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COUNTRY: (U) IRAN [REDACTED]
SUBJ: (U) IIR 2 760 0090 86 IRANIAN TRAVEL CONTROLS (U)
WARNING: (U) THIS IS AN INFORMATIVE REPORT, NOT FINALLY EVALUATED
INTELLIGENCE:
DCI: (U) 860100
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SOURCE: (S) [REDACTED] //2 242 0175//

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IN THE PAST.

SUMMARY: (S//NF) THE FOLLOWING WERE THE REQUIREMENTS AND DEPARTURE
CONTROLS PLACED ON PERSONS EXITING IRAN AT MEHRABAD AIRPORT,
TEHRAN, //354123N/051105Z//, IR, DURING MARCH 1986.

TEXT: (U) (1) (2)
1. (S//NF) THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WERE REQUIRED IN ORDER TO
OBTAIN AN EXIT VISA FROM IRAN IN EARLY 1986:
a. (S//NF) A TRAVELER MUST SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE LOCAL
POLICE STATION FOR AN EXIT VISA. ALSO HE WAS REQUIRED TO INDICATE
WHETHER IT IS A PERSONAL OR BUSINESS TRIP AND WHERE HE WAS GOING;
IF FOR BUSINESS, A STATEMENT FROM HIS EMPLOYER INDICATING THAT THE
TRIP WAS RELATED TO BUSINESS AND OFFICIAL IN NATURE MUST BE
INCLUDED; THEN THE PROCESS WOULD TAKE ABOUT THREE TO FOUR MONTHS; IF
FOR PRIVATE USE, WHERE NO SUCH STATEMENT WAS INCLUDED, THE PROCESS
COULD TAKE UP TO ONE YEAR.
b. (S//NF) ONCE AN EXIT VISA FROM THE LOCAL POLICE WAS GRANTED, AN
INDIVIDUAL WAS TO OBTAIN A VISA FOR THE COUNTRY HE PLANNED TO
VISIT. THIS PROCEDURE REQUIRES ABOUT ONE OR TWO MONTHS. THE
FRENCH AND GERMAN EMBASSIES IN TEHRAN WILL NOT ISSUE A VISA WITHOUT
BEING SHOWN A ROUNDTRIP AIRPLANE TICKET; TO OBTAIN AN AIRPLANE
TICKET TO DEPART THE COUNTRY AN INDIVIDUAL HAD TO HAVE BOTH AN EXIT
VISA AND A VISA FOR THE COUNTRY OF DESTINATION. THIS IS A NO WIN
SITUATION WHICH CAUSES DELAYS FOR MANY TRAVELERS.

c. (S//NF) THREE DAYS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FROM THE COUNTRY A
TRAVELER WAS REQUIRED TO TURN IN HIS PASSPORT TO THE LOCAL POLICE
FOR A FINAL REVIEW. THE PASSPORT WOULD EITHER BE RETURNED AT THE
AIRPORT OR THE TRAVELER WOULD BE SUMMONED TO AN INTERVIEW AT THE
PROSECUTOR-GENERAL'S OFFICE. THE INTERVIEW CONSISTED OF QUESTIONS
THAT HAD DEVELOPED CONCERNING THE TRAVELER'S BACKGROUND AND/OR HIS
REASONS FOR TRAVELLING. IF ANSWERED SATISFACTORILY THE PASSPORT
WOULD BE RETURNED AND THE TRAVELER COULD DEPART; OTHERWISE HE WAS
SUBJECT TO DETENTION UNTIL THE PROSECUTOR-GENERAL'S OFFICE WAS
SATISFIED.

d. (S//NF) TO OBTAIN FOREIGN CURRENCY A TRAVELER WAS REQUIRED TO
GO TO THE BANK OF IRAN. THE BANK IS USING THE BLACK MARKET RATE

ACTION DIA(1) (U,A,P,B)
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+CSAF WASHINGTON DC
+CTIA WASHINGTON DC
+SECSTATE WASHINGTON DC
+CNC DC WASHINGTON DC
+DINMIA FT GEORGE G MEADE MD
+CNE WASHINGTON DC
+CDM 4TH PYSDP GROUP FT BRAGG NC
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RATHER THAN THE OFFICIAL RATE OF EXCHANGE. IN MARCH 1986 THE
OFFICIAL RATE WAS APPROXIMATELY 80 RIYALS US \$1.00. THE BLACK
MARKET RATE WAS 670 RIYALS US \$1.00. (NF)

(U) (S//NF) AT MEHRABAD AIRPORT, TEHRAN, //354123N/051105Z//, IR,
ALL DEPARTING IRANIAN PASSENGERS WERE SUBJECT TO SEARCH. PASSENGER
(REVOLUTIONARY GUARDS) OFFICIALS ACTED AS SECURITY GUARDS AT THE
AIRPORT. SECURITY CHECKS WERE INCONSISTENT. THE REVOLUTIONARY
GUARDS ALLOWED SOME PASSENGERS THROUGH WITH FEW OR NO CHECKS WHILE
OTHERS WERE THOROUGHLY SEARCHED. OFFICIAL TRAVELERS WERE SUBJECTED
TO ONLY CURSORY INSPECTIONS AND SEARCHES.

COMMENTS: (U) NONE

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