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SUBJECT: THE SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH PAKISTAN FOREIGN
MINISTER KASURI: INDIA, AFGHANISTAN, IRAQ, AND THE UNSC

CLASSIFIED BY TORKEL L. PATTERSON, ACTING A/S FOR SOUTH
ASIA FOR REASONS 1.4 B/D.

1. (U) 05/19/2004, 16:00-16:30, THE SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

2. (U) PARTICIPANTS

U.S.

PAKISTAN

THE SECRETARY

FM KHURSHID M. KASURI

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY

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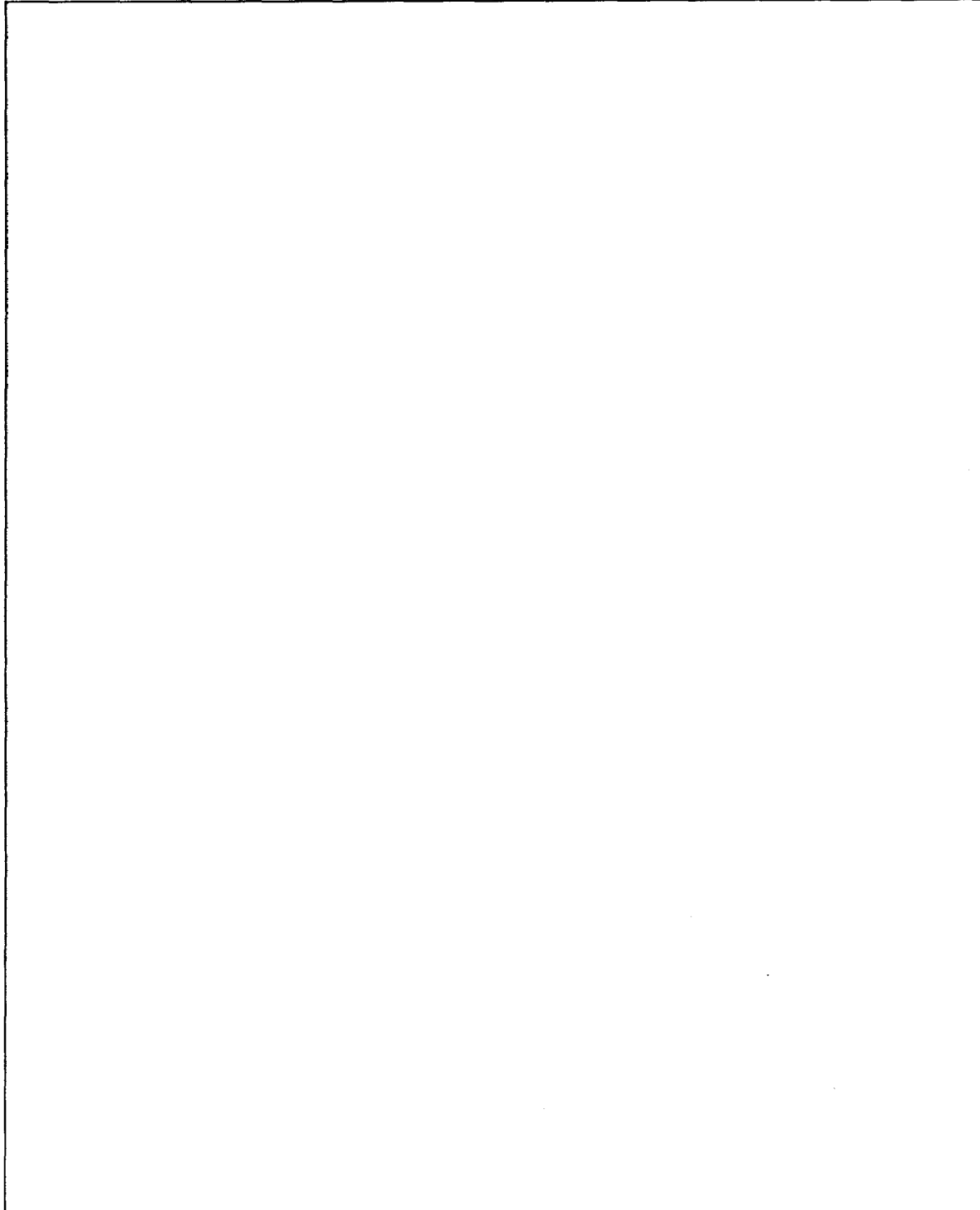
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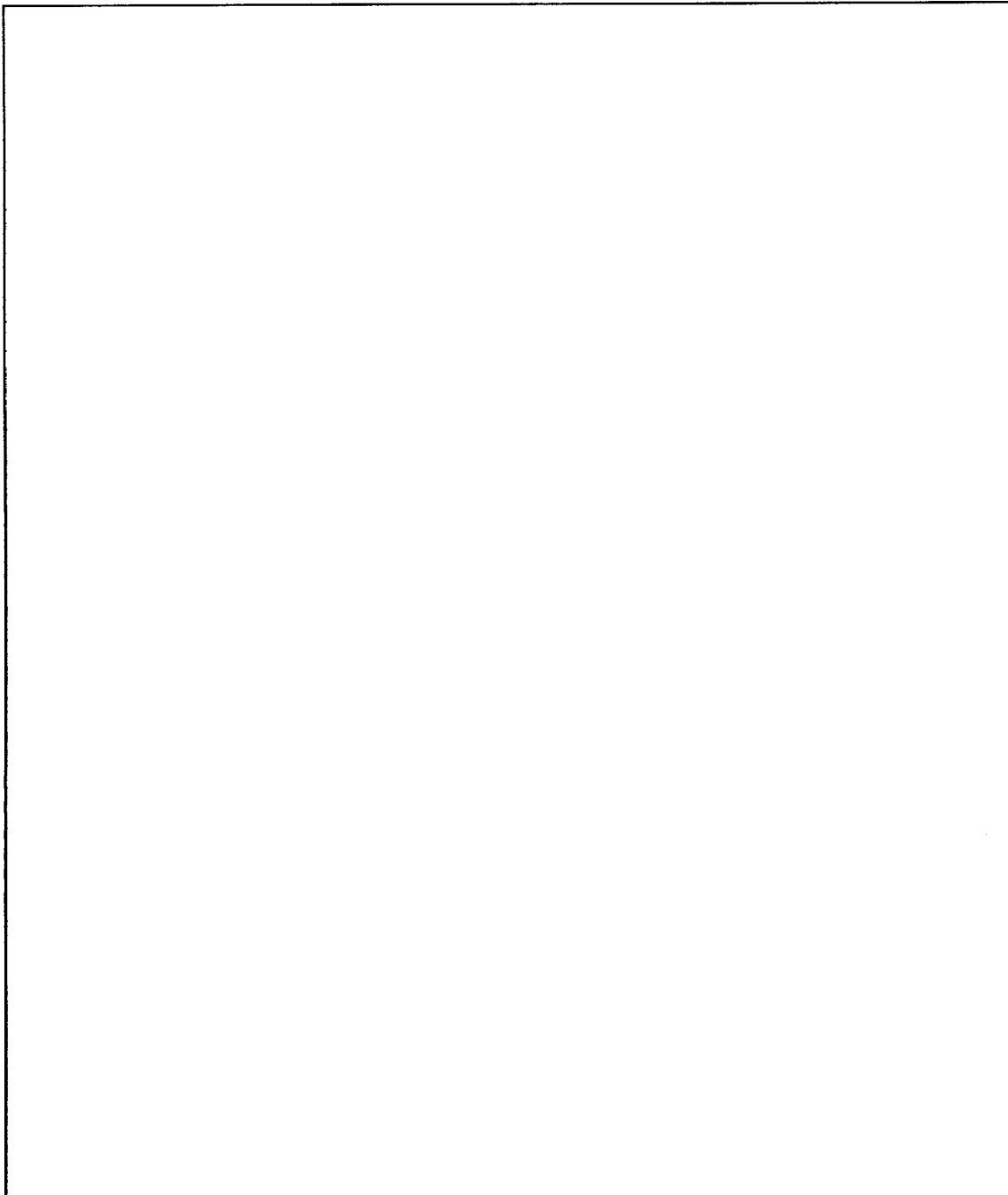
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CONTINUING CONCERN ON GETTING U.S. VISAS

11. (SBU) KASURI THEN TOLD THE SECRETARY THAT DIFFICULTIES IN OBTAINING U.S. VISAS MEANT THAT MANY PAKISTANI STUDENTS WERE STUDYING IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND OTHER COUNTRIES RATHER THAN THE UNITED STATES. HE URGED THE SECRETARY AND POTUS TO MAINTAIN THE STUDENT EXCHANGES, WHICH HELPED TO

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EXPOSE PAKISTANI YOUNG LEADERS TO AMERICAN DEMOCRACY AND
VALUES. THE SECRETARY RESPONDED THAT HE SHARED KASURI'S

CONCERNS AND HAD RAISED THE ISSUE A NUMBER OF TIMES IN THE
U.S. INTERAGENCY PROCESS. AT THE SAME TIME, HE TOLD

KASURI, HE THOUGHT THAT WE HAD IMPROVED PROCESSING TIMES
FOR VISA APPLICANTS AND WOULD CONTINUE TO WATCH THE ISSUE
CLOSELY.

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