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1. [REDACTED] AFTER CAREFUL REVIEW OPS PLAN REF AND GIVING

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DUE WEIGHT TO SECURITY AND OPERATIONAL ADVANTAGES CONDUCTING OPS FROM [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] BELIEVES PREFERABLE CONDUCT KLYUCHI MISSION FROM [REDACTED] FOR POL REASONS.

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2. MORE RECENT AND DETAILED INFO AVAILABLE HQS THAN [REDACTED]

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ON RUSSIAN RADAR O/B KAMCHATKA AREA. THIS SUGGESTS SOFT SPOT ROB NORTHEAST AREA 58 DEGREES ZERO MINUTES LAT, 169 DEGREES 30 MINUTES EAST LONG TO 61 DEGREES ZERO MINUTES NORTH LAT, 171 DEGREES ZERO MINUTES EAST LONG NOT COVERED BY

KNIFEWEST OR TOKEN BUT ONLY DUMBO TYPE. FOR PLANNING PURPOSE RANGE ALL TYPE

ENEMY RADARS ASSUMED 200 MILES. FOREGOING REFLECTS BEST INTEL AVAIL HQS, [REDACTED]

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3. COVERAGE REQUIRED OF SUBSTANTIAL AREA NORTH AND EAST OF KLYUCHI NECESSITATING APPROX 400 MILES OF MISSION IN TARGET AREA.

4. ANY FLT LAUNCHED [REDACTED] WOULD HAVE TO BE ROUTED

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ATTU ISLAND THENCE TO TURNING POINT APPROX 56 DEGREES NORTH 176 DEGREES EAST

THENCE WESTWARD TO COAST [REDACTED] POINT APPROX 100 MILES NORTH OF KLYUCHI IN

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ORDER TO MAKE PENETRATION THROUGH SOFT SPOT AND AVOID RADAR SURVEILLANCE ON OUTBOUND LEG TO TURNING POINT. THIS EXTREMELY WIDE SWING REQUIRED BY PRESENCE TOKENS ON OSTROV ISLAND. WE CALCULATE MISSION PLANNED THIS MANNER OVER 4,000 NAUT MILES WHICH NOT PRACTICABLE. LITTLE SAVING BY BASING [REDACTED] IN PREFERENCE [REDACTED] SINCE FIRST LEG MUST BE FLOWN 250 TO 300 MILES SOUTHEASTERLY FROM THESE NORTHERN BASES TO ESCAPE SURVEILLANCE.

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5. BY CONTRAST MISSION FROM [REDACTED] SHORTER, PERFECT TERMINAL WK, SIMPLE FLT PLAN WITH MINIMUM TURNS, FIFTY-FIFTY CHANCE SEE ST. MATTHEWS ISLAND AND WEST COAST ALASKA AS CHECK POINTS WITH POSSIBLE PENINSULA CHECKPOINT, 59 DEGREES 56 MINUTES NORTH LAT, 170 DEGREES 25 MINUTES EAST LONG MAKING RUN THROUGH SOFT SPOT. THIS MISSION 3475 NAUT. MILES.

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6. IN OUR JUDGMENT ADVANTAGE [REDACTED] OVER [REDACTED] DERIVED EXCLUSIVELY FROM DESIRABILITY AVOIDING RADAR SURVEILLANCE UP TO PENETRATION AND MAKING PENETRATION THROUGH SOFT SPOT. IN THIS CONNECTION [REDACTED] EMPHASIZES THIS STAGING MISSION NOT INTENDED ESTABLISH FUTURE [REDACTED] OPS PATTERN. ANTICIPATE LATER MISSIONS BASED [REDACTED] AND PENETRATING RUSS/CHICOM RADAR DEFENCES. REASON FOR EXTRAORDINARY PRECAUTIONS THIS MISSION TO AVOID PREJUDICING FUTURE OPS. HOPE IS THAT NEW DEVELOPMENTS KNOWN TO [REDACTED] WILL REDUCE DISADVANTAGE EXPOSURE

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TO RADAR SURVEILLANCE. ALSO INTENT IS SCHEDULE LATER OPS IN BRIEF TIME INTERVAL TO MAXIMIZE COMPLETION PRIOR DIPLOMATIC PROTEST. BY CONTRAST, K KAMCHATKA MISSION MUST BE RUN WHENEVER WEATHER PERMITS WHICH MAY BE WELL IN ADVANCE OF LATER DEEPER PENETRATIONS.

7. DETAILED INFO REGARDING SUPPORT AIRLIFT, FACILITIES [redacted] FORTHCOMING SOONEST. PRESENT PLAN USE ONLY ONE [redacted] ANTICIPATE REQUIRE 30 DAYS [redacted] ACCOMPLISH ONE MISSION DUE TARGET AREA WEATHER. PLANNED MAINTAIN TWO [redacted] PLUS MAJORITY [redacted] PERSONNEL IN OPERATIONAL STATUS AT [redacted] PRESENT EXPECTATION [redacted] FACILITIES CAN BE READY WITHIN TEN DAYS.

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8. REQUEST YOUR COMMENTS.

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