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~~(S)~~ [] (NF) 1. AT APPROXIMATELY 1500 HOURS 9 SEPTEMBER 1990, I?DEPENDENT
NATIONAL PATRIOTIC FRONT OF LIBERIA (INPFL) REBEL LEADER PRINCE ((JOHNSON))
CAPTURED LIBERIAN PRESIDENT SAMUEL K. ((DOE)) ON BUSHROD ISLAND (06-21N, 10-
47W) AS THE PRESIDENT WAS ENROUTE TO MEET WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
ORGANIZATION OF WEST AFRICAN STATES CEASE FIRE MONITORING GROUP
(ECOMOG). JOHNSON ALLEGEDLY LEARNED FROM GUINEAN TROOPS OF THE
IMPENDING VISIT AND AMBUSHED THE PRESIDENT. SPECIAL ANTI-TERRORIST UNIT
(SATU) TROOPS GUARDING THE PRESIDENT REFUSED TO SURRENDER DOE. AFTER A
BRIEF FIREFIGHT, INPFL TROOPS CAPTURED THE PRESIDENT AND ESCORTED HIM TO

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JOHNSON'S HEADQUARTERS LOCATED IN THE CALDWELL AREA (06-23N, 10-46W). THE PRESIDENT WAS RIDING IN AN OFFICIAL VEHICLE (O-2 LICENSE PLATE). [] COMMENT: AT 1700 HOURS, A SPOKESMAN FOR INPFL LEADER JOHNSON RADIOED THE U.S. EMBASSY TO ANNOUNCE DOE'S CAPTURE AND INVITED AN EMBASSY OFFICIAL AND THE INTERNATIONAL PRESS TO CONFIRM THE CAPTURE. THE EMBASSY WILL NOT SEND A REPRESENTATIVE. OTHER REPORTS CLAIM DOE WAS INJURED DURING OR SHORTLY AFTER HIS CAPTURE.)

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