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ACTION MEMORANDUM

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TO: C - Mr. Wirth
FROM: RP - Phyllis E. Oakley, Acting
SUBJECT: Appointment Request: Mr. Jean de Courten, Director of Operations, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)

REQUEST: Office call requested by ICRC.
PURPOSE: To discuss ICRC's humanitarian and human rights activities including those in the former Yugoslavia, Rwanda and Burundi in Africa, and China.

OTHER APPOINTMENTS SOUGHT: Assistant Secretaries Shattuck and Bennet, DOD Assistant Secretary Alan Holmes, AID Assistant Administrator Doug Stafford, Congressional appropriations committee staffers, and NGO representatives.

BACKGROUND: Mr. de Courten makes at least one visit to Washington a year to acquaint USG decision-makers with ICRC programs and policy and to exchange views. ICRC conducts humanitarian assistance programs worldwide.

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