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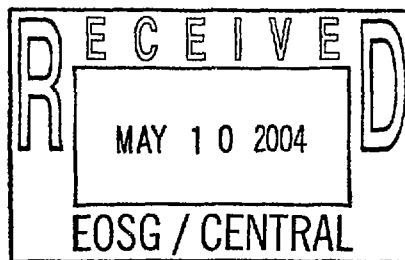
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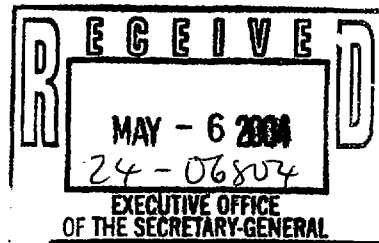
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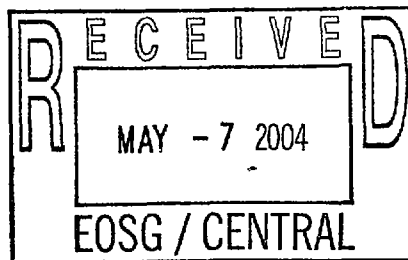
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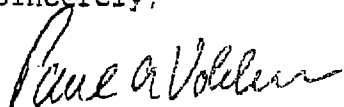
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relevant documents. In making this assessment, we believe that these UN organizations take a broad view of what is relevant to the investigation to ensure that the Committee has the full record available to it. Once information on the volume and coverage of the materials involved is available, a judgment can be made on the materials that should be left in place, and those that should be moved to New York.

Finally I would like to stress the importance of including in the Information Circular, or in some other broadly circulated staff communication, the protections against retaliation that will be accorded to UN officials and personnel cooperating with the investigation. While I know that you have this subject very much in mind, I want to emphasize the excellent opportunity that is provided by the Information Circular to formally establish this element of support for the investigation.

We welcome your prompt efforts to assist the IIC in carrying out its responsibilities. We also wish to express our appreciation for the forthright statements of support for the work of the Committee that you made during your Meet the Press interview last Sunday morning.

Sincerely,



Paul A. Volcker