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SUBJECT: SECDEF CORRESPONDENCE FROM FORMER KYRGYZ MINISTER
OF DEFENSE, GENERAL ESEN TOPOYEV

REF: TOPOYEV LETTER TO SECRETARY RUMSFELD DATED 3/26/2005

1. USDAO BISHKEK RECEIVED REFERENCED LETTER ON 3/29/2005
FROM THE KYRGYZ MINISTRY OF DEFENSE INTERNATIONAL MILITARY
COOPERATION DEPARTMENT. UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF REFERENCE
CORRESPONDENCE FOLLOWS.

2. UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF REFERENCE LETTER ADDRESSED TO
THE HONORABLE MR. DONALD RUMSFELD:
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MR. DONALD RUMSFELD
SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DEAR SECRETARY,

DUE TO THE EVENTS WHICH TOOK PLACE IN THE KYRGYZ REPUBLIC
FROM 24 TO 25 MARCH 2005 I MADE A DECISION TO RESIGN FROM MY
POST AS MINISTER OF DEFENSE OF THE KYRGYZ REPUBLIC. THIS
DECISION WAS NOT PROVOKED BY ANY POLITICAL MOTIVATIONS.

IN THIS REGARD I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE FOR THE
FRUITFUL COOPERATION AND YOUR MORAL SUPPORT DURING THESE
PAST FEW YEARS. THANKS TO YOUR SUPPORT, THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE
AND MYSELF AS A MINISTER WERE ABLE TO SOLVE A LOT OF ISSUES

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OF COURSE, MANY THINGS THAT HAD BEEN PLANNED WERE NOT ACCOMPLISHED IN FULL FOR OBJECTIVE AND SUBJECTIVE REASONS.

BUT I HOPE THAT THE RELATIONSHIP WE HAVE ESTABLISHED WILL SERVE AS A FIRM BASE FOR FUTURE STEPS IN DEVELOPING AND STRENGTHENING OF KYRGYZ-U.S. MILITARY RELATIONS.

I WOULD LIKE TO USE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO WISH YOU GOOD HEALTH AND SUCCESS IN YOUR SERVICE.

RESPECTFULLY,

GENERAL OF THE ARMY // SIGNED //
E. TOPOEV

//END UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION//

3. USDAO BISHKEK WILL MAIL THE ORIGINAL LETTER AND UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION TO SECRETARY RUMSFIELD'S OFFICE.

4. POC FOR THIS MESSAGE IS LT COL MARK HALLISEY, USAF, US DEFENSE AND AIR ATTACHE IN THE KYRGYZ REPUBLIC. (996) 312-551-241 EXT: 4591, HALLISEYMC@STATE.GOV.
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