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VIA STARCHANNEL

HEARTY CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR NOMINATION TO BE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE. EVERYONE HERE WHO KNOWS YOU IS DELIGHTED. THAT IS ESPECIALLY TRUE IN BRUSSELS, WHERE I MET YESTERDAY WITH THE DPC AND HAD A NUMBER OF CONVERSATIONS WITH NATO AMBASSADORS WHO HAVE WORKED WITH YOU. ANDRE DE STAERCKE WAS, OF COURSE, THE MOST OUTSPOKEN IN HIS DELIGHT.

I WILL BE BACK IN WASHINGTON NEXT WEEK AND CAN PROVIDE YOU WITH FURTHER DETAILS, BUT IN THE INTERIM I WANTED YOU TO HAVE MY PERSONAL BEST WISHES AND CONGRATULATIONS.

SSO NOTE: DELIVER DURING DUTY HOURS

*Nancy - I have original to handle as Congrats. just wanted you be aware for calendar purposes*

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NANCY:

Al Haig will be calling me on Friday. He wants to see me on Friday. Please set it up.

