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SUBJECT: PNE

REF: STATE 179648; NEW DELHI 14385

FOLLOWING TEL SENT ACTION NEW DELHI FROM BOMBAY
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1. ACCOMPANIED BY MCDUFFIE I PRESENTED THIS MORNING TO
VELLODI (VICE SARABHAI) U.S. VIEW RE USE OF
U.S. -SUPPLIED NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY OR MATERIAL TO MANUFACTURE
PNE DEVICES AND LEFT WITH HIM COPY OF YOUR TALKING PAPER.
VELLODI SAID HE WOULD INFORM SARABHAI TODAY.

2. VELLODI MADE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS REGARDING SUBJECT:

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3. GOI UNDERSTOOD U.S. VIEW AS PRESENTED.

4. GOI WOULD HONOR ITS INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY COMMITMENTS AND GOVT. SPOKESMAN HAS REPEATEDLY SAID SO IN REPLY TO QUESTIONS IN LOK SABHA.

5. GOI WAS DEFINITELY INTERESTED IN THE APPLICATION OF NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS TO PEACEFUL USES, BUT HAD NO INTENTIONS (AND NEITHER FINANCE NOR TECHNICAL MEANS) TO TRY TO DO SO ON ITS OWN ANYTIME SOON.

6. ALTHOUGH INDIA POLICY AND INTENT IS NOT TO DEVELOP NUCLEAR WEAPONS, SHE NEVERTHELESS FEELS FREE TO USE NUCLEAR ENERGY FOR ANY PEACEFUL PURPOSES AND TO UNDERTAKE WHATEVER DEVELOPMENT IS REQUIRED FOR THIS. (THE IMPLICATION WAS THAT INDIA MIGHT SOME DAY WISH TO DEVELOP NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE DEVICES FOR NON-WEAPONS PURPOSES.) GP-3.
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