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TO: ADMIRAL MOORER CJCS EYES ONLY FROM AMBASSADOR HELMS
REF: CJCS 02467 MAR 74 (help by Henry Pecter)

- 1. IN DISCUSSION WITH COURT MINISTER ALAM, MARCH 18, HE GAVE ME FOLLOWING RUNDOWN ON IRANIANS WHO WOULD PROBABLY BE INCLUDED IN PARTY TO VISIT KITTY HAWK. IN ADDITION TO SHAH, GEN. AZHARI AND ALAM HIMSELF, ALAM SUGGESTED GEN. WHATAMI, IIAF; GEN. OVEISI, IIGF; RADM ATTAIE, IIN; GEN. SHAFEGHAT, SHAH'S ADJUTANT GENERAL; AND EITHER COURT MINISTRY UNDERSECRETARY ATABA'I OR COURT MINISTRY DIRECTOR GENERAL ATABA'I, PLUS ONE OR TWO ADDITIONAL OFFICERS FROM IIAF AND IIN.
- 2. IN ADDITION TO GEN. BRETT, I WOULD LIKE TO BRING HENRY PRECHT, EMBASSY POL/MIL OFFICER.
- 3. WE WILL WORK THROUGH GEN. BRETT TO ASSURE INVITATIONS ARE ISSUED TO IRANIANS.
- 4. INCIDENTALLY, DURING MY AUDIENCE WITH SHAH ON MARCH
 14, HE SAID QTE I REFUSE TO BE INTIMIDATED. I WILL GO ON THE
 KITTY HAWK UNQTE. TO BE SURE THAT I UNDERSTOOD THE THRUST OF
 HIS REMARKS I RAISED THIS MATTER WITH ALAM. ALAM SAID THE SHAH

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PAGE 2 TEHRAN ______ C O N F I D E N T I A L/EYES ONLY HAD TAKEN A CONSCIOUS DECISION TO GO ON THE KITTY HAWK AS AN EXPRESSION OF HIS DETERMINATION TO FOLLOW A QTE INDEPENDENT UNQTE POLICY. IN EFFECT, THE SHAH WAS SAYING TO THE SOVIETS THAT HE WOULD NOT BE INTIMIDATED AND THAT HIS DECISIONS WOULD BE MADE WITHOUT REGARD TO PRESSURE FROM USSR.

5. WARM REGARDS, HELMS.
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