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21.cable	Bridgetown 06446 repeat Antigua 864, 2p R u u #25	10/20/83 2333	P1/F1
22.cable	Bridgetown 06447 repeat Antigua 866, 3p R a - #26	10/20/83 2336	P1/F1
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SITUATION LISTING

DATE 11/18/83//322

SITUATION: GRENADA
SUBJECT CATEGORY: FILE

MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:
MESSAGE:

EHA546
OO RUEADWW
DE RUEHWN #6393 2930750
ZNY SSSSS ZZH ZZK
O 200749Z OCT 83 ZFF4
FM AMEMBASSY BRIDGETOWN //MSG ON SVC BY WH COMM//
TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 6946
INFO RUEADWW/THE WHITE HOUSE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE
RUEKJCS/SECDEF WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE
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~~SECRET~~ BRIDGETOWN 06393

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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR

TAGS: AEMR, GJ

SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR'S ASSESSMENT OF THE SITUATION ON
GRENADA

1. ~~(S)~~ ENTIRE TEXT).

2. AMERICAN LIVES ARE AT STAKE IN THE TURMOIL IN
GRENADA -- 500 TO 1000 OF THEM. THEIR SAFETY IS
PARAMOUNT. THEY COULD BE TAKEN HOSTAGE, AS IN IRAN;
THEY COULD GET CAUGHT IN THE CROSSFIRE. I KNOW THERE
ARE FORMIDABLE DIFFICULTIES, BUT WHATEVER WE HAVE TO
DO TO ASSURE THE SAFETY OF AMERICAN CITIZENS, I URGE
THAT WE SET IT IN MOTION NOW. IN THE PROCESS WE COULD
WELL RID THE HEMISPHERE OF AN OBNOXIOUS UNWANTED REGIME.

3. I HAVE NO RECOMMENDATION AS TO TIMING AT THE MOMENT.
BETWEEN NOW AND TOMORROW THERE MAY BE NCVCDKOBPMN 3
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THE GOVERNMENT OF BARBADOS HAS ALREADY ANNOUNCED ITS
REVULSION AT WHAT HAS HAPPENED. THE PRIME MINISTER OF
ST. LUCIA TELLS ME THAT A MEETING OF REGIONAL LEADERS
IS SET FOR TOMORROW, WHETHER THIS MIGHT LEAD TO CARICOM
ACTION OR NOT IS UNCLEAR, BUT SANCTIONS ARE ON THE
AGENDA. I DO NOT BELIEVE THE REGION CAN CARRY THE
BURDEN ALONE. HELP FROM US WILL BE NECESSARY. HOW
AND IN WHAT FORM TO PROVIDE IT WILL SOON BECOME OBVIOUS.
A MILITARY SOLUTION SEEMS TO ME TO BE A CONCEIVABLE
POSSIBILITY. WE SHOULD BE PREPARED FOR IT.

4. THE DEMOCRATIC LEADERS OF THE REGION -- ADAMS OF
BARBADOS, CHARLES OF DOMINICA, CATO OF ST. VINCENT,
BIRD OF ANTIGUA, COMPTON OF ST. LUCIA -- ALL AGREE
WHOLEHEARTEDLY THAT ACTION TO PREVENT FURTHER BLOODSHED
IN GRENADA AND TO RESTORE THAT ISLAND TO DEMOCRACY AND

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NLS F94-0666/4 # 5

BY CAH, NARA, DATE 4/25/02

SITUATION: GRENADA
SUBJECT CATEGORY: FILE

MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

INDEPENDENCE MUST BE TAKEN, AND IN MY JUDGMENT THEIR PEOPLE ARE LIKE-MINDED. THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN NATIONS WILL SUPPORT US MATERIALLY AND MORALLY IN WHATEVER WE RESOLVE TO DO, NOW AND AFTER THE FACT. IN THE LAST HOUR I HAVE SPOKEN PERSONALLY WITH ALL THE PRIME MINISTERS. THEY ARE UNANIMOUSLY HORRIFIED AND OUTRAGED AT THE BARBARITY (TOM ADAMS' WORD) OF THOSE WHO HAVE SEIZED GRENADA. THEY ARE VERY WORRIED ABOUT WHAT THIS MEANS FOR THEIR OWN ISLAND MINI-STATES. EXCEPT FOR BARBADOS, THEY ARE NEARLY DEFENSELESS. TOM ADAMS HAS PERSONALLY TOLD ME THAT HE STANDS READY TO ASSIST IN ANY EFFORT, INCLUDING THE MILITARY USE OF THE BARBADOS DEFENSE FORCE, THE REGION'S ONLY TRAINED MILITARY UNIT.

5. I AM NOT COMPETENT TO ASSESS THE MILITARY SITUATION. I CAN ONLY OFFER MY STRONG CONVICTION THAT IF WE MUST, AND WE MAY HAVE TO, WE SHOULD: (1) EVACUATE AMERICAN CITIZENS, BY FORCE IF NECESSARY AND (2) DEPOSE THE THUGS WHO HAVE TAKEN OVER, AND (3) RESTORE GRENADA AS A FREE SOCIETY.

6. IF IT COMES TO IT, IN MY JUDGEMENT, SUCH AN ACTION WOULD MEET OVERWHELMING APPROVAL IN THE COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN. I BELIEVE THAT SENTIMENT IN EASTERN CARIBBEAN FOR ACTION IS NOW SO STRONG THAT IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TO ELICIT A PUBLIC INVITATION FROM THE REGION'S COLLECTIVE LEADERSHIP TO THE U.S. TO ACT FOR THE SAKE OF HUMAN DECENCY AND HUMAN RIGHTS. (ASSUME DEPARTMENT IS CONSULTING ALLIES AND OTHERS, AS APPROPRIATE.) I DID NOT DISCUSS THE PROSPECT WITH THE HEADS OF GOVERNMENT, BUT I BELIEVE THAT THE ORGANIZATION OF EASTERN CARIBBEAN STATES MIGHT WELL AGREE TO BE THE MULTI-NATIONAL UMBRELLA UNDER WHOSE AEGIS A PEACEKEEPING INTERVENTION MIGHT BE MOUNTED. FRIENDLY NON-MEMBERS, SUCH AS BARBADOS AND JAMAICA, WOULD ALMOST CERTAINLY JOIN IN.

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SITUATION: GRENADA
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DE RUEHC #9170/01 2930757

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FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO RUEKJCS/ JCS WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 9185

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RUEAIIA/ CIA WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 1061

RUEADWW/ WHITE HOUSE NIACT IMMEDIATE 9096

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~~SECRET~~ SECTION 01 OF 02 STATE 299170

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MIL ADDEES TREAT AS SPECAT EXCLUSIVE

DOD FOR SANCHEZ, JCS FOR ADM MOREAU CIA FOR CLARIDGE

WHITEHOUSE FOR NORTH

FOLLOWING BRIDGETOWN 6392 DTD OCT 20 SENT ACTION STATE

BEING REPEATED TO YOU

QUOTE

~~SECRET~~ BRIDGETOWN 06392

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PASS NSC, CIA, OSD AND JCS

E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR

TAGS: AEMR, PINS, GJ, US

SUBJECT: GRENADA: ATTITUDES OF THE GRENADA MEDICAL
SCHOOL TOWARD POSSIBLE EVACUATION OF THEIR STUDENTS/STAFF
1. ~~AS~~ - ENTIRE TEXT).

2. WE HAD TWO LENGTHY CONVERSATIONS WITH CHARLES MODICA,
CHANCELLOR OF (AND A MAIN INVESTOR ALONG WITH HIS FATHER,
LOU MODICA, IN) THE ST. GEORGE'S UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF
MEDICINE. NOTING THAT SOME 80 PERCENT OF THE AMERICAN
CITIZENS IN GRENADA ARE STUDENTS OR STAFF AT THE SCHOOL,
WE ASKED MODICA, WHO HAS BEEN IN CONSTANT CONTACT VIA
TELEX AND PHONE WITH THE SCHOOL, IF HE THOUGHT HIS PEOPLE
WERE IN DANGER. HE SAID STAFF WAS TRYING TO NOTIFY
EVERYONE TO BE SURE THEY KNEW ABOUT THE CURFEW (SINCE
RADIO FREE GRENADA WAS OFF THE AIR MOST OF THE DAY, SOME
MIGHT NOT HAVE GOTTEN WORD OF THE SHOOT-ON-SIGHT CURFEW).
ON BALANCE HE FELT THAT THE QUOTE REVOLUTIONARY MILITARY
COUNCIL UNQUOTE WOULD NOT HARM AMERICANS, SO AS TO AVOID
GIVING THE USG A PRETEXT FOR INTERVENTION. ON THE OTHER
HAND, HE FEARS A VIOLENT BACKLASH, WITH THE POPULATION
RISING AGAINST THE SECURITY FORCES AND SOME STUDENTS
CAUGHT IN THE MIDDLE. (FOR EXAMPLE, RADIO FREE GRENADA

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By CH, NARA, Date 4/25/02

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IS LOCATED CLOSE TO THE SCHOOL'S GRAND ANSE CAMPUS.)
3. MODICA SAID, AS THE SITUATION EVOLVES, HE WOULD POSE THE QUESTION OF WHETHER QUOTE IT WOULD BE SAFER UNQUOTE TO LEAVE PEOPLE IN PLACE OR PULL THEM OUT. HE IS BOTHERED ABOUT THE STUDENTS BEING IN TWO MAIN LOCATIONS (GRAND ANSE AND TRUE BLUE), WITH THE STAFF EVEN MORE SCATTERED. TWO POTENTIAL HELO SITES HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED, HE SAID, WHICH HE ASSUMED THE USG WOULD HAVE TO SECURE. THE FIRST CONVERSATION ENDED WITH MODICA AGREEING TO CONTACT US AT THE LATEST BEFORE HE LEFT HIS NYC OFFICE.

4. THE SECOND CONVERSATION A LITTLE AFTER MIDNIGHT ON OCTOBER 20 ALSO INCLUDED DAS GILLESPIE AND MYSELF. MODICA DESCRIBED SITUATION AS ONE IN WHICH STUDENTS WERE ON EITHER OF TWO CAMPUSES SOUTH OF CAPITAL CITY OF ST. GEORGE'S OR AT THEIR PRIVATE HOMES IN VARIOUS SUBURBS. THE UNIVERSITY HAS NO EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS ARRANGEMENTS WITH INDIVIDUAL STUDENTS, ALTHOUGH IT DOES HAVE A PLAN FOR ASSEMBLING THOSE WHO RESIDE ON THE TWO CAMPUSES AND MOVING THEM TO AREAS DESIGNATED AS POSSIBLE HELICOPTER LIFT SITES.

5. MODICA SAID THAT HE OBSERVED SITURKBSA TO BE SUFFICIENTLY TENSE AND THREATENING SO THAT IF IT WERE SIMPLY A MATTER OF EVACUATING THOSE RESIDENT ON CAMPUSES, HE FELT USG SHOULD MOVE AS QUICKLY AS CIRCUMSTANCES DICTATED. BUT HE HAS A NUMBER OF CONCERNS. FIRST, RADIO FREE GRENADA HAS REPORTED A MARTIAL LAW DECREE ESTABLISHING A CURFEW IN EFFECT UNTIL 6 P.M. MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, WITH A THREAT THAT ANYONE ON THE STREETS IS LIABLE TO BE SHOT. THIS WILL MAKE COMMUNICATIONS WITH AND AMONG POTENTIAL EVACUEES DIFFICULT, IF NOT IMPOSSIBLE. SECOND, IN MODICA'S JUDGEMENT, VIOLENT REACTION BY BISHOP'S SUPPORTERS SHOULD BE EXPECTED WITHIN A WEEK OR SO--IF NOT WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS. MODICA DOES NOT BELIEVE AMERICAN STUDENTS WILL BE SELECTED AS TARGETS IN SUCH VIOLENCE, BUT THEY MIGHT BE AT RISK IN CROSSFIRE, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO ARE NOT ON THE CAMPUSES. HE REPEATED HIS OBSERVATION THAT THE GROUP NOW TAKING POWER, WHILE VICIOUS AND INHUMAN, WOULD NOT WANT TO GIVE THE U.S. AN EXCUSE TO INTERVENE ACTIVELY BY DIRECTLY THREATENING AMERICAN STUDENTS.

HE WOULD BE CONCERNED THAT A MOVE TO EVACUATE AMERICAN CITIZENS WHICH DID NOT GET ALL OF THEM OFF THE ISLAND WOULD, HOWEVER, TRIGGER VINDICTIVE BEHAVIOR BY

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GRENADIANS, ESPECIALLY IF EVACUATION ITSELF RESULTED
IN BLOODSHED.

6. AMBASSADOR STRESSED TO MODICA THAT USG WAS REVIEWING
ALL OF ITS OPTIONS AND HAD MADE NO DECISION ON ACTION TO
BE TAKEN, BUT WANTED TO BE SURE HOW UNIVERSITY ADMINIS-

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MIL ADDEES TREAT AS SPECAT EXCLUSIVE
TRATION OFF THE ISLAND SAW THE SITUATION. MODICA ASKED
WHETHER HE SHOULD HAVE HIS ADMINISTRATORS ON GRENADA
TRY TO TALK TO REVOLUTIONARY MILITARY COUNCIL ABOUT
MOVING OFF-CAMPUS STUDENTS ON TO UNIVERSITY SITES IN
ORDER TO ENSURE THEIR SAFETY. AMBASSADOR SUGGESTED
THAT THIS MOVE MIGHT BE PREMATURE AND SHOULD BE HELD
IN ABEYANCE FOR THE TIME BEING.

7. COMMENT: MODICA'S CAUTION PROBABLY REFLECTS
UNCERTAINTY OF SITUATION AT THIS STAGE, AND HIS
RECOGNITION OF DILEMMA CAUSED BY INABILITY TO ENSURE
SAFETY OF ALL STUDENTS, INCLUDING THOSE OFF-CAMPUS.

8. WE HAVE SPOKEN TO VOA AND THEY ARE ANNOUNCING THE
CURFEW IN BROADCASTS. BISH UNQUOTE SHULTZ

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 TO RUEHCV/AMEMBASSY CARACAS NIACT IMMEDIATE 4023
 INFO RUEHWN/AMEMBASSY BRIDGETOWN IMMEDIATE 1807
 BT
~~SECRET~~ STATE 299411
 EXDIS FOR THE AMBASSADOR
 E O. 12356 DECL: OADR
 TAGS AEMR, PINS, GJ, VE, US, XL, XM
 SUBJECT: POSSIBLE GOV EVACUATION OF VENEZUELAN
 CITIZENS FROM GRENADA

1. ~~SECRET~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. AMBASSADOR IS REQUESTED TO SEEK URGENT APPOINTMENT AT HIGHEST APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF GOV TO EXPLORE GOV INTENTIONS CONCERNING PROTECTION/EVACUATION OF VENEZUELAN CITIZENS FROM GRENADA. AMBASSADOR MAY EXPLAIN THAT WE ARE HIGHLY CONCERNED OVER SAFETY OF APPROXIMATELY 1,000 U.S. CITIZENS LOCATED ON ISLAND AND HAVE BEEN PONDERING WHAT WE MIGHT EFFECTIVELY DO TO ASSURE THEIR SAFETY, INCLUDING POSSIBILITY OF EVACUATION. SINCE THERE ARE NUMBERS OF VENEZUELAN CITIZENS ON ISLAND, IT WILL BE VERY HELPFUL TO KNOW-HOW VENEZUELA SEES THE SITUATION AND WHAT MEASURES VENEZUELA MAY BE CONTEMPLATING TO PROTECT ITS CITIZENS. IF VENEZUELA IS CONSIDERING AN EVACUATION EFFORT, WE WILL BE INTERESTED IN KNOWING WHERE AND BY WHAT MEANS THE EVACUATION WOULD BE ATTEMPTED AND WHETHER IT WILL BE DEPENDENT ON GRENADIAN PERMISSION/AUTHORIZATION. WILL ALSO BE INTERESTED IN LEARNING WHETHER GOV HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH OUTER AREA GOVERNMENTS ON THIS MATTER.
3. IN CONSIDERING DEMARCHE, AMBASSADOR SHOULD TAKE CARE NOT TO LEAVE IMPRESSION THAT WE HAVE DECIDED UPON A PARTICULAR COURSE OF ACTION AT THIS TIME. SHULTZ
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 BY CAS, NARA, DATE 4/25/02

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MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:
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FM AMEMBASSY CARACAS
TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC FLASH 7843
INFO RUEHWN/AMEMBASSY BRIDGETOWN IMMEDIATE 2252
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~~C O N F I D E N T I A L~~ CARACAS 09108
SECSTATE FOR AMBASSADOR MOTLEY FROM LANDAU
E. O. 12356: DECL: OADR
TAGS: PINS, PGOV, GJ, VE
SUBJECT: GRENADA SITUATION

1. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ ENTIRE TEXT.
2. I CALLED DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE FOREIGN OFFICE FRANCISCO PAPARONI ON AN URGENT BASIS TO OBTAIN GOV'S VIEWS ON THE SITUATION IN GRENADA. (FYI THE FOREIGN MINISTER IS IN ROME, THE VICE MINISTER IS IN EASTERN EUROPE AND PAPARONI IS IN CHARGE OF THE FOREIGN OFFICE.)
3. PAPARONI SAID THAT HE TALKED AT 1145 A.M. (EST) (15 MINUTES AGO) WITH THE CHARGE IN GRENADA. LATTER TOLD HIM THAT AS FAR AS HE WAS CONCERNED IT WAS ALL OVER. THE ARMY IS IN COMPLETE CONTROL. A 96-HOUR CURFEW HAS BEEN DECLARED. ALL MEMBERS OF THE VENEZUELAN MISSION ARE INSIDE THEIR BUILDINGS AND WELL. CHARGE SAID THAT THE MAJOR FIGHTING AND THE KILLING OF BISHOP AND THE OTHER MINISTERS TOOK PLACE YESTERDAY BUT TODAY AN EERIE CALM REIGNS.
4. I ASKED PAPARONI WHETHER HE PLANNED EVACUATION OF ANY VENEZUELAN. PAPARONI REPLIED THAT YESTERDAY THE CHARGE HAD SUGGESTED THAT THERE MIGHT BE A NEED TO EVACUATE ABOUT EIGHT PERSONS (WOMEN AND CHILDREN) OF THE VENEZUELAN MISSION THERE. THERE ARE NO OTHER VENEZUELAN IN GRENADA. HOWEVER, TODAY THE CHARGE WITHDREW HIS REQUEST AND SAID IN HIS VIEW THERE WAS NO FURTHER NEED FOR EVACUATION.
5. I ASKED PAPARONI TO INFORM ME AS SOON AS THERE IS ANY FURTHER NEWS BY TELEPHONE FROM CHARGE. LANDAU

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BY CS NARA, DATE 4/25/02

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MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:
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FM AMEMBASSY BRIDGETOWN
TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 6955
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RUWTFTA/COMUSFOR CARIB KEY WEST IMMEDIATE
RUCBNAJ/AMEMBASSY ANTIGUA IMMEDIATE 2898
RUEHCV/AMEMBASSY CARACAS IMMEDIATE 2834
RUESON/AMEMBASSY GEORGETOWN IMMEDIATE 3729
RUEHKG/AMEMBASSY KINGSTON IMMEDIATE 4519
RUEHPO/AMEMBASSY PARAMARIBO IMMEDIATE 0723
RUEHSP/AMEMBASSY PORT OF SPAIN IMMEDIATE 5398
RULGSAD/COMNAVFOR CARIB ROOSEVELT IMMEDIATE
RUEKJCS/DIA WASHDC IMMEDIATE
RUEOEHA/USCINCSO QUARRY HTS PN IMMEDIATE
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UNCLAS BRIDGETOWN 06414
THE WHITE HOUSE FOR NSC
E.O. 12356: N/A

TAGS: PINS, PGOV, GJ

SUBJECT: BARBADIAN LEADERS SPEAK OUT ON GRENADA
- POLITICAL CRISIS

1. BARBADIAN POLITICAL LEADERS HAVE BEEN QUICK TO
SPEAK OUT BLUNTLY AND FORCEFULLY ABOUT THE POLITICAL
CRISIS IN GRENADA:

PRIME MINISTER TOM ADAMS:

ADAMS DESCRIBED THE MURDERS OF MAURICE BISHOP AND THE
OTHER CABINET MEMBERS AS "THE MOST VICIOUS ACT TO
DISFIGURE THE WEST INDIES SINCE THE DAYS OF SLAVERY."
HE WENT ON TO SAY THAT "IT WILL BE VERY DIFFICULT
INDEED TO SEE WHAT FUTURE THE REGIME THAT IS STAINED
BY THIS RECORD OF MURDER CAN HAVE IN AN ASSOCIATION
OF PEACEFUL AND PEACE LOVING CARICOM STATES." HE
DECLARED THAT HE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO SIT DOWN AT
ANY TABLE WITH THESE "DISGUSTING MURDERERS."

2. OPPOSITION LEADER ERROL BARROW:

BARROW SAID THAT THE PERPETRATORS OF THESE MURDERS

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SHOULD NOT GO UNPUNISHED AND THAT HIS DEMOCRATIC LABOR PARTY WOULD SUPPORT ANY MEASURES CALCULATED TO BRING THE CRIMINALS TO JUSTICE. HE CALLED FOR IMMEDIATE INTERNATIONAL ACTION "TO RELIEVE THE GRENADIAN PEOPLE FROM THIS SCOURGE OF A STALINISTIC DICTATORSHIP." HE ASKED THAT THE INSTIGATORS BE OSTRACIZED FROM THE REST OF THE CARIBBEAN AND BE GIVEN NO HELP OR SHELTER ANYWHERE: "THE DLP CONDEMNS UNEQUIVOCALLY THIS SAVAGERY WHICH AMONGST OTHER THINGS CONFINES WOMEN AND CHILDREN, THE SICK, THE HUNGRY, AND THE INCAPACITATED TO THEIR HOMES FOR FOUR DAYS, OR ANY OTHER PERIOD WITHOUT ACCESS TO THE NORMAL AMENITIES OF EXISTENCE, SUCH AS FOOD, WATER, AND MEDICAL CARE -- OR FROM EVEN BURYING THEIR DEAD. NO SELF-RESPECTING BARBADOS GOVERNMENT OF ANY POLITICAL PERSUASION SHOULD HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH A REGIME IN GRENADA OF THE KIND THAT HAS BEEN INFLICTED ON THE UNFORTUNATE PEOPLE OF GRENADA."

3. FULL TEXTS OF ADAMS AND BARROW STATEMENTS BEING SENT IN USINFO SERIES.

4. BARBADOS BAPTIST CHURCH SUPERINTENDENT SINCLAIR RUDDER:

THE SUPERINTENDENT DECLARED THAT CARICOM MEMBER STATES SHOULD PUT TOGETHER A MULTI-NATIONAL FORCE TO RESCUE THE ISLAND, "I DO NOT THINK STANDING OFF AND ISSUING STATEMENTS IS GOING TO HELP SINCE THERE ARE GOING TO BE RECURRENCES OF EVENTS."

5. THE CARIBBEAN CONFERENCE OF CHURCHES, HERETOFORE AN APOLOGIST FOR, AND SUPPORTER OF, GRENADA SINCE THE 1979 COUP, HAS JUST ANNOUNCED IT HAS CUT ALL TIES WITH THOSE IN POWER THERE. BISH

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E.O.12356: DECL: OADR
TAGS: PREL, CX, FW

SUBJ: EASTERN CARIBBEAN SECURITY: FRANCE

1. ~~TS~~ ENTIRE TEXT)

2. PREFET (PROTECT) HAS INFORMED ME THAT FRANCE HAS DECIDED ON AT LEAST THREE STEPS IN RESPONSE TO INCREASED INSTABILITY IN EASTERN CARIBBEAN AND SUBSEQUENT THREAT TO TRANQUILITY OF FRENCH ANTILLES-GUIANA.

A) FRANCE WILL OPEN A FULL EMBASSY IN ST. LUCIA IN 1984 WITH A RESIDENT AMBASSADOR. A CHARGE D'AFFAIRES AD INTERIN IS AT PRESENT IN MARTINIQUE PREPARING TO GO TO ST. LUCIA WITHIN 2-3 WEEKS. EMBASSY WILL ALSO COVER GRENADA DOMINICA AND ST. VINCENTS.

B) PARIS HAS AGREED TO TRAINING BY GENDARMARIE IN MARTINIQUE OF POLICE/PARA-MILITARY FROM ST. VINCENTS IN GROUPS OF 10 BEGINNING IN 1984. TRAINING WILL INCLUDE BOTH STANDARD POLICE AND MOB CONTROL WORK AND SWAT TEAM TYPE TRAINING FOR URBAN ASSAULTS ON BUILDINGS.

C) FRANCE WILL GRANT 15 MILLION FRANCE IN ECONOMIC AID TO THE FOUR COUNTRIES. (DECISION TO INCLUDE GRENADA WAS MADE BEFORE RECENT COUP). BROWN

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SUBJECT: NEW ARRESTS IN GRENADA

1. (U) ACCORDING TO A CARIBBEAN NEWS AGENCY DISPATCH (CANA), GRENADIAN JOURNALIST ALISTER HUGHES, WHO HAS KEPT THE CARIBBEAN AND INTERNATIONAL NEWS MEDIA INFORMED ABOUT THE TURMOIL IN GRENADA, WAS ARRESTED BY SECURITY FORCES LAST NIGHT. ALSO REPORTED AS BEING ARRESTED WERE HUGHES' BROTHER LEONARD, A BUSINESSMAN, AND THE GRENADIAN MANAGER OF THE GRENADIAN-OWNED COCA COLA FACTORY, TONY MONROE. HUGHES HAD BEEN WORKING AS A CORRESPONDENT FOR CANA, THE ASSOCIATED PRESS, THE MIAMI HERALD, AND A NUMBER OF INTERNATIONAL NEWS MEDIA.
 2. ~~(FOUO)~~ WE WERE INFORMED BY A UPI CORRESPONDENT THIS MORNING THAT MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES WERE ORGANIZING A PROTEST EFFORT TO CONDEMN HUGHES' ARREST.
 3. ~~(FOUO)~~ HUGHES BELIEVED HE WOULD BE IN DANGER IF THE HARD-LINERS TOOK POWER.
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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR BISH

E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR

TAGS: AEMR, GJ

SUBJECT: BARBADIAN PM TOM ADAMS PLEAS FOR U.S.

- INTERVENTION IN GRENADA: BELIEVES LEADERSHIP
- OF THE REGION WOULD STRONGLY SUPPORT AND FULLY
- ASSOCIATE WITH U.S.

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1. ~~(S-ENTIRE TEXT)~~.

2. BARBADOS PRIME MINISTER TOM ADAMS CALLED ME TO SEE HIM AGAIN TODAY AT NOON. ADAMS SAID THAT A POLITICAL/MILITARY INTERVENTION IN GRENADA IS NOW MORE URGENT THAN EVER. HE HAS MET AND DISCUSSED THE QUESTION FULLY WITH HIS CABINET AND SPEAKS WITH THEIR UNDERSTANDING AND CONSENT. MANY POSSIBLE SCENARIOS HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED. HE BELIEVES THAT TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE AND THAT A MILITARY INTERVENTION CAN ONLY BE MOUNTED AND CARRIED THROUGH BY THE U.S. ADAMS EMPHASIZED REPEATEDLY THE DEEP UNDERLYING PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR SUCH A MOVE. TO QUOTE HIM DIRECTLY: "THERE WILL BE ENORMOUS PRIVATE AS WELL AS PUBLIC DISAPPOINTMENT THROUGHOUT THE REGION IF THE U.S. DOES NOT ACT FORCEFULLY TO SAVE GRENADA." ADAMS TOLD ME AGAIN TODAY THAT BARBADOS STOOD READY TO PROVIDE ALL CONCEIVABLE SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE.

3. THE PRIME MINISTER BELIEVES THAT DECISIVE ACTION MUST OCCUR NOW. HE BELIEVES THAT A U.S.-MOUNTED MILITARY INTERVENTION COULD BE DONE UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE ORGANIZATION OF EASTERN CARIBBEAN STATES. HE BELIEVES THIS ORGANIZATION WOULD BE UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR OF AN INTERVENTION. THE SMALL ISLAND SIBLINGS OF GRENADA FEEL THE MOST THREATENED. ONLY JOHN COMPTON OF ST. LUCIA HARBORS THE THOUGHT THAT THE MORE CO-

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SPONSORS OF AN INTERVENTION THE BETTER. ADAMS SAID THAT HE WAS CONSIDERING A BRIEF TRIP TO ST. LUCIA TO PERSUADE COMPTON THAT A LARGER GROUP WOULD BE UNWIELDING RISKING THE LOSS OF CRITICAL TIMELINESS.

4. THE PRIME MINISTER OBSERVED THAT THE REGIONAL SECURITY SYSTEM COMPRISED OF ISLAND POLICE FORCES PLUS THE BARBADOS DEFENSE FORCE COULD SERVE AS TOKEN ELEMENTS IN AN INTERVENTION AND WOULD PROVIDE THE IDEAL MULTINATIONAL FORCE FOR KEEPING THE PEACE AFTER THE FACT.

5. ADAMS SAID THAT HE AND HIS COLLEAGUES - BOTH HIS CABINET AND HIS FELLOW HEADS OF GOVERNMENT - HAD DISCUSSED MANY ALTERNATIVE SCENARIOS. IN HIS VIEW, THEY BOIL DOWN TO THE U.S. AS THE MAIN ELEMENT OF FORCE BUT WORKING WITH OR THROUGH THE MULTILATERAL FRONT. HE SEES THREE POSSIBLE OUTCOMES: (1) THE REGIME ON GRENADA COLLAPSES WITHOUT RESISTANCE IN THE FACE OF OVERWHELMING FORCE; (2) THE CUBANS ON GRENADA, TOGETHER WITH THE PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY ARMY (PRA), DIG IN FOR A FIGHT; (3) THE PRA GOES IT ALONE WITH THE CUBANS DECLARING THEMSELVES NON-COMBATANTS. ADAMS SAYS HE WOULD HOPE FOR TOKEN RESISTANCE FROM THE PRA IN ORDER THAT NO VESTIGE OF AUTHORITY REMAIN TO NEGOTIATE RESIDUAL TERMS. THE PRIME MINISTER SAID: "SUCH AS IT IS, I HAVE INFORMATION WHICH SUGGESTS THAT THE CUBANS WOULD SIT IT OUT." HE WENT ON TO SAY, "BUT IF IT CAME TO THE U.S. FIGHTING CUBA, THE LEADERSHIP OF THE REGION WOULD NOT BE CONTRARY.

6. ADAMS WOULD HOPE THAT IN THE WAKE OF OVERTURNING THE REGIME IN GRENADA, THE U.S. COULD HAND OVER ADMINISTRATION TO GRENADA'S GOVERNOR GENERAL, WHO WOULD FORM AN INTERIM ADMINISTRATION, DRAWING ON REPRESENTATIVES FROM PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS SUCH AS THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, THE CHURCH, THE INDEPENDENT TRADE UNION MOVEMENT, OR OTHER COMMUNITY INTERESTS GROUPS.

7. THE PRIME MINISTER CAUTIONED THAT WE SHOULD NOT ATTEMPT TO CONSTRUCT A LARGER UMBRELLA LIKE CARICOM, WHICH POSES TWO KINDS OF DIFFICULTIES: SEVERAL CARICOM LEADERS MIGHT HAVE RESERVATIONS ABOUT THE U.S. BEING INVOLVED IN A MILITARY INTERVENTION, OR AT LEAST WITH THEIR CLOSE ASSOCIATION WITH IT. HE MENTIONED PINDLING OF THE BAHAMAS IN THIS REGARD. FOR HIS PART, ADAMS SAID HE WOULD NOT LIKE BARBADOS TO BE INVOLVED IN A POST-INTERVENTION RECONSTRUCTION EFFORT WITH A COUNTRY LIKE GUYANA. TRINIDAD'S TRADITIONAL ALOOFNESS

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ON REGIONAL POLITICAL QUESTIONS MAY BE OVERCOME THIS
TIME BY THE SUBSTANTIAL GRANADIAN EXILE COMMUNITY IN
PORT OF SPAIN. HE SAID THAT EFFORTS AMONG GRENADIANS
IN TRINIDAD AND ABROAD WERE UNDERWAY TO TRY TO GET
TRINIDAD CONSTRUCTIVELY INVOLVED.

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TAGS: AEMR, GJ

SUBJECT: BARBADIAN PM TOM ADAMS PLEAS FOR U.S.

8. THE DEFENSE MINISTERS OF THE REGIONAL DEFENSE SYSTEM OF THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN HAVE SCHEDULED A MEETING ON BARBADOS FOR TOMORROW. PRACTICALLY, THIS MEANS (OR COULD MEAN) THE HEADS OF GOVERNMENT FOR BARBADOS, ST. VINCENT, DOMINICA, ST. LUCIA AND ANTIGUA. ADAMS' HOPE IS THAT THIS MEETING COULD HAVE A CONCRETE PROPOSAL TO CONSIDER FROM THE U.S. IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S VIEW, A GATHERING OF LEADERS FROM A LARGER GROUPING SUCH AS CARICOM WOULD TAKE AT LEAST 72 HOURS.

9. COMMENT: I AM IMPRESSED WITH THE OBVIOUS SINCERITY OF ADAMS' FEELINGS ON THIS ISSUE. I HAVE NEVER SEEN HIM SO DEADLY SERIOUS. THE UNCHARACTERISTIC NATURE OF THE SORDID VIOLENCE ON GRENADA MUST HAVE DEEPLY SEATED A NEW TRUTH IN HIM. BISH

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E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR

TAGS: PGOV, PINS, GJ, TD

SUBJECT: GRENADA: COMMENTS/PLANS OF GRENADA DEMOCRATIC
MOVEMENT

1. ~~(S)~~ ANTHONY MITCHELL, AN EX-PRG POLITICAL PRISONER
WHO HAS BEEN LIVING IN BARBADOS FOR SEVERAL MONTHS, IS
ON HIS WAY TO TRINIDAD TO MEET WITH OTHER GRENADA EMIGRE
LEADERS TO PLAN STRATEGY IN VIEW OF THE VIOLENT TURN OF
EVENTS IN GRENADA. MITCHELL, AS HE HAS CONSISTENTLY
PREDICTED WOULD HAPPEN, SAYS BERNARD COARD IS NOW
RUNNING THE SHOW. HIS MAIN LIEUTENANTS ARE SELWYN
STRACHAN, LIAM CORNWALL, HEALTH MINISTER DE RIGGS AND
MAJOR EINSTEIN LOUISON. THEY AND OTHERS - PRACTICALLY
ALL OF THEM HAVING BEEN IN THE SO-CALLED "OREL" GROUP
OF MARXIST IDEOLOGUES LED FOR YEARS BY COARD - ARE
LT. COL. LIAM JAMES, LABOR OFFICIAL "CHALKYE" VENTOUR,
PETER DAVID AND MAJOR EWART LAYNE (IN CHARGE OF TRAINING
FOREIGNERS FOR GUERRILLA WORK IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN).
HE EXPECTS THIS GROUP TO START ARRESTING ALL OF COARD'S
OPPONENTS (SEE SEPTTEL FOR ARREST OF JOURNALIST ALISTER
HUGHES AND OTHERS), PERHAPS EVEN EXECUTING A GOOD NUMBER
OF THE MOST "DANGEROUS" PEOPLE AMONG THE DETAINEES IN
RICHMOND HILL PRISON. MITCHELL BELIEVES, AS DO WE,
THAT THE PRA PURPOSELY SET BISHOP AND FRIENDS UP BY
ALLOWING THE MOB TO "FREE" HIM FROM HOUSE ARREST AND
HEAD FOR FORT RUPERT.

2. ~~(S)~~ MITCHELL - AND WE HAVE HEARD THIS FROM OTHERS -

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BELIEVES PRA GENERAL HUDSON AUSTIN, WHO IS NO ANGEL, IS MAKING ANNOUNCEMENTS SUCH AS THAT OF LAST EVENING ANNOUNCING DISSOLUTION OF THE PRG AND THE SETTING UP OF THE 16-MAN "REVOLUTIONARY MILITARY COUNCIL" (RMC), ARE BEING MADE UNDER DURESS, PROBABLY AT THE INSTIGATION OF EINSTEIN LOUISON. THE THEORY IS THAT AUSTIN WAS JUST TOO CLOSE TO BISHOP TO GO THIS FAR WHOLEHEARTEDLY.

3. (S) MITCHELL DOES NOT EXPECT A POPULAR UPRISING OR OPEN BACKLASH AT THIS TIME, RATHER INDIVIDUAL ANTI-RMC AND ANTI-COARD ACTS. PEOPLE ARE SCARED AND HAVE EVERY REASON TO BE, GIVEN THE HARD-LINERS' FANATICISM. THINGS IN ANY CASE WILL GET BLOODY OVER TIME, SINCE THERE IS NO COMPROMISE POSSIBLE WITH AN ARROGANT HARDLINER LIKE COARD. MITCHELL IS HOPING FOR TRADE AND OTHER SANCTIONS BY GRENADA'S CARICOM PARTNERS. HE BELIEVES TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO WOULD THEN SUPPORT AN ARMED EMIGRE EFFORT OR AT LEAST ALLOW IT TO BE LAUNCHED.

4. (S). WE NOTE THAT EARLIER THIS WEEK MITCHELL'S ROOM WAS ENTERED AND VARIOUS ITEMS INCLUDING HIS GRENADA PASSPORT WERE STOLEN. HE CALLED IT "A POLITICAL ACT." HE TOLD US TODAY THE BARBADIAN AUTHORITIES WILL FACILITATE HIS DEPARTURE FOR TRINIDAD.

5. (S). THE FORMAL GRENADA DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENT REPRESENTATIVE IN BARBADOS, DR. FRANCIS ALEXIS, ISSUED A STATEMENT HERE ON OCTOBER 19. TEXT OF PRESS ARTICLE ON THIS IS AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE

THE DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENT (GDM), A PRESSURE GROUP WORKING FOR PEOPLES PARTICIPATION IN THE DECISION MAKING PROCESS IN GRENADA, HAS CALLED FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A "GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL RECONCILITATION" IN THE TROUBLED CARIBBEAN ISLAND.

- A STATEMENT ISSUED YESTERDAY BY UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES LECTURER IN LAW DR. FRANICS ALEXIS ON BEHALF OF THE GDM, SAID SUCH A GOVERNMENT WOULD COMPRISE GRENADIAN REPRESENTATIVE GROUPS AT HOME AND ABROAD INCLUDING THE ARMED FORCES.

- THE GOVERNMENT WOULD SIT UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN THE FIRST INSTANCE THEN CHOOSING ITS OWN CHAIRPERSON, SECURE THE COMMISSIONING OF AN INTERIM CONSTITUTION, AND BRING ABOUT FULL, FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS.

- THE GDM WHICH SIMULTANEOUSLY ISSUED SIMILAR STATEMENTS IN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, NEW YORK, WASHINGTON, TORONTO AND LONDON SAID IT WAS PUTTING FORWARD THOSE IDEAS AS A FORMULA FOR AVERTING CHAOS AND ENSURING THE IMMEDIATE

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RETURN TO PEACE AND NORMALCY IN GRENADA.

- GRENADA HAS BEEN HIT BY A LEADERSHIP CRISIS IN THE RULING NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT (NJM) WHICH HAS BEEN SURFACING FOR SOMETIME. IT FINALLY CAME TO A HEAD LAST WEEK WITH PRIME MINISTER MAURICE BISHOP BEING ARRESTED AND HIS DEPUTY BERNARD COARD APPARENTLY ASSUMING CONTROL OF THE

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- THE GDM SAID IT DID NOT SEE THE CONFLICT AS SIMPLY A PARTY STRUGGLE BETWEEN MR. BISHOP AND MRS. COARD BUT VIEWED IT AS A WIDER INTERNATIONAL STRUGGLE REGARDING WHAT FORM OF GOVERNMENT SHOULD PREVAIL, AND THAT IT WAS BEING INFLUENCED FROM OUTSIDE THE ISLAND.
 - "IN FACT, WE BELIEVE THAT THE CONFLICT DEMONSTRATES THAT IT IS UNWISE FOR THIRD WORLD LEADERS TO ALLOW THEMSELVES TO BE STAGED-MANAGED BY EXTERNAL FORCES SERVING THEIR OWN INTEREST.
 - "EQUALLY WE BELIEVE THAT FORCES FROM OUTSIDE GRENADA WHICH HAVE SO FAR BEEN PREPARED TO ACCEPT BISHOP HAVE NOW DECIDED THE TIME HAS COME TO DITCH HIM AND INSTALL COARD," THE STATEMENT SAID.
 - THE STATEMENT SAID IT WAS THE PEOPLE THEMSELVES WHO MUST DECIDE WHAT FORM THE GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA SHOULD TAKE RATHER THAN A SMALL CLIQUE TAKING INSTRUCTIONS FROM OUTSIDE.
 - "ACCORDINGLY, WE URGE NOW AS WE HAVE ALWAYS DONE THE IMMEDIATE RETURN TO THE RULE OF LAW AND GOVERNMENT BY THE PEOPLE," IT ADDED. END QUOTE.
- ALEXIS MADE SIMILAR POINTS IN A RADIO PANEL DISCUSSION.
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TAGS: PINT, GJ, TD

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] SAYS HUDSON AUSTIN HAS A MESSAGE FOR U.S.

1. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ - ENTIRE TEXT

2. SUMMARY: A NEW [REDACTED] SOURCE WHO RECENTLY ARRIVED FROM GRENADA AND CLAIMS TO BE CLOSE TO ARMY COMMANDER HUDSON AUSTIN SAYS AUSTIN WANTS HIM TO DELIVER A MESSAGE TO THE US ADMINISTRATION. TODAY HE AND AUSTIN HAVE TRIED BUT FAILED TO TALK ON THE PHONE. HE WILL CONTACT AUSTIN AND FIND OUT WHAT HE WANTS TO SAY. END SUMMARY.

3. ONE [REDACTED] CAME TO EMBASSY MORNING OCTOBER 20 TO TALK TO EMBOFFS. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SAID HE KNOWS AUSTIN WELL, AND WAS ON GOOD TERMS WITH BISHOP. HE SAID AUSTIN SAW HIM OFF FOR TRINIDAD FROM PEARLS AIRPORT IN GRENADA OCTOBER 14, AT WHICH POINT THERE WERE NO INDICATIONS OF THE INTERNAL POWER STRUGGLE.

4. ON OCTOBER 15, [REDACTED] SAYS HE TELEPHONED AUSTIN AND ASKED HIM WHAT HAD HAPPENED. AUSTIN CONFIRMED BISHOP WAS UNDER HOUSE ARREST. [REDACTED] ASKED AUSTIN WHY MAJOR LIAM CORNWALL AND NOT HE, AUSTIN, WAS MAKING THE PUBLIC STATEMENTS. IT WAS THE NEXT DAY THAT AUSTIN BEGAN MAKING RADIO BROADCASTS.

5. EARLIER THIS WEEK, [REDACTED] AND AUSTIN TALKED AGAIN BY PHONE. [REDACTED] TOLD AUSTIN HE WOULD BE COMING TO THE U.S. EMBASSY AND AUSTIN SAID HE HAD A MESSAGE, NOT FURTHER DESCRIBED, THAT HE WANTED TO GIVE THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION.

6. THIS MORNING, OCTOBER 20, [REDACTED] TRIED TO TELEPHONE AUSTIN, BUT ENDED UP SPEAKING TO ANOTHER FRIEND, POLICE

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COMMISSIONER MCLEISH. THE LATTER TOLD HIM THE SITUATION WAS QUIET.

7. ██████████ TOLD US HE THOUGHT BISHOP HAD CONCLUDED IT WAS IN HIS INTEREST TO SEEK AN ACCOMMODATION WITH THE U.S. HE RECALLED, FROM AN EARLIER VISIT TO GRENADA JUST AFTER THE 1979 COUP, THAT THE COUP HAD TAKEN PLACE MAINLY BECAUSE BISHOP, AUSTIN, AND OTHERS IN THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT HAD HEARD GAIRY WAS ABOUT TO ARREST AND POSSIBLY KILL THEM. AFTER TAKING OVER, THEY HAD TURNED FOR HELP FIRST TO THE U.S. AMBASSADOR TO BARBADOS, WHO HAD OFFERED THEM U.S. DOLS FIVE THOUSAND. THEIR FEELING THAT THIS WAS AN INSULT WAS COMPOUNDED BY PRESS REPORTS THAT PRESIDENT CARTER HAD RECENTLY OFFERED PAKISTAN PRESIDENT ZIA FOUR BILLION (WHICH HE HAD TURNED DOWN). THEY ALSO SOUGHT ASSISTANCE FROM CANADA AND THE UK, RECEIVING TOKEN RESPONSE. BUT CUBA HAD RESPONDED IMMEDIATELY.

8. ██████████ SAID AUSTIN IS A NATIONALIST WHO CONCERNS HIMSELF MAINLY WITH MILITARY MATTERS AND IS HAPPY TO BE HEAD OF THE ARMED FORCES, BUT PROBABLY DOES NOT SEEK TO RUN THE COUNTRY. HE SAID AUSTIN ADMIRES CARTER. HE ALSO ADMIRES CUBA AND RESENTS PAST U.S. INTERVENTION IN THE REGION. NONETHELESS, ██████████ "WOULD LIKE TO BELIEVE" THAT AUSTIN WOULD LIKE TO WORK WITH THE U.S. ██████████ SAID AUSTIN AND BISHOP HAD BEEN CLOSE, AND THAT THERE HAD BEEN FRICTION BETWEEN BISHOP AND COARD, BUT PROFESSED TO KNOW NOTHING ABOUT THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN COARD AND AUSTIN.

9. ██████████ SAID HE PLANS TO LEAVE TRINIDAD FOR NEW YORK MORNING OCTOBER 21, BUT MEANWHILE WOULD TRY TO CALL AUSTIN TO FIND OUT WHAT HE WANTED TO SAY TO THE USG.

10. LATER ██████████ TELEPHONED EMBOFF TO REPORT THAT AUSTIN HAD TRIED TO TELEPHONE HIM AT THE HOUSE OF FRIENDS IN PORT OF SPAIN WHILE HE WAS AT THE EMBASSY. HE HAD CALLED BACK AND ONCE AGAIN TALKED TO POLICE COMMISSIONER MCLEISH, WHO SAID THAT AUSTIN REALLY IS IN CHARGE. HE SAID HE WOULD CONTINUE HIS EFFORTS TO CONTACT AUSTIN AND TO KEEP US INFORMED.

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TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 1914
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RUWTFMTA/COMUSFORCARIB KEY WEST FL IMMEDIATE
RUCBNAJ/AMEMBASSY ANTIGUA IMMEDIATE 0188
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THE WHITE HOUSE FOR NSC
E.O. 12356: N/A
TAGS: PINT, PINS, PGOV, GJ, TD
SUBJECT: GRENADA -- CARICOM HEADS OF GOVERNMENT TO
- MEET ON SATURDAY, OCT. 22
REF: PORT OF SPAIN 3187
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS OFFICER WORKING ON DETAILS
OF EMERGENCY CARICOM HEADS MEETING SAYS PLANS ARE TO
BEGIN SESSIONS SATURDAY NIGHT, OCTOBER 22, IN PORT OF
SPAIN. INITIAL IDEA THAT FOREIGN MINISTERS WOULD MEET
FIRST IN SEPARATE SESSION HAS BEEN SCRAPPED IN FAVOR
OF MOVING DIRECTLY TO MEETING OF HEADS. EVANS
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 E.O. 12356: N/A

TAGS: PINS, PGOV, GJ, ECIN, ST

SUBJECT: PM COMPTON PROPOSES SANCTIONS

1. PM COMPTON AT TELEVISED CEREMONY OF SIGNING OF AID BILATERAL AGREEMENT WITH DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY GILLESPIE STRONGLY CONDEMNED THE SAVAGE SLAUGHTER OF POLITICAL LEADERS IN GRENADA AND SAID HE WAS TRYING TO MOBILIZE CARIBBEAN LEADERS TO IMPOSE SANCTIONS ON GRENADA.
2. COMPTON SAID THAT THE OECS CANNOT TOLERATE THIS DEPLORABLE ACT AND STATED THAT THE POSITION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF ST. LUCIA WAS THAT THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE DECS SHOULD HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO DEALING WITH THE GROUP IN CHARGE

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IN GRENADA. HE SAID THE GOVERNOR OF THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN CENTRAL BANK SHOULD PROVIDE NO CURRENCY TO GRENADA; AND THAT LIAT MANAGEMENT SHOULD BE INSTRUCTED TO PROVIDE NO AIR SERVICES TO GRENADA. COMPTON SAID THERE SHOULD BE NO COOPERATION WHATSOEVER AT THE CARICOM OR OECS LEVEL. FURTHERMORE, COMPTON URGED THAT TRADE UNIONS BE MOBILIZED AND THAT NO SHIPS SHOULD LOAD OR UNLOAD CARGO FOR GRENADA UNTIL THE SITUATION THERE WAS STABILIZED.
3. COMPTON SAID HE WAS WORKING TO HAVE CARICOM HEADS OF GOVERNMENT MEET THIS WEEKEND. HE CONCLUDED THAT THE VERY BRUTAL POLITICAL GROUP IN CONTROL IN GRENADA SHOULD NOT BE PERMITTED TO IMPOSE THEMSELVES ON THE PEOPLE OF THAT COUNTRY.

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RUEHKG/AMEMBASSY KINGSTON IMMEDIATE 285
RUEHSP/AMEMBASSY PORT OF SPAIN IMMEDIATE 114
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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ BELIZE 3274

E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR

TAGS: PREL, BH

SUBJECT: EMERGENCY CARICOM MEETING ON GRENADA

1. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ - ENTIRE TEXT
2. PRIME MINISTER PRICE INFORMED ME THIS AFTERNOON OCTOBER 20 THAT GOTT, AS CURRENT CARICOM CHAIRMAN, HAS INVITED CARICOM MEMBERS TO AN EMERGENCY MEETING TO CONSIDER GRENADA DEVELOPMENTS. MEETING IS TO BE HELD SATURDAY EVENING (OCTOBER 22). PRICE SAID HE WILL ATTEND. BARNEBEY

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ BRIDGETOWN 06445
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UNCLAS ANTIGUA 868

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PREL GJ AC

(BRIDGETOWN MCN 1655)

SUBJ: PRESS RELEASE BY GOVERNMENT OF ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA ON GRENADA
1. ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA DISTRIBUTED PRESS RELEASE OCTOBER 20,
TEXT OF WHICH IS AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA
TODAY ISSUED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT FROM THE DEPUTY PRIME
MINISTER AND FOREIGN MINISTER, HON. LESTER BIRD:

I WAS HORRIFIED TO LEARN OF THE LOSS OF LIFE DURING RECENT
EVENTS IN GRENADA. THESE NEW DEVELOPMENTS HAVE ADDED TO THE
DIFFICULT CONDITIONS WHICH GRENADA AND THE GRENADIAN PEOPLE
HAVE EXPERIENCED FOR CLOSE TO A DECADE.

IN RESPONDING TO THE TROUBLING CIRCUMSTANCES OF GRENADA IT
IS IMPORTANT, IN THE INTEREST OF THE CARIBBEAN PEOPLE,

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INCLUDING THE GRENADIANS, THAT CARIBBEAN GOVERNMENTS SHOULD
CONSULT EACH OTHER AND ARRIVE AT DECISIONS BASED ON SOBER
DISCUSSION.

IN THIS CONTEXT AS CHAIRMAN OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF
FOREIGN MINISTERS OF CARICOM COUNTRIES, I HAVE INSTRUCTED
THE CARICOM SECRETARIAT TO ARRANGE AN URGENT MEETING OF
FOREIGN MINISTERS OF MEMBER-STATES TO BE HELD HERE IN
ANTIGUA OR BARBADOS.

END QUOTE.

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TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 6978
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E.O. 11652: DECL: OADR
TAGS: PINS PGOV SC AC GJ
(BRIDGETOWN MCN 1651)

SUBJECT: OPPOSITION ELEMENTS IN ANTIGUA/BARBUDA AND IN ST. CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS CONDEMN GRENADA VIOLENCE, CALL FOR STRONG CARIBBEAN/USG ACTION

1. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. OPPOSITION POLITICAL LEADERS IN ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA AND IN ST. CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS, IN CONVERSATIONS WITH EMBOFF, HAVE CONDEMNED THE ACTIONS OF THE COARD-LED FACTION OF THE NJM WHICH RESULTED IN THE DEATHS OF GRENADA PM MAURICE BISHOP AND THREE OTHER CABINET OFFICIALS OCTOBER 19.

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MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

3. LEFTIST ANTIGUA CARIBBEAN LIBERATION MOVEMENT (ACLM) CHIEF TIM HECTOR DESCRIBED BISHOPS'S DEATH AS "WANTON POLITICAL VIOLENCE OF A TRULY HEINOUS SORT." HE ADDED THAT COARD AND PAGE 02 RUCBSGG1105 ~~C O N F I D E N T I A L~~ ANTIGUA 864 AUSTIN HAVE SHOWN THEMSELVES TO BE "BRUTAL, CONSCIENCE-LESS MURDERERS, WITH AN INSATIABLE CRAVING FOR POWER." HECTOR STATED THAT THE ENTIRE CARIBBEAN SHOULD SPEAK WITH ONE VOICE IN ITS CONDEMNATION OF EVENTS IN GRENADA.

4. AN ANTIGUAN MODERATE, PROGRESSIVE LABOR MOVEMENT (PLM) LEADER ROBERT HALL -- A ONETIME BISHOP SUPPORTER -- DEPLORED THE VIOLENCE AND DEATHS AND SAID THAT "REALLY, ONE CANNOT BE SURPRISED BY THE RESULTS BECAUSE THIS IS WHAT TOTALITARIANISM BRINGS ABOUT."

5. LEADERS OF THE OPPOSITION IN THE NEWLY INDEPENDENT NATION OF ST. CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS WERE ALSO UNIFORM IN THEIR CENSURE OF COARD AND AUSTIN. LABOR PARTY (LP) VICE CHAIRMAN FITZROY BRYANT CALLED ON THE FREE COUNTRIES OF THE CARIBBEAN TO ISSUE AN UNEQUIVOCAL STATEMENT OF "UTTER CONTEMPT" DMR THE "BLOODTHIRSTY CABAL NOW IN POWER IN GRENADA." BRYANT SAID THAT "DIRECT USG INTERVENTION WOULD NOT BE TOO STRONG A REACTION," ADDING THAT "IN FACT, IT WOULD PROBABLY BE WELCOMED." LP CHAIRMAN LEE MOORE STOPPED SHORT OF CALLING FOR DIRECT USG INVOLVEMENT BUT SAID NEVERTHELESS, "SOMETHING MUST BE DONE TO BRING THOSE CRIMINALS TO JUSTICE."

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6. NOTE: OPINIONS OF GOVERNMENT LEADERS ON SITUATION IN GRENADA TO BE COVERED SEPTELS.

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E.O. 11652: DECL: OADR
TAGS: PREL GJ AC
(BRIDGETOWN MCN 1653)

SUBJ: GRENADA: GOVERNMENT OF ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA DECRIES SITUATION
AND REFUSES TO SIT WITH GRENADIAN REPRESENTATIVES

1. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. SUMMARY: LESTER BIRD, FOREIGN MINISTER OF ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA, TOLD EMBOFF THAT THE GOAB DECRIES THE EVENTS TAKING PLACE IN GRENADA, BUT THIS SITUATION WAS INEVITABLE IN THE ABSENCE OF A FREE AND FAIR ELECTORAL PROCESS FOR PEACEFUL CHANGE OF POWER. FM BIRD, WHO IS CHAIRMAN OF THE CARICOM STANDING FOREIGN MINISTERS COMMITTEE, SAID THAT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THAT

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MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

COMMITTEE HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 22. THE MEETING, TO BE HELD EITHER IN ANTIGUA OR BARBADOS, HAS BEEN CALLED IN ORDER TO ISSUE A JOINT CARICOM STATEMENT THAT NO REPEAT NO PAGE 02 RUCBSGG1139 ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ ANTIGUA 866 REPRESENTATIVE FROM GRENADA WOULD BE ACCEPTED BY ANY CARICOM MEMBER OR COMMITTEE. AS A MEMBER OF THE OECS, GRENADA SHARES IN THE SAME EASTERN CARIBBEAN CURRENCY SYSTEM WITH ANTIGUA. THE GOAB PROPOSES TO DENY GRENADA ANY BANKING FACILITIES AND THEREBY FREEZE THEIR ENTIRE MONETARY SYSTEM. BIRD SAID THAT THE USG SHOULD NOT STAND IDLY BY, BUT CAUTIONED THE USG TO BRACE FOR ANTI-U.S. RHETORIC AFTER THE DUST SETTLES. END SUMMARY.

3. LESTER BIRD, DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND FOREIGN MINISTER OF ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA, CRITICIZED AT LENGTH THE EVENTS IN GRENADA DURING A CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF OCTOBER 20. HE CRITICIZED BARBADOS PRIME MINISTER ADAMS' EARLIER CALL FOR THE RELEASE OF MAURICE BISHOP. BIRD SAID THAT THE APPROACH TENDED TO LEGITIMATE THE OLD BISHOP REGIME AND THAT THE CALL SHOULD HAVE BEEN FOR THE RELEASE OF "ALL" POLITICAL DETAINEES. FOLLOWING THE NEWS OF THE DEATH OF BISHOP AND SEVERAL OF HIS MINISTERS, BIRD SAID THAT THIS EVENT WAS INEVITABLE IN THE ABSENCE OF AN ELECTORAL MECHANISM FOR PEACEFUL CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT.

4. BIRD TOLD THE EMBOFF THAT HE HAD BEEN IN CONTACT WITH OTHER CARIBBEAN LEADERS THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT, OCTOBER 19-20. PAGE 03 RUCBSGG1139 ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ ANTIGUA 866 THE CONSENSUS WAS THAT GRENADA MUST NOT BE ALLOWED TO REMAIN IN CARICOM ANY LONGER. WHEN BISHOP AND THE NJM TOOK OVER IN GRENADA FOUR YEARS AGO, THE SAME EXPULSION PLAN WAS SET FORTH. BUT THERE IS NO MECHANISM FOR EXPULSION OF A CARICOM MEMBER STATE AND BISHOP ARGUED THAT THE STATE, NOT THE POLITICAL LEADERS, HAD A CLAIM TO A SEAT AT CARICOM MEETINGS. BIRD POINTED OUT THAT IT WAS DOMINICA AND BARBADOS THAT WEAKENED AND EVENTUALLY BISHOP AND GRENADA WERE WELCOMED BACK INTO THE FOLD. BIRD SAID THIS TIME IT WILL BE DIFFERENT. THE EXISTENCE OF A "MILITARY JUNTA" IN THE CARIBBEAN COULD NOT BE TOLERATED. EVEN IF IT MEANS THE BREAKUP OF CARICOM, GRENADA MUST BE EXCLUDED.

5. ACCORDING TO BIRD, THE CARICOM STATES HAVE ALREADY AGREED TO AN EMERGENCY FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING, SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 22, EITHER IN ANTIGUA OR BARBADOS. BIRD SAID THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTERS COMMITTEE WILL ISSUE A STATEMENT EFFECTIVELY EXCLUDING GRENADIAN PARTICIPATION IN CARICOM.

6. AS A MEMBER OF THE OECS, BIRD SAID, THE GOAB WILL PUSH FOR CURTAILMENT OF GRENADA'S PRIVILEGES IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN CURRENCY SYSTEM. BIRD SAID THAT THIS ACTION WOULD FREEZE PAGE 04 RUCBSGG1139 ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ ANTIGUA 866

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GRENADA'S MONETARY SYSTEM. BIRD SAID THAT THIS TACTIC WAS ALSO USED FOUR YEARS AGO WHEN THE NJM TOOK OVER THE GOG. THE OBVIOUS SHIFT TO THE EXTREME LEFT AND THE BARBARIC ACTIVITIES REPORTEDLY TAKING PLACE, CREATED AN ATMOSPHERE WHICH MADE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE GOAB TO MAINTAIN BUSINESS AS USUAL. 7. FM BIRD SAID THAT THE GOAB LOOKED WITH INTEREST AND CONCERN REGARDING POSSIBLE USG REACTION TO EVENTS IN GRENADA. BIRD SAID HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD SUPPORT ANY CONSTRUCTIVE APPROACH TO THE PROBLEM. BUT IN ASKING WHAT THE USG WOULD DO TO PROTECT U.S. CITIZENS AS WELL AS STABILITY IN THE REGION, HE CAUTIONED THE USG TO BRACE ITSELF FOR RHETORIC CRITICIZING ANY USG ACTION OR NON-ACTION. BIRD'S FEAR OF SITUATION'S IMPACT ON ANTIGUA TO BE REPORTED SEPTEL. MCFARLAND UNQTE BISH

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(BRIDGETOWN MCN 1654)

SUBJ: DPM OF ST. CHRISTOPHER/NEVIS CALLS FOR DIRECT USG INTERVENTION
IN GRENADA

1. (~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.)
2. GOSCN ACTING PM/DPM MICHAEL O. POWELL STATED TO EMBOFF 20 OCT. THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD SUPPORT DIRECT USG INVOLVEMENT IN GRENADA "IF IT CAME TO THAT." NOTE: PM KENNEDY SIMMONDS RETURNS TO ST. CHRISTOPHER/NEVIS TODAY FROM A TRIP TO THE FAR EAST. END NOTE. POWELL SAID THAT U.S. MILITARY INTERVENTION IN GRENADA IS "NOT ONLY ACCEPTABLE TO MY GOVERNMENT, BUT IS ABSOLUTELY THE ONLY WAY TO PUT THE SITUATION RIGHT."
3. IN ARGUING FOR U.S. MILITARY ACTION -- A POSITION POWELL

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CLAIMS PM SIMMONDS "DEFINITELY SUPPORTS" -- HE DESCRIBED
GRENADA'S NEW LEADERSHIP AS "COLD-BLOODED KILLERS AND POWER-
MAD MANIACS"...."COARD," POWELL SAID, "IS A MAD MAN WHO
WILL NOW USE GRENADA AS THE LIBYA OF THE CARIBBEAN."
POWELL BASED HIS OPINION ON PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE SAYING
"IF YOU SLIT BERNARD'S (COARD) WRISTS HE'D BLEED ICE WATER."
4. "THERE IS NOT DOUBT IN MY MIND," POWELL CONTINUED, "THAT
WHAT TOOK PLACE IN GRENADA WAS ORCHESTRATED FROM FAR AFIELD."
HE WARNED THAT COARD AND AUSTIN "POSE A THREAT TO EVERY
COUNTRY IN THE (ENGLISH-SPEAKING) CARIBBEAN."
5. POWELL DISCLOSED THAT AN EMERGENCY CABINET MEETING WAS
SCHEDULED FOR 1400 ON OCTOBER 20, IMMEDIATELY UPON THE RETURN
OF PM SIMMONDS. HE SAID GRENADA WOULD BE THE SOLE ITEM ON THE
AGENDA AND THAT AN OFFICIAL GOSCN POSITION WOULD BE FORMULATED
THEN. NEVERTHELESS, IN THE ABSENCE OF AN OFFICIAL POSITION,
POWELL DECLARED GOSCN SUPPORT FOR ANY JOINT CARICOM-USG
ACTION, SAYING HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD ATTEND AN EMERGENCY MEETING
OF CARICOM FONMINS "WHENEVER AND WHEREVER IT IS HELD."
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SUBJECT: GRENADA: MEETING WITH DR. FRANCIS ALEXIS,
 LEADER IN THE GRENADA DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENT

REF: BRIDGETOWN 6431

1. ~~(S)~~ - ENTIRE TEXT).

2. SUMMARY: DR. FRANCIS ALEXIS, DE FACTO LEADER OF THE
 GRENADA DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENT (GDM), WHICH APPEARS TO BE
 THE STRONGEST AND MOST COHESIVE GROUPING OF ANTI-GAIRY-
 BISHOP-COARD GRENADIANS OVERSEAS, HAS ASKED FOR U.S.
 MILITARY INTERVENTION TO ELIMINATE THE CURRENT
 "REVOLUTIONARY MILITARY COUNCIL"-LED REGIME IN GRENADA.
 ALEXIS IS ENROUTE TO TRINIDAD FOR A CAUCUS OF THE GDM'S
 MOST ACTIVE MEMBERS. HE MAY BE IN TOUCH WITH EMBASSY
 PORT OF SPAIN WHILE THERE OR MAY WAIT UNTIL HIS RETURN TO
 BARBADOS NEXT WEEK. BARBADOS PM ADAMS HAD URGED HIM TO
 COME TO SEE US AND MAKE THE REQUEST. PERHAPS BECAUSE OF
 HIS TALK WITH ADAMS, ALEXIS IS OPTIMISTIC THAT THE USG
 WILL ACT. HE MADE A RATIONAL CASE FOR ELIMINATING THE
 CURRENT REGIME BEFORE IT GETS TOO ENTRENCHED OR PEOPLE GET
 USED TO IT. HE AND THE BRITISH REPORT POSSIBLE KILLINGS
 OF DETAINEES AT RICHMOND HILL PRISON. WE BELIEVE THE GDM
 MAY BE A SOURCE OF POSSIBLE FUTURE INTERIM LEADERSHIP
 UNTIL THE PEOPLE OF GRENADA HAVE A CHANCE TO DECIDE THEIR
 DESTINY FREELY. END SUMMARY.

3. ON THE AFTERNOON OF OCTOBER 20, 1983, DR. FRANCIS
 ALEXIS CALLED ON THE DCM AND POLITICAL SECTION. DR.
 ALEXIS HAD BEEN URGED TO MAKE REPRESENTATIONS TO THE U.S.
 EMBASSY BY BARBADIAN PRIME MINISTER ADAMS. PM ADAMS HAD
 ALSO POINTED OUT TO DR. ALEXIS THAT IF THERE WAS TO BE
 INTERVENTION IN GRENADA IT WOULD HAVE TO COME MAINLY

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FROM OUTSIDE THE CARIBBEAN AREA AND THAT SOME ORGANIZATION OF GRENADIANS WOULD HAVE TO PUBLICLY REQUEST SUCH OUTSIDE INTERVENTION IF THERE WAS TO BE ANY CHANCE TO OUST THE CURRENT REGIME.

4. DR. ALEXIS STATED THAT WHILE THE GDM WAS LOOKING FOR OUTSIDE INTERVENTION TO REMOVE THE CURRENT REGIME, THEY WOULD NEVER CONSIDER A RETURN TO THE GAIRY GOVERNMENT. HE WAS CLEAR THAT THIS WOULD NOT BE USED AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO RETURN GAIRY TO POWER. HE THEN STATED THAT HE HAD ISSUED A PRESS RELEASE, WITH GDM COUNCIL APPROVAL, WHICH ANNOUNCED HIM AS THE PRESIDENT OF THE GDM AND WHICH INCLUDED A PARAGRAPH CALLING FOR INTERVENTION IN THE SITUATION IN GRENADA WHICH THEY BELIEVED WOULD SATISFY PM ADAMS' SUGGESTIONS. HE PROMISED THE GDM WOULD NOT ALLOW THE USG TO BE THE SCAPEGOAT SHOULD ANYTHING GO WRONG IN AN ULTIMATE INTERVENTION ACTION.

5. AS PROBABLY ALREADY EXPLAINED TO ARA/CAR BY WASHINGTON BASED MEMBERS, ALEXIS CHARACTERIZED THE GDM AS BASED ON 100 ACTIVE, DEDICATED MEMBERS, ALONG WITH SCORES OF OTHERS. THE STRONGEST CHAPTERS BEING IN WASHINGTON, NEW YORK CITY, AND PORT OF SPAIN. ABOUT 25 OF THE ACTIVISTS ARE IN PORT OF SPAIN AND BRIDGETOWN. HE CHARACTERIZED OTHER GROUPS, SUCH AS THOSE EARLIER URGING PM ADAMS TO INTERVENE, AS "MAKESHIFT" GROUPS WITH NO REAL FOLLOWING IN GRENADA. AMONG THE DETAINEES IN GRENADA, ALEXIS CITED WINSTON WHYTE, LLOYD NOEL, TILLMAN THOMAS AND LESLIE PIERRE AS POTENTIAL MEMBERS OF A GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL RECONCILIATION. (NOTED IN GDM FACT SHEETS ALREADY DISTRIBUTED.) ALEXIS FEARS THERE HAVE BEEN KILLINGS OF DETAINEES, A REPORT WE ALSO HAD TODAY FROM THE BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION -- THE WIFE OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVE IN ST. GEORGE'S THOUGHT SHE HEARD GUNSHOTS AT RICHMOND HILL PRISON EARLIER TODAY.

6. ALEXIS SAID RELATIONS OF THE GDM WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO HAD IMPROVED OVERNIGHT SINCE THE COARD POWER GRAB IN GRENADA. HE WAS SURE T AND T WOULD HELP THE MOVEMENT NOW. STILL, HE INSISTED THE GDM HAD CONCLUDED THERE WAS "NO CARIBBEAN FORCE" POWERFUL ENOUGH TO DISLodge THE REGIME IN ST. GEORGE'S, HENCE A FERVENT APPEAL TO THE U.S. IN THIS TIME OF NEED.

7. SECURITY: ALEXIS SAID HE AND DR. REYNOLD BENJAMIN IN TRINIDAD HAD TAKEN CERTAIN SECURITY PRECAUTIONS. HE SAID GRENADA HAS "HIT MEN" IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN WHO ARE NOT TO BE TAKEN LIGHTLY. HE THEN OUTLINED A DISTURBING REPORT: SOMEONE PHONED PM ADAMS' MOTHER, LADY ADAMS,

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TO SAY THERE WOULD BE TROUBLE FOR HER AND HER FAMILY IF
BARBADOS INTERVENED IN GRENADA.

8. DR. ALEXIS IS DEPARTING FOR PORT OF SPAIN AT NOON ON

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SUBJECT: GRENADA: MEETING WITH DR. FRANCIS ALEXIS, 21 OCTOBER. HE WAS PROVIDED THE NAME AND PHONE NUMBER OF THE DCM IN PORT OF SPAIN AND ENCOURAGED TO CALL HIM IF DEVELOPMENTS WARRANT. HE WAS TOLD BY US THAT THE USG WAS CONSIDERING THE SITUATION IN GRENADA; THAT THE USG HAD TO TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE SAFETY OF THE 1,000 AMERICANS IN GRENADA; AND THAT WE WOULD BE IN TOUCH IF WE HAD ANY WORD FOR HIM.

9. AFTER TRINIDAD, ALEXIS AND SOME LEADERS PLAN TO FAN OUT AND COVER OTHER GDM CHAPTERS AND CANVASS MORE SUPPORT FROM LEADERS. HE HIMSELF PLANS TO GO TO JAMAICA VIA BARBADOS.

10. FULL TEXT OF GDM STATEMENT FOLLOWS IN SEPTEL. REFTEL (BRIDGETOWN 6431) CARRIES EARLIER GDM STATEMENT.

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