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B. SUBJECT: INTERVIEW: DICK STEVENSON, NEW YORK TIMES
VENUE: E1227 (Office)
CONTACT: SHANTAL @ 31818
IN ATTENDANCE: JDW, STEVENSON, SIMMONS (EXT)
FOCUS: BOSNIA
EXC: ATSUKO/EXT

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C. VPU

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E. COMMENTS:

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 9, 1996

TO: Rachel Lomax, EXC

FROM: Tim Cullen, EXTME 

EXTENSION: 33798

SUBJECT: **Mr. Wolfensohn's interview with Dick Stevenson, New York Times
Wednesday, April 10, at 11:15am**

Topic: Dick Stevenson believes that insufficient attention has been paid to the preeminent role World Bank is playing in the reconstruction of Bosnia. He has interviewed Christine Wallich and read the material we have put out on the projects approved and in the pipeline. He is also interested in the concept that Bosnia, because of war, is a country "arrested in time"—in other words, unlike other European and Central European countries, it has yet to embark on the transition to a market economy. He is interested in Mr. Wolfensohn's personal impressions from his recent visit, his feelings about the institutional donor effort, and his views of the prospects for Bosnia's macro economic transition. He is aware of Mr. Wolfensohn's concerns about the need to create employment for demobilized soldiers and may ask him about this aspect of the economic recovery program.

The Reporter: Dick Stevenson has recently become Economics Correspondent in the Washington Bureau of the *New York Times* having spent the last four years in the London Bureau, writing about Europe so his economics beat is influenced by a strong awareness of international relations. Although he has not been to Bosnia, he has reported extensively on recent economic changes in Russia, Poland and Hungary.

Logistics: Lesley Simmons from EXTME will bring Stevenson to Mr. Wolfensohn's office and will sit in on the interview. A *New York Times* photographer may be there at the start.

CC: Mark Malloch Brown (EXTVP), Allison Tsatsakis (EXC), Jane Holden (EXC)