DEPT WLDP prefer not raising with BRIT substance Tehran's 403 July 27

BRIT London as usual pending outcome Harriman's conversations in London.

DEPT believes it WLD be tactically inadvisable mention this SBM

while Harriman is urging BRIT accept USH proposal since it might give implication we are not confident successful outcome present USHOS and we fear situation may arise justifying entry BRIT troops. Furthermore, we feel present line with BRIT could be confined to obtaining acceptance USH proposals and introduction new SBM might increase Harriman's difficulties.

While DEPT agrees it inadvisable obtain reassurances from BRIT, it has no interest justifying conclusion earlier BRIT assurances W5

WLDP be consistent in advance of any military operation will not be honored, its policy as approved by USG and FEO that DEPT has frequently stressed to BRIT it could only support evacuation operation in extreme emergency designed cover withdrawal from Iran of BRIT citizens in IRAN jeopardy from mob violence. We believe this position clearly understood by BRIT but realize BRIT military thinking particularly in USG command increasingly favors show of force which might in our opinion have disastrous results.

View BRIT London WLDP be appreciated.