



ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

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In reply refer to:
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INTERNATIONAL
SECURITY AFFAIRS

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE - ACTION MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Message to Canadian MOD Richardson

I recommend that you approve the attached message for delivery to Canadian MOD Richardson noting your belief that Canada's decision to procure new maritime patrol aircraft will benefit Canada, and her partners in mutual security, and congratulating Richardson on her decision.

State has recommended to the White House that President Ford send a message on this same subject to Prime Minister Trudeau and the NSC staff is trying to get the message out today. Both Canadian desk at State and the NSC staff believe any message you might wish to send to MOD Richardson need not depend on whether President Ford sends his message or on its timing.

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Attachment
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