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1. AFTER DISCUSSION WITH ORDWAY WE BELIEVE DESIRABLE PROCEED WITH ARRANGEMENTS TO HAVE SMALL VESSEL READY WITH APPROPRIATE SUPPLIES TO GO INTO BOND IMMEDIATELY AFTER CAPTURE, ASSUMING OPERATION BETA LAUNCHED AND SUCCESSFULLY SECURED. IN VIEW HEAVY LOAD ON LINC HQS READY TO PROCEED WITH THIS UNLESS LINC BELIEVES WHOLE ARRANGEMENT UNNECESSARY OR ALTERNATIVELY PREFERS ITSELF HANDLE PROCUREMENT VESSEL AND CARGO.

2. OUR GENERAL CONCEPT IS THAT VESSEL WOULD BE SMALL PREFERABLY UNDER ONE-THOUSAND TONS, WOULD CARRY BASIC CARGO OF STANDARD ITEMS FOR SUPPORT MILITARY FORCES AND CIVILIAN POPULATION SUCH AS FOODSTUFFS, GASOLINE AND LUB OIL IN DRUMS, NEW VEHICLES, ETC. SPACE COULD ALSO BE RESERVED FOR ANY WEAPONS LIKELY TO BE REQUIRED OR FOR ANY BULKY SPECIAL PURPOSE ITEMS. VESSEL COULD ALSO CARRY TROOPS FOR SECRET HAUL FROM ANY REAR BY PORT AND MIGHT BE EXTREMELY USEFUL IN BOND AS COMMO CENTER.

3. TWO ALTERNATIVE PLANS DISCUSSED HERE WERE:

A. HAVE VESSEL OVERTLY HIRED ODYOKE, SENT IN OSTENSIBLY FOR EVACUATION

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PAPRIME CITIZENS AND

B. VESSEL OSTENSIBLY HIRED CALLIGERIS.

CONCLUDED LATTER ALTERNATIVE GIVES FAR GREATER FREEDOM OF ACTION AS, UNDER PLAN A, VESSEL WOULD BE SUBJECT COACID CONTROL AS TO BOTH MOVEMENTS AND CARGO. ASSUMING PLAN B WE PROPOSE THAT OSTENSIBLE FORM OF A PROCUREMENT TRANSACTION WILL BE CHARTER OF VESSEL BY COMMERCIAL STEAMSHIP AGENCY ACTING ON BEHALF OF INDIVIDUAL WHO WILL PRIVATELY REPRESENT HIMSELF AS AGENT OF CALLIGERIS AND SKIFFER. ONE SENIOR OFFICER OF STEAMSHIP AGENCY WILL BE PARTIALLY WITTING IN ORDER SECURE FULL COOPERATION AND RAPID ACTION.

4. UNLESS PLAN ALTERED IN RESPONSE YOUR VIEWS OR RESULT FURTHER CONSIDERATION HERE, INITIAL APPROACH TO STEAMSHIP AGENCY WILL BE MADE MORNING 28 JUNE. AS SOON AS AVAILABILITY SPECIFIC VESSEL ASCERTAINED, WILL ADVISE APPROXIMATELY CARGO CAPACITY AND REQUEST YOUR INSTRUCTIONS ITEMS TO BE LOADED.

5. REQUEST YOUR VIEWS ON:

- A. DESIRABILITY PROCEEDING WITH THIS GENERAL PLAN.
- B. SPECIFIC PROCEDURE PROPOSED.
- C. TYPES OF ITEMS OTHER THAN MILITARY EQUIPMENT ALREADY PROCURED

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WHICH MIGHT BE REQUIRED AND ROUGH INDICATION OF QUANTITIES.
WITH REF QUESTION C, WE WILL ENDEAVOR DISCOVER FROM FRUIT COMPANY WHAT CIVILIAN
ITEMS LIKELY TO BE IN SHORT SUPPLY.

END OF MESSAGE

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