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FROM : []

ACTION: WH (1-2)

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ROUTINE
PRECEDENCE

TO: (OPIM) SLINC

INFO: DIR

CITE: []

PBSUCCESS RYBAT

FROM MERTON

1. [] BELIEVES STORM WILL SOON DIE AND TRAINING MAYBE RESUMED AT NEW SITE. HE DECIDED TO LEAVE SCRANTON GEAR AS IS FOR NOW AS PLACE IS WELL ISOLATED AND UNDER GUARD. IF WSBURNT DEMANDS INVESTIGATION HE WILL DELAY IT UNTIL GEAR CAN BE MOVED AND SITES STERILIZED.

2. [] OFFICE STERILIZED. RADIOS STORED [] HIS JEEP BURIED WITH SARANAC MATERIAL. TRUCK DEPARTING FOR DTFROGS AFTER ALL MOVES COMPLETED. REMAINING VEHICLE HAS KMFLUSH PLATES AND WILL BE KEPT IN GARAGE OF KMFLUSH FRIENDS OF [] ASSISTANT AND USED FOR OFFICE TRANSPORTATION. LATTER CLAIMS VEHICLE CLEAN AS JUST ARRIVED 28 JAN. HE WILL CONTINUE TO USE OFFICE TO AVERT SUSPICION. NO INQUIRIES MADE AT OFFICE AND NONE EXPECTED. NO EVIDENCE SURVEILLANCE HOUSE OR PERSONNEL.

3. RE FUNDS: BOTH STRONGBOXES LEFT IN CARE [] ASSISTANT WHO WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN ACCOUNTS. WILL BE MOVED OUT WHEN SECURE STORAGE SPACE FOUND BY HIM.

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4. [] HS PLAN OF CONTACT BETWEEN MERTON AND [] ASSISTANT.
WILL FORWARD ON REQUEST.

5. [] PILOT HAS BEEN STAYING AT IDEN A AND AWAITING
INSTRUCTIONS. WAS PAID HALF MONTH SALARY 30 JAN.

6. TOLD [] ASSISTANT COOPERATE [] DIRECTIONS, TO NOTIFY
[] TO STRENGTHEN LOCKS AT SCRANTON AND BE SURE GUARDS LET
NO ONE ENTER, AND MAKE NECESSARY EXPENDITURES TO CARRY OUT ABOVE AND
STAND BY ACTIVITIES.

7. RECOMMEND PIVALL MERTON AND MIDDLECOTT SIT TIGHT. IF
STORM INCREASES ALL CAN MAKE CASUAL MOVES OUT OF COUNTRY.

8. M AND M BOTH CLEAN AND STAYING AT IDEN B LIVING COVER.

9. ALL POSITIVE INFO RECEIVED S'S ASSISTANT.

10. FROM []: THIS MSG PASSED BY MERTON PRIOR TO HIS
RECEIPT LINC 307 (IN 14037) WHICH HE NOW HAS.

OPERATOR NOTE: []

END OF MESSAGE