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SUBJ: UAEG DENIES ASKING KUWAIT TO MEDIATE WITH SAUDIS
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1. DURING RECENT CONVERSATION, CNRAGE ASKED UNDER SFC MFA
RHUBASH ABOUT KUWAIT'S OFFER OF GOOD OFFICES REPORTED IN
SAUDI PRESS, AND WHETHER THERE ANY SUBSTANCE TO STORY.

2. GHUBASH DENIED THAT FOR MIN SUMAYDI HAD MADE ANY SPECIFIC
REQUEST FOR KUWAIT'S TO MEDIATE BORDER DISPUTE WITH SAUDIS. HE DID
REVEAL HOWEVER, THAT ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS KUWAIT HAS INDICATED
ITS READINESS APPROACH SAG ON BORDER ISSUE IF IT APPEARS
TIMING PROPICIOUS FOR ACHIEVEMENT REAL PROGRESS. AT PRESENT
TIME GOK DOES NOT BELIEVE CLIMATE RIFE FOR OVERTURE TO
SAUDIS. WHEN FORMIN SABAH AL-AHMAD RECENTLY HERE UNDERSTAND
HE GAVE UAEG HIS READING OF SITUATION, NAMELY SAUDIS
CURRENTLY TAKING VERY UNCOMPROMISING POSITION ON TERRITORIAL
QUESTION, AND THEREFORE, MEDIATION EFFORT BY GOK AT THIS
JUNCTURE COULD CONCEIVABLY BE COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE TO

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INTERESTS OF UAEG. GHUBASH SAID IT WAS HIS IMPRESSION THAT
GOK WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR SITUATION AND IS READY PLAY
HELPFUL ROLE BETWEEN THE PARTIES IF PROSPECTS FOR
SUBSTANTIVE PROGRESS SEEM TO BRIGHTEN.
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