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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM MINISTER OF DEFENSE PRINCE SULTAN TO  
SECRETARY OF DEFENSE BROWN

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRINCE SULTAN, MINISTER OF DEFENSE, DATED FEBRUARY 25, FRO SECRETARY OF DEFENSE HAROLD BROWN, EMBASSY TRANSLATION FOLLOWS.

2. BEGIN TEXT. I AM GRATIFIED FOR YOUR LETTER SENT IN THE WAKE OF YOUR BRIEF VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA. IN FACT, YOUR EXCELLENCY'S CANDOR AS MANIFESTED IN THE CONVERSATION WE EXCHANGED, YOUR SINCERE DESIRE TO WORK FOR THE INTERESTS OF OUR TWO NATIONS, AND YOUR FAR-REACHING UNDERSTANDING OF CONDITIONS IN THE MIDDLE EAST REGION--ALL THIS HAS MADE US OPTIMISTIC THAT OUR JOINT ACTION WILL RESULT IN THE ACHEIVEMENT OF OUR GOAL OF ESTABLISHING PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST REGION IN GENERAL AND PROMOTING THE KINGDOM'S STABILITY AND SECURITY IN PARTICULAR.

3. WISHING YOUR EXCELLENCY AND DEVOTED OFFICIALS IN THE

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