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WUNI BACH KHAR LISB COPE NASO BEIR LEOP HERRI FROM NEWD
DAMA RABA MOSI HAGU VIEN DARI TPLI SAGO HERRI ATHE JIDD
TUNIS CYRU TEHE CHER OSLO CAIR MOGA PACY GEVA BOME FEAN

PERAND

NEAR EAST - AFRICA BRIEF

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1. TURKEY: THE TWO-YEAR-OLD POLITICAL CRISIS CONTINUES. SINCE THE JUSTICE PARTY (JP) ADMITTED LAST WEEK THAT IT COULD NOT FORM A GOVERNMENT, PRIME MINISTER IYONU HAS ACCEPTED A MANDATE TO DO SO. IYONU IS STILL EXPERIENCING DIFFICULTY IN DRAWING TOGETHER A NEW COALITION. HOWEVER, HIS CHANCES HAVE BEEN IMPROVED BY THE JP'S OPEN FAILURE, THE POLITICIANS' HEAR THAT THE MILITARY MAY INTERVENE IF THE CRISIS IS PROLONGED MUCH FURTHER, AND THE SCARCITY OF OTHER CANDIDATES.

(CONF)

2. AFGHANISTAN; //CONSERVATIVE FORMER PRIME MINISTER PRINCE DAUD SEEMS TO BE REASSERTING HIS INFLUENCE. A POLITICAL CONFRONTATION BETWEEN DAUD AND KING ZAHIR SHAH MAY BE DEVELOPING OVER THE GOVERNMENT'S PLANS FOR A MORE LIBERAL CONSTITUTION. SHOULD THE KING YIELD TO DAUD'S PRESSURES AND GIVE HIM AN IMPORTANT VOICE IN REVISING THE NEW

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DRAFT CONSTITUTION, VERIFICATION OF PRIME MINISTER TUSUF AND OTHER
REFORM-MINDED, PRO-WESTERN GOVERNMENT MEMBERS WOULD PROBABLY BECOME
UNVIABLE.//

3. SAUDI ARABIA: THE LONG-SUSPENDED DISPUTE BETWEEN KING SAUD
AND CROWN PRINCE FAYDAL MAY BE HEATING A CLIMAX. ROYAL GUARD ELEMENTS
ON 16 DECEMBER WERE REPORTEDLY KINGING SAUD'S OBEDIENCE IN RIYADH AND THERE
WAS EVIDENCE THAT AN IMPORTANT MEETING OF THE SAUDI ROYAL FAMILY WAS
IN PROGRESS AT THE PALACE OF THE CROWN PRINCE. MOST IMPORTANT MEMBERS
OF THE ROYAL FAMILY ARE BELIEVED LOYAL TO FAYDAL; HOWEVER, IT IS NOT
CLEAR HOW THE VARIOUS ELEMENTS OF THE SAUDI ARMY WOULD REACT IN THE
EVENT OF AN OPEN SAUDI-FAYDAL SPLIT. (CONF)

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