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SUBJECT CATEGORY: ASSASSIN

MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

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PRIORITY

P 311629Z MAR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY GEORGETOWN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 5269

UNCLAS GEORGETOWN 1649

E.O. 120657 NA

TAGS: PEPR, GY

SUBJ: ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT REAGAN

REF: A) STATE 080229

B) STATE 080707

1. GUYANAESE FOREIGN MINISTER RASHLIEGH JACKSON TELEPHONE ME THE EVENING OF MARCH 30 FROM PRESIDENT BURNHAM'S OFFICE. JACKSON SAID THAT HE AND BURNHAM WERE "GLAD THAT HE (PRESIDENT REAGAN) HAS BEEN SPARED. WE WISH WILL WELL."

2. I THANKED JACKSON FOR HIS CALL AND SAID THAT I WOULD PASS HIS AND PRESIDENT BURNHAM'S GOOD WISHES ON TO WASHINGTON RIGHT AWAY.  
ROBERTS

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MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

MESSAGE:

PRIORITY

P 311827Z MAR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 0000

UNCLAS BRUSSELS 04367

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E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: EEC

SUBJ: EC COMMISSION MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT REAGAN  
EC COMMISSION PRESIDENT SENT FOLLOWING TELEGRAM TO  
PRESIDENT REAGAN LAST EVENING (MARCH 30):

"MY COLLEAGUES AND I ARE DEEPLY SHOCKED BY TODAY'S EVENT  
AND ARE RELIEVED TO HEAR THAT YOU HAVE SURVIVED THIS  
GRIEVOUS ATTEMPT ON YOUR LIFE.

"ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES  
I SHOULD LIKE TO EXTEND TO YOU OUR SYMPATHY AND OUR BEST  
WISHES FOR YOUR SPEEDY RECOVERY AND FOR THAT OF THOSE WHO  
WERE INJURED WITH YOU.

"SINCERELY YOURS,

GASTON E. THORN

PRESIDENT OF THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES."

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EURW, WEUR

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MESSAGE:  
IMMEDIATE

O 311844Z MAR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY MONTEVIDEO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 3446

UNCLAS MONTEVIDEO 1067

E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PDIP, UY

SUBJECT: MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT REAGAN FROM URUGUAYAN PRESIDENT  
MENDEZ

FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF TEXT OF TELEGRAM SENT  
TO PRESIDENT REAGAN MARCH 31 FROM URUGUAYAN PRESIDENT APARICIO  
MENDEZ. QUOTE. DEEPLY DISTRESSED BY THE DESPICABLE ATTACK  
AGAINST YOUR PERSON, WHICH VIOLATES THE MOST HIGHLY  
VALUED PRINCIPLES OF HUMANITY, I WISH TO CONVEY TO YOU EX-  
CELLENCY THE EXPRESSIONS OF THE DEEPEST SOLIDARITY OF THE PEOPLE  
AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ORIENTAL REPUBLIC OF URUGUAY,  
TO WHICH I ADD MY OWN, AS WELL AS OUR BEST WISHES FOR YOUR PROMPT  
RECOVERY. I WISH TO REITERATE TO YOUR EXCELLENCY ASSURANCES  
OF MY HIGHEST AND FRATERNAL CONSIDERATION. DOCTOR APARICIO  
MENDEZ, PRESIDENT OF THE ORIENTAL REPUBLIC OF URUGUAY.  
UNQUOTE.  
SMITH

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SUBJECT CATEGORY: ASSASSIN

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MESSAGE:  
PRIORITY

P 311614Z MAR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY ROME

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 0838

UNCLAS ROME 07484

E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PPDC, PDIP

SUBJECT: ITALIAN SENATE PRESIDENT ON ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT REAGAN

REF: ROME 7402

1. ON MARCH 31 ITALIAN SENATE PRESIDENT AND ACTING CHIEF OF STATE AMINTORE FANFANI (PRESIDENT PERTINI IS PRESENTLY OUT OF COUNTRY) CALLED CHARGE TO HIS OFFICE AND, ON BEHALF OF GOI AND ITALIAN PEOPLE, HE DEPLORED ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT ON PRESIDENT REAGAN AND CONVEYED RELIEF AND SATISFACTION OVER PRESIDENT'S SUCCESSFUL SURGERY AND EXCELLENT PROGNOSIS. FANFANI ALSO CONVEYED SORROW FOR CONDITION OF PRESS SPOKESMAN BRADY AND WOUNDED SECURITY PERSONNEL. HE REPEATED SENTIMENTS OF SOLIDARITY AND FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN ITALIAN AND AMERICAN PEOPLES WHICH CONTAINED IN OFFICIAL STATEMENT ISSUED IN HIS CAPACITY AS ACTING CHIEF OF STATE ON EVENING MARCH 30 (SEPTTEL). FANFANI ALSO NOTED USG'S GOOD FORTUNE IN HAVING SUCH AN EXPERIENCED AND QUALIFIED PERSON AS VICE PRESIDENT BUSH TO TAKE OVER SOME OF THE PRESIDENT'S DUTIES DURING HIS RECUPERATION.

2. WE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR FANFANI'S SENTIMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE ITALIAN PEOPLE AND TOLD HIM THESE WOULD BE TRANSMITTED TO WASHINGTON. PAGANELLI

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COL VP  
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SUBJECT CATEGORY: ASSASSIN

MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

MESSAGE:  
PRIORITY

P 311757Z MAR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY BRIDGETOWN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 6409

UNCLAS BRIDGETOWN 1554

E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PPDC, VC

SUBJ: ST. VINCENT MESSAGE RE PRESIDENTIAL ASSASSINATION  
ATTEMPT

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED DIPLOMATIC NOTE DATED MARCH 31  
FROM THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF ST. VINCENT,  
TRANSMITTING THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM THE ACTING PRIME  
MINISTER, HUDSON K. TANNIS.

QUOTE. IT IS WITH CONCERN THAT I EXPRESS ON MY OWN  
BEHALF AND ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF  
ST. VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES OUR PROFOUND REGRETS OVER  
THE SHOOTING OF PRESIDENT REAGAN AND MEMBERS OF HIS PARTY.  
WE SHARE WITH THE AMERICAN PEOPLE THEIR OWN GRAVE CONCERN  
OVER THIS SHOOTING. WE WISH THE PRESIDENT AND EVERYONE  
A SPEEDY RECOVERY AND WOULD WISH THROUGH YOU TO CONVEY  
TO MRS. REAGAN THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF STATE THE SYMPA-  
THETIC CONCERN OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF SAINT  
VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES. UNQUOTE.

2. ADVISE WHETHER DEPARTMENT PLANS TO PROVIDE TEXT FOR  
A REPLY OR WHETHER EMBASSY SHOULD DO SO.  
RANDOLPH

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COL VP  
ARA FARRAR

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SUBJECT CATEGORY: ASSASSIN

MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

MESSAGE:  
IMMEDIATE

O 311717Z MAR 81  
FM USINT HAVANA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4537

UNCLAS HAVANA 2163

E.O. 120657 N/A

TAGS: PPDC SOPN PEPR CU

SUBJ: CUBAN REACTION TO ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT AGAINST PRESIDENT  
REAGAN

REF: HAVANA 2150

1. ONLY HOURS AFTER THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT ON MARCH 30, PRESIDENT CASTRO FORWARDED A MESSAGE EXPRESSING HIS "PROFOUND CONCERN OVER THIS LAMENTABLE ACT OF VIOLENCE AND MOST SINCERE WISHES FOR THE PRESIDENT'S RAPID RECOVERY."

2. USINT HAS RECEIVED NUMEROUS PHONE CALLS FROM OTHER CUBAN OFFICIALS AND FROM THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS CONDEMNING THE CRIMINAL ATTACK AND EXPRESSING BEST WISHES FOR PRESIDENT REAGAN'S SPEEDY RECUPERATION.

3. CUBAN MEDIA HAVE REPORTED ATTACK ON PRESIDENT IN UNUSUALLY COMPLETE AND STRAIGHTFORWARD MANNER. CCP CENTRAL COMMITTEE ORGAN GRANMA PROVIDES ACCURATE ACCOUNT OF ATTACK AND OF PRESIDENT'S CONDITION BASED ON AP AND OTHER NON-SOCIALIST WIRE SERVICE REPORTS. THERE HAS BEEN NO EDITORIAL COMMENT OR EFFORTS TO GIVE ATTEMPT POLITICAL TWIST.

4. IN ADDITION, ALL JAMMING OF VOICE OF AMERICA HAS BEEN DROPPED. LATTER'S SPANISH LANGUAGE SERVICE TO LATIN AMERICA CAME IN LIKE A BELL ON MEDIUM WAVE MORNING OF MARCH 31. APPARENTLY, CUBAN GOVT WANTS ITS PEOPLE TO BE FULLY AND RELIABLY INFORMED ON THIS ISSUE.  
SMITH

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SUBJECT CATAGORY: ASSASSIN

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SITUATION: PRES  
SUBJECT CATEGORY: ASSASSIN

MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

MESSAGE:  
PRIORITY

P 311437Z MAR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY BOGOTA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 6166

UNCLAS BOGOTA 3287

E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PDIP

SUBJECT: ATTACK ON PRESIDENT REAGAN: GOC REACTION

REF: (A) STATE 08229, (B) STATE 80707

1. BOTH PRESIDENT TURBAY AND FOREIGN MINISTER LEMOS SIMMONDS TELEPHONED ME PERSONALLY YESTERDAY AFTERNOON TO EXPRESS CONCERN ABOUT THE ATTACK ON PRESIDENT REAGAN, TO INQUIRE ABOUT HIS CONDITION AND TO EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR THE USG IN THIS TIME OF TRAVAIL. I SUPPLIED INFO CONTAINED REFTELS AND FROM USICA MESSAGES. BOTH EXPRESSED RELIEF AND STATED THEIR CONFIDENCE THAT USG MACHINERY WOULD CONTINUE TO OPERATE EFFECTIVELY DURING THE PRESIDENT'S CONVALESCENCE.

2. PRESIDENT TURBAY ALSO TOLD ME HE WAS SENDING A MORE FORMAL MESSAGE VIA HIS AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON, CONVEYING HOPE FOR THE SPEEDY RECOVERY OF THE PRESIDENT AS WELL AS OTHERS WOUNDED IN THE ATTACK, STRONGLY CONDEMNING THE APPARENT ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT, AND EXPRESSING RELIEF AND SATISFACTION THAT THE PRESIDENT'S LIFE WAS SPARED. BOYATT

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COL VP  
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SITUATION: PRES  
SUBJECT CATEGORY: ASSASSIN

MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

MESSAGE:  
PRIORITY

P 311534Z MAR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 9034

UNCLAS BUENOS AIRES 2305

E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PDIP, AR

SUBJECT: STATEMENTS TO FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS

REF: A) STATE 080229; B) STATE 080707

1. EMBOFF PASSED MESSAGE IN REFTEL A TO PRESIDENT VIOLA'S PERSONAL STAFF AND TO FOREIGN MINISTRY AT 6:45 P.M. LOCAL TIME MARCH 30. WITHIN THIRTY MINUTES PRESIDENT VIOLA SENT A MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT REAGAN, WISHING HIM WELL AND EXPRESSING OUTRAGE AT THE INCIDENT (FBIS 3100042 MARCH) FOREIGN MINISTRY ALSO ISSUED A STATEMENT DEPLORING THE ACT OF VIOLENCE (FBIS 302239Z MARCH)

2. EMBOFF CALLED OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENCY TO PASS SECOND MESSAGE (REFTEL B), WHEN PRESIDENT VIOLA CAME ON THE LINE. PRESIDENT VIOLA EXPRESSED GREAT RELIEF AND DELIGHT AT NEWS THAT PRESIDENT REAGAN'S CONDITION WAS GOOD AND HIS PROGNOSIS EXCELLENT. HE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT THE PRESIDENT WILL HAVE A SPEEDY RECOVERY AND THANKED THE USG FOR KEEPING HIM INFORMED.

SHLAUDEMAN

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SUBJECT CATEGORY: ASSASSIN

MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

MESSAGE:  
PRIORITY

P 311851Z MAR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 3663

INFO USICA WASHDC PRIORITY

UNCLAS SAN JOSE 2036

E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PINT, CS, SDPN

SUBJECT: FURTHER REACTION TO ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT AGAINST  
PRESIDENT REAGAN

REF: (A) SAN JOSE 2017; (B) SAN JOSE 2027

1. COSTA RICAN CONDEMNATION OF THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT  
AGAINST PRESIDENT REAGAN WAS MIXED WITH MEMORIES OF PAST  
ASSASSINATIONS AND DENUNCIATION OF PRESENT ACTS OF TERRORISM.  
THE DAILY LA NACION'S LEADING COLUMNIST ENRIQUE BENAVIDES,  
WHILE PRAISING THE OPENNESS OF DEMOCRATIC SOCIETIES, URGED  
GREATER PROTECTION FOR THE US PRESIDENT, SINCE HIS ASSASSINATION  
WOULD BE A TRAGEDY FOR THE WORLD, BENAVIDES HOPED THAT

IN A WORLD OF TERRORISM AND VIOLENCE, THE UNSUCCESSFUL  
ATTEMPT ON PRESIDENT REAGAN WOULD SERVE AS A LESSON OF  
THE REQUIREMENT TO ZEALOUSLY GUARD A WORLD LEADER. LA  
REPUBLICA EDITORIALIZED THAT WE ARE ALL VICTIMS OF THE  
"UNREINED BEAST" OF VIOLENCE, OPINING THAT THE 30  
MARCH ATTEMPT AGAINST PRESIDENT REAGAN AND ACTS OF  
TERRORISM SUCH AS THE 17 MARCH ATTACK ON US MARINES  
IN COSTA RICA AFFECT THE FABRIC OF SOCIETY AND THAT  
EVERYONE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR COMBATING VIOLENCE.

2. ITALIAN PRESIDENT PERTINI, WHILE VISITING COSTA RICA,  
EXPRESSED SHOCK OVER THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT (REF B).  
FORMER PRESIDENT JOSE FIGUERES LAMENTED THE ATTACK  
WHICH REMINDED HIM OF THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
KENNEDY. NATIONAL LIBERATION PARTY (O), PRESIDENTIAL  
CANDIDATE LUIS ALBERTO MONGE PHONED FROM MEXICO HIS

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SUBJECT CATEGORY: ASSASSIN

MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

CONCERNS TO THE US EMBASSY. OTHER LEADERS WHO CALLED US  
TO PASS ON THEIR DISTRESS AND SOLIDARITY INCLUDED INDE-  
PENDENT PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE AND FORMER PRESIDENT MARIO  
ECHANDI AND SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT JOSE MIGUEL ALFARO.  
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SUBJECT CATEGORY: ASSASSIN

MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

MESSAGE:  
ROUTINE

R 310745Z MAR 81  
FM SEOUL KOREA

TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

UNCLAS

FOLLOWING FROM SHINYONG CHOI  
MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
REPUBLIC OF KOREA

DEAR MR SECRETARY, I WAS SHOCKED AND DISTRESSED TO LEARN THAT  
PRESIDENT REAGAN WAS WOUNDED IN A SHOOTING INCIDENT AND  
HOSPITALIZED.

I DEPLORE SUCH A SENSELESS ACT OF VIOLENCE AND PRAY FOR HIS PROMPT  
RECOVERY. MAY I SHARE YOUR SADNESS OVER SUCH AN UNEXPECTED INCIDENT

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CDL VP  
EA

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PRIORITY

P 312014Z MAR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY KINGSTON

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 7993

INFO AMEMBASSY BRIDGETOWN 3151  
AMEMBASSY GEORGETOWN 2617  
AMEMBASSY NASSAU 2508  
AMEMBASSY PORT OF SPAIN 3073  
AMEMBASSY PORT AU PRINCE 1112

UNCLAS KINGSTON 2626

E.O. 10657 N/A

TAGS: SGEN, JM

SUBJECT: REACTION TO ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT ON THE PRESIDENT  
1. NEWS OF THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT ON PRESIDENT REAGAN REACHED JAMAICA QUICKLY AND RECEIVED WIDESPREAD LOCAL COVERAGE. THE GOVERNMENT OWNED RADIO JAMAICA CARRIED LIVE REBROADCASTS OF ARMED FORCES RADIO REPORTS DURING THE AFTERNOON AND DURING ITS 7 P.M. EVENING NEWS PROGRAM, AND SPOT UPDATES WERE BROADCAST FREQUENTLY.

2. THE GOVERNMENT OWNED JAMAICA BROADCASTING CORPORATION'S NIGHTLY TELEVISION NEWS ON MARCH 30, AIRED AFTER REPORTS THAT THE PRESIDENT WAS NOT GRAVELY INJURED, CARRIED THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT AS ITS SECOND ITEM. AFTER A REPORT ON THE DEATH OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO'S PRIME MINISTER ERIC WILLIAMS THE REPORT WAS FACTUAL WITH NO COMMENTARY.

3. THE INDEPENDENT DAILY GLEANER CARRIED AN UNUSUAL FRONT-PAGE EDITORIAL ON MARCH 31 BEMOANING THE FACT THAT THE NEWS OF THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT COMING SO CLOSELY ON THE HEELS OF THE DEATH OF ERIC WILLIAMS, HAS PLUNGED "DEMOCRATIC NATIONS IN THIS HEMISPHERE, AND IN THE WEST, IN GLOOM." THE EDITORIAL POINTED OUT THAT TRINIDAD AND THE US WILL SURVIVE THE "SHOCK AND HORROR.. FOR THAT IS THE NATURE OF DEMOCRACIES. BUT, FOR THE UNITED

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SUBJECT CATEGORY: ASSASSIN

MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

STATES, IN PARTICULAR, THE TERRIBLE LESSON HERE... IS THAT IN THE MIDST OF FREEDOM THERE IS DANGER FROM THE ENEMY WITHIN AND WITHOUT." BOTH THE GLEANER AND THE GOVERNMENT OWNED DAILY NEWS CARRIED FRONT PAGE FACTUAL REPORTS ON THE SHOOTING, WITH THE NEWS OF ERIC WILLIAMS DEATH RECEIVING PROMINENT COVERAGE AS WELL.

4. PRIME MINISTER SEAGA TELEPHONED THE AMBASSADOR WHEN THE NEWS BROKE TO EXPRESS HIS CONCERN AND SYMPATHY FOR THE PRESIDENT, HIS FAMILY AND THE FAMILIES OF OTHERS INJURED IN THE ATTACK. AMONG THE MANY OTHER JAMAICAN WHO OFFERED EXPRESSIONS OF SYMPATHY AND CONCERN TO EMBASSY STAFF MEMBERS WERE MINISTER OF NATIONAL SECURITY WINSTON SPAULDING LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION MICHAEL MANLEY. MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT PORTIA SIMPSON, AND CLERK OF THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT EDLEY DEANS, AND PEOPLE'S NATIONAL PARTY OFFICIAL PAUL MILLER

5. THE TEXT OF A MESSAGE FROM PRIME MINISTER SEAGA TO THE PRESIDENT IS BEING SENT BY SEPTEL. LAWRENCE

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FM USINT HAVANA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 4527

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E.O. 12065: GDS 3/30/87 (SMITH, W.S.)

TAGS: PDIP, PPDC, CU

SUBJECT: CASTRO EXPRESSES WISHES FOR PRESIDENT'S RAPID RECOVERY

REF: STATE 80229

1. FOREIGN MINISTER MALMIERCA CALLED ME TO MINISTRY AT 6 P.M. MARCH 30 TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION FOR INFO IN REFTEL (WHICH I HAD EARLIER TRANSMITTED TO MINISTRY). PRESIDENT CASTRO, HE SAID, HAD ASKED THAT I BE CALLED IN AND REQUESTED TO EXPRESS TO MY GOVERNMENT ON HIS BEHALF PROFOUND CONCERN OVER THIS LAMENTABLE ACT OF VIOLENCE AND HIS MOST SINCERE WISHES FOR PRESIDENT'S RAPID RECOVERY.

2. MALMIERCA ADDED PERSONAL COMMENT THAT ATMOSPHERE OF REASON IN WHICH COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD MIGHT CONSTRUCTIVELY DISCUSS THEIR DIFFERENCES COULD ONLY BE FURTHER DAMAGED BY ACTS OF TERRORISM AND VIOLENCE. ATTACK AGAINST ANY WORLD LEADER THUS INJURED ALL AND WAS IN INTEREST OF NONE. HE ADDED HIS EXPRESSIONS OF REGRET TO THOSE OF PRESIDENT CASTRO AS WELL AS WISHES FOR PRESIDENT REAGAN'S RAPID RECOVERY.

SMITH

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FM USICA BUENOS AIRES

TO USINFO WASHDC IMMEDIATE

INFO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE  
VDA/MIAMI  
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USICA FOR PGM/RC  
SECSTATE FOR ARA/PAF, ARA/SC  
USCINCSO FOR SJ2C-AD  
1. REAGAN ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT. HEAVY PLAY PRESS, RADIO  
AND TELEVISION. PRENSA HEADLINES, "REAGAN RECOVERING AFTER  
ATTEMPT," AND HEADS OTHER STORIES, "I FORGOT TO DUCK!",  
"WORLDWIDE CONDEMNATION AND COMMOTION",  
"REACTION AT UN", "EYEWITNESS (DEAN REYNOLDS) ACCOUNT",  
"PENTAGON WATCHFUL BUT NOT ON ALERT". NACION "REAGAN  
SERIOUSLY WOUNDED." CLARIN, "REAGAN IMPROVING FROM  
WOUNDS". CRONICA "REAGAN OUT OF DANGER". DIARIO POPULAR  
"REAGAN SHOT". PREGON, "REAGAN NEARLY KILLED." WIDE PLAY  
MESSAGES FROM PRESIDENT TIVOLA AND FOMIN CAMILION  
DIARIO POPULAR COLUMNIST RAMIRO DE CASASBELLAS SAYS ATTEMPT  
"INVITES REFLEXION ON THE DEFENSELESSNESS AFFECTING  
USPRESIDENTS. HOW TO EXPLAIN THAT THE STRONGEST  
NATION IN WORLD IS NOT IN POSITION TO GUARD LIVES  
OF ITS OFFICIALS, BEGINNING BY THE PRESIDENT? WHO OR  
WHAT IS AGAINST REINFORCING THEIR SECURITY?"  
CASASBELLAS ENDS: "SOMETHING MUST BE SAID. WHEN AN ACT  
OF BARBARISM LIKE YESTERDAY'S IN WASHINGTON TAKES PLACE,  
TO THE MISFORTUNE OF US, THE ENTIRE WORLD AND THE  
HUMAN RACE, CONSTITUTION IS NOT SUSPENDED, STATE OF

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MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

SIEGE AND MARTIAL LAW ARE NOT ESTABLISHED, AND THE EXECUTIVES, CONGRESS AND THE JUDICIARY DO NOT CEASE TO FUNCTION NOR ARE DISSOLVED." SEPARATELY, DIARIO POPULAR NOTES THAT "ELEVEN MINUTES AFTER THE ATTEMPT AND BEFORE THE WHITE HOUSE RELEASED OFFICIAL INFORMATION, ABC TELEVISION CHAIN BROADCAST -- AND REBROADCAST TO OUR COUNTRY -- THROUGHOUT US THE DRAMATIC SEQUENCE OUTSIDE WASHINGTON HILTON HOTEL." DIARIO POPULAR HEADS THIS ITEM, "THIS IS FREEDOM OF PRESS". BUENOS AIRES HERALD EDITORIAL "GUNMAN AT LARGE" SAYS: THERE IS A TERRIBLE IRONY IN THE FACT THAT US, ONE OF THE FREEST, MOST OPEN, AND POLITICALLY MOST SOPHISTICATED SOCIETIES IN WORLD, SHOULD ALSO BE SO APPALLINGLY VULNERABLE TO INDIVIDUALS WITH A GUN AND A GRUDGE... THE IMMEDIATE RESULT OF THIS NEAR ASSASSINATION IS ALMOST CERTAIN TO BE A RENEWED CLAMOUR FOR GUN CONTROL LAWS OF A STRICTNESS THAT EVIDENTLY GOES RIGHT AGAINST WHAT MANY PEOPLE THINK IS THE AMERICAN GRAIN. THIS CLAMOUR HAS BEEN HEARD AFTER EVERY OTHER ASSASSINATION IN RECENT YEARS BUT, DESPITE THE OVERWHELMING ARGUMENTS IN FAVOUR OF SEPARATING ALL BUT TINY MINORITY OF CAREFULLY VETTED PEOPLE FROM THEIR FIRE ARMS, IT HAS HAD LITTLE EFFECT. NONETHELESS, CONCERN WITH THE RISING TIDE OF VIOLENCE IN THE U.S. HAS BEEN GETTING SO ACUTE IN RECENT MONTHS THAT THE NEAR MURDER OF THE PRESIDENT COULD MAKE THE VITAL DIFFERENCE." HERALD ENDS: "MAKING IT VERY HARD INDEED TO ACQUIRE ARMS WOULD

NOT RENDER AN ABSURDITY LIKE THIS IMPOSSIBLE, TU IT WOULD CERTAINLY MAKE IT FAR LESS LIKELY THAN IS THE CASE TODAY."

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FM ICA MANAGUA

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STATE FOR ARA/CEN

1. FROM THE MOMENT THE FIRST WIRE SERVICE STORY WAS RECEIVED THE ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF THE PRESIDENT COMPLETELY ABSORBED THE LOCAL MEDIA. ICA MANAGUA RECEIVED A FLOOD OF ENQUIRIES CONCERNING ALL ASPECTS OF THIS UNIT. LOCAL RADIO STATIONS USED LIVE REPORTS FROM US (BASED ON VOA REPORTS AND WIRE SERVICE STORIES) FOR PARTS OF THEIR REPORTING. POST SUPPLIED VTR FOOTAGE OF PRES AND PRES SEC BRADY TO THE SANDINISTA TV SYSTEM FOR USE IN ITS NEWSCAST MARCH 30. PHOTOS WERE ALSO GIVEN TO AND USED BY LOCAL PAPERS.

2. LOCAL DAILIES HAVE ALL GIVEN FRONT-PAGE TREATMENT TO STORY. INDEPENDENT LA PRESNA BEAT THE COMPETITION BY TURNING OUT ITS MARCH 31 EDITION THE PREVIOUS AFTERNOON. PAPER'S PAGE ONE STORY HEADLINED "PRES REAGAN INJURED IN ATTACK". LEAD ITEM BASED ON UP STORY. WASHINGTON AFP STORY CARRIED HEAD-ING "SECRETARY BRADY IN AGONY."

3. FSLN OFFICIAL ORGAN BARRICADA (MARCH 31) CARRIED FRONTPAGE HEADLINE "REAGAN OUT OF DANGER", WITH SUBHEADS "FULMINATING ATTACK", "CRISIS OFFICE FUNCTIONS", AND "GRN REPUDIATES ATTACK". ACCOMPANYING PHOTOS SHOWED "THREE MOMENTS OF NE ATTACK" A STORY ON PAGE FIVE REPORTED THAT "HINCKLEY HAS (A) HISTORY - HE HAD BEEN DETAINED IN 1980 NEAR CARTER."

4. PRO-FSLN/GRN EL NUEVO DIARIO HEADLINED "REAL BULLETS FOR REAGAN". ACCOMPANYING STORY OBSERVED THAT "THE EXFILM ACTOR DURING A GREAT PART OF LIFE, VIRTUALLY PLAYED WITH

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PISTOLS AND FAKE BULLETS HE FIRED OR WHICH WERE FIRED AT HIM IN WESTERN MOVIES". IN ADDITION TO ITS FIRST TWO PAGES REplete WITH PHOTOS THE PAPER ALSO DEDICATED WHAT WOULD NORMALLY HAVE BEEN ITS FIRST PAGE ALMOST ENTIRELY TO THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT. HEADLINE READ "INJURED, REAGAN JOKED". WASHINGTON AP ITEM UNDER THIS LEAD PROVIDED SOURCE OF PAPER'S OBSERVATION CONCERNING "REAL BULLETS." ANOTHER STORY ON SAME PAGE (NY AP) HEADED "IAN AMERICAN NIGHTMARE!", WDBX SUBHEAD "ASTONISHMENT, SADNESS, AND INDIGATION." AS DID BARRICADA, EL NUEVO DIARIO ALSO PUBLISHED THE TEXT OF GRN MESSAGE TO MRS REAGAN CONDEMNING THE ATTACK AND DESIRING QUICK RECUPERATION FOR THE PRESIDENT.

5. FINALLY, WASHINGTON EFE ITEM HADED "HAIG DID WHAT CORNELIO DID!" ACCORDING TO THIS WIRE STORY, "THE OBSESSION WITH POWER, MANIFESTED ON REPEATED OCCASIONS BY THE NORTH AMERICAN SEC OF STATE ALEXANDER HAIG HAS PLAYED A TRICK ON HIM FOR WHICH HE WILL NOT BE FORGIVEN BY TIME". STORY ADDED THAT "HIS (SECRETARY(S) PUBLIC DECLARATION THAT, WHILE HE WAS AWAITING THE ARRIVAL OF VPRES BUSH, HE WAS ASSUMING THE FUNCTIONS OF THE DIRECTION OF THE ADMINISTRATION HAS MADE HAIG THE TARGET OF HIS DETRACTORS AND, WHAT IS WORSE, OF THE POWERFUL NORTH AMERICAN COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA." (IN A FOOTNOTE, E NUEVO DIARIO REMINDED ITS READERS THAT CORNELIO HUECK "TRIED TO TAKE OVER THE PRESIDENCY WHEN SOMOZA SUFFERED A HEART ATTACK WHICH FORCED HIM TO BE HOSPITALIZED IN MIAMI FOR TWO MONTHS. THIS SAME THING IS WHAT APPEARS TO HAVE OCCURRED WITH HAIG IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY".) ITEM  
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MESSAGE:

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FM AMEMBASSY TOKYO

TO USINFO WASHDC IMMEDIATE  
SECSTATE WASHDC 7721  
SECDEF WASHDC  
USICA WASHDC  
DOE WASHDC  
USDOC WASHDC  
TREASURY/DEP WASHDC  
WHITE/HOUSE WASHDC  
AMEMBASSY PARIS 9646  
AMEMBASSY SEDUL 3691

UNCLAS TOKYO 05705

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USINFO FOR PGM/RC, VOA, STATE/EA/J, STATE/PM/BLACKWILL,  
SECDEF FOR JCS/J-5FE/JAPAN, ASD/ISA/EAPR/JAPAN, CASD/PA,  
CIA WASHDC, USDOE FOR SOE, TREASURY/IMA, NSC, AMEMBASSY  
PARIS FOR USOECD/ICA FOR HOFFMAN, DOE  
E.O. 12065: N/A

SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION REPORT, MARCH 31, 1981

SUMMARY: JAPANESE TELEVISION NETWORKS GAVE TOP COVERAGE  
TUESDAY TO REPORTS FROM WASHINGTON ON THE ATTEMPTED  
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT REAGAN. THE NETWORKS SAID  
THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT WAS SHOCKED BY THE SHOOTING  
OF THE PRESIDENT AS THE GOVERNMENT WAS MAKING PREPARATIONS  
FOR PRIME MINISTER SUZUKI'S MAY VISIT TO THE U.S. FOR  
SUMMIT TALKS WITH THE PRESIDENT.

1. NHK-TV, TBS-TV, FUJI-TV AND OTHER TELEVISION NETWORKS  
GAVE DETAILED COVERAGE OF THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT BY  
CARRYING CORRESPONDENT AND WIRE SERVICE REPORTS. ALL  
NETWORKS CARRIED VIDEOTAPE SCENES OF THE SHOOTING WHICH  
SHOWED THE PRESIDENT BEING PUSHED INTO HIS CAR BY THE  
SECRET SERVICE.

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NHK AND OTHER NETWORKS CARRIED COMMENTS FROM TOP GOVERNMENT LEADERS. THE NETWORKS SAID PRIME MINISTER SUZUKI WHO WAS SHOCKED BY THE INCIDENT STATED, "I WILL PRAY THAT THE OPERATION WILL BE SUCCESSFUL AND THAT THE PRESIDENT WILL RECOVER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE." THE NETWORKS SAID SUZUKI STATED THAT HE PLANS TO PREPARE FOR HIS TRIP TO WASHINGTON WHILE KEEPING IN CONTACT WITH THE U.S. SIDE.

TBS-TV SAID PRIME MINISTER SUZUKI HAS SENT A CABLE OF SYMPATHY TO PRESIDENT REAGAN WHICH EXPRESSED SUZUKI'S HOPES FOR THE PRESIDENT'S EARLY RECOVERY. THE NETWORK SAID ATTENTION IN JAPAN IS NOW FOCUSING ON WHETHER THE U.S.-JAPAN SUMMIT TALKS CAN BE HELD IN MAY.

NHK-TV REPORTED THAT FOREIGN MINISTER ITO WHO JUST CONFERRED WITH PRESIDENT REAGAN LAST WEEK IN WASHINGTON, ALSO EXPRESSED HIS HOPES FOR THE PRESIDENT'S QUICK RECOVERY AND STATED THAT HE EXPECTS THE INCIDENT WILL HAVE NO BIG EFFECT ON U.S. FOREIGN POLICY.

ALL NETWORKS CARRIED REPORTS ON THE SUCCESSFUL RESULTS OF THE OPERATION AT THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL DURING WHICH A BULLET WAS REMOVED FROM THE PRESIDENT'S LUNG. NHK-TV SAID THE DOCTORS WHO OPERATED ON THE PRESIDENT HAVE STATED THAT HIS RECOVERY WILL TAKE ABOUT TWO WEEKS BUT THAT IT WILL TAKE TWO MONTHS FOR THE PRESIDENT TO REGAIN NORMAL HEALTH.

NHK REPORTED THAT FORMER PRESIDENT FORD WHO IS PRESENTLY VISITING JAPAN, WAS SHOCKED BY THE SHOOTING INCIDENT SINCE THERE HAD BEEN TWO ATTEMPTS ON HIS LIFE WHILE HE WAS IN OFFICE. THE NETWORK SAID FORD STATED THAT THE SECRET SERVICE IS MAKING MAXIMUM EFFORTS TO PROTECT THE PRESIDENT BUT THAT THE "LONERS" AMONG POSSIBLE ASSASSINS ARE THE MOST DIFFICULT TO CONTROL.

2. KYODO NEWS SERVICE REPORTED THAT THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAS EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT ON THE PRESIDENT MAY AFFECT THE GOVERNMENT'S PLAN TO SETTLE THE U.S.-JAPAN AUTO PROBLEM BEFORE PRIME MINISTER SUZUKI'S U.S. VISIT. INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY MINISTER TANAKA STATED THAT HE DID NOT EXPECT THE INCIDENT TO HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION'S POLICY ON THE AUTO PROBLEM OR ON OTHER ISSUES BUT EVERYTHING NOW DEPENDS ON REAGAN'S CONDITION. KYODO SAID JAPANESE BUSINESS LEADERS HAVE ALSO EXPRESSED SHOCK OVER THE SHOOTING OF THE PRESIDENT. YOSHIHIRO INAYAMA, PRESIDENT OF THE FEDERATION OF ECONOMIC ORGANIZATIONS, NOTED THAT PRESIDENT REAGAN HAS JUST STARTED TAKING BOLD MEASURES WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE

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AMERICAN PEOPLE. HE EXPRESSED FEARS THAT THE INCIDENT  
MIGHT WEAKEN THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION'S STRONG  
DETERMINATION. REPORTS ON THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT  
DID NOT MAKE THE MORNING EDITIONS.  
ITEM. FORSTER

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SUBJECT CATEGORY: ASSASSIN

MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

MESSAGE:  
ROUTINE

R 311039Z MAR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY ROME

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 0804

UNCLAS ROME 07405

E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: OGEN

SUBJECT: GET WELL MESSAGE FOR WHITE HOUSE PRESS SPOKESMAN  
PLEASE PASS WHITE HOUSE FOR PRESS SPOKESMAN BRADY FROM  
STAFF OF AMERICAN EMBASSY, ROME  
WE WERE SHOCKED BY YOUR INJURY IN THE SERVICE OF THE  
PRESIDENT AND OUR COUNTRY. OUR PRAYERS AND BEST WISHES  
FOR A SPEEDY RECOVERY. PAGANELLI

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COL VP BRADY  
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SUBJECT CATEGORY: ASSASSIN

MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

MESSAGE:  
ROUTINE

R 311037Z MAR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY ROME

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 0803

UNCLAS ROME 07404

E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: GEN

SUBJECT: GET WELL MESSAGE FOR SS AGENT MCCARTHY  
PLEASE PASS TO WHITE HOUSE FOR SS AGENT KENNETH MCCARTHY  
FROM STAFF OF AMERICAN EMBASSY, ROME  
WE WERE SHOCKED BY YOUR INJURY IN LINE OF YOUR IMPORTANT  
DUTY OF PROTECTING THE PRESIDENT. OUR PRAYERS AND BEST  
WISHES FOR A SPEEDY RECOVERY. PAGANELLI

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COL VP W-16  
EURW

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SUBJECT CATEGORY: ASSASSIN

MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

MESSAGE:  
ROUTINE

R 311041Z MAR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY ROME

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 0805

UNCLAS ROME 07406

E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: OGEN

SUBJECT: GET WELL MESSAGE FOR THE PRESIDENT  
PLEASE PASS WHITE HOUSE FOR THE PRESIDENT FROM STAFF OF  
AMERICAN EMBASSY, ROME  
OUR SHOCK AT THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT HAS BEEN EASED BY  
THE REPORT OF YOUR SAFETY. OUR PRAYERS AND BEST WISHES  
FOR YOUR SPEEDY RECOVERY. PAGANELLI

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COL VP  
EURW

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ROUTINE

R 310917Z MAR 81  
FM AMCONSUL BOMBAY

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2511

UNCLAS BOMBAY 1220

PASS WHITE HOUSE  
E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PPDC

SUBJ: MESSAGE FOR THE PRESIDENT FROM INDIAN EMPLOYEES'  
ASSOCIATION, BOMBAY

THE INDIAN EMPLOYEES OF U.S. CONSULATE GENERAL IN BOMBAY,  
INDIA WERE SHOCKED TO HEAR OF THE ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION  
OF PRESIDENT REAGAN AND WISH A SPEEDY RECOVERY TO HIM AND  
THE OT UR WOUNDED MEMBERS OF HIS STAFF. FROM V. RANGARAJ,  
PRESIDENT, ON BEHALF OF MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.  
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COL VP  
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MESSAGE:

IMMEDIATE  
O 312326Z MAR 81  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY BEIJING IMMEDIATE 2236

INFO WHITE HOUSE IMMEDIATE 6387  
AMCONSUL HONG KONG PRIORITY 9609

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E.O. 12065: NA

TAGS: PPDC, CAA

SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM DENG XIAOPING TO THE PRESIDENT

1. AT MARCH 31 MEETING WITH EA/C DIRECTOR FREEMAN, CHINESE EMBASSY MINISTER LIN ZHAONAN ASKED THAT THE DEPARTMENT EXPRESS TO THE PRESIDENT CCP VICE CHAIRMAN DENG XIAOPING'S DEEP DISTRESS ON THE NEWS OF HIS WOUNDING AT THE HANDS OF A WOULD-BE ASSASSIN, AND HIS HOPES FOR THE PRESIDENT'S SPEEDY RECOVERY. AMB CHAI, WHO IS NOW IN LOS ANGELES, HAD BEEN PERSONALLY REQUESTED BY DENG TO DELIVER THIS MESSAGE.

2. COMMENT: SINCE DENG HOLDS NO GOVERNMENTAL POSITION IN CHINA, HE APPARENTLY ELECTED TO USE THIS INFORMAL CHANNEL AS THE MOST APPROPRIATE MEANS TO CONVEY HIS CONCERN AND SYMPATHY. HAIG

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SUBJECT CATEGORY: ASSASSIN

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Q 010155Z APR 81  
FM BELGRADE/YUGOSLAVIA

TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

UNCLAS

FOLLOWING FROM JOSIP VRHOVEC, FEDERAL SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
OF THE SPR OF YUGOSLAVIA  
HIS EXCELLENCY  
MR. ALEXANDER HAIG,  
SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

THE NEWS OF A VICIOUS ATTEMPT ON THE LIFE OF  
PRESIDENT REAGAN HAS MOVED ME VERY DEEPLY. PLEASE  
ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, THE EXPRESSIONS OF MY PROFOUND  
SYMPATHY AND SINCERE WISHES FOR A SPEEDY AND FULL  
RECOVERY OF THE PRESIDENT.  
JOSIP VRHOVEC

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COL VP  
EUR FARRAR

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R 010158Z APR 81  
FM LUXEMBOURG/LUXEMBOURG

TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

UNCLAS

FOLLOWING MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE GRAND-DUCHY  
OF LUXEMBOURG

MR. ALEXANDER HAIG  
SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20500  
DEAT SECRETARY OF STATE;

LAST NIGHT I WAS DEEPLY SHOCKED AT THE TERRIFYING NEWS THAT  
PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN HAD BEEN SHOT.

TO MY PERSONAL RELIEF, AND I AM SURE THAT, IN THIS RESPECT, I  
AM SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF ALL MY FELLOW COUNTRYMEN, THE  
PRESIDENT HAS UNDERGONE SURGERY WHICH HAS BEEN SUCCESSFUL AND  
IT SEEMS THAT, THANKS TO HIS STRONG CONDITION, HIS LIFE IS  
NO LONGER IN DANGER. I FORMULATE MY MOSTS SINCERE WISHES  
FOR THE U.S. PRESIDENT TO RECOVER PROMPTLY AND TO BE ABLE  
TO TAKE UP HIS HIGH OFFICE AGAIN VERY SOON FOR THE BETTER OF THE  
UNITED STATES AND OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS IN THE WORLD. AT  
THE SAME TIME I WOULD LIKE TO ASSURE MRS NANCY REAGAN OF MY  
DEEP SYMPATHY IN THESE MOMENTS OF PAIN AND STRESS.

SIMILARLY, I EXPRESS MY SINCERE HOPES THAT THE  
PRESIDENT'S PRESS SECRETARY, MR JAMES S. BRADY, CAN BE  
SAVED FROM THE SEVER WOUNDS WHICH WERE INFLICTED UPON  
HIM ON THIS OCCASION.

YOURS SINCERELY,

COLETTE FLESCH  
MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE GRAND-DUCHY OF  
LUXEMBOURG

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WEUR FARRAR

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ROUTINE

R 310900Z MAR 81  
FM LEBANON

TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

UNCLAS

FOLLOWING FROM KHALIL ITANI AMBASSADOR OF LEBANON

DEAR MR SECRETARY

I HAVE THE HONOR SIR, TO REQUEST RESPECTFULLY THAT YOU FORWARD THE TEXT OF THE FOLLOWING CABLE FROM MR ELIAS SARKIS, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LEBANON TO MR RONALD REAGAN PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. LET MY PRAYERS JOIN THOSE OF PRESIDENT SARKIS AND MAY PRESIDENT REAGAN BE BLESSED WITH A SPEEDY RECOVERY. YOURS SINCERELY

KHALIL ITANI AMBASSADOR OF LEBANON

"PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON DC

DEAR MR PRESIDENT

IT IS WITH INDIGNATION AND A PROFOUND DISTRESS THAT I LEARNED THE APPALLING NEWS OF THE HEINOUS ATTEMPT ON YOUR LIFE TODAY. MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU AND MRS REAGAN AND THE OTHER MEN WOUNDED IN THE DEMENTED ASSAULT. I TRUST THAT YOUR PROMPT AND FULL RECOVERY WILL ENSURE FOR YOU A RESUMPTION OF YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES IN PERFECT HEALTH.

ELIAS SARKIS PRESIDENT REPUBLIC OF LEBANON"

UNSIGNED

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WASHINGTON DC 20008

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O 010325Z APR 81  
FM USICA/TOKYO

TO USINFO WASHDC

INFO SECSTATE IMMEDIATE  
SECDEF  
CIA WASHDC  
TREASURY  
WHITE HOUSE/NSC

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JAPAN, ASD/ISA/EAPR/JAPAN, CIA WASHDC, TREASURY/IMA, NSC FOR  
TIM GEAL. (1 OF 3) JAPANESE MORNING PRESS HIGHLIGHTS APRIL 1;  
LEAD STORIES: THE ASAHI, MAINICHI, SANKEI, AND TOKYO SHIMBUN  
GAVE FRONTPAGE TOP-PLAY COVERAGE TO AN AP DISPATCH FROM WASHINGTON  
OR REPORTS FROM THEIR WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENTS, CARRYING THE  
FOLLOWING HEADLINES:

ASAHI: "US PRESIDENT RESUMES PRESIDENTIAL DUTIES AT HOSPITAL;  
SIGNS DAIRY-FARMING SUBSIDY BILL; MEETS CHIEF SPECIAL ASSISTANT  
AND OTHERS; WILL BE IN THE HOSPITAL FOR ONE TO TWO WEEKS;  
ANNOUNCEMENT BY HOSPITAL"

MAINICHI: "US PRESIDENT PROGRESSING FAVORABLY AFTER SURGERY"

SANKEI: "PRESIDENT REAGAN RECOVERING SMOOTHLY; WILL TAKE COMMAND  
OF NATIONAL ADMINISTRATION FROM HOSPITAL BED; SETTLEMENT OF  
AUTOMOBILE PROBLEM WILL BE DELAYED; US-JAPAN SUMMIT TALKS  
MAY BE HELD ABOUT TIME OF SUMMIT CONFERENCE"

TOKYO SHIMBUN: "US PRESIDENT RECOVERING SMOOTHLY; RESUMES  
PRESIDENTIAL DUTIES FROM HOSPITAL BED; EATS BREAKFAST WITH  
SPECIAL ASSISTANT AND OTHERS; BULLET REMOVED ALSO FROM  
PRESS SECRETARY BRADY"

OTHER MORNING PAPERS CARRIED THE FOLLOWING FRONTPAGE TOP-  
STORY HEADLINES:

YOMIURI: "HOLDING OF US-JAPAN TALKS IN MAY DIFFICULT--  
INCIDENT OF SHOOTING OF US PRESIDENT; PROTRACTION OF AUTOMOBILE

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MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

PROBLEM WILL PROVE DISADVANTAGEOUS; PRIME MINISTER ORDERS SPEEDING-UP OF DOMESTIC CO-ORDINATION"

THE NIPPON KEIZAI, IN A FRONTPAGE REPORT, BEARING THE CAPTION, "PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO THE US TO BE POSTPONED?; VISIT TO JAPAN BY US AUTOMOBILE MISSION ALSO LIKELY TO BE DELAYED," REPORTED AS FOLLOWS:

THE OUTLOOK IS INCREASING THAT, DUE TO THE INCIDENT OF THE SHOOTING OF US PRESIDENT REAGAN, THE JAPAN-US SUMMIT TALKS, WHICH WERE SLATED TO BE HELD IN WASHINGTON ON MAY 7 AND 8, WILL BE POSTPONED. PRIME MINISTER SUZUKI HELD CONSULTATIONS WITH CHIEF CABINET SECRETARY MIYAZAWA, ON THE AFTERNOON OF THE 31ST, CONFIRMED THAT THE JAPANESE SIDE WILL AGREE TO CONSULTATIONS WITH THE US SIDE ON THE TIME FOR THE HOLDING OF THE SUMMIT TALKS, AND DECIDED ON THE POLICY THAT THE JAPANESE SIDE WILL NOT INSIST ON THE HOLDING OF THE TALKS IN MAY. MEANWHILE, FOREIGN MINISTER ITO CALLED ON US AMBASSADOR TO JAPAN MANSFIELD AT THE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE TOWARD THE EVENING OF THE SAME DAY, AND HELD TALKS. THEY AGREED THAT THE GOVERNMENTS OF JAPAN AND THE US WILL COMMUNICATE WITH EACH OTHER FULLY IN REGARD TO THE SCHEDULE. A GOVERNMENT LEADER CLARIFIED THE OUTLOOK ON THE NIGHT OF THE SAME DAY THAT "IT WILL PROBABLY BECOME CLEAR IN A DAY OR TWO," BUT IF THE FIRST SUMMIT TALKS TO BE HELD BETWEEN THE NEW JAPANESE AND US ADMINISTRATIONS WERE TO BE POSTPONED, OUR COUNTRY WILL BE FORCED TO REFORMULATE ITS POLITICAL SCHEDULE, AND IT WILL ALSO HAVE BIG EFFECTS ON THE AUTOMOBILE PROBLEM, THE SETTLEMENT OF WHICH HAD BEEN AIMED AT FOR BEFORE THE SUMMIT TALKS.

AT THE UPPER HOUSE BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING ON THE AFTERNOON OF THE 31ST, PRIME MINISTER SUZUKI SAID, IN REGARD TO THE JAPAN-US SUMMIT TALKS, THAT "I AM NOT THINKING OF CHANGING THE ALREADY ESTABLISHED SCHEDULE FOR MY VISIT TO THE US," AND SHOWED THE ATTITUDE OF NOT GIVING UP HOPE FOR THE HOLDING OF THE SUMMIT TALKS, AS SCHEDULED, FOR THE TIME BEING. THE PRIME MINISTER'S STATEMENT IS VIEWED AS SHOWING CONCERN FOR THE PRESIDENT'S CONDITION AS WELL AS TO SHOW THE POSTURE THAT THE JAPANESE SIDE WILL NOT SOUND OUT THE US VIEWS FOR A CHANGE IN THE SCHEDULE FROM ITS SIDE, AND THAT IT WILL DECIDE ON ITS ATTITUDE, AFTER WAITING FOR THE US SIDE'S INDICATION OF ITS POSITION, TO THE LAST.

AT THE CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN PRIME MINISTER SUZUKI AND CHIEF CABINET SECRETARY MIYAZAWA, THEY WENT NO FURTHER THAN TO CONFIRM TWO POINTS OF (1) ENDEAVORING FOR THE EARLY SETTLEMENT OF THE JAPAN-US AUTOMOBILE PROBLEM, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORIGINAL PLAN, AND (2) HOLDING CONSULTATIONS WITH THE US (MORE COMING) USICA TOKYO

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P 010412Z APR 81  
FM AIT TAIPEI

TO AIT WASHDC PRIORITY

UNCLAS TAIPEI 01604

E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PGDV, TW

SUBJECT: CCNAA WISHES PRESIDENT REAGAN SPEEDY RECOVERY

1. T. K. CHU, SECRETARY-GENERAL OF CCNAA, TELEPHONED TO

EXPRESS TSAI WEI-PING'S AND CCNAA'S CONCERN OVER THE

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT REAGAN AND TO WISH

THE PRESIDENT A SPEEDY RECOVERY. THEY ASKED THAT THE

MESSAGE BE CONVEYED TO THE "APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES."

2. PRESIDENT CHIANG CHING-KUO, PREMIER Y. S. SUN, AND

THE 12TH NATIONAL CONGRESS OF THE KUOMINTANG SENT SEPARATE

CABLES DIRECTLY TO PRESIDENT REAGAN. CROSS

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ROUTINE

R 311451Z MAR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY BONN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5985

UNCLAS BONN 06575

E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PPDC, GW

SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM SPD CHAIRMAN WILLY BRANDT TO  
- PRESIDENT REAGAN FOLLOWING ATTEMPTED ASSASSINA-  
- TION

SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF GERMANY (SPD) CHAIRMAN WILLY  
BRANDT HAS REQUESTED THAT THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE BE SENT  
FROM HIM TO PRESIDENT REAGAN:

"DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

THE MALICIOUS ATTEMPT ON YOUR LIFE AND ON YOUR  
COLLEAGUES' HAS DEEPLY DISTURBED US. WE HAVE  
FOLLOWED THE NEWS WITH INTIMATE CONCERN, AND WE ARE  
RELIEVED THAT YOUR RECOVERY IS MAKING GOOD PROGRESS.  
OUR BEST WISHES ALSO FOR YOUR COLLEAGUES.

SINCERELY,

WILLY BRANDT" WOESSNER

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R 010553Z APR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY TOKYO

TO WHITE/HOUSE WASHDC

UNCLAS TOKYO 05739

FOR MRS. JAMES BRADY  
DEEPLY SHOCKED AND SADDENED BY WANTON SHOOTING OF YOUR  
HUSBAND. MRS. MANSFIELD AND I WILL BE PRAYING FOR HIS  
FULL RECOVERY. WE JUST WANTED TO EXPRESS OUR DEEP  
CONCERN AND SYMPATHY TO YOU IN YOUR TIME OF DISTRESS.  
MIKE MANSFIELD.  
MANSFIELD

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P 010652Z APR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY JAKARTA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 2994

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AMCONSUL SURABAYA 3460

UNCLAS JAKARTA 04900

EO 12065: N/A  
TAGS: PEPR, ID, US  
SUBJECT: GOI STATEMENT ON ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT  
ON PRESIDENT REAGAN  
PRESIDENT SUHARTO HAS ISSUED A STATEMENT EXPRESSING  
HIS DEEP SHOCK AND REGRET AT THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT  
ON PRESIDENT REAGAN. GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SUDHARMONO  
TOLD THE PRESS AT THE PRESIDENTIAL PALACE YESTERDAY,  
MARCH 31, THAT SUHARTO AND THE PEOPLE OF INDONESIA  
WERE GRATEFUL THAT THE SITUATION HAD NOT WORSENERED AND  
HOPED THAT PRESIDENT REAGAN WOULD SOON RECOVER AND  
"TAKE UP THE HELM OF GOVERNMENT AGAIN AS USUAL."  
FONMIN MOCHTAR KUSUMAATMADJA HAS ADDED HIS OWN WISHES  
FOR PRESIDENT REAGAN'S SPEEDY RECOVERY. MASTERS

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IMMEDIATE / ROUTINE  
O R 312330Z MAR 81  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC

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INFO AMEMBASSY PORT OF SPAIN 0000  
AMCONSUL ANTIGUA 0000  
AMEMBASSY KINGSTON 0000  
AMEMBASSY GEORGETOWN 0000  
AMEMBASSY LONDON 0000  
AMEMBASSY PARIS 0000  
AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS 0000  
AMEMBASSY BONN 0000

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E.O. 12065: GDS 3/31/87 (WARNE, W.R.)

TAGS: GRENADA, PINT, EAID, EGEN

SUBJECT: GRENADIAN DEMARCHE AND LETTER CONCERNING  
U.S. OPPOSITION TO AIRPORT PROJECT

1. ~~SECRET~~ ENTIRE TEXT.

2. SUMMARY: GRENADA AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS MET WITH DAS AMBASSADOR MCGEE AND OTHER DEPTOFFS ON MARCH 30 TO TRANSMIT A LETTER FROM PM BISHOP TO THE PRESIDENT EXPRESSING DEEP CONCERN AND DIS-SATISFACTION OVER U.S. OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED AIRPORT PROJECT. WILLIAMS ASKED WHETHER U.S. FAILURE TO COMMUNICATE ITS VIEWS DIRECTLY TO THE PRG INDICATED A LACK OF U.S. SERIOUSNESS TOWARD GRENADA. WILLIAMS RAISED SEVERAL OTHER ISSUES CONCERNING BILATERAL RELATIONS, BUT CONCLUDED BY REITERATING PRG INTEREST IN A "HIGH LEVEL DIALOGUE" TO DISCUSS CURRENT RELATIONS.

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END SUMMARY.

3. AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS REQUESTED A MEETING WITH DEPTOFFS TO DELIVER A LETTER FROM PM BISHOP TO THE PRESIDENT AND DISCUSS ISSUES CONCERNING OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS. WILLIAMS BEGAN BY EXPRESSING DISMAY THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAD NOT YET RESPONDED TO THE FORMAL COMPLAINT OVER THE TREATMENT OF THE PRG DELEGATION TO THE LAST OAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING. DEPTOFFS EXPLAINED THAT THIS MATTER WAS UNDER INVESTIGATION BY THE AGENCIES CONCERNED AND A REPLY WOULD BE FORTHCOMING. WILLIAMS ADDED THAT THE USG SHOULD HAVE AT LEAST ACKNOWLEDGED RECEIPT OF THE PRG PROTEST. DEPTOFFS ASSURED HER THAT THE DELAY WAS NOT DUE TO INATTENTION TO THIS MATTER AND THEY WOULD BE PLEASED TO PROVIDE AN INTERIM RESPONSE IF THE INVESTIGATION WAS NOT COMPLETED SHORTLY.

4. WILLIAMS ASKED WHAT WAS THE CAUSE OF THE USG DELAY IN RESPONDING TO THE AGREEMENT REQUEST FOR EMMANUEL TO BE AMBASSADOR TO THE WHITE HOUSE. DEPTOFF REPLIED THAT THE USG WAS GIVING THIS SERIOUS CONSIDERATION BUT THE CHANGE IN ADMINISTRATION HAD CREATED AN UNAVOIDABLE DELAY IN TAKING UP THIS REQUEST. IN ADDITION, IN THE COURSE OF REVIEWING ITS RELATIONS WITH VARIOUS COUNTRIES, THE USG WAS TAKING STOCK OF ITS RELATIONS WITH THE PRG. THIS HAD EXTENDED THE TIME REQUIRED TO CONSIDER THE REQUEST.

5. WILLIAMS SAID THAT SHE WAS UNDER INSTRUCTIONS TO RAISE THE MATTER OF PRESS REPORTS INDICATING THE USG WAS OPPOSED TO THE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT PROJECT AND WAS ASKING SEVERAL EUROPEAN COUNTRIES NOT TO SUPPORT IT. THE PRG WAS SERIOUSLY DISTURBED OVER THIS BECAUSE OF THE DEVELOPMENTAL PRIORITY IT ASSIGNED TO THIS PROJECT. IN ADDITION, WILLIAMS WONDERED HOW SERIOUSLY THE USG COULD TAKE ITS RELATIONS WITH GRENADA IF THE PRG HAD FIRST TO LEARN OF US VIEWS THROUGH THE PRESS. SHE ASKED WHETHER THE US INTENDED TO DISCUSS ITS VIEWS ON THIS MATTER DIRECTLY WITH THE PRG.

6. DEPTOFF RESPONDED THAT THE US TOOK ITS RELATIONS WITH THE PRG SERIOUSLY. THE USG HAD STRONG RESERVATIONS

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REGARDING THIS PROJECT, FOR EXAMPLE, NO SOUND

FEASIBILITY STUDY HAD BEEN COMPLETED AND THIS EXPENSIVE JETPORT APPEARED TO BE A MISUSE OF BOTH GRENADIAN AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES. IN ADDITION, DEPTOFF NOTED THAT WE WERE UNCERTAIN OF THE USE OF THIS MAJOR AIRPORT; IT WOULD BE CAPABLE OF HANDLING THE LARGEST JET AIRCRAFT. THE USG REGULARLY EXCHANGES VIEWS WITH OTHER AID DONORS ON DEVELOPMENTAL PROJECTS AND WE HAD RAISED THESE POINTS ALONG WITH OTHERS THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS. IT WAS UNFORTUNATE, DEPTOFF ADDED, THAT THIS EXCHANGE WAS LEAKED TO THE PRESS, BUT ONCE THIS OCCURED, WE WERE OBLIGED TO RESPOND TO PRESS QUERIES. DEPTOFF CONCLUDED THAT WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO DISCUSS OUR RESERVATIONS REGARDING THE PROJECT IN DETAIL WITH WILLIAMS AND OFFERED TO DO SO. HE ASKED IF THE PRG HAD INVITED THE US TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BRUSSELS DONOR MEETING TO DISCUSS THE PROJECT.

7. WILLIAMS SAID THAT SHE WAS NOT PREPARED TO DISCUSS THE DETAILS OF THE PROJECT AT THIS TIME. SHE ADDED THAT THE US WAS NOT INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BRUSSELS MEETING BUT MORE THAN A YEAR AGO THE PRG HAD ASKED THE US TO CONTRIBUTE TO IT. SHE NOTED THAT WE HAD NOT HEARD THE LAST OF PRG VIEWS ON THIS MATTER AND GRENADA WOULD HAVE TO INFORM POTENTIAL DONORS OF ITS VIEWS ON THIS MATTER. DEPTOFF ASKED FOR WILLIAMS TO ELABORATE ON PRG INTENTIONS BUT SHE DECLINED TO DO SO. DEPTOFF NOTED THAT IT WOULD BE BEST TO EXCHANGE VIEWS ON THIS MATTER THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS.

8. WILLIAMS ECHOED SENTIMENTS IN BISHOP'S LETTER THAT THE PRG WANTED A "HIGH LEVEL DIALOGUE" WITH THE USG TO CLEAR UP MISUNDERSTANDINGS AND IMPROVE RELATIONS. DEPTOFFS TOOK NOTE OF THIS PROPOSAL AND SAID THEY COULD BRING IT TO ATTENTION OF APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS. WILLIAMS ADDED AS AN ASIDE THAT SHE WOULD SHORTLY BE MAKING A STATEMENT TO THE HAS ON PRG FOREIGN POLICY. SHE EMPHASIZED THAT CUBA SHOULD NOT BE THE ISSUE, I.E., THE PRG SOUGHT ASSISTANCE (FROM, AND RELATIONS WITH, MANY COUNTRIES).

9. WILLIAMS CONCLUDED BY EXPRESSING CONCERN FOR THE WELFARE OF PRESIDENT REAGAN. SHE ASKED AMBASSADOR

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MCGEE TO INFORM THE PRESIDENT THAT THE PRG WANTED GOOD RELATIONS WITH THE ADMINISTRATION. MR. MCGEE SAID THAT HE WOULD CONVEY HER GOVERNMENT'S DESIRE TO THE WHITE HOUSE AND THANKED HER FOR HER SYMPATHY AT THIS DIFFICULT TIME.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF BISHOP'S LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT, DATED MARCH 26.

BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES TO YOU, YOUR GOVERNMENT AND YOUR PEOPLE.

WE IN GRENADA HAVE HEARD, READ AND SEEN REPORTS ON RADIO, NEWSPAPERS AND TELEVISION SAYING IN EFFECT THAT OUR GOVERNMENT IS ENGAGED IN AN INTENSE DIPLOMATIC AND PRESS INITIATIVE AIMED AT DISCOURAGING EUROPEAN SUPPORT FOR INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR OUR NEW INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. IN FACT, MR. WILLIAM DYESS, SPOKESPERSON FOR YOUR ADMINISTRATION, IS QUOTED IN THE MIAMI HERALD OF SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 1981 AS CONFIRMING THIS.

IF, IN FACT, THESE REPORTS ACCURATELY REPRESENT YOUR GOVERNMENT'S VIEWS, I EXPRESS DEEP CONCERN AND DISSATISFACTION WITH THE POSITION OF YOUR ADMINISTRATION.

YOU MUST KNOW OF THE GENUINE NEED FOR AND CHARACTER OF THE AIRPORT ESPECIALLY BECAUSE IT SO VERY CLEARLY REPRESENTS A MAJOR ATTEMPT BY GRENADA TO BREAK WITH UNDERDEVELOPMENT AND TO ASSIST IN BRINGING ECONOMIC JUSTICE TO THE PEOPLE OF GRENADA. REFERENCES, ALLEGATIONS AND SPECULATIONS TO THE CONTRARY GIVE GREATLY DISTORTED AND INACCURATE VIEWS OF THIS REALITY.

MY GOVERNMENT HAS ALWAYS WANTED GOOD RELATIONS WITH YOUR GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE. ALL YOUR DIPLOMATS AND OFFICIALS WHO HAVE COME TO GRENADA CAN CONFIRM THIS. AS WE HAVE CONTINUED TO REPEAT, THE BASIS FOR SUCH PRINCIPLED GOOD NEIGHBOURLINESS INCLUDES

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THE FACT THAT UNITED STATES TOURISTS COME TO GRENADA BY THE THOUSANDS ANNUALLY; THE FACT THAT HUNDREDS OF U.S. CITIZENS (RESIDENTS AND STUDENTS) LIVE

IN GRENADA; INCLUDED ALSO IS THE FACT THAT THOUSANDS OF GRENADIANS LIVE IN THE UNITED STATES. EQUALLY IMPORTANT IS THE FACT THAT GRENADA POSES NO SECURITY THREAT WHATSOEVER TO YOUR COUNTRY, OR INDEED TO ANY OTHER COUNTRY.

AS I AM SURE YOU KNOW, MY GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN TRYING OVER A LONG PERIOD TO DEVELOP AMICABLE AND MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL BILATERAL RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES. INDEED WE HAVE MADE SEVERAL REQUESTS FOR ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE AND COOPERATION, INCLUDING SPECIFIC REQUESTS FOR U.S. AID FOR THE AIRPORT PROJECT ITSELF.

GRENADA IS A SMALL POOR COUNTRY MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO BREAK OUT OF THE CYCLE OF CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY. OURS IS ONE OF THE MANY COUNTRIES CHARACTERIZED BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AS "SMALL ISLAND STATE" WITH WELL-DOCUMENTED SOCIO-ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENTAL PROBLEMS. MY GOVERNMENT, IN THE FIRST TWO YEARS OF OUR EXISTENCE, HAS PUT EVERY POSSIBLE EMPHASIS ON BUILDING A VIABLE ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL EXISTENCE FOR OUR PEOPLE.

I HOPE YOU WILL AGREE WITH ME THAT IT CANNOT BE IN THE OBJECTIVE INTEREST OF THE RICHEST AND MOST POWERFUL COUNTRY IN THE WORLD TO USE ITS MIGHT AND POWER TO TRY TO CRUSH ONE OF THE SMALLEST AND POOREST COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD; IN FACT, A COUNTRY OF 133 SQUARE MILES AND 110,000 PEOPLE.

MR. PRESIDENT, I WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST THAT OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS HOLD BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS AT THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE LEVEL TO DISCUSS DEVELOPMENTS AND TO CLEAR UP POSSIBLE MISUNDERSTANDINGS. I SINCERELY LOOK FORWARD TO A POSITIVE RESPONSE TO THIS PROPOSAL.

I AVAIL MYSELF OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXTEND BEST WISHES AND HIGHEST CONSIDERATION TO YOU. YOURS SINCERELY, MAURICE BISHOP PRIME MINISTER. END TEXT

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10. COMMENT: THE BISHOP LETTER AND WILLIAMS' DEMARCHE APPEAR TO BE AN EFFORT TO PLACE THE PRG IN A POSITION TO CRITICIZE THE USG OPPOSITION TO THE AIRPORT PROJECT. WILLIAMS' STATEMENT THAT

WE WILL HEAR MORE ON THIS MATTER LIKELY INDICATES BISHOP'S INTENTION TO MAKE A PUBLIC STATEMENT ON THIS MATTER. THE PRG, HOWEVER, SEEMS TO BE IN A QUANDRY. IT STILL IS PURSUING THE PLOY OF A "HIGH LEVEL DIALOGUE" IN ORDER TO DEMONSTRATE ITS GOODWILL. A SHARP PUBLIC REBUKE WOULD INDICATE THAT THE PRG IS NOT SERIOUS IN ITS INTENTIONS TO IMPROVE RELATIONS WITH US. HAIG

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FM GOVERNOR AMERICAN SAMOA PAGO PAGO AMERICAN SAMOA

TO THE HONORABLE RONALD REAGAN  
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES WASHDC  
INTOS GRNC

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EXTRAORDINARY MESSAGE OF THE LEGISLATURE  
A SENATE CONCURRENT MESSAGE OF SYMPATHY TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE  
UNITED STATES AND HIS FAMILY.  
WHEREAS, THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORY OF AMERICAN SAMOA WERE  
SHOCKED AND DISTRESSED WITH THE RECENT ATTEMPT ON  
PRESIDENT REAGAN'S LIFE; AND  
WHEREAS, IN OUR CULTURE, ANY ATTACK UPON THE PERSON OF A  
PARAMOUNT CHIEF SUCH AS THE PRESIDENT IS UNTHINKABLE;  
AND  
WHEREAS, THE PEOPLE OF AMERICAN SAMOA STRONGLY CONDEMN THIS  
ACT OF VIOLENCE AND CRUELTY; AND  
WHEREAS, OUR GRIEF OVER THIS SENSELESS ACT IS ONLY OUTWEIGHED  
BY OUR SENSE OF RELIEF AT THE PROSPECTS OF A QUICK  
RECOVERY BY THE PRESIDENT; AND  
WHEREAS, OUR CONCERN FOR THE PRESIDENT, HIS FAMILY AND THE  
COUNTRY DURING THIS TIME OF SORROW IS REFLECTED IN  
OUR HEARTS AND OUR PRAYERS.  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE TERRITORY OF  
AMERICAN SAMOA, THE HOUSE CONCURRING;  
THAT, THE LEGISLATURE ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE AND THE TERRITORY  
OF AMERICAN SAMOA, EXPRESSES ITS SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS FOR A SPEEDY  
RECOVERY TO THE PRESIDENT AND HIS FAMILY; AND  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE IS DIRECTED  
TO TRANSMIT COPIES OF THIS MESSAGE TO THE HONORABLE RONALD  
REAGAN, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, WHITE HOUSE; AND TO  
HONORABLE HIGH TALKING CHIEF FOFO I.F. SUNIA, DELEGATE TO THE  
UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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SIGNED BY: HONORABLE MUCITAUADOPELE TAMOTU, PRESIDENT PRO-TEMPORE  
AND HONORABLE TUNAITAU F. TUIA, SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES, LEGISLATURE OF AMERICAN SAMOA

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IMMEDIATE

Q 010707Z APR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 0740

UNCLAS DAR ES SALAAM 02211

E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PPDC, TZ

SUBJECT: NYERERE MESSAGE TO THE PRESIDENT

1. DAILY NEWS APRIL 1 CARRIES FOLLOWING TEXT OF MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT NYERERE TO THE PRESIDENT. MESSAGE WAS NOT DELIVERED VIA EMBASSY AND WAS, PRESUMABLY, FORWARDED FROM NEW DELHI WHERE NYERERE IS ON STATE VISIT.

2. BEGIN TEXT. I WAS SHOCKED AND HORRIFIED TO HEAR ABOUT THE ATTACK MADE ON YOUR LIFE AND THE INJURIES SUFFERED BY YOURSELF AND OF INJURIES SUFFERED BY YOUR PERSONAL STAFF, AS WELL AS POLICE AND OTHER SECURITY STAFF.

3. IT IS SOME RELIEF TO KNOW THAT YOUR INJURIES ARE NOT SO SERIOUS AS TO PREVENT A QUICK AND COMPLETE RECOVERY.

4. THIS IS CERTAINLY MY OWN WISH FOR YOU AND IN EXPRESSING IT, I AM JOINED BY THE WHOLE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA. WE WISH FOR YOU PERSONALLY A SPEEDY RETURN TO FULL HEALTH, AND THE COMFORT OF KNOWING THAT YOUR INJURED FRIENDS AND SECURITY PERSONNEL ARE ALSO ON THE ROAD TO RECOVERY.

5. WE ALSO EXPRESS OUR SYMPATHY TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ON THIS VERY DISTRESSING ATTACK ON THEIR ELECTED PRESIDENT, AND OUR HOPE IS THAT THE LEADER THEY HAVE CHOSEN FOR THE NEXT FOUR YEARS WILL NEVER AGAIN BECOME THE VICTIM OF THOSE WHO SEEK TO NULLIFY AMERICA'S DEMOCRATIC PROCESSES. END TEXT. VIETS

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ROUTINE

R 311717Z MAR 81  
FM UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES

TO THE HONORABLE ALEXANDER HAIG JR.

UNCLAS

FOLLOWING RECEIVED FROM POUL HARTLING, UN HIGH COMMISSIONER  
FOR REFUGEES:

I WAS DEEPLY SHOCKED TO LEARN OF THE BRUTAL ATTEMPT AT THE  
PERSON OF PRESIDENT REAGAN. I AM GREATLY RELIEVED TO KNOW OF HIS  
PROGRESS FOLLOWING MEDICAL CARE. PLEASE ACCEPT MY SINCERE GOOD WISHES  
FOR THE FULL RECOVERY OF THE PRESIDENT.

POUL HARTLING  
UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES

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COL VP FS FARRAR

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SUBJECT CATAGORY: ASSASSIN

MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

MESSAGE:  
ROUTINE

R 311648Z MAR 81  
FM SAN/SALVADOR/EL/SALVADOR

TO HIS EXCELLENCY GENERAL ALEXANDER HAIG, SECRETARY OF STATE

UNCLAS

FOLLOWING RECEIVED FROM FIDEL CHAVEZ MENA, MINISTER OF FOREIGN RELATIONS:

CON PROFUNDA PENA ME DIRIJO A VUESTRA EXCELENCIA PARA MANIFESTARLE EN NOMBRE DEL GOBIERNO DE EL SALVADOR Y EL MIO PROPIO, EL MAS PROFUNDO REPUDIO POR EL CRIMINAL ATENTADO QUE FUERA OBJETO EL EXCELENTISIMO SENOR PRESIDENTE RONALD REAGAN SUS COLABORADORES Y ACOMPAÑANTES. HECHOS COMO EL ANTERIOR PONEN NUEVAMENTE DE MANIFIESTO QUE LA VIOLENCIA ESPECIALMENTE CUANDO LLEGA AL CRIMINAL IRRESPECTO DE LA VIDA HUMANA, NUNCA PODRA SER UN INSTRUMENTO MORALMENTE VALIDO Y ACEPTABLE POR LAS SOCIEDADES PARA PRETENDER SOLUCIONAR DIFERENCIAS POLITICAS IDEOLOGICAS O DE OTRA INDOLE. AL LAMENTAR SINCERAMENTE LOS SUCEOS OCURRIDOS RUEGO A VUESTRA EXCELENCIA TRANSMIR A LA EXCELENTISIMA SENORA DE REAGAN Y A VUESTRO ILUSTRADO GOBIERNO LOS SENTIMIENTOS DE SOLIDARIDAD Y DESEOS DEL PUEBLO Y GOBIERNO SALVADORENO POR EL PRONTO Y TOTAL RESTABLECIMIENTO DEL EXCELENTISIMO SENOR PRESIDENTE REAGAN, SU SECRETARIO DE PRENSA Y COLABORADORES. APROVECHO ESTA OPORTUNIDAD PARA REITERAR A VUESTRA EXCELENCIA LAS MUESTRAS DE MI MAS ALTA CONSIDERACION Y ESTIMA PERSONAL.

FIDEL CHAVES MENA  
MINISTRO DE RELACIONES EXTERIORES  
E EL SALVADOR.

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Q 010930Z APR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY MBABANE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 1732

UNCLAS MBABANE 0980

E.O. 12065: N/A  
TAGS: PPDC, PDIP, WZ, US  
SUBJECT: OFFICIAL MESSAGE FROM SWAZILAND PRIME MINISTER  
ON OCCASION OF ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT  
REF: MBABANE 0954  
FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF OFFICIAL MESSAGE FROM PRIME MINISTER  
PRINCE MABANDLA TO PRESIDENT REAGAN WHICH EMBASSY RECEIVED  
MORNING APRIL 1:

QUOTE:

I HAVE IT ON COMMAND FROM HIS MAJESTY KING SOBHUZA II TO  
EXPRESS TO YOUR EXCELLENCY OUR DEEPEST SHOCK AND DIS-  
APPOINTMENT AT THE MANIACAL ACT OF VIOLENCE AIMED AT YOUR  
PERSONAL LIFE.  
THIS UNFORTUNATE AND PAINFUL INCIDENT HAS TAKEN PLACE  
AT A CRUCIAL MOMENT WHEN THE COMMUNITY OF NATIONS WAS ALREADY  
COUNTING ON YOUR EXCELLENCY'S REQUISITE SPIRIT OF WILLINGNESS  
AND ASSURANCE TO EXPLORE FURTHER DIMENSIONS OF MAINTAINING  
WORLD PEACE AND SECURITY.  
HIS MAJESTY AND THE ENTIRE SWAZI NATION WISH YOUR  
EXCELLENCY SPEEDY RECOVERY.  
PRINCE MABANDLA NDAWOMBILI P. DLAMINI  
PRIME MINISTER OF THE KINGDOM OF SWAZILAND.  
END QUOTE  
MATHERON

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SUBJECT CATAGORY: ASSASSIN

MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

MESSAGE:  
PRIORITY

P 010830Z APR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 0906

UNCLAS KUALA LUMPUR 1959

E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PPDC, MY

SUBJECT: GET WELL MESSAGE FOR PRESIDENT FROM TUNKU ABDUL RAHMAN  
REF: KUALA LUMPUR 0870

1. SECRETARY TO MALAYSIA'S FIRST PRIME MINISTER, TUNKU ABDUL RAHMAN, HAS DELIVERED TO EMBASSY MESSAGE FOR PRESIDENT REAGAN.

ORIGINAL IS BEING POUCHED TO EA/IMBS.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

. THANKS BE TO GOD THAT YOU ARE RECOVERING FROM THE DASTARDLY  
ATTACK FROM AN ASSASSIN WHO HAD RUN BESERK AND WHO FOR NO RHYME OR  
REASON HAS MADE AN ATTEMPT ON YOUR LIFE. MAY GOD PROTECT YOU AND  
HELP YOU TOWARDS A SPEEDY RECOVERY.

TUNKU ABDUL RAHMAN PUTRA. END TEXT.

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COL VP FARRAR FS  
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SUBJECT CATAGORY: ASSASSIN

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MESSAGE:

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P R 010858Z APR 81  
FM AMCONSUL NAPLES

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 0000  
AMEMBASSY ROME//PRIORITY

INFO AMCONSUL FLORENCE  
AMCONSUL GENOA  
AMCONSUL MILAN  
AMCONSUL PALERMO  
AMCONSUL TRIESTE

UNCLAS NAPLES 686

E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PINT, IT

SUBJ: NAPLES MAYOR EXPRESSES CONCERN ABOUT ATTACK ON PRESIDENT REGAN  
1. THE CITY OF NAPLES' COMMUNIST MAYOR, MAURIZIO VALENZI, TELEPHONED  
THE CONSULATE GENERAL EARLY MARCH 31 AND ASKED IF HE COULD CALL ON  
THE CONGEN TO EXPRESS HIS GOOD WISHES FOR PRESIDENT REAGAN'S RECO-  
VERY. HE ARRIVED IMMEDIATELY AFTERWARDS AND STAYED WITH THE CONGEN  
AND POLOFF FOR ABOUT A HALF HOUR. VALENZI EXPRESSED HIS REGRETS  
ABOUT THE ATTACK, AND WAS PLEASED THAT THE EARLY REPORTS INDICATED  
A FAVORABLE PROGNOSIS. HE SAID HE HAD BEEN KEPT ABREAST OF DEVELOP-  
MENTS LATE INTO THE EVENING OF MARCH 30. HE ALSO DISCUSSED POST-  
EARTHQUAKE PROBLEMS IN NAPLES (SEPTEL).

2. DURING CONGEN'S ONE AND ONE HALF YEARS IN NAPLES, THIS IS FIRST  
TIME VALENZI HAS ASKED TO CALL ON CONGEN, OTHER CALLS HAVING BEEN  
INITIATED BY US. KENNEDY

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IMMEDIATE  
O 010248Z APR 81  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC

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NLS F97-098/2#10  
BY 1037 NARA, DATE 9/12/00

TO AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV IMMEDIATE 9570  
AMEMBASSY CAIRO IMMEDIATE 7001

~~SECRET~~ STATE 081750

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E.O. 12065: RDS 3/31/01 (VELIOTES, NICHOLAS)

TAGS: PEPR, MARR, EG, IS

SUBJECT: SINAI SECURITY: THE U.S. ROLE

REF: CAIRO 7381

1. ~~SECRET~~ ENTIRE TEXT
2. ASSISTANT SECRETARY DESIGNATE VELIOTES CALLED IN AMBASSADOR GHORBAL MARCH 31 FOR A DISCUSSION OF THE EFFORTS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY TO DETERMINE COMPOSITION OF THE SECURITY FORCE FOR THE SINAI. DAS DRAPER, PECK (EGY) AND HASSOUNA FROM THE EGYPTIAN EMBASSY SAT IN.
3. VELIOTES SAID HE HAD REQUESTED THE MEETING IN ORDER TO BRING GHORBAL FULLY INTO THE PICTURE ON U.S. EFFORTS TO ASSIST IN THE FINAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EGYPT-ISRAEL PEACE TREATY. FIRST, VELIOTES UNDERLINED THAT WE HAVE NOW BEGUN EFFORTS IN THE APPROPRIATE CAPITALS OF UNSC MEMBERS TO DETERMINE THE LIKELIHOOD OF BEING ABLE TO OBTAIN UN FORCE. THIS EFFORT IS IN RESPONSE TO AN EGYPTIAN REQUEST THAT WE ACTIVELY UNDERTAKE SUCH SOUNDINGS, AND NOT RELY ON WHAT HAD BEEN UNCOVERED IN NEW YORK PROBES. VELIOTES STRESSED THAT WE WISH TO AVOID STRINGING THIS EXERCISE OUT, AND WOULD THEREFORE HOPE TO SIT DOWN WITH THE PARTIES

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COL VP  
ASIMET, NEA

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SUBJECT CATEGORY: ASSASSIN

MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

IN THE NEAR FUTURE TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT THERE IS ANY NEED TO CONTINUE WITH UN EXERCISE. THIS IS CRITICAL, TO AVOID GIVING OPPONENTS AN OPPORTUNITY TO UNDERCUT EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH AN MNF IF THE UN FORCE CANNOT BE CREATED. VELIOTES NOTED THE FOREGOING WAS ESSENTIALLY FOR GHORBAL'S INFORMATION.

4. VELIOTES STRESSED THAT THE SECOND MATTER HAD THE POTENTIAL TO BECOME A FAR GREATER PROBLEM, AND HE WISHED TO FOCUS GHORBAL'S ATTENTION ON IT. HE SAID THAT HE WAS CONCERNED BY WHAT APPEARS TO BE AN EGYPTIAN PERCEPTION, AS REFLECTED IN THE COMMENTS OF EL BAZ AND GHALI (REFTEC) THAT THE U.S. IS NOT ACTING IN GOOD FAITH WITH RESPECT TO ITS PARTICIPATION IN AN MNF IF ONE IS ESTABLISHED. HE WISHED TO ENSURE THE SENIORMOST OFFICIALS OF THE GOE CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD THAT OUR PURPOSE IN PURSUING THE DISCUSSIONS WAS TO CREATE AN ACCEPTABLE MNF PEACEKEEPING FORCE AND THAT POSSIBLE U.S. PARTICIPATION SHOULD BE EXCLUSIVELY FOR THIS PURPOSE.

5. VELIOTES ADDED THAT HE IS DISTRESSED AT THE ALLEGATIONS THAT OUR MEN EFFORTS MIGHT BE A FACADE BEHIND WHICH WE ARE CONCEALING AN INTENTION TO STATION U.S. FORCES WITH A REGIONAL ROLE. HE SAID HE HOPED THAT CAIRO IS NOT BEING OVERLY INFLUENCED BY NEWSMEN, WHO ARE NOT POLICY MAKERS AND CANNOT BE STOPPED FROM PRINTING WHATEVER THEY WISH. HE STRESSED THAT NOT MUCH HAS RECENTLY BEEN WRITTEN ON THE SUBJECT, LARGELY BECAUSE DENIALS OF A STORY ARE NOT IN THEMSELVES NEWSWORTHY.

6. VELIOTES POINTED OUT THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR CAIRO TO UNDERSTAND U.S. MOTIVES AND THAT ANY MISCONCEPTIONS SHOULD BE CLEARED UP BEFORE THE SECRETARY'S ARRIVAL.

7. GHORBAL SAID HE WOULD PASS THE MESSAGE PROMPTLY, ADDING THAT HE HAD BEEN ADVISING HIS GOVERNMENT OF THE INACCURACIES OF THE PRESS STORIES ALONG THE LINES THAT THE PRESS PLAY HAD BEEN THE PROBLEM SINCE EVERYONE READS THE SAME ARTICLES. HE ALSO POINTED OUT THE DAMAGE BEING DONE TO PRESIDENT SADAT AND EGYPT IN THE AREA BECAUSE OF THE ALLEGED "U.S. PLAN." HE UNDERLINED THAT ANYONE ADVOCATING A "U.S. BASE" IN THE SINAI DID NOT UNDERSTAND HOW THIS WOULD UNDERCUT

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RATHER THAN ADVANCE OUR INTEREST THROUGHOUT THE REGION. GHORBAL URGED THAT US POSITION AGAIN BE MADE PUBLIC.

8. PRESS GUIDANCE PREPARED FOR THE MARCH 31 NOON BRIEFING HAS BEEN FORWARDED IN SEPTEL. QUESTION WAS NOT POSED, BUT ANSWER WAS POSTED.

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MESSAGE:

PRIORITY

P 311055Z MAR 1  
FM REPUBLICA DOMINICANA

TO SECSTATE/WASHDC

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SU EXCELENCIA  
SEÑOR ALEXANDER HAIG  
SECRETARIO DE ESTADO  
DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS DE AMERICA  
WASHINGTON DC  
DVP-9262 PROFUNDAMENTE PREOCUPADO ME DIRIJO A VUESTRA  
EXCELENCIA EN OCASION DE EXPRESARLE MI CONSTERNACION POR  
EL ATENTADO DE QUE FUE OBJETO EL EXCELENTISIMO SEÑOR PRESIDENTE  
DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS DE AMERICA, RONALD REAGAN, HACIENDO  
VOTOS POR SU PRONTO RESTABLECIMIENTO  
PEDRO PADILLA TONS  
SUBSECRETARIO DE ESTADO,  
ENCARGADO DE LA SECRETARIA DE ESTADO DE RELACIONES EXTERIORES  
DE LA REPUBLICA DOMINICANA

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COL VP MR  
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MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

MESSAGE:

IMMEDIATE  
O 01106Z APR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY MOGADISHU

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4392  
THE WHITE HOUSE WASHDC IMMEDIATE

UNCLAS MOGADISHU 1689

E.O. 12065: NA  
TAGS: PPDC SD  
SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT: PRESIDENT'S SIAD'S MESSAGE TO  
PRESIDENT REAGAN  
REF: MOGADISHU 1640

1. THE EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED A COPY OF THE CABLE WHICH THE  
SOMALI FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS SENT TO THE WHITE HOUSE (REFTEL)  
CONVEYING PRESIDENT SIAD'S CONCERN OVER THE ASSASSINATION  
ATTEMPT.

2. BEGIN TEXT: H.E. RONALD REAGAN, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED  
STATES, WASHINGTON.

I AM SHOCKED TO LEARN THE ATTEMPT MADE IN YOUR LIFE BY A  
TREACHEROUS ASSASSIN AT A TIME THAT YOU HAVE SET THE PACE FOR  
THE UNITED STATES TO PLAY ITS ROLE IN INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND  
RESTORE THE CONFIDENCE OF THE SMALLER NATIONS. I ON MY NAME  
AND ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE SOMALI DEMO-  
CRATIC REPUBLIC WISH TO EXTEND TO YOU MY SYMPATHIES HOPING FOR  
YOU A QUICK AND SUCCESSFUL RECOVERY. PLEASE ACCEPT MY HIGHEST  
CONSIDERATION. MOHAMED SIAD BARRE, PRESIDENT OF THE SOMALI DEMO-  
CRATIC REPUBLIC. END TEXT.

3. THE SUBSTANCE OF THE MESSAGE WAS PUBLISHED IN THE APRIL 1  
ISSUE OF THE SOMALI NATIONAL NEWS AGENCY'S DAILY ENGLISH-  
LANGUAGE BULLETIN.

PETTERSON

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MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

MESSAGE:  
IMMEDIATE

O 011147Z APR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY SOFIA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 876

UNCLAS SOFIA 0833

E.O. 12065: NA  
TAGS: PEPR, BU  
SUBJECT: MESSAGE FOR PRESIDENT FROM BULGARIAN LEADER ZHIVKOV  
1. FOREIGN MINISTRY APRIL 1 PASSED EMBASSY FOLLOWING  
MESSAGE FOR PRESIDENT REGAN FROM BULGARIAN CHIEF OF  
STATE TODOR ZHIVKOV. BEGIN TEXT OF EMBASSY TRANSLATION:  
MR. PRESIDENT,

WITH A SENSE OF OUTRAGE WE RECEIVED THE REPORT OF THE  
CRIMINAL ATTEMPT AGAINST YOUR LIFE WHICH WE CONDEMN.

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE COUNCIL AND IN MY PERSONAL  
CAPACITY, PLEASE ACCEPT OUR SINCERE SYMPATHY AND WISHES  
FOR A SPEEDY RECOVERY.

SIGNED

TODOR ZHIVKOV

CHAIRMAN OF THE STATE COUNCIL OF THE  
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA

END TEXT

2. ACCORDING TO THE MFA, SAME MESSAGE HAS BEEN TRANSMITTED  
TO THE BULGARIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. POL/EC  
CHIEF CASWELL THANKED THE MFA/PROTOCOL REPRESENTATIVE  
FOR THE GOB'S EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY AND CONCERN,  
AND PROMISED TO TRANSMIT THE ORIGINAL BULGARIAN TEXT  
TO WASHINGTON. ORIGINAL PLUS TRANSLATION IS BEING  
POUCHED SEPARATELY TO EUR/EE.

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PRIORITY

P 011034Z APR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY NOUAKCHOTT

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 0291

UNCLAS NOUAKCHOTT 01401

E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PDIP, MR

SUBJECT: MESSAGE FOR PRESIDENT REAGAN FROM PRESIDENT  
HAIDALLA

1. FOLLOWING IS UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF MESSAGE FROM  
MAURITANIAN PRESIDENT HAIDALLA TO PRESIDENT REAGAN SENT  
31 MARCH 1981.

2. BEGIN QUOTE: WE LEARNED WITH SORROW OF THE  
ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT ON YOUR EXCELLENCY. IN THE NAME  
OF THE MAURITANIAN PEOPLE, OF ITS MILITARY COMMITTEE  
FOR NATIONAL SALVATION, AND ITS GOVERNMENT, AS WELL AS  
FOR MYSELF, I ASSURE YOU OF OUR SINCERE SYMPATHY AND  
ADDRESS TO YOU OUR WISHES FOR A PROMPT RECOVERY,  
WITH HIGHEST CONSIDERATION. LT. COL. MOHAMMED KHOUNA  
OULD HAIDALLA, PRESIDENT, ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF MAURITANIA.  
END QUOTE.

SCHRAGER

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ROUTINE

R 311743Z MAR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY BRASILIA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 211

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NLS FAZ-098/2#-21  
BY MJH NARA, DATE 6/17/00

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ BRASILIA 2750

E.O. 11652 GDS 3/31/87 (SAYRE, ROBERT M.) OR-M

TAGS: PDIP BR

SUBJECT: ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT REAGAN

REF A STATE 080229, B STATE 080707

1. C - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. WE HAVE BEEN IN CONTINUAL CONTACT WITH THE BRAZILIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY AND THE BRAZILIAN PRESIDENT'S OFFICE SINCE ABOUT 1500 WASHINGTON TIME MARCH 30 WHEN WE FIRST RECEIVED WORD IN TELEPHONE CONVERSATION OF THE ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT REAGAN. FULL DETAILS ON THE ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION AND CONTINUITY OF USG AS RECEIVED HERE THROUGH DEPARTMENT AND USINFO HAVE BEEN DELIVERED TO BRAZILIAN FOREIGN MINISTER.

3. PRESIDENT FIGUEIREDO SENT MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT REAGAN AS SOON AS HE WAS INFORMED OF ATTEMPT AGAINST HIS LIFE. I HAVE RECEIVED CALLS FROM AMBASSADORS OF MEXICO, FRANCE, HONDURAS, SPAIN AND PORTUGAL AND CHARGE OF USSR OVER PAST TWELVE HOURS. USSR CHARGE CALLED THIS MORNING (MARCH 31) AND WAS OBVIOUSLY READING FROM PREPARED TEXT. HE ALSO EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION FOR MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE I HAD SENT ON DEATH OF SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO BRAZIL ON MARCH 24. I EXPRESSED HOPE TO HIM THAT NOTHING ELSE WOULD BE DONE TO DISTURB PEACE OF WORLD.  
SAYRE

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SUBJECT CATEGORY: ASSASSIN

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ROUTINE

R 312003Z MAR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY SANTIAGO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9922

UNCLAS SANTIAGO 1873

E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PPDC, CI

SUBJ: MESSAGE TO RONALD REAGAN, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,  
JAMES BRADY, TIMOTHY J. MCCARTHY AND THOMAS K. DELAHANTY

1. ALL EMPLOYEES AT THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN CHILE JOIN WITH OTHERS  
AROUND THE WORLD IN WISHING YOU A SPEEDY RECOVERY.

2. AS WE ALL KNOW TOO WELL, SERVICE TO ONE'S COUNTRY OFTEN INVOLVES  
RISK. OUR AWARENESS OF THAT RISK INCREASES DRAMATICALLY WHEN OUR  
PRESIDENT BECOMES THE TARGET. WE ALL FEEL VERY CLOSE TO YOU DURING  
THIS TIME OF STRESS AND WILL WELCOME THE DAY WHEN ALL OF YOU  
CAN RETURN TO THE SERVICE OF OUR NATION.

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ROUTINE

R 011413Z APR 81

FM VALLETTA/MALTA

TO HIS EXCELLENCY MR RONALD REAGAN, PRESIDENT  
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

UNCLAS

FOLLOWING RECEIVED FROM THE PRESIDENT OF MALTA:

MR PRESIDENT,

THE SAD NEWS OF THE VIOLENT ATTEMPT ON YOUR LIFE HAS GREATLY  
SHOCKED THE PEOPLE OF MALTA.

WHILE CONDEMNING IN THE STRONGEST TERMS THIS SENSELESS ACT,  
THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE UNITE WITH ME IN EXPRESSING OUR  
SOLIDARITY WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY AS WELL AS WITH THE  
AMERICAN PEOPLE IN THIS DIFFICULT MOMENT.

WE REJOICE THAT YOUR EXCELLENCY HAS SURVIVED THIS ASSASSINATION  
ATTEMPT AND WE WISH YOU A SPEEDY RECOVERY AND MANY MORE  
YEARS OF ACTIVE LEADERSHIP AT THE HELM OF YOUR COUNTRY.

ANTON BUTTIGIEG

PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF MALTA

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COL VP MR

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PRIORITY

P 011310Z APR 81

FM TAG PUERTO RICO SAN JUAN PR

TO WHITE HOUSE WASH DC

UNCLAS

PERSONAL FOR HONORABLE RONALD REAGAN FROM MG ORLANDO LLENZA  
THE OFFICERS AND ENLISTED PERSONNEL OF THE PUERTO RICO NATIONAL  
GUARD JOIN ME IN WHISHING YOU A SPEEDY RECOVERY.  
OUR MINDS AND HEARTS ARE WITH YOU.

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COL VP MR  
FARRAR

PSN:006321

DTG:011310

TDR:0911438

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PRIORITY

P 011346Z APR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY ANTANANARIVO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 3546

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BY WJN NARA, DATE 8/12/00

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E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PDIP, MA

SUBJ: GET WELL MESSAGE PRESIDENT REAGAN

1. THERE FOLLOWS INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF MESSAGE SENT BY THE PRESIDENT OF MADAGASCAR TO PRESIDENT REAGAN ON APRIL 1.

QUOTE. IT WAS WITH GREAT STUPOR THAT I LEARNED OF THE IGNOBLE ATTEMPT THAT WAS PERPETRATED UPON YOU. "HOMO HOMINI LUPUS" WAS THE SUBJECT WHICH I DEALT WITH AT THE UNITED NATIONS WHEN I WAS THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, CONFRONTING THE MORAL DEGRADATION OF OUR AGE, DESPITE ALL OF THE TECHNICAL AND SCIENTIFIC PROGRESS MADE BY MANKIND.

2. THE FUNDAMENTAL AND POLITICAL OPTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF MADAGASCAR DIFFER IN MANY AREAS. I CAN ASSURE YOU, MR. PRESIDENT, THAT I WILL DEFEND THE INTERESTS AND THE IDEALS OF THE MALAGASY REVOLUTION WITH ALL THE STRENGTH OF MY CONVICTIONS, EVEN IF I AM OBLIGED TO GO AGAINST THE GREAT POWERS, BUT IN THIS WORLD OF VIOLENCE AND MORAL REGRESSION THAT WE LIVE IN WHERE SO-CALLED HUMANITARIAN AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN THE NAME OF SO-CALLED HUMAN RIGHTS TAKE PLEASURE IN DEFENDING MORE THE RIGHT OF CRIMINALS, OF BANDITS AND OF ASSASSINS OF ALL KINDS UNDER THE COMMAND OF SELFISH AND SORDID INTERESTS AND AMBITIONS THAN THE RIGHT OF LIFE OF HEADS OF STATE ELECTED BY THEIR PEOPLE, I CANNOT BUT CONDEMN THE DESPICABLE ACTION PERPETRATED AGAINST YOUR PERSON AND ASSURE YOU OF MY MOST ARDENT AND MOST SINCERE HOPES FOR YOUR PROMPT RECOVERY.

3. WITH MY RESPECTFUL HOMAGE TO MRS. REAGAN, PLEASE ACCEPT, MR. PRESIDENT, THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

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MESSAGE / ANNOTATION:

SIGNED: DIDIER RATSIRAKA, PRESIDENT, GOVERNMENT OF THE  
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF MADAGASCAR, END QUOTE.

4. FRENCH TEXT IS AS FOLLOWS:

"MONSIEUR LE PRESIDENT,

C'EST AVEC UN GRAND STUPEUR QUE J'AI APPRIS  
L'IGNOBLE ATTENTAT DONT VOUS AVEZ ETE VICTIME. HOMO  
HOMINI LUPUS, C'ETAIT LE THEME QUE J'AI DEVELOPPE AUX  
NATIONS UNIES DU TEMPS OU J'ETAIS MINISTRE DES AFFAIRES  
ETRANGERES, FACE A LA DEGRADATION MORALE DE NOTRE  
EPOQUE ET CE, MALGRE TOUS LES PROGRES TECHNIQUES ET  
SCIENTIFIDIQUES OBTENUS PAR LE GENRE HUMAIN.

5. LES OPTIONS FONDAMENTALES POLITIQUES DES ETATS-  
UNIS ET DE LA REPUBLIQUE DEMOCRATIQUE DE MADAGASCAR  
SONT DANS BIEN DE DOMAINES DIVERGENTES, SOYEZ SUR,  
MONSIEUR LE PRESIDENT, QUE JE DEFENDRAI DE TOUTE LA  
FORCE DE MA CONVICTION LES INTERETS ET LES IDEaux DE  
LA REVOLUTION MALGACHE, DUSSE-JE M'OPPOSER EN CELA  
AUX GRANDES PUISSANCES, MAIS DANS CE MONDE DE VIOLENCE  
ET DE REGRESSION MORALE OU NOUS VIVONS ET OU DES  
ORGANISMES PRETENDUMENT HUMANITAIRES ET INTERNATIONAUX  
A NOM DE SOIT-DISANT DROIT DE L'HOMME SE PLAISENT  
A DEFENDRE PLUS LE DROIT DES CRIMINELS, DES BANDITS  
ET DES ASSASSINS DE TOUS BORDS COMMANDITES PAR DES  
INTERETS ET DES AMBITIONS SORDIDES ET EGOISTES QUE LE  
DROIT A LA VIE DES CHEFS D'ETAT ELUS PAR LEUR PEUPLE,  
JE NE PUIS QUE CONDAMNER L'ACTE MEPRISABLE PERPETRE  
CONTRE VOTRE PERSONNE ET SOYEZ ASSURE DE MES VOEUX LES  
PLUS ARDENTS ET LES PLUS SINCERES DE PROMPT GUERISON.

6. AVEC MES HOMMAGES RESPECTUEUX POUR MADAME REAGAN,  
VEUILLEZ AGREER, MONSIEUR LE PRESIDENT, LES ASSURANCES  
DE MA TRES HAUTE CONSIDERATION.

/S/ DIDIER RATSIRAKA  
PRESIDENT DE LA REPUBLIQUE DEMOCRA-  
TIQUE DE MADAGASCAR

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 0861

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FROM VATICAN OFFICE

E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PEPR, VT, US

SUBJECT: GET-WELL MESSAGE FROM POPE TO PRESIDENT REAGAN  
1. APRIL 1 EDITION OF "OSSERVATORE ROMANO" HAS PUBLISHED  
FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM POPE TO PRESIDENT REAGAN.  
2. BEGIN TEXT: WITH GREAT SORROW I LEARNED OF THE ATTEMPT  
ON YOUR LIFE AND OF THE INJURY INFLICTED ON YOU AND YOUR  
ASSISTANTS BY A SENSELESS AND VIOLENT ACT. I ASK ALMIGHTY  
GOD TO COMFORT AND SUSTAIN YOU AT THIS TIME AND TO RESTORE  
YOU TO PERFECT HEALTH. AS I ASSURE YOU OF MY SENTIMENTS  
OF SOLIDARITY AND SUPPORT, I JOIN IN DENOUNCING ALL MANI-  
FESTATIONS OF VIOLENCE AND TERRORISM AND EVERY ACT THAT  
VIOLATES HUMAN DIGNITY IN ANY INDIVIDUAL. PLEASE ACCEPT,  
MR. PRESIDENT, THE EXPRESSION OF MY SINCERE RESPECT AND  
ESTEEM AND KNOW OF MY CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR YOUR WELL-  
BEING, FOR THE RECOVERY OF THE OTHER VICTIMS AND FOR THE  
WELFARE OF ALL THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. SIGNED IOANNES  
PAULUS PP. II. END TEXT. HORNBL0W

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 0944

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E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PDIP, MT, US

SUBJECT: MESSAGES TO PRESIDENT REAGAN

1. BY DIPLOMATIC NOTE DATED APRIL 1 THE MFA TRANSMITTED TO US TEXTS OF MESSAGES SENT FROM PRESIDENT BUTTIGIEG AND PRIME MINISTER MINTOFF TO PRESIDENT REAGAN.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

MR. PRESIDENT,

THE SAD NEWS OF THE VIOLENT ATTEMPT ON YOUR LIFE HAS GREATLY SHOCKED THE PEOPLE OF MALTA. WHILE CONDEMNING IN THE STRONGEST TERMS THIS SENSELESS ACT, THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE UNITE WITH ME IN EXPRESSING OUR SOLIDARITY WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY AS WELL AS WITH THE AMERICAN PEOPLE IN THIS DIFFICULT MOMENT.

WE REJOICE THAT YOUR EXCELLENCY HAS SURVIVED THIS ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT AND WE WISH YOU A SPEEDY RECOVERY AND MANY MORE YEARS OF ACTIVE LEADERSHIP AT THE HELM OF YOUR COUNTRY.

ANTON BUTTIGIEG

PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF MALTA. END TEXT.

3. BEGIN TEXT:

MR. PRESIDENT,

MY COLLEAGUES AND I WERE SHOCKED TO LEARN OF THE WANTON ATTACK ON YOUR LIFE AND WERE GREATLY

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DISTURBED BY THIS ACT OF VIOLENCE.  
ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MALTA I WISH YOU,  
MR. PRESIDENT, A SPEEDY RECOVERY SO THAT YOU MAY  
CONTINUE THE USEFUL WORK YOU HAVE UNDERTAKEN FOR  
THE WELFARE OF YOUR PEOPLE.  
DOM MINTOFF  
PRIME MINISTER  
REPUBLIC OF MALTA, END TEXT. WARDLAW

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P 011358Z APR 81  
FM AMEMBASSY ROME

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 0858

UNCLAS ROME 07547

E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PPDC, PSDC, IT

SUBJECT: MESSAGES OF PSI SECRETARY CRAXI TO PRESIDENT REAGAN AND SECRETARY HAIG ON THE OCCASION OF THE ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT REAGAN

1. BETTINO CRAXI, SECRETARY OF THE ITALIAN SOCIALIST PARTY, HAS ASKED EMBASSY TO CONVEY FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT REAGAN: QUOTE: PLEASE TRANSMIT TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES MOST FERVID GOOD WISHES FOR A PROMPT RECOVERY SO THAT AS LEADER OF THE NATION HE CAN CONTINUE HIS EFFORTS FOR PEACEFUL PROGRESS. /S/ BETTINO CRAXI. UNQUOTE.

2. SECRETARY CRAXI HAS ALSO ASKED US TO CONVEY FOLLOWING TO SECRETARY OF STATE: QUOTE: IN MY OWN NAME AND THAT OF MY PARTY I TRANSMIT OUR FEELINGS OF HEARTFELT SOLIDARITY AND INDIGNATION AT THE VILE ATTACK, WISHING A PROMPT RECOVERY TO PRESIDENT REAGAN AND THE HOPE THAT THE INITIAL ALARMING REPORTS CONCERNING HIS ASSISTANTS WILL NOT BE BORNE OUT. SINCERELY, BETTINO CRAXI. UNQUOTE.

3. ABOVE ARE EMBASSY TRANSLATIONS OF ITALIAN TEXTS.  
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FM AMEMBASSY LIBREVILLE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 6680

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E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PDIP, PGOV, GB, US

SUBJECT: PRESIDENT BONGO EXPRESSES CONCERN FOR PRESIDENT REAGAN  
REF: A) LIBREVILLE 0912; B) FBIS ABIDJAN 311913Z MAR 81

1. PRESIDENT BONGO TELEPHONED ME EVENING MARCH 31 TO PERSONALLY EXPRESS HIS CONCERN OVER ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT, TO REASSURE HIMSELF ABOUT PRESIDENT REAGAN'S CONDITION, TO ASK THAT HE BE KEPT INFORMED OF STATE OF PRESIDENT REAGAN'S HEALTH, AND TO MAKE SURE I WAS AWARE OF MESSAGE HE HAD SENT EARLIER (REFTEL).

2. TELEGRAM TO PRESIDENT REAGAN WAS SENT LATE MORNING MARCH 31. WE DO NOT YET HAVE OFFICIAL COPY, BUT INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF TEXT AS IT APPEARED IN LOCAL DAILY L'UNION APRIL 1, AND IT HAS BEEN CARRIED BY RADIO AND TV FOLLOWS:

"IT IS WITH GREAT EMOTION THAT I LEARNED TONIGHT OF THE ODIOUS (ODIEUX) ATTEMPT UPON YOUR LIFE. I CONDEMN THIS SHOCKING ACT WHICH IS REGRETTABLE FOR A COUNTRY WHICH IS A MODEL OF DEMOCRACY. I AM ALL THE MORE DISMAYED IN THAT I WAS TO HAVE (DEVAIS AVOIR) THE PLEASURE OF MEETING YOU VERY SOON. IN THE NAME OF THE GABONESE PEOPLE, THE PARTI DEMOCRATIQUE GABONAIS, MY GOVERNMENT AND MYSELF, I EXPEND TO YOU MY MOST FERVENT WISHES FOR A QUICK RECOVERY. VERY HIGH CONSIDERATION. SIGNED EL HADJ OMAR BONGO."  
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E.O. 12065: NA

TAGS: PDIP, HU

SUBJECT: HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT REAGAN  
THE MFA HAS INFORMED THE EMBASSY THAT HUNGARIAN PRESIDENT  
PAL LOSONCZI TRANSMITTED A MESSAGE IN THE NAME OF THE  
HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE EXPRESSING GOOD WISHES  
AND A SPEEDY RECOVERY TO PRESIDENT REAGAN AND TO THOSE  
OTHERS WOUNDED IN THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT. WE UNDERSTAND  
THE MESSAGE WAS SENT TO THE WHITE HOUSE MORNING OF APRIL 1  
VIA COMMERCIAL CABLE FACILITIES.  
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