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O 211111Z JAN 85  
FM AMEMBASSY COLOMBO  
TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 8787  
INFO RUMJDK/AMEMBASSY DHAKA 3316  
RUEHIL/AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD 3817  
RUMJHT/AMEMBASSY KATHMANDU 4071  
RUEHNE/AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI 3081  
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RUEHLD/AMEMBASSY LONDON 2821  
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RUEHMR/AMCONSUL MADRAS 3222  
RUHQHQA/USCINCPAC HONOLULU HI  
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CINCPAC FOR POLAD

E.O. 12356: N/A  
TAGS: PGOV, PINS, PTER, CE  
SUBJECT: (U) TERRORIST ATTACK ON TRAIN LEAVES AT

AS "BIG ENOUGH TO HOLD THREE ELEPHANTS." EVEN ONCE THE DEBRIS IS CLEARED AND THE TRACK REPAIRED, GSL AUTHORITIES MAY BE RELUCTANT TO RUN TRAINS ON A REGULAR BASIS TO THE JAFFNA PENINSULA, SINCE MINING THIS SOLE RAIL LINK TO THE NORTH HAS BECOME A FAVORITE TERRORIST TACTIC IN RECENT MONTHS. A GSL STATEMENT ISSUED AFTER THE ATTACK ON THE "YAL DEVI" SAID THAT HENCEFORTH IT WILL BE "VERY DIFFICULT FOR THE GOVERNMENT TO SEND ESSENTIAL FOOD AND FUEL TO JAFFNA." (WE RECALL THAT WHEN TERRORISTS ATTACKED AND BURNED THE COACHES OF THE "YAL DEVI" IN EARLY JULY 1983, GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES SUSPENDED RAIL SERVICE TO JAFFNA FOR SEVERAL WEEKS, CAUSING SEVERE FOOD AND FUEL SHORTAGES.)

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## MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

6. NOTWITHSTANDING THE DESTRUCTION OF THE TRAIN OVER THE WEEKEND, COLOMBO APPEARS TO BE OUTWARDLY "NORMAL." HOWEVER, WE ARE GETTING INDICATIONS THAT TENSIONS ARE RISING IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE HIGHEST LOSS OF LIFE SUSTAINED BY ARMY PERSONNEL IN A SINGLE INCIDENT SINCE THE JULY 23, 1983 AMBUSH OF AN ARMY PATROL OUTSIDE JAFFNA IN WHICH 13 SOLDIERS DIED--THE INCIDENT WHICH TOUCHED OFF SRI LANKA'S WORST SPASM OF COMMUNAL VIOLENCE.

7. COMMENT: WHICHEVER GROUP MAY HAVE BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LANDMINE ATTACK ON THE TRAIN, THE NORTHERN TERRORISTS HAVE ONCE AGAIN DEMONSTRATED THEIR ABILITY TO STRIKE WITHOUT WARNING AT SECURITY FORCES--WITH DEADLY EFFECT (WHENEVER AND WHEREVER THEY CHOOSE). THEY ARE ABLE TO DO SO EVEN IN AREAS AT SOME REMOVE FROM THEIR MAIN BASE OF STRENGTH ON THE JAFFNA PENINSULA, AS IN THIS INSTANCE. AN ATTACK OF THIS KIND SEEMED ALMOST OVERDUE, PARTICULARLY IN THE WAKE OF THE MAJOR SUCCESS OF THE GOVERNMENT WHEN ITS SECURITY FORCES OVERRAN A MAJOR LTTE BASE OUTSIDE OF JAFFNA ON JANUARY 9. IN THAT INCIDENT THE GSL CLAIMED TO HAVE KILLED ELEVEN "HARDCORE" TERRORISTS AND TO HAVE RECOVERED A MASSIVE ARSENAL OF WEAPONS. (SOME OF THESE WEAPONS, INCLUDING M-16 RIFLES AND ROCKET-PROPELLED GRENADES, WERE DISPLAYED TO NEWSMEN AT THE DEFENSE MINISTRY LAST FRIDAY.) TYPICALLY, THE TERRORISTS, FOLLOWING A SETBACK, LAUNCH A MAJOR RIPOSTE AGAINST SECURITY FORCES. INDEED, THE JULY 1983 AMBUSH OF THE ARMY PATROL WAS WIDELY SEEN HERE AT THE TIME AS BEING IN RETALIATION FOR THE KILLING BY TROOPS OF "TIGER" LEADER "SEELAN" JUST FIVE DAYS EARLIER. WHETHER THE DESTRUCTION OF THE "YAL DEVI" JANUARY 19 WILL PRODUCE A BLOODY UNFOLDING OF EVENTS SIMILAR TO JULY 1983 REMAINS TO BE SEEN, BUT MANY HERE ARE UNDOUBTEDLY KEEPING THEIR FINGERS CROSSED.

8. THE "YAL DEVI" INCIDENT ALSO UNDERMINES THE CREDIBILITY OF GSL CLAIMS OF LATE THAT IT IS TURNING THE TIDE AGAINST NORTHERN TERRORISM. WE DOUBT THAT THE SHOCK EFFECT IN THIS INSTANCE WILL BE SUFFICIENT TO PROVOKE A MAJOR REASSESSMENT OF THE CURRENT POLICY WHICH AIMS AT ELIMINATING TERRORISM BEFORE RESUMPTION OF EFFORTS AIMED AT A POLITICAL SETTLEMENT OF COMMUNAL DIFFERENCES. HOWEVER, IF EVIDENCE

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MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:  
WAS NEEDED THAT A MILITARY SOLUTION IS NOT FEASIBLE,  
THIS INCIDENT PROVIDES IT. REED  
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FM JCS WASHINGTON DC  
INFO RUEADWW/NSC WASHINGTON DC  
RUEADWD/OCSA WASHINGTON DC  
RUENAAA/CNO WASHINGTON DC  
RUEAHQA/CSAF WASHINGTON DC  
RUERAAA/ANMCC FT RITCHIE MD  
RUEADWD/PTC WASH DC  
RUSNNOA/USCINCEUR VAHINGEN GE  
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RUEAMCC/CMC CC WASHINGTON DC  
RUEOFAA/COMJSOC FT BRAGG NC//J2//  
RUCJAAA/USCINCRED MACDILL AFB FL  
RUCIFBA/MAC INTEL CEN SCOTT AFB IL//INW/INZ//  
RUEABOL/HQ AFOSI BOLLING AFB DC  
RUDHAAB/CDRUSAITAC ARLINGTON HALL STATION VA  
RUEALGX/SAFE  
P R 211420Z JAN 85  
FM AMCONSUL HAMBURG  
TO RUFHOL/AMEMBASSY BONN PRIORITY 8291  
INFO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC 0448  
RUEHIA/USIA WASHDC 0348  
RUFHJA/USMISSION USBERLIN 2262  
RUFHFT/AMCONSUL FRANKFURT 5442  
RUFHMU/AMCONSUL MUNICH 2283  
RUFHSG/AMCONSUL STUTTGART 1903  
RUFHDU/AMCONSUL DUESSELDORF 1674  
BT  
UNCLAS HAMBURG 0121

E.O. 12356: N/A  
TAGS: ASEC  
SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATION IN HAMBURG BY RAF SUPPORTERS

REF: HAMBURG 0109

1. A DEMONSTRATION BY RAF SUPPORTERS TOOK PLACE AS PLANNED ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 19. BECAUSE OF STRICT POLICE CONTROLS BY SOME 400 POLICEMEN, THE DEMONSTRATORS BECAME DISCOURAGED AND DIS-

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## MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

PERSED WHEN THEY REACHED THE DOWNTOWN AREA. MANY HAD THEIR FACES COVERED.

2. A MINOR SCUFFLE BROKE OUT AS A FEW OF THE DEMONSTRATORS REACHED THE DAMMTOR STATION AREA, RESULTING IN TWO POLICEMEN BEING SLIGHTLY ROUGHED UP, BUT NO ARRESTS (CONTRARY TO PRESS REPORTS) WERE MADE.

3. THERE WERE DOGS AND HANDLERS STATIONED AT THE CONSULATE, AMERIKA HAUS AND THE RESIDENCE AND NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED AT ANY OF THESE LOCATIONS. MOUSER

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FM AMEMBASSY VALLETTA  
TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 6091  
INFO RUEHEG/AMEMBASSY CAIRO IMMEDIATE 0361  
RUEHRO/AMEMBASSY ROME IMMEDIATE 5184  
RUEHTV/AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV IMMEDIATE 0254  
RUEHTU/AMEMBASSY TUNIS IMMEDIATE 0743

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~~SECRET~~ VALLETTA 00152

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E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR  
TAGS : ASEC, MT  
SUBJECT : SECURITY THREAT ALERT: POSSIBLE TERRORIST  
THREAT TO EMBASSY

REF: (A) VALLETTA 00126, (B) ROME 1601

1. ~~SECRET~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. THIS TELEGRAM IS JOINT MESSAGE FROM EMBASSY VALLETTA AND ARSO HUSH, CURRENTLY PRESENT IN VALLETTA.
3. SUMMARY:  
POST IS PROCEEDING TO INVESTIGATE THREAT INFORMATION REPORTED IN REFTEL. SOME PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE; HOWEVER, THIRD PARTY REPORTING TO POST OFFICIALS INHIBITS TIMELY RECEIPT OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. MALTESE FOREIGN MINISTRY AND GOM POLICE HAVE BEEN CONTACTED AND ADDITIONAL POLICE PROTECTION REQUESTED. TO DATE, ACM AND COM RESIDENCES HAVE POLICE STATIONED OUTSIDE DURING NIGHT TIME HOURS ONLY. ENHANCED GOM POLICE COVERAGE AT EMBASSY VALLETTA HAS TAKEN THE FORM OF INCREASED ROVING PATROLS.
4. SINCE TRANSMITTAL OF REF A, FOLLOWING ACTIONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN IN RESPONSE TO POSSIBLE SHIITE THREAT:
  - A. 1/18 -- CHARGE CONFERRED WITH EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR AHMED

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MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

ALI AMR. AMB STATED HE KNEW NOTHING ABOUT A POSSIBLE SHI-  
ITE THREAT, BUT WOULD CHECK INTO THE MATTER AND GET BACK  
TO US AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. (NO REPLY TO DATE.)

B. 1/18 -- DCM SPOKE WITH ISRAELI CHARGE ESTHER MILLO AND  
HER SECURITY CHIEF. LATTER SUGGESTED THAT TUNISIAN SECURI-  
TY SERVICES WERE POSSIBLE SOURCE FOR RUDANT INFORMA-  
TION AND THAT THREAT SHOULD BE "TAKEN SERIOUSLY".

C. 1/18 -- CHARGE CONFERRED WITH TUNISIAN AMBASSADOR  
NOUREDDINE FENNICHE, WHO PROFESSED TO HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE OF  
THE MATTER, BUT WHO DID MENTION "RUMORS" OF "EARLY JANUARY"  
ARRIVAL OF "SOME LIBYANS" IN MALTA. ACCORDING TO FENNICHE,  
LIBYANS COULD BE CHECKING INTO ACTIVITIES OF LIBYAN RESI-  
DENTS IN MALTA. HOWEVER, CHARGE HAD DISTINCT IMPRESSION  
THAT TUNISIAN AMBASSADOR WAS NOT BEING COMPLETELY CANDID.

[REDACTED]

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E. 1/18 -- CHARGE MET WITH AMBASSADOR EVARIST SALIBA AT  
FOREIGN MINISTRY, OUTLINED THREAT IN GENERAL TERMS, AND  
ASKED FOR POLICE PROTECTION FOR CHANCERY AND RESIDENCE.  
SALIBA SAID HE WOULD LOOK INTO MATTER.

F. 1/19 -- CHARGE MET WITH POLICE (INSPECTOR STUBBINGS)  
WHO SAID POLICE PATROLS IN VICINITY OF CHANCERY WERE BEING  
INCREASED WHILE POLICE GUARDS WERE BEING PLACED AT  
AMBASSADOR AND DCM RESIDENCES AT NIGHT FOR THE "NEXT FEW  
DAYS".

G. 1/21 -- ISRAELI CHARGE MILLO INFORMED DCM THAT TEL  
AVIV HAD NO INFORMATION ON SHIITE GROUP IN MALTA.

H. 1/21 -- ARSO HUSH MET WITH RUDANT WHO REITERATED IN-  
FORMATION CONTAINED IN REFTEL. RUDANT READ THE INFORMA-  
TION TO ARSO HUSH FROM A XEROX COPY OF NARRATIVE WRITTEN  
IN FRENCH.

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AND RESTATED THE  
ABOVE SOURCE DESCRIPTION, STATING THAT HE COULD NOT DIVULGE  
IDENTITY. AT THIS MEETING, RUDANT WAS UNABLE TO PROVIDE  
ANY ADDITIONAL SPECIFIC INFORMATION CONCERNING THE THREAT.

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MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

COMPOSITION OF THE GROUP, CURRENT LOCATION IN MALTA, ETC.  
RUDANT AGREED TO RECONTACT HIS SOURCE FOR ANY ADDITIONAL  
INFORMATION.

1. 1/22 -- RUDANT TELEPHONED ARSO HUSH AND ADVISED THAT  
HIS SOURCE HAD JUST RETURNED TO MALTA THIS DATE AND THAT  
THE SOURCE HAD A SUB-SOURCE WHO HAD ACCESS TO MORE SPECIFIC  
INFORMATION. RUDANT ADVISED HUSH THAT HIS SOURCE WOULD  
RECONTACT THE SUB-SOURCE DURING THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 23-  
24 IN ORDER TO REQUEST ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

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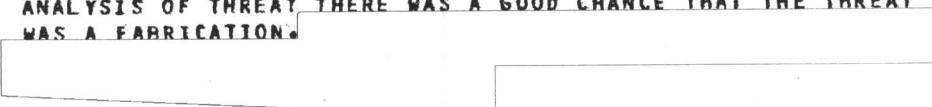
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REF: A) BRUSSELS 00965 B) BRUSSELS 00966

1. SECRET - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. RSO MET JANUARY 22 WITH GENDARMERIE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF EMBASSY PROTECTIVE OPERATIONS MOUNTED AS A RESULT OF THREAT REPORTED REFEELS. THE OFFICER ADVISED THAT EMBASSY PROTECTION WOULD BE REDUCED TO FORTY MINUTES PER HOUR UNTIL THURSDAY EVENING 24 JANUARY WHEN GENDARME-RIE WOULD REVERT BACK TO FULL HOUR COVERAGE AT STATIC POSTS UNTIL THE MORNING OF SATURDAY, JANUARY 26.

3. THE OFFICER COMMENTED THAT AS A RESULT OF FULL GOB ANALYSIS OF THREAT THERE WAS A GOOD CHANCE THAT THE THREAT WAS A FABRICATION.



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4. POST WILL MAINTAIN ALERT WHICH INCLUDES EARGH FILLED DUMPSTER BARRICADES AND RENTAL TRUCKS IN PROTECTIVE POSI-TIONS UNTIL SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 26Y. SWAEBE

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POSSIBLE TERRORIST THREAT TO EMBASSY VALLETTA

REF: (A) VALLETTA 052, (B) VALLETTA 0126

1. SECRET - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. ARSO HUSH MET WITH JACQUES RUDANT, FRENCH EMBASSY  
COMMERCIAL ATTACHE, THIS AFTERNOON AT 1500 HRS. RUDANT  
RELATED THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING  
THREAT TO EMBASSY VALLETTA:

- A. HE IDENTIFIED THE SUB-SOURCE REFERRED TO IN REF B  
AS A MEMBER OF THE PLO DELEGATION IN MALTA.

- B. HE REITERATED THAT THE COMPOSITION OF THE GROUP WAS  
UNCERTAIN, HOWEVER, STATED THAT THEY WERE SHIITE AFFILIATED  
AND POSSIBLY LEBANESE NATIONALS. HE STATED THAT HIS SOURCE  
ADVISED THAT THIS GROUP HAD ENTERED MALTA AND SOME MEMBERS

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OF THIS GROUP HAD GONE ON TO EUROPE, POSSIBLY BELGIUM FROM MALTA.

- C. THIS GROUP REPORTEDLY SURVEILLED THE EMBASSY DURING THE LAST TWO WEEKS TIME PERIOD TO DETERMINE FEASIBILITY OF CAR BOMB ATTACK. RUDANT STATED THAT HIS SOURCE ADVISED THAT THE ARCHED/COVERED PEDESTRIAN WALKWAY IN FRONT OF DEVELOPMENT HOUSE (BUILDING IN WHICH THE EMBASSY IS LOCATED) WAS IDENTIFIED AS A PRIMARY POINT OF ATTACK. (THIS WALKWAY IS UNDER EMBASSY EXECUTIVE OFFICES.)

- D. THE RUDANT SOURCE ARTICULATED THAT THE RATIONALE FOR THE POSSIBLE ATTACK WAS IN RETALIATION FOR THE RECENT KILLINGS OF THE TWO PRO-QUADHAFI LIBYAN NATIONALS IN ROME. THE MEMBERS OF THIS GROUP REGARDED THESE KILLINGS AS HAVING BEEN ORCHESTRATED BY THE UNITED STATES.

- E. RUDANT STATED THAT HIS SOURCE WAS UNABLE TO PROVIDE SPECIFIC INFORMATION SUCH AS NUMBERS, IDENTITIES, PASSPORT INFORMATION, ETC. AT THIS TIME. HOWEVER, HE STATED THAT HE WOULD CONTINUE TO PRESS HIS SOURCE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS THREAT.

3. SUBSEQUENT TO THIS MEETING CHARGE HANSEN AND ARSO HUSH MET WITH AMB. EVAREST SALIBA OF GOM FOREIGN MINISTRY AND VINCENT CARMILLERI OF THE FOREIGN MINISTER'S OFFICE. THESE OFFICIALS WERE PROVIDED SANITIZED VERSION OF UPDATED THREAT INFORMATION AND CHARGE HANSEN REITERATED REQUEST FOR IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE IN ENHANCING EMBASSY SECURITY VIS-A-VIS VEHICULAR BARRIERS AND POLICE SUPPORT. AMB. SALIBA ADVISED THAT FOREIGN MINISTER SCEBERRAS TRIGONA HAD TELEPHONED THE POLICE COMMISSIONER CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF INCREASED POLICE SUPPORT IN LIGHT OF THIS THREAT INFORMATION. THE MEETING ENDED WITH AMB. SALIBA PROMISING FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION OF OUR REQUEST FOR SECURITY ASSISTANCE.

4. CHARGE HANSEN AND ARSO HUSH ACCOMPANIED BY MR. CARMILLERI THEN MET WITH GOM POLICE SUPERINTENDENT BONNELLO AND INSPECTOR DAVID STUBBINGS BOTH OF THE CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION. UPDATED THREAT INFORMATION WAS RELAYED TO THE POLICE. SPECIFICALLY, WE REQUESTED THAT THE POLICE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING:

- A. A 24-HOUR POLICE PRESENCE AT THE CHARGE'S RESIDENCE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. THAT THE POLICE PROVIDE

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24-HOUR POLICE PRESENCE AT THE STREET LEVEL ENTRANCE TO EMBASSY VALLETTA. WE REQUESTED TWO OFFICERS IN THE ARCH/COVERED PEDESTRIAN WALKWAY AND AN ADDITIONAL OFFICER TO PATROL THE OTHER THREE STREETS AND SIDE OF THE DEVELOPMENT HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING.

- B. PROVISION OF TWO PUBLIC WORKS OR OTHER LARGE FRAMED TRUCKS CAPABLE OF HOLDING A LARGE QUANTITY OF SAND. THESE TRUCKS WOULD BE PLACED AT EITHER OPEN END OF THE WALKWAY.

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- C. PERMISSION TO PARK PRIVATE VEHICLES DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF THE DEVELOPMENT HOUSE DURING THE EMBASSY OPERATION HOURS. (THIS MEASURE WOULD BLOCK THE REMAINING ARCH OPENING AND RESTRICT VEHICULAR ACCESS TO THE EMBASSY ENTRANCE.)

- D. BLOCK THREE PERIMETER STREETS WHICH ARE ADJACENT TO THE SIDE AND REAR OF THE DEVELOPMENT HOUSE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. (THESE STREETS ARE NARROW AND LIGHTLY TRAVELLED AND IN OUR ESTIMATION DO NOT POSE A MAJOR PROBLEM FOR POLICE CONTROL.) SUPERINTENDENT BONNELLO STATED THAT HE WOULD MEET WITH POLICE COMMISSIONER PULLICINO TONIGHT CONCERNING OUR REQUEST AND WOULD CONTACT US TOMORROW MORNING RELATING THEIR DECISION.



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6. WE WILL WAIT FOR OFFICIAL RESPONSE FROM GOM  
POLICE CONCERNING THE LEVEL OF ENHANCED SECURITY THEY ARE  
WILLING TO PROVIDE. SHOULD THEIR PROVISION OF POLICE  
SUPPORT FALL SHORT OF REQUESTED LEVELS, WE PLAN TO  
SUPPLEMENT WHERE NECESSARY FROM EXISTING RESOURCES TO  
INCLUDE LEASING SAND TRUCKS AND POSITIONING THEM TO  
RESTRICT ACCESS BY VEHICLES TO THE WALKWAY. WILL  
ADVISE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AS IT BECOMES AVAILABLE  
AND WILL CONTINUE TO COORDINATE SECURITY MEASURES WITH  
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