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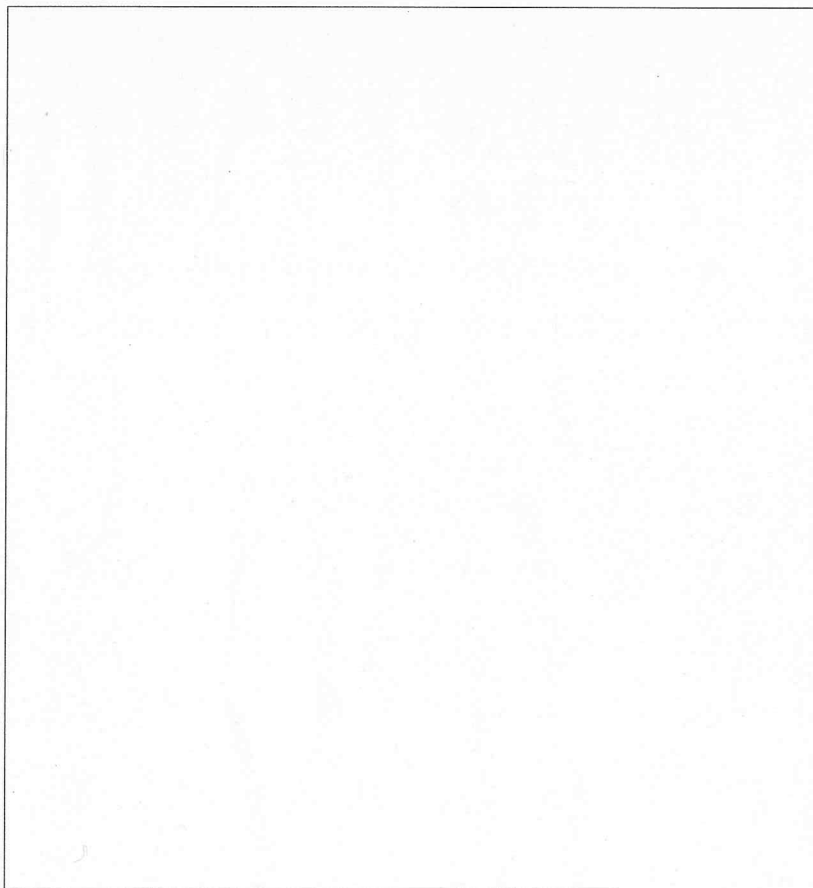
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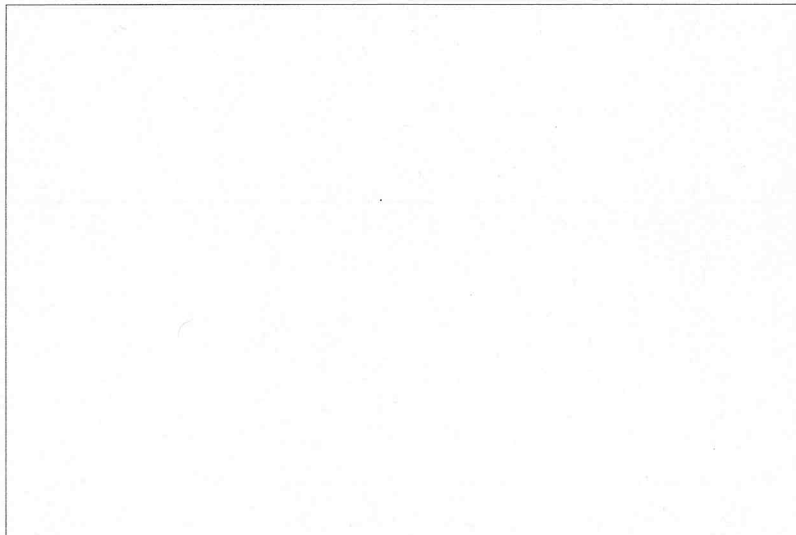
SUBJECT:  challenges USG on MB relations

CLASSIFIED BY: Donald Blome, Acting Deputy Chief of Mission, DOS,  
Executive Office; REASON: 1.4(B), (D)

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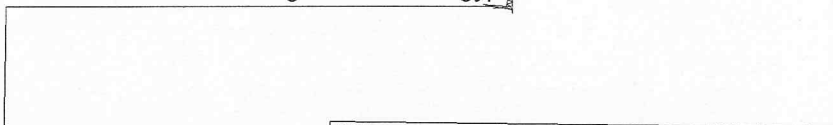




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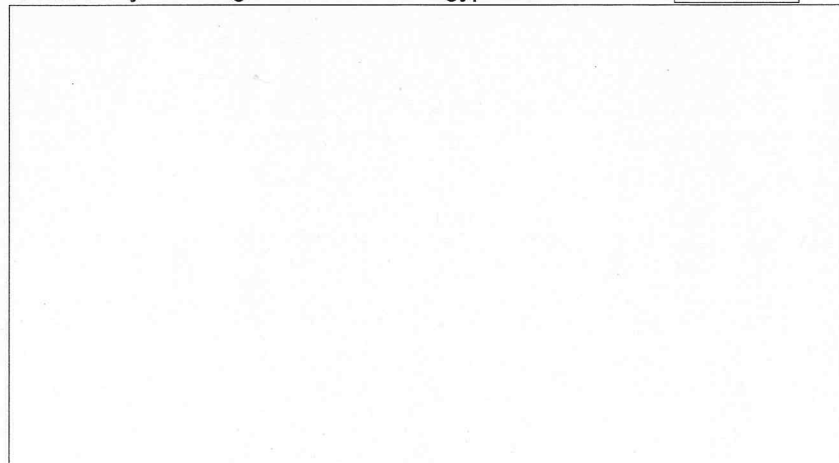
3. (C) In a meeting on July 21, [redacted] [redacted] told ECPO MinCons that he and others now in Tahrir believed that the U.S. was supporting the Muslim Brotherhood (MB) and wished to see a religious state in Egypt.

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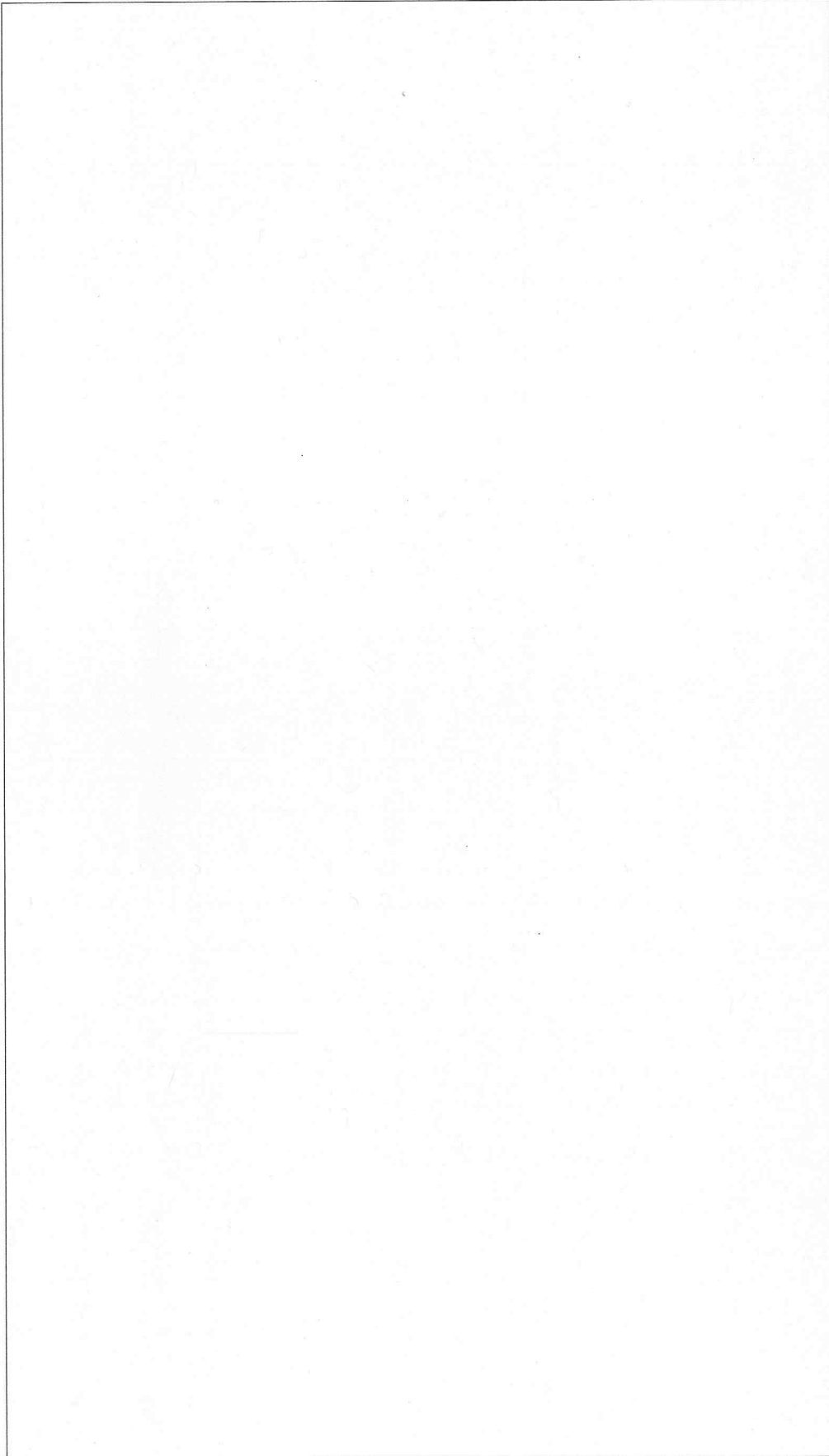
When pressed for the reasons behind this view, [redacted] explained that Secretary Clinton's recent statement noting "limited engagement" with the MB had been seen in Egypt as evidence of a special relationship and an endorsement of an Egyptian religious state to help legitimize a religious state in Israel. He said the MB had exploited the statement to suggest that it had a "special relationship" with the U.S. in the same way as it had suggested to Egyptians that it had a special relationship with the Supreme Council of the Armed Forces (SCAF).

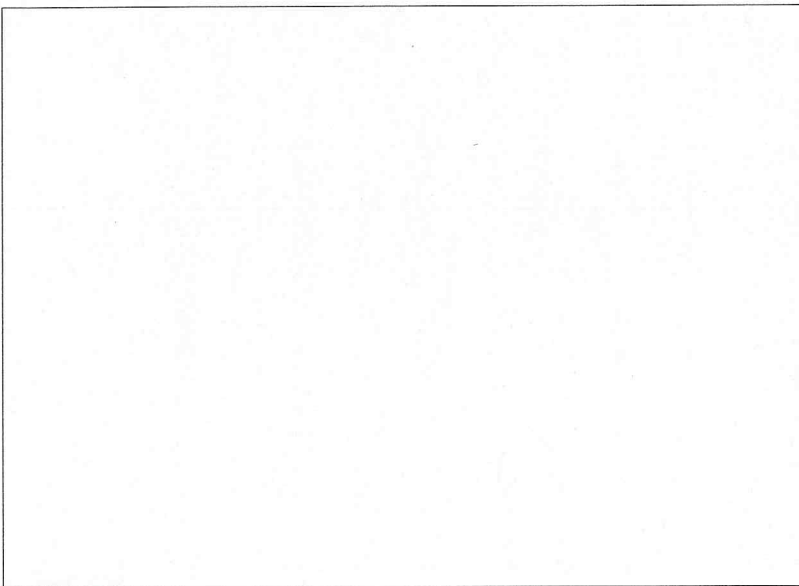
4. (C) MinCons responded that a handful of meetings was hardly evidence of any endorsement or special relationship, and said the idea that the US was "supporting" a religious state led by the MB is absurd. He noted our clear, consistent and public support for democracy and religious freedom in Egypt and elsewhere. [redacted]



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