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SUBJECT: SUPPORT TO ^{Embassy} [REDACTED] EFFORT REGARDING SHERATON MURDER CASE

1. THE GROUNDWORK HAS BEEN LAID IN SAN SALVADOR FOR MOVING CAPTAIN AVILA TO TRIAL FOR HIS ROLE IN THE SHERATON MURDERS.

[REDACTED]

HAVE AGREED TO TESTIFY AGAINST AVILA, WHO EARLIER CONFESSED HIS COMPLICITY IN THE MURDERS [REDACTED] TESTIMONY IS ESSENTIAL TO THE PROSECUTION. SHE AND HER HUSBAND DEPOSED ON 24 JUNE AND WERE EXPECTED TO TESTIFY ON 25 JUNE BUT JUDGE HAS DELAYED TESTIMONY FOR 24 HOURS. [REDACTED] HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED THREATS, INCLUDING A CALL TO THE [REDACTED] CHILDREN ON NIGHT OF 24 JUNE. SECURITY HAS BEEN PROVIDED TO [REDACTED] IN SAN SALVADOR AND [REDACTED] HAS PROVIDED SECURITY TO FAMILY IN WASHINGTON AREA.

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2. ^{State} [REDACTED] HAS ASKED FOR ^{CIA} [REDACTED] ASSISTANCE IN TWO WAYS:

A. [REDACTED] ANY INFO REGARDING THREATS TO WALKERS [REDACTED]

B. THE JUDGE'S 24 HOUR POSTPONEMENT OF [REDACTED] TESTIMONY MAY GIVE AVILA TIME TO ESCAPE. MOST LIKELY DESTINATIONS SHOULD AVILA ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE WOULD BE GUATEMALA OR PANAMA, WITH COSTA RICA AS LESS LIKELY. [REDACTED]

3. WILL WELCOME ANY ADDITIONAL PERTINENT FACTS OR SUGGESTIONS [REDACTED]

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