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FOR SHULMAN FROM WATSON
E.O.11652: RDS-3, 10/30/89 (WATSON, THOMAS J.)
TAGS: UR, US, PARM

SUBJECT: SOUTH ATLANTIC INCIDENT

1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT
2. WE HAVE PASSED ON TO THE SOVIETS THE MATERIAL PROVIDED IN REF A ABOUT THE SOUTH ATLANTIC INCIDENT, BUT SINCE IT WAS PRETTY LATE AND DIDN'T SAY MUCH I HAD IT CONVEYED AT THE WORKING LEVEL, AS WE ARE REPORTING SEPARATELY.
3. AS I THINK ABOUT IT, HOWEVER, I AM SURPRISED THAT WE HAVE NOT GONE TO THE SOVIETS ABOUT THIS SEPTEMBER 22 EVENT LONG BEFORE IT LEAKED TO THE PRESS. IN VIEW OF THE PREVIOUS HISTORY, INCLUDING THE DISCUSSIONS WHICH THE SOVIETS INITIATED REGARDING THE KALAHARI INSTALLATION, I HAD THOUGHT THAT WE WERE FOLLOWING A POLICY OF CONSULTING WITH THE SOVIETS ON INCIDENTS OF THIS NATURE. SUCH A POLICY SURELY IS IN ACCORD WITH OUR SHARED INTEREST IN PREVENTING NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION. I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR CONSULTING WITH THE SECRETARY AND LETTING ME KNOW IF THAT IN FACT IS NOT NOW OUR POLICY.

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