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Scheduling the Forum on Thursday or Friday (memo from Richard Ward, Chief of Security and Safety Service) re: security and safety of participants in the World Summit for Children requesting that it not be held during the General Assembly.

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Richard Ward, Chief

Security and Safety Service

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SCHEDULING THE FORUM ON THURSDAY OR FRIDAY

- 1. The first priority of the Security and Safety force is to ensure the safety of individuals especially Heads of State during the General Assembly and World Summit for Children. For a forum to be held while the General Assembly is in session will be a distraction and a complication to our security arrangements for both these events.
- 2. It is our understanding that approximately 800 individuals will attend the forum. These extra people will put a strain on our magnetometer operation. The extra people will increase the chances of medical emergencies putting more demands on our present medical emergency services.
- 3. It has come to our attention that the initiators intend to have the forum opened by the President of Chile who we will be protecting that day in the General Assembly. This will mean that Security will be responsible for now moving Heads of State from one function to the other. Security feels it will be impossible to ensure the integrity of the General Assembly Hall during movements from one body to the other. Further, we feel it will be difficult to contain these 800 people for a long period of time in the Conference Room 4 area.
- 4. It should be noted that in the General Assembly Hall NGOs are seated in the balcony. A large number of NGOs will be present at the forum in close proximity to individuals we will be protecting. As you know, in the past there have been a number of serious incidents involving NGOs. Outside protective agencies i.e. United States Secret Service, Foreign Security etc. would insist on many more security personnel being in close proximity to their protectees, if we allow the forum to take place in this manner.
- 5. To reiterate, the United Nations Security Force, as well as all the other security personnel involved will be stretched to our maximum. All of the above reasons are the things we presently know about. Experience tells us that many other problems are going to arise prior to the General Assembly such as demonstrations, bomb threats and specific threats against Heads of State. By scheduling the forum on either Thursday or Friday, it will detract from our overall security effort and in my opinion, we will not be able to maintain the level of security required by the visiting dignitaries.