESSIONS. IT IS
ASSESSED AS LIKELY THAT THE GENEVA PEACE TALKS WILL RESUME BEFORE
THE END OF SEPTEMBER. WITH FURTHER SERIOUS NEGOTIATIONS BY ALL
SIDES, RATIFICATION OF A PEACE ACCORD IS STILL POSSIBLE. FIGHTINGWILL CONTINUE AT ITS PRESENT LEVEL UNTIL SUCH AN ACCORD IS SIGNED
OR THE FACTIONS COMPLETELY ABANDON THE PEACE PROCESS.

9.(S/CEO) THERE CAN NOW BE NO DOUBT THAT THE U.S. IS ON THE SIDE OF THE MUSLIMS. CONTINUED INTERFERENCE IN THE PEACE PROCESS BY ENCOURAGING IZETBEGOVIC TO HOLD OUT FOR FURTHER CONCESSIONS WILL ONLY HINDER NEGOTIATIONS. THIS, COUPLED WITH THE CLEAR U.S. DESIRES TO LIFT THE ARMS EMBARGO ON THE MUSLIMS AND TO BOMB THE SERBS ARE SERIOUS OBSTACLES TO ENDING THE FIGHTING IN THE FORMER YUGOSLAVIA.

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