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SUBJECT: LETTER FROM HOLBROOKE TO PRESIDENT BERISHA

1. PLS DELIVER THE FOLLOWING LETTER FROM ASSISTANT
SECRETARY HOLBROOKE TO PRESIDENT BERISHA AT EARLIEST
OPPORTUNITY.

2. BEGIN TEXT.

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

IT WAS A PLEASURE TO MEET WITH YOU TWO WEEKS AGO IN
KRAKOW. OUR CONVERSATIONS ON THE SITUATION IN THE REGION

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ARE ALWAYS EXTREMELY VALUABLE AND HELPFUL.

I WAS PLEASED TO HEAR THAT THE OMONIA FOUR WERE RELEASED
IN AN ORDERLY AND APPROPRIATE MANNER. I REALIZE THE MANY
DIFFICULTIES YOU ARE FACING, AND I KNOW THAT THINGS OFTEN
LOOK QUITE DIFFERENT FROM THE OUTSIDE THAN THEY DO ON THE
INSIDE, BUT THIS IS AN IMPORTANT MOMENT FOR YOU AND YOUR
COUNTRY INTERNATIONALLY, AND SHOULD NOT BE LOST.

I WANT TO ASSURE YOU THAT I AM CONTINUING TO WORK ON THE
ISSUES WE DISCUSSED IN TIRANA AND KRAKOW AND EXPECT TO SEE

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SOME PROGRESS SOON. AMBASSADOR LAKE WILL BE IN CLOSE
TOUCH WITH YOU.

I LOOK FORWARD TO ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO SEE YOU AND
CONTINUE OUR DISCUSSIONS. CHRISTOPHER

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