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TO : DIRECTOR
 FROM : LINCOLN
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TO: OPIM SQUAT INFO: OPIM DIR CITE: SLINC
 RYBAT PBSUCCESS
 REF: GUAT 866 (IN 18837)

1. KEEP PRESSURE ON AS PER REF. YOU HAVE TREMENDOUS OPPORTUNITY SOLVING WHOLE SITUATION IF YOU SUCCEED WITH ESPALIER.
2. EMPHASIZE SPEED ESSENTIAL AS CALLIGERIS MOVE IMMINENT AND AVOIDANCE BLODDY SHOWDOWN ONLY POSSIBLE IF ESPALIER SUCCESSFUL IMMEDIATELY.
3. FYI WILL NOT DROP BOMB 18 JUNE BUT WILL DO ALL POSSIBLE HAVE THREE FIGHTERS BUZZ CAPITAL. AT LEAST ONE FIGHTER WILL BE THERE 18 JUNE AND THREE NOON 19 JUNE.
4. TELL ESPALIER CONSEJO TOO CONSCIENTIOUSLY IN FAVOR BLOODLESS TAKE OVER TO RISK MISPLACED BOMB NOW. STRENGTH IF NECESSARY WILL NOT BE WITHHELD. POINT OUT THAT FIGHTERS PLUS EVIDENCE WHICH HE MUST HAVE HEARD OF DAY AND NIGHT DROPS COVERING ALL PARTS COUNTRY SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT TO CONVINCHE HIM WITHOUT TAKING CHANCE UNNECESSARY DEATHS AND DAMAGE AT THIS TIME.

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5. ALSO PBPRIME PRES IN 16 JUNE PRESS STATEMENT HAS EVIDENCED HIS CONCERN WSBURNT BACKING SECSTATE (DIR 04858 (OUT 53908) SO PBPRIME CONVICTION CAN HARDLY BE IN DOUBT.

6. ESSENTIAL YOU KEEP US INFORMED AS FULLY AND CURRENTLY POSSIBLE AS MOVE MAY OCCUR MOMENTARILY AND PICTURE YOUR END VITAL OUR DECISION.

7. BEAR DOWN AND GOOD LUCK.

END OF MESSAGE

CABLE SECRETARIAT COMMENT: MR. ESTERLINE, WH, NOTIFIED OF RECEIPT OF THIS MESSAGE AT 0400 17 JUNE 54.

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