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QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT OF EXPORT PROMOTION PROGRAM AT MISSIONS ABROAD FOR FISCAL YEAR 87 FORECAST OF KEY ACTIVITIES AND ANTICIPATED RESULTS STATED IN MISSION'S ANNUAL PLAN

POST : 346-BAGHDAD

008-TRANSPORT SYS, EQUIP, COMP, SERV. IRAQ

PLANNING:

ACTIVITIES PROPOSED IN POST PLAN:

AUTOMOTIVE

IN CONJUNCTION WITH COMPANIES INVOLVED, PURSUE OVERDUE LETTERS OF CREDIT WORTH IN EXCESS OF 3 MILLION AT RAFIDAIN BANK AND IRAGISTATE ORGANIZATION FOR IMPORTS.

REGULAR CONTACTS WITH VARIOUS IRAGI MINISTRIES REGARDING THEIR REGUIREMENT FOR VEHICLES AND SPARE PARTS.

ANTICIPATED RESULTS:

INDURE PAYMENT OF OUTSTANDING DEBTS AND DRAW PROMPT ATTENTION TOWARDS NEW LETTERS OF CREDIT WHICH WILL COME DUE IN 1987.

ADVISE CDN CO.ABOUT OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUPPLY OF SPARE PARTS AND/OR NEW VEHICLES & HELP CONVINCE IRAGI ORGANIZATIONS TO SEND MORE TENDERS TO CDN FIRMS.

TRACKING:

ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN IN QUARTER:

QUARTER: 1 PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO GENERAL MOTORS MARKET DEV-ELOPMENT OF CANADA LTD (GMMD) AND EXPORTATION QUEBEC IN THEIR WORK TO RECOVER OVERDUE PAYMENTS AND SECURE NEW CONTRACTS.

QUARTER: 2 ASSIST GENERAL MOTORS MARKET DEVELOPMENT OF CDA IN PREPARING FOR MAJOR DISCUSSIONS ABOUT ADDITIONAL SALES/FINANCING AND OIL BARTER.

QUARTER: 3 ASSIST GENERAL MOTORS MARKET DEVELOPMENT OF CDA IN PRESENTING MAJOR PROPOSAL FOR SALES OF CDN VEHICLES & PARTS TO IRAQI MINISTRY OF TRADE.

QUARTER: 4 CONTINUE TO ASSIST GENERAL MOTORS MARKET DE-VELOPMENT OF CANADA IN THEIR EFFORTS TO CON-CLUDE CONTRACT FOR SALE OF AUTOMOTIVE PARTS & VEHICLES & AUTO ASSEMBLY PROJECT. INVITE IRAGI SPECIALISTS TO CON INT'L AUTOMOTIVE SHOW. QUARTERLY RESULTS REPORTED:

POST'S INTERVENTION & ASSISTANCE IN NEGOTIATING WITH FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE RESULT -ED IN THE REPAYMENT OF ALMOST \$300,000 TO EXPORTATION QUEBEC AND SCHEDULING OF REPAYMENT NEGOTIATIONS WITH GMMD. OUR HELP LED INDIRECTLY TO/

-MISSION PLAYED INTERMEDIARY ROLE IN HELPING TO SCHEDULE/RE-SCHEDULE MEETINGS WHICH HAVE FINALLY BEEN SET FOR WEEK OF 25 OCTOBER 1987.

MIS. INVOLVEMENT ALLOWED GMMD TO GAIN ACCESS TO HIGHEST LEVELS OF IRAGI MIN. OF TRADE & TO PRESENT IMPORTANT OFFER OF SUBSTANTIAL AMTS OF CREDIT TO IRAG, AS WELL AS PROPOSAL FOR AUTOMOTIVE ASSEMBLY PROJECT.

GMMD HAS BEGUN SERIOUS HIGH LEVEL DISCUSSIONS ON THESE CONTRACTS. IRAGI OFFICIALS ARE NOW VISITING GM ASSEMBLY FACILITIES IN CDA TO EVALUATE GM ASSEMBLY OFFERS. GENERAL AUTOMOBILE TRADING CO (GATCO)UNABLE TO SEND REPS TO AIA SHOW.