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FOLLOWING US REP S FULL REITERATION US POSITION PER TOPOL 658, ITALY, GREECE AND FRANCE INDICATED THEIR UN DELS INSTRUCTED ABSTAIN ON IRISH RES, FRANCE STRESSING THAT RES CONSTITUTES WRONG APPROACH TO ONE PARTICULAR PROBLEM DISARMAMENT WITHOUT PROSPECT OF CONTROL. UK AND BELGIUM MADE CLEAR MATTER STILL UNDER STUDY BUT AS OF NOW THEIR UN DELS INSTRUCTED ABSTAIN.

WHILE CONCURRING MOST US ARGUMENTS AGAINST IRISH RES AND INDICATING ITS UN DEL PRESENTLY INCLINED ABSTAIN. NETHERLANDS ES STATED IT DID NOT BELIEVE SECOND OPERATIVE PARA WOULD NECESSARILY CONFLICT WITH ESTABLISHMENT POSSIBLE NATO NUCLEAR DETERRENT IF COUNTRY PROVIDING WEAPONS CONTINUES AT LEAST SHARE THEIR HOWEVER THIRD OPERATIVE PARA WOULD CAUSE DIFFICULTY UNLESS LAST WORDS CHANGED TO READ ". . . TO REQUIRE CONTROL OVER THEM." NETHERLANDS INDICATED IRISH UN DEL HAD DECLINED MAKE SUCH CHANGE IN THIRD PARA FEARING OTHERS WOULD SUSPECT "SINISTER" MOTIVE. CANADA SPOKE ALONG SIMILAR LINES AS NETHERLANDS, EXPRESSING PREFERENCE FOR MODIFIED THIRD OPERATIVE PARA BUT ALSO FEELING . WOULD BE POSSIBLE "LIVE WITH" MOST OF PRESENT TEXT RES. CANADA DID NOT REVEAL INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN ITS UN DEL.

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NORWAY STATED PRESENT INSTRUCTIONS ITS UN DEL ARE TO EFFECT WOULD BE DESIRABLE VOTE FOR IRISH RES UNLESS BY SO DOING WOULD BE PARTING COMPANY WITH ALLIANCE. TURKEY INDICATED ITS DEL INSTRUCTED SUPPORT NATO MAJORITY, BUT EXPRESSED PREFERENCE FOR FINDING SOME WAY TO SUPPORT IRISH TEXT WITH AMENDMENTS OR FOR COUNTERPROPOSAL WHICH WOULD DENY SOVIETS ISSUE THEY CAN EXPLOIT. GERMANY, WHILE NOT UN MEMBER, INCLINED SHARE DUTCH-CANADIAN VIEW THAT WITH SLIGHT CHANGE IRISH RES COULD BE MADE ACCEPTABLE. OTHERS DID NOT SPEAK.

US EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR VIEWS AND SUPPORT EXPRESSED AND DOUBTED THAT CHANGES OF KIND SUGGESTED WOULD ENTIRELY OBVIATE PROBLEMS US SEES IN TEXT. (COMMENT: AT CHAIRS'S REQUEST, WE WILL CIRCULATE NOTE BASED ON TOPOL 658.)

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