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

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PLANNING:

ACTIVITIES PROPOSED IN POST PLAN:

TELECOMMUNICATIONS (INC SPACE)

PURSUE MATTER OF SATELLITE GROUND RECEIVING STATION PROJECT WITH IRAQI OFFICIALS.

APPLY PRESSURE ON IRAQI AUTHORITIES CONCERNING OVERDUE LETTERS OF CREDIT PAYABLE BY ROFIDAIN BANK FOR PREVIOUS SALES TO IRAQI CLIENTS IN THIS SUB SECTOR.

THERE IS OUTSTANDING INVITATION FOR IRAGI MINISTER OF TRANSPORTATION & COMMUNICATIONS TO VISIT CANADA. VISIT EXPECTED TO TAKE PLACE IN FIRST HALF OF '87. IRAGIS PAYING DWN EXPENSES.

SUPPORT ACTIVITIES OF A MAJOR CDN SUPPLIER IN GREATER DEPTH FOLLOWING CLOSING OF THEIR BAGHDAD OFFICE.

ANTICIPATED RESULTS:

HELP TO REVIVE PROJECT WORTH OVER CDN DOLLARS 20 MILLION WHICH IS ALSO BEING CONSIDERED FOR SUPPORT UNDER SECTION 31 GOVT FINANCING.

EXPEDITE PAYMENT OF OVER CDN 2 MILLION OWED AND/OR ENCOURAGE IRAGIS TO PRESENT PROPOSALS FOR RESCHEDULING/REPAYMENT TO CDN COMPANIES.

THERE IS HOPE THAT VISIT WILL HELP STIMULATE CONCLUSIVE CHOICE OF CANADIAN TECHNOLOGY AND TRAINING.

PROVIDE CONTINUITY OF LOGISTICAL SUPPORT FOR THIS FIRM WHICH WAS FORCED TO CLOSE OFFICE IN IRAQ FOR FINANCIAL REASONS.

TRACKING:

ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN IN QUARTER:

QUARTER: 1 SUPPORT ACTIVITIES OF BELL CANADA INTERNATIONAL IN BAGHDAD IN REGARD TO MAJOR CONTRACT NEGOTIA-TIONS WITH IRAQI MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (MOD).

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QUARTERLY RESULTS REPORTED:

IN THE ABSENCE OF BCI PERSONNEL IN BAGHDAD, HELPED TO MAINTAIN NEGOTIATIONS WITH MOD AND CENTRAL BANK OF IRAG. OUR ASSISTANCE HELPED KEEP PROSPECTS OF SUCCESSFULLY CONCLUDING NEGOTIATIONS ALIVE.