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- 1. SECRET -- ENTIRE TEXT.
- 2. SINCE PRIME MINISTER SCHEUETER HAS CALLED ELECTIONS

FOR MAY 18, NO IMMEDIATE ACTION IS CALLED FOR ON MY REFTEL RECOMMENDATION CONCERNING THE PROBLEM CREATED BY THE PARLIAMENT'S RESOLUTION ON SHIP VISITS. HOWEVER, SINCE WE UNDERSTAND THE RESOLUTION REMAINS ON THE BOOKS, THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT WE WILL FACE THE ISSUE AGAIN WHEN THE PARLIAMENT CONVENES AFTER THE ELECTION, AND IT IS THEREFORE IMPORTANT THAT WE CONTINUE TO LOOK FOR A SOLUTION WE CAN LIVE WITH.

THE SUBSTANCE OF WHICH WOULD BE:

"THE DANISH PARLIAMENT DIRECTS THE SOVERNMENT TO INFORM THE GOVERNMENTS OF OUR NATO ALLIES ABOUT THE MUGLEAR POLICY, WHICH HAS BEEN IN EFFECT DURING THE PAST 38 YEARS, AND ACCORDING TO WHICH DANISH TERRITORY --INCLUDING PORTS -- IS NUCLEAR-FREE IN TIMES OF PEACE, AND TO ASK THE GOVERNMENTS TO INSTRUCT THEIR CAPIAINS ON VISITING NAVAL VESSELS ABOUT THIS POLICY."

REPORT TODAY APRIL 20 STATES THAT IF THE GOVERNMENT

AND THE RADICAL LIBERALS ARE STRENGTHENED IN THIS ELECTION, THEY WILL PROPOSE A JOINT RESOLUTION

5. THEREFORE IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE CONTINUE WORKING ON THIS PROBLEM IN CASE WE ARE SOON FACED WITH A PROPOSAL SUCH AS THAT DESCRIBED ABOVE. IN THIS CONNECTION, I WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE EARLY ENDUGH TO PREPARE US FOR EVENTS AFTER MAY 10. TODMAN

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