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6.A.1. GENERAL: SAT COMPLETED IN-THEATRE WPN TRAINING ON 09 OCT. LN

WITH CAPS DIR HEKMAT KARZAI CONTINUES. ACTION AND LN TO EXPAND SAT

INTERACTION WITH GOA CONTINUES WITH EMPHASIS ON MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND MINISTRY OF JUSTICE - PROBABILITY OF SUCCESS IS HIGH

6.A.2. STRAT COMMS: COMMUNICATIONS ADVISOR ACCOMPANIED AFGHAN

PRESIDENTIAL DELEGATION ON VISITS TO NEW YORK AND OTTAWA 18 - 22

SEP, WORKING CLOSELY WITH MINISTER MINISTER OF RURAL REHABILITATION AND DEVELOPMENT (MRRD). AT REQUEST OF PRESIDENT S

OFFICE AND WITH STATISTICAL INPUT FROM SAT MBRS ATTACHED TO ANDS AND

MRRD, TEAM PREPARED INITIAL DRAFT OF PRESIDENT S ADDRESS TO PARLIAMENT 22 SEP. IT WAS NOTED THAT KEY STATISTICS, MESSAGES AND

THEMES, AS WELL AS OVERALL STRUCTURE, WERE ADOPTED BY THE PRESIDENT

IN HIS REMARKS TO JOINT SESSION. WHILE NEW YORK COMPONENT OF THE

VISIT WAS ASSESSED AS HAVING PROVIDED ONLY MARGINAL BENEFIT DUE TO

ACCESS, AND ISSUES LIKELY RESULTING FROM POOR ADVANCE COORDINATION

BY AFGHAN AUTHORITIES, THE OTTAWA VISIT PROVIDED AN EXCELLENT

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OPPORTUNITY TO EXPOSE MRRD TO CANADIAN POLITICAL, MEDIA AND CULTURAL

LANDSCAPE. THIS WILL BODE WELL FOR UPCOMING (END-NOV) TWO-WEEK MRRD

SPEAKING TOUR OF MAJOR CANADIAN CITIES. TO THAT END, MEETINGS WERE

HELD BETWEEN SAT COMMS ADVISOR AND ADM(PA), CEFCOM PA, AND CIDA

COMMUNICATIONS. AT END OF OTTAWA VISIT, MINISTER EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR CANADIAN HOSPITALITY, AND ENTHUSIASM FOR UPCOMING.

CIDA LED VISIT. OF NOTE, MRRD PLANS VISIT TO KAF IN THE NEAR FUTURE

TO ANNOUNCE 8 MILLION DOLLARS IN USAID AND CIDA QUICK IMPACT DEVELOPMENT PROJECT GRANTS. THIS IS PART OF A LARGER, PAGDRIVEN GOA

COMMUNICATIONS EFFORT IN THE FOUR SOUTHERN PROVINCES. TO BOLSTER

THAT EFFORT.

6.A.3. TEAM A ACTIVITIES:

6.A.3.(1) MRRD VISIT TO CANADA: SAT AND CIDA HAVE EXCHANGED EMAILS

INITIATING PLANNING OF THE VISIT OF MINISTER TO CANADA ON A SPEAKING TOUR AS PER THE INVITATION BY THE CANADIAN AMBASSADOR TO

AFGHANISTAN. THE AIM OF THE TOUR IS TO CAPITALIZE ON THE RECENT PRESIDENT S VISIT AND ADDRESS TO PARLIAMENT BY EMPHASIZING THE DEVELOPMENT WORK IN CANADA AND DRAWING ATTENTION AWAY FROM

PERSISTENT MEDIA REPORTING OF THE SECURITY SITUATION. SAT TEAM A MET

WITH MINISTER ND SENIOR ADVISORS TO DISCUSS THE POTENTIAL DATES, LOCATIONS AND TYPES OF VENUES THAT THE MINISTER IS SEEKING.

MINISTERIAL STAFF WILL CONVEY THE MINISTER S PREFERENCES AND AVAILABILITY TO CIDA REP IN KABUL