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ITEM NO: 1

DATE: 23 AUGUST 1974

SUBJECT: BLACK OUT OF QADHAFI'S NAME IN LIBYAN MEDIA

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THE OFFICIAL LIBYAN NEWS AGENCY

DROP ALL REFERENCES AND PICTURES OF PRESIDENT

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QADHAFI

THE TIME FRAME FOR THE SUSPENSION,

OR THE REASONS BEHIND IT. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ONE PASSING REFERENCE TO QADHAFI IN AN ARTICLE ABOUT HIS RECENT TALKS WITH PRESIDENT SADAT, THE ORDER APPARENTLY IS BEING CARRIED OUT.

QADHAFI HIMSELF HAS IMPOSED SIMILAR DIRECTIVES ON THE MEDIA IN THE PAST, AND IN SEVERAL INSTANCES THE INSTRUCTIONS PRECEDED HIS THREATS TO RESIGN. IF QADHAFI HIMSELF HAS AGAIN ISSUED THESE

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ORDERS. IT MAY SIGNAL ANOTHER OF HIS ATTEMPTS TO WITHDRAW FROM THE REVOLUTIONARY COMMAND COUNCIL (RCC). HE COULD ALSO BE PREPARING FOR THE DISSOLUTION OF THE RCC. QADHAFI HAS FAVORED FOR SOME TIME THE INSTITUTION OF A PRESIDENTIAL SYSTEM, BUT HIS COLLEAGUES HAVE REPEATEDLY VETOED ANY MOVE TO DISMANTLE THE MILITARY COUNCIL. QADHAFI WOULD CONSIDER THE CELEBRATION OF HIS REGIME'S FIFTH ANNIVERSARY ON SEPTEMBER 1 THE APPROPRIATE OCCASION FOR SUCH SURPRISE ANNOUNCEMENTS.

A MORE REMOTE BUT STILL PLAUSIBLE EXPLANATION OF THE ORDER MIGHT BE THAT ONE OR MORE OF THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE RCC IS ATTEMPTING TO DOWNGRADE QADHAFI'S AUTHORITY. SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE REGIME ARE KNOWN TO BE THOROUGHLY DISGUSTED BY QADHAFI'S HANDLING OF LIBYA'S RELATIONS WITH EGYPT AND THEY COULD BE TAKING STEPS TO PREVENT FURTHER DAMAGE TO THE RAPIDLY DETERIORATING ALLIANCE. E-2 IMPDET.H

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