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In reply refer to: I-26982/84

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR POLICY THROUGH:

Tanks for Morocco (U) - INFORMATION MEMORANDUM SUBJECT:

The Department of Army has been able to locate 17 M48A5 tanks which can be made available for sale to the Government of Morocco. Attached is a copy of a proposed joint State/Defense message which has been provided to the Department of State for dispatch.

Coordination:

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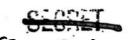
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SUBJECT: MOROCCAN REQUESTS FOR TANKS AND AMMUNITION

REF A: RABAT 30601

B: RABAT 10858

- 1. COMPEDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT.
- PROVIDE ONLY 17 MABAS TANKS TO MOROCCO, WITH AVAILABILITY FOR SHIPMENT APPROXIMATELY MARCH 1985. ANY LARGER NUMBER IS BEYOND OUR CAPABILITY AT THIS TIME DUE TO OTHER COMMITMENTS. MARCH AVAILABILITY DATE IS CONTINGENT UPON ACCEPTANCE AND FUNDING OF AN LOA BY 1 JAN 85.
- 3. THE 17 TANKS WOULD BE IN ADDITION TO AND SEPARATE FROM THE THREE PROVIDED FOR ON CASE UNK. ARMY IS BEING TASKED TO PREPARE ANOTHER LOA FOR THIS PURCHASE. TEMPORARILY CITING FYBS MAP AS PAYMENT FOR THE TANKS. HOWEVER, INASMUCH AS KING HASSAN HAS MAINTAINED THAT QUOTE FINANCING IS NOT A PROBLEM UNQUOTE AND THE



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EMBASSY HAS MAINTAINED THAT THE ENTIRE FYB5 MAP IS INSUFFICIENT EVEN TO COVER EXISTING FOLLOW-ON SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS. WE EXPECT THIS ACTUALLY TO BE AN FMS CASH PURCHASE. YOU SHOULD THEREFORE VERIFY THE MOROCCAN COMMITMENT TO MAKE THIS PURCHASE WITH OTHER THAN MAP FUNDS. WE ANTICIPATE THAT A PROGRAM PACKAGE FOR THE 17 TANKS AND SPARES WILL BE ABOUT \$15 MILLTON.

4- WE ANTICIPATE BEING ABLE TO SHIP IN JAN AS THE FULL 7500 ROUNDS OF 155MM AMMUNITION ON CASE JAL AND THE REMAINING AMOUNTS OF 105MM AMMUNITION ON CASE ULY. WE ARE REVIEWING THE AVAILABILITY OF THE 155MM AMMUNITION ON CASES UMG AND UMW. CASE UMW {WHICH WILL BE FUNDED BY FYBS MAP} IS IN PREPARATION AND SHOULD BE FORWARDED ON OR ABOUT 20 DEC 85 FOR MOROCCAN ACCEPTANCE.

5- THIS IS A JOINT STATE-DEFENSE MESSAGE.

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THE MILITARY ASSISTANT

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NOTE FOR ASD(ISA)
THRU USD (P)

Please see SecDef's note which states, "I'd like to do this - to show him he can rely on the U.S. Do we have 17 to spare?"

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