

CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : SHERWOOD

ACTION: WH (PBS) (1-3)

INFO : DCI (4), D/DCI (5), DD/P (L) (6), WH (7), SA/PC/DCI (8)

CIA HISTORICAL REVIEW PROGRAM

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SHERWOOD 395 (IN 22294) 2128Z 25 JUN 54 OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE
PRECEDENCE

TO: (OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE) SLINC

INFO: DIR

CITE: SHERWOOD

1. ALPHA AND BETA PRECARIOUS BUT POSSIBLE.

2. PRESENT SITUATION: WE COMPLETELY CONTROL CHIQUIMULA AFTER HEAVY FIGHTING. TRAIN LOAD REINFORCEMENTS STOPPED BY EL JICARO. PROBABLY DEMORALIZED. SECOND AND THIRD TRAIN LOADS SIGHTED, STRIKES ON WAY. BOND REPORTED BLOCKED COMMO-WISE AND LOGISTICALLY. [] REPORTS BOND SHOCKS SUCCEEDING BLOCKS. WERE SUPPLYING AND SUPPORTING TODAY. OUR FORCES CONFIDENT, 700 MEN AND HEADED ZACAPA. SECANT ETA ESQUIPULA 1400 CARRYING INSTRUCTIONS ALLOWING AIR LEAD FORCES INTO ZACAPA JUNE 26 AM. DETACHMENT TO IPALA TO PULL BACK TO CHIQUIMULA UNLESS ENGAGED. CAHCON AND CAJAN TO BEAR ON ZACAPA TOMORROW.

3. OWNING ZACAPA WE CAN:

A. CUT CITY OFF IN ONE HALF DAY AIR STRIKE. WALK TO BOND AND CAPTURE. MEANTIME BLOCK OPPOSITION AT ZACAPA.

B. BLOCK BOND-ADAM TO ZACAPA AND PLACE FORCE ON FRANK-ADAM HIGHWAY.

C. STOCK PILE PANCHO AT ZACAPA AND RUN ALPHA OR BETA FROM

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THERE.

4. [] SAYS CAPTURE ZACAPA WOULD SATISFY HIM AND WOULD
PROVE SUPERIORITY.

5. STRIKES BEING INCLUDED BRODFROST REPORTS.

END OF MESSAGE

CABLE SECRETARIAT COMMENT:

A TEMPO COPY OF THIS MESSAGE ISSUED TO MR. WISNER'S OFFICE
AT 1730, 25 JUN 54.

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