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AMPN/ {TS} THIS IS AN EXECUTE ORDER. IN ACCORDANCE WITH REF, THE
SECRETARY OF DEFENSE HAS DIRECTED THAT OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS BEGIN ON
17 JANUARY 1991. THIS DIRECTION ASSUMES IRAQI FAILURE TO COMPLY
WITH RELEVANT UN RESOLUTIONS AND THAT THE PRESIDENT WILL MAKE THE
DETERMINATION REQUIRED BY SECTION 2{B} OF HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 77
{1991}. IF EITHER ASSUMPTION IS INCORRECT YOU WILL RECEIVE
MODIFYING INSTRUCTIONS. GOOD LUCK. WARM REGARDS, COLIN POWELL.
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