

*Thank you  
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CITE DIRECTOR [ ]

TO: TEHRAN.

RYBAT: [ ] FROM NELSON

REF: TEHRAN [ ]

PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING TO AMB HELMS:

DEAR DICK:

ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND THE REST OF THE DIRECTORATE MANY THANKS FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE ON DICK WELCH'S DEATH. HIS MURDER IS A GRUESOMELY FITTING CLIMAX TO A YEAR OF INSANITY. I ONLY HOPE THAT THIS SENSELESS LOSS WILL GAIN SOME MEANING IN A RETURN TO A REASONABLE PUBLIC PERCEPTION OF THOSE OBJECTIONS FOR WHICH WE HAVE ALL WORKED SO LONG AND SO HARD.

*YES*

BEST WISHES TO YOU AND CYNTHIA FOR A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON.

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