

CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

ROUTING

DATE : 25 JUNE 54

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : GUATEMALA

ACTION: WH (PBS) (1-3)

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

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GUAT 961 (IN 22292)

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ROUTINE

PRECEDENCE

TO: OPIM SLINC

INFO: DIR

CITE: SGUAT

PBSUCCESS RYBAT INTEL

1. [ ] THAT STANDEL HAS EXPRESSED LACK OF CONFIDENCE IN BOTH STANDEL 1 AND SUMCO 2. HE MAINTAINING CONTACT WITH STANDEL 2 THROUGH SMILAX.

2. STANDEL 2 WAITING FOR REAL SHOW OF STRENGTH AND LAST NIGHT INDICATED HE WILL MOVE IF SUCH MATERIALIZES. MEANWHILE HE HAS LOST HALF HIS EFFECTIVES WHO MOVED TO FRONT AS INDICATED IN GUAT 961 (IN 21916).

3. COMPLETE CALM AFTER SHERWOOD BROADCASTS OF IMPENDING AIR STRIKE IS DESTROYING MORALE.

4. FEAR THAT FAILURE TO STRIKE BLOW AGAINST CAPITAL WHILE CONCENTRATING ON TROOP SUPPORT MAY RESULT IN DEPLETING ARMY EFFECTIVES TO EXTENT THAT CAPITAL GARRISON STRENGTH MAY SOON BE OVER SHADOWED BY THAT OF ARMED MILITIA. BLOODY MESS ALMOST SURE TO RESULT.

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5. RESULTS OF DELAY IN AIR STRIKE HARD TO JUDGE.  
DESTRUCTION OF ARMY COULD BE COMMIE OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY  
TAKE OVER. 251900Z.

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CABLE SECRETARIAT COMMENT:

A RUN-OFF COPY OF THE ABOVE MESSAGE WAS ISSUED TO  
MR. WISNER'S OFFICE AT 1840 HOURS, 25 JUNE 54.

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