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USDOC FOR ITA (R. DORMITZER AND CBI TEAM)

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E.O. 12356: N/A

TAGS: ETRD, NS

SUBJECT: CBI: SURINAMESE REQUEST FOR EXAMPLES OF SMALL NATIONAL
ECONOMIES TRANSFORMED THROUGH EXPORT PROMOTION

1. THIS IS AN ACTION MESSAGE.

2. AS REPORTED ELSEWHERE GOS IS CONSIDERING APPLYING FOR
CARIBBEAN BASIN INITIATIVE (CBI) CERTIFICATION--POSSIBLY
AS EARLY AS MAY 1984.

3. IN SEPARATE BRIEFINGS APRIL 6TH, DCM AND COMMERCIAL
OFFICES, RESPONDING TO REQUESTS, REVIEWED CBI AND ITS
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POTENTIAL BENEFITS FOR SURINAME, FIRST FOR LEADING PRIVATE
BANKER SERVING AS CBI CONSULTANT TO MINISTER OF FINANCE
AND THEN FOR DIRECTORS OF LOCAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

4. IN BOTH MEETINGS EMBOFFS RECEIVED REQUESTS FOR
IDENTIFICATION FOR STUDY WITHIN SURINAME OF OTHER SMALL COUNTRIES
(POPULATION OF SURINAME IS 400,000 OR LESS), PREFERABLY IN
CARIBBEAN, WHICH HAVE ACHIEVED MARKED ECONOMIC GROWTH
THROUGH PURSUING AGGRESSIVE EXPORT STRATEGIES
(NOT NECESSARILY DIRECTED AT US MARKET). NOTE:

**REVIEW AUTHORITY: Leonard Kusnitz, Senior
Reviewer**

SURINAME EXPORTS MAINLY BAUXITE, ALUMINA AND ALUMINUM PLUS RICE, BANANAS AND SHRIMP--VIRTUALLY NO MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS.

5. ACTION REQUESTED OF AID, STATE AND COMMERCE:

(A) PLEASE IDENTIFY SMALL COUNTRIES FROM WHOSE EXPERIENCE GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE PARTIES IN SURINAME MIGHT LEARN AS THEY PONDER BEST WAYS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF CBI.

(B) SEND INTRODUCTORY BIBLIOGRAPHIES EMBASSY CAN SHARE WITH GOS AND PRIVATE SECTOR. (C) SEND AS WELL 5

COPIES OF ANY AVAILABLE DESCRIPTIONS OF OR ARTICLES ABOUT RELEVANT SMALL NATION ECONOMIES TRANSFORMED BY EXPORTING.

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