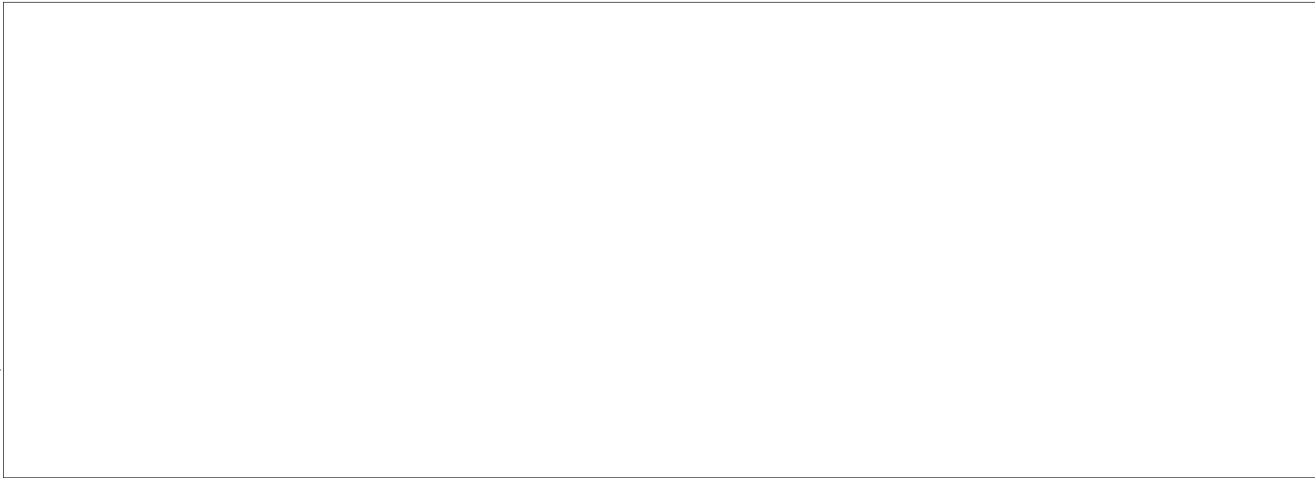


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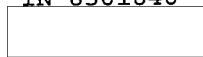
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1. FOLLOWING [REDACTED] ON 6 APRIL:

"SUBJ: STATUS REPORT, POSSIBLE POW/MIA REPATRIATION, COB
TUESDAY 6 APRIL." (b)(3)

"REF: CINCPAC MSG, DTG 242226Z MAR 82.

"1. (S) ATTEMPTS TO CONTACT EITHER GENERAL PHOUMI NOSAVAN OR HIS SON PHOUMANO NOSAVAN HAVE BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL. PERSONS WHO CLAIM TO BE CLOSE TO PHOUMI STATE THAT BOTH HE AND PHOUMANO LEFT BANGKOK BY AUTO EVENING OF 5 APRIL FOR UNKNOWN LOCATION UP-COUNTRY. REASON FOR THIS TRIP IS ALLEGED TO BE ACQUISITION OF A POSSIBLE POISON GAS ROUND BROUGHT TO THAILAND FROM LAOS. PHOUMI'S "ADVISORS" EXPECT HIM TO RETURN TO BANGKOK WITHIN TWO DAYS. THESE SAME "ADVISORS" HAVE NO NEW WORD ON THE POSSIBLE REPATRIATION OF A POW/MIA FROM LAOS."

"2 (S) MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES AND ASSOCIATED STRAP HANGERS ARE STILL HERE IN FORCE. THIS INCLUDES ABC, CBS, SOLDIER OF FORTUNE MAGAZINE, AND A TV CREW FROM AUSTRALIA. CBS STATES THEY INTEND TO PULL THEIR UPCOUNTRY TV CREW BACK TO BANGKOK, PROBABLY ON 7 APRIL IF NO FURTHER WORD. WE HAVE HAD NO CONTACT WITH ABC FOR THREE DAYS, OR WITH SOF FOR ABOUT A WEEK. CBS REPORTS THAT ABC STILL HAS A CAMERA CREW STATIONED UP-COUNTRY."
"DECL: 6 APR 88."

2. TO REVIEW THE BIDDING THERE ARE NOW THREE VERSIONS OF THE

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POSSIBLE DELIVERY IN THAILAND OF A CHEMICAL WARFARE SAMPLE OR SAMPLES. FORBES IS TRYING TO OBTAIN CHEMICAL POWDERS USED IN A ROCKET. PHOUMI, PER THE ABOVE, IS TALKING ABOUT A POISON GAS ROUND THE BEST YET COMES FROM ZABITOSKY, STILL IN THAILAND, WHO CLAIMS HE HAS TWO AMPOULES OF A SUBSTANCE USED TO POISON RIVERS AND ANTICIPATES RECEIVING A CHEMICAL GRENADE OR ROUND. THESE ITEMS, IN THE CASE OF ZABITOSKY, ARE FOR SALE, STARTING PRICE \$250,000

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