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SUBJECT: REPORTED DISAPPEARANCE OF JAIME DRI

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1. WIFE OF JAIME DRI, OLIMPIA DIAZ, WAS NOTIFIED OF INFORMATION CONTAINED IN REFTEL AND SUBSEQUENTLY CAME INTO THE EMBASSY TO DISCUSS HER HUSBAND'S CASE. WHILE SHE APPRECIATES THE ACTION EMBASSY BUENOS AIRES HAS TAKEN IN THIS MATTER, SHE HAS REQUESTED YOUR "ANALYSIS" OF THE PROSPECTS FOR RESOLVING IT. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY FURTHER INFORMATION YOU CAN SUPPLY ON THE FOREIGN OFFICE WORKING GROUP, ITS RESPONSIVENESS TO INQUIRIES OF THIS TYPE, AND THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN ARGENTINA AS IT RE-LATES TO SUCH CASES, TO PASS ON TO DIAZ.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION, THE MOST RECENT NEWS SHE HAS OF HER HUSBAND IS THAT, AS OF JANUARY 13, 1978, HE WAS BEING HELD AT THE "ESCUELA DE MECANICA DE LA ARMADA DE ARGENTINA" IN BUENOS AIRES. SHE HAS ALSO MADE REPRESENTA-TIONS CONCERNING HER HUSBAND TO THE GOVERNMENT OF PANAMA WHICH, REPORTEDLY, IS LOOKING INTO THE CASE THROUGH ITS EMBASSY IN BUENOS AIRES. JORDEN

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