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To: Young, Eric; s 22(1)(a)
Cc: Hayhurst, Justin; s 22(1)(a)(ii) Bain, Lauren; s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii) Kolmar, Leonie; s 22(1)
Subject: RE: GWO Daily Brief for Wednesday 09 September 2026 [SEC=OFFICIAL]
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Thanks Eric

For context below is statement the Foreign Minister delivered in the Senate yesterday:

SENATOR THE HON PENNY WONG

LEADER OF THE GOVERNMENT IN THE SENATE

MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS

TWO MINUTE STATEMENT

TUESDAY, 8 SEPTEMBER 2026

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We have concerns about the implementation of a blanket ban and unintended consequences for Australian businesses, for Palestinians and for Israelis.

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We want to see Hamas demilitarised in line with the Gaza Peace plan. Hamas must play no role in the State of Palestine.

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Eric

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