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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE TO DE KLERK ON SANCTIONS

1. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO STATE PRESIDENT DE KLERK PRIOR TO NOON WASHINGTON TIME JULY 10.
3. DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

I AM PLEASED TO INFORM YOU THAT I WILL TODAY (JULY 10) SIGN AN EXECUTIVE ORDER TERMINATING ALL SANCTIONS AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA CONTAINED IN TITLE III OF THE COMPREHENSIVE ANTI-APARTHEID ACT OF 1986. THIS ACTION IS IN RESPONSE TO THE PROFOUND CHANGES IN SOUTH AFRICA RESULTING FROM THE ACTIONS TAKEN BY YOUR GOVERNMENT SINCE FEBRUARY, 1990. I AM CONVINCED MORE THAN EVER THAT THE PROCESS OF DISMANTLING APARTHEID IS IRREVERSIBLE.

I LOOK FORWARD TO DISCUSSING THIS DEVELOPMENT AS WELL AS YOUR PLANS TO MOVE FORWARD WITH NEGOTIATIONS IN OUR FORTHCOMING TELEPHONE CONVERSATION.

SINCERELY YOURS,
GEORGE BUSH BAKER

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PER DOS WAIVER, November 6, 2015
By MM NARA, Date 1/28/2022

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