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OF STATE (INR, INR/FE AND SY/PRS); FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
SUBJECT: FOLLOW-UP TO REPORTS OF VIETNAMESE "ASSASSINATION"
SQUADS IN THAILAND

ON 27 OCTOBER, [REDACTED]
THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION SUPPLEMENTING THAT REPORTED ON 26 OCTOBER
ABOUT FIVE AND SIX-MAN VROUPS ARRIVING IN BANGKOK TO ASSASSINATE
THE PRESIDENT:

REFERENCE: CIA MESSAGE 46943 OF 26 OCTOBER 1966

1. THE FOLLOWING CLARIFICATION WAS OBTAINED ON 27 OCTOBER
FROM THE DEBRIEFERS [REDACTED]

THE SOURCE OF THE [REDACTED] REPORT ABOUT THE "FIVE-MAN ASSASSINATION TEAM"
(PARA 1A OF REF) HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THE SOURCE SAYS
HE WAS APPROACHED TO JOIN A LOCAL, PRESUMABLY COMMUNIST, GROUP IN
NAKORN PHATHON AND WAS TAKEN TO A MEETING ON THE EVENING OF 10
OCTOBER AT A CHICKEN FARM OUTSIDE TOWN WHERE TEN PERSONS WERE
PRESENT. THE GROUP LISTENED TO A LOUDSPEAKER OVER WHICH AN
UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER, SPEAKING THAI WITH A CHINESE ACCENT, TOLD
THEM THAT A FIVE-MAN VIETNAMESE TEAM WOULD BE COMING TO NAKORN
PHATHON FROM VIENTIANE TO PLAN THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT OF PRESIDENT
JOHNSON. THE GROUP WAS SAID TO HAVE A LONG RANGE RIFLE WITH A
TELESCOPIC SIGHT AND SMALL TRANSMITTING RADIOS FOR COMMUNICATIONS
AMONG THEMSELVES. THE ATTEMPT WOULD BE MADE ALONG THE ROUTE
BETWEEN DON MUANG AIRPORT AND THE CAPITOL HOTEL AREA ON PAHOLYOTHIN
ROAD OR ON RAJDAMNERN AVENUE. ESCAPE WOULD BE BY BOAT DOWN THE
RIVER. THE SPEAKER CONCLUDED BY STATING THAT EACH MEMBER WOULD RECEIVE
A PRIVATE NOTE LISTING HIS ASSIGNMENT DURING THE OPERATION. THE
SOURCE DID NOT RECEIVE ANYTHING. THE SOURCE BELIEVED THE SPEECH
CAME FROM A TAPE RECORDER RATHER THAN FROM A CONCEALED ORATOR
ALTHOUGH THE LATTER WAS NOT IMPOSSIBLE.

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2. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] THE SOURCE SAID
THAT ON THE NIGHT OF 21 OCTOBER, HE SAW ONE OF THE MEN WHO HAD
ATTENDED THE 10 OCTOBER MEETING, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STANDING IN
FRONT OF A PAGODA IN TOWN TALKING WITH FIVE "STRANGERS". THE SOURCE
IDENTIFIED THESE MEN AS VIETNAMESE BUT THERE IS CONSIDERABLE DOUBT
AS TO WHETHER HE KNOWS WHAT AN ETHNIC VIETNAMESE LOOKS LIKE. HE
DESCRIBED THEM AS THINNER AND LIGHTER SKINNED THAN THAIS BUT SAID
THE MAIN REASON HE THINKS THEY WERE VIETNAMESE WAS BECAUSE OF THE
ASSOCIATION HE MADE BETWEEN THE FIVE-MAN ASSASSINATION TEAM DESCRIBED
AT THE 10 OCTOBER MEETING AND THE APPEARANCE OF THE FIVE STRANGERS.
HE DID NOT HEAR THEM SPEAK. THE SOURCE SAID HE COULD NOT IDENTIFY
THE FIVE AGAIN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] IF THE SOURCE'S STORY IS
TRUE, IT SEEMS REMARKABLE THAT A COMMUNIST GROUP WOULD DISCUSS
SUCH SENSITIVE MATTERS OVER A LOUDSPEAKER WITH SOMEONE IN ATTENDANCE
WHO WAS NOT EVEN A FULL-FLEDGED MEMBER.

3. REGARDING THE "GROUP OF SIX WELL-ARMED VIETNAMESE WHO CAME
TO BANGKOK BY TRUCK" (SEE PARA 1 F OF REF) REPORTED IN THE 26
OCTOBER MESSAGE, [REDACTED] HAS CHECKED
THE TRUCK BEARING THE LICENSE CHONBURI 05886. THE VEHICLE
ORIGINALLY ISSUED THIS LICENSE HAS BEEN WRECKED AND OUT OF ACTION
FOR SEVERAL MONTHS. THE LICENSE, HOWEVER, WAS RECENTLY TRANSFERRED
INFORMALLY TO A LOGGING TRUCK OWNED BY A CHINESE TIMBER DEALER IN
AMPHUR EAN BANG, CHONBURI PROVINCE. THE TRUCK CAB HAS NO SEATS
OR SPACE FOR PASSENGERS OTHER THAN THE DRIVER AND ONE OR TWO
OTHERS. THE ORIGINAL REPORT SEEMS HIGHLY UNLIKELY THEN IF THE
VEHICLE INVOLVED IS THAT DESCRIBED HERE.

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