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FROM: B/GEN BEVAN

SUBJECT: MISSION C-301C

1. NOW THAT MSN C-301C IS HISTORY, I THINK THAT YOU SHOULD BE AWARE OF SOME OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING ITS APPROVAL. [Redacted] ALERTED THE MISSION ON 30 SEP 71. THE NEXT MORNING ON 1 OCT 71 WE REALIZED THAT WE HAD NOT YET RECEIVED [Redacted] APPROVAL FOR THE OCT MISSIONS. A CHECK REVEALED THAT INSTEAD OF THE CUSTOMARY ADMINISTRATIVE DELAY, THERE WAS A MEMO WRITTEN BY A MEMBER OF [Redacted] RECOMMENDING TERMINATION OF ALL [Redacted] CHINA PERIPHERY MISSIONS UNTIL AFTER THE PEKING TRIP. IT WAS NOT UNTIL THE LAST MOMENT THAT [Redacted] WAS ABLE TO GET A VERBAL

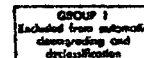
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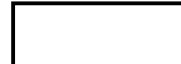
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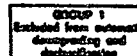
OKAY ON THE MISSION FROM GEN HAIG. NORMALLY WE ~~SHOULD~~ <sup>WOULD</sup> HAVE WAITED UNTIL [REDACTED] APPROVED. YOU CAN APPRECIATE THEN THAT HQS GAVE THE GO AHEAD BASED ON <sup>VERBAL</sup> [REDACTED] AUTHORITY AND FURTHER THAT THERE REMAINS SIGNIFICANT OPPOSITION TO THESE MISSIONS.

2. WITH THIS BACKGROUND, YOU CAN APPRECIATE THAT I WAS NOT TOO PLEASED WITH [REDACTED] DECISION NOT TO FLY THE PRECISE APPROVED FLIGHT PLAN NOR WITH [REDACTED] APPARENT CONDONMENT. I AM NOW FEARFUL THAT [REDACTED] SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSION WITH [REDACTED] MAY NOT HAVE GIVEN THE PROPER IMPACT, E. G. THAT DELIBERATE VIOLATION OF FLIGHT PLANS NO MATTER HOW <sup>SMALL</sup> ~~SAME~~ COULD GIVE SUPPORT TO THE OPPONENTS OF THE TACKLE PROGRAM. EVEN MORE SERIOUS, [REDACTED] EXAMINATION OF ACTUAL TRACK SHOWS THAT [REDACTED] FLIGHT PATH WENT WELL WITHIN A 25 MILE RADIUS OF

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THE SAM SITE LOCATED ON NORTH PART OF THE SHANTUNG PENINSULA. EVEN A SAM FIRING THAT MISSED WOULD BE DISASTROUS. I NOW WONDER IF THE [REDACTED] DISCUSSION IS SUFFICIENT TO PREVENT THIS SORT OF THING FROM HAPPENING AGAIN.

3. WE ARE IN PROCESS OF PREPARING THE NEW WENCHOW TO SWATOW ROUTE AS REQUESTED. AT THIS WRITING, I DO NOT YET HAVE WRITTEN [REDACTED] APPROVAL FOR OCTOBER MISSIONS AND WILL NOT ALERT ANY MORE MISSIONS UNTIL I DO.

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