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SUBJ: INDIAN NUCLEAR INTENTIONS

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1. MOBERLY OF BRITISH EMBASSY INFORMED DEPARTMENT OFFICER APRIL 6 THAT FOLLOWING INQUIRY BY US (REFTEL) HMG HAD TAKEN NEW PRELIMINARY LOOK AT INDIAN NUCLEAR INTENTIONS. UK HAD CONCLUDED THAT INDIA HAD CAPABILITY OF PROCEEDING TO NUCLEAR EXPLOSION BUT THAT IT HAD DETECTED NO INDICATION THAT GOI HAD IN FACT DECIDED TO DO SO.

2. MOBERLY SAID THAT BRITISH WERE UPDATING 1969 STUDY ON THIS SUBJECT AND IF THIS STUDY PRODUCES CONCLUSIONS DIFFERENT FROM PRELIMINARY ESTIMATE USG WILL BE INFORMED.