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SUBJ: Rabat Summit Conference

1. Based on info so far available, Dept preliminary assessment Rabat Summit is that obvious disarray in Arab camp is on balance helpful in context current Mid-East situation. We believe Secretary's speech and tabling our paper on Jordan aspects in Four-Power forum Dec 18 made substantial contribution to evident Arab uncertainty re how to proceed and strengthened hand moderates at ~~US~~ meeting. At same time, we would not wish this generally favorable outcome for US be offset by any public impression US delighted ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ at present disunity Arab camp. ~~XXXXX~~ posts may draw on what follows in discussing Rabat meeting with host governments, care should be taken avoid any indication USG takes pleasure in evident Arab ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ discomfiture.

2. From our standpoint, evident failure Arabs agree on ~~an~~ program for future and absence so far any hard information on conclusions reached are welcome indications that Arabs have not painted themselves into a ]

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