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SUBJECT: HIGH LEVEL GOS OFFICIALS ATTEND SOVIET RECEPTION

REF: NETTLES-LYSYCHYN TELCON

1. PER REF TELCON, DCM WAS ONLY EMBOFF WHO ATTENDED 1945 VICTORY DAY RECEPTION OF SOVIET EMBASSY. NUMBER OF GUESTS AT RECEPTION WAS RELATIVELY SMALL BUT INCLUDED AN UNUSUALLY LARGE NUMBER OF HIGH LEVEL GOS OFFICIALS. DCM OBSERVED CINC BOUTERSE, PRIME MINISTER ALIBUX, MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND SCIENCE SANKATSINGH, HEAD OF PROGRESSIVE WORKERS AND FARMERS UNION (PALU) AND ADVISER TO CINC, IWAN KROLIS, MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND INDUSTRY FONG POEN, AND CHIEF OF POLICE VRIGO.

2. COMMENT: HIGH-LEVEL GOS REPRESENTATION AT SOVIET RECEPTION WAS IN MARKED CONTRAST TO GOS REPRESENTATION AT RECENT RECEPTION GIVEN BY DEPARTING INDONESIAN AMBASSADOR. WE UNDERSTAND MOST SENIOR GOS OFFICIALS WERE INVITED TO LATTER BUT ONLY MID-LEVEL OFFICIALS ATTENDED. SPECULATION PREVALENT FOR FAILURE OF SENIOR GOS OFFICIALS TO

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ATTEND INDONESIAN AMBASSADOR'S RECEPTION WAS THAT HE WAS A PERSONAL FRIEND OF FORMER DEPUTY MILITARY COMMANDER ROY HORB (WHO DIED IN GOS CUSTODY AFTER BEING ARRESTED AND ACCUSED OF COUP PLOTTING), AND FORMER MINISTER SARIAMAN, WHO WAS ALSO ARRESTED IN ALLEGED COUP PLOT. BOTH NORB AND SARIAMAN ARE OF INDONESIAN DESCENT. IN ADDITION, GOI HAS RECENTLY OPPOSED RESOLUTIONS IN INTERNATIONAL FORA THAT WERE SOUGHT OR SPONSORED BY GOS.
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