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STORAGE TANK.

"THIS IS THE FIRST DIRTY SITE GONE CLEAN," SAID THOMAS MACCHIARELLA, OF THE NAVAL FACILITIES ENGINEERING COMMAND, SOUTHWEST DIVISION. "NAVAL TRAINING CENTER SAN DIEGO ... HAS COMPLETED THE CLEANUP PROCESS TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE REGULATORY COMMUNITY AND IS NOW READY FOR REUSE."

THE CLEANUP SITE CONTAINED A 60 GALLON TANK USED FOR STORING FUEL FOR A GENERATOR AT THE MEDICAL CLINIC. THE TANK WAS REMOVED FROM THE SITE IN APRIL, 1994. ANALYSIS OF SOIL SAMPLES DETERMINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS HAD LEAKED FROM THE TANK INTO THE GROUND.

THE CLEANUP BEGAN IN DECEMBER 1994 WITH THE REPLACEMENT OF THE CONTAMINATED SOIL WITH CLEAN SOIL. "ONE HUNDRED TONS OF SOIL WAS EXCAVATED AND TREATED OFF-SITE USING THERMAL DESORPTION," MACCHIARELLA SAID. "THEN [THE SOIL WAS] USED AS FILL AT VARIOUS CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS LOCATED IN THE SAN DIEGO AREA."

THE THERMAL DESORPTION PROCESS HEATS SOIL TO A TEMPERATURE THAT EVAPORATES THE OIL BY-PRODUCTS AND RECAPTURES THEM. TWELVE SITES ARE CURRENTLY GOING THROUGH THE INVESTIGATION AND CLEANUP

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PROCESS AND WILL BE COMPLETED BY 1998.

"THIS CLEANUP WAS VERY COST-EFFICIENT BECAUSE WE PIGGY-BACKED ON OTHER UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CLEANUP PROJECTS TO LOWER THE COST," MACCHIARELLA SAID. THE CLEANUP WAS COMPLETED FOR APPROXIMATELY \$60,000.

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BRANCHES TOUCHING ALL ASPECTS OF NAVY HISTORY.

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NNS1106. STATUS OF THE NAVY: MAY 7, 1996

PERSONNEL: 424,353 ACTIVE DUTY; 97,142 SELECTED RESERVES;  
230,601 CIVILIANS

AIRCRAFT: 4,921

SHIPS: 363

AT SEA: 220 SHIPS (61%)

DEPLOYED: 109 SHIPS (30%); 37,956 PERSONNEL

EXERCISES: 13

PORT VISITS: 11

SSNS AT SEA: 43 (54%)

CARRIERS/AIRWINGS AT SEA:

USS ENTERPRISE - JOINT EXERCISE, WESTERN ATLANTIC

USS INDEPENDENCE - WESTERN PACIFIC

USS JOHN F. KENNEDY - LOCAL OPERATIONS, WESTERN ATLANTIC

USS NIMITZ - PORT VISIT, PEARL HARBOR, HAWAII

USS GEORGE WASHINGTON - GULF OF OMAN

LHAS/LHDS/LHPS AT SEA:

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USS BELLEAU WOOD - SASEBO, JAPAN

USS GUAM - OPERATION ASSURED RESPONSE, SOUTHERN ATLANTIC

USS NASSAU - JOINT EXERCISE, WESTERN ATLANTIC

USS PELELIU - EASTERN PACIFIC

USS SAIPAN - JOINT EXERCISE, WESTERN ATLANTIC

USS TARAWA - WESTERN PACIFIC

SHIPS ASSIGNED TO MIDDLE EAST TASK FORCE:

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NNS1107. THIS WEEK IN NAVY HISTORY: MAY 8, 1945 (V-E DAY) --  
THE DAY AFTER GERMANY SURRENDERED, PRESIDENT TRUMAN AND PRIME

MINISTER CHURCHILL PROCLAIMED THE END OF THE WAR IN EUROPE.  
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NNS1109. 'ANY DAY IN THE NAVY' PHOTO SHOOT SET FOR MAY 9  
WASHINGTON (NNS) -- EVERY YEAR, ALL HANDS MAGAZINE ASKS  
PEOPLE AROUND THE FLEET TO PHOTOGRAPH VARIOUS ASPECTS OF  
NAVY/MARINE CORPS LIFE FOR A SPECIAL "ANY DAY IN THE NAVY"  
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SMEC ROSS' MISSION

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AMBASSADOR ROSS' ONGOING EFFORTS TO GET ISRAELIS AND THE PALESTINIANS TO OVERCOME THEIR DIFFERENCES OVER HEBRON AND OTHER ISSUES. IDF RADIO SAID IN PREDAWN NEWS CAST THAT ROSS COULD NOT GET ARAFAT AND NETANYAHU TO AGREE TO MEET LAST NIGHT. ACCORDING TO YEDIOT, "ROSS TOLD THE ISRAELIS AND PALESTINIANS THAT IF THERE IS NO AGREEMENT HE WOULD RETURN TO THE U.S. TODAY." MAARIV BANNERED "ROSS, INDYK LEANED ON ARAFAT TO ACCEPT AMERICAN 'PACKAGE.'" A YEDIOT CARTOON SHOWED A TOTALLY EXHAUSTED DENNIS ROSS CARRYING ON HIS MEDIATION DRIVE WHILE LYING FLAT ON A STRETCHER. STRETCHER-BEARERS ARE NONE OTHERS THAN NETANYAHU AND ARAFAT. A CARTOON IN MAARIV COMPARES THE LIKELIHOOD OF A HEBRON AGREEMENT TO THE APPEARANCE OF OUTER SPACE CREATURES (A REFERENCE TO A UFO 'ALERT' JANUARY 5 HERE).

PRIME MINISTER NETANYAHU AND PRESIDENT MUBARAK AGAIN ENGAGED IN A VERBAL DUEL IN INTERVIEWS TO AMERICAN TELEVISION YESTERDAY.

YEDIOT BANNERED THIS WEEK'S LARGE TRADING VOLUME AND HANDSOME RISE AT THE TEL AVIV STOCK EXCHANGE. YEDIOT SPECULATED THAT THE "LEAP" REFLECTS INVESTORS' FEELING THAT "THE NETANYAHU GOVERNMENT IS NOT THAT BAD AND, PERHAPS, NOT BAD AT ALL. THE PALESTINIAN TRACK IS ALIVE AND KICKING, THERE IS NO CRISIS IN ISRAEL-U.S. RELATIONS AND THE GOI HAS ADOPTED A SERIES OF REASONABLE ECONOMIC MEASURES."

YEDIOT REPORTED "UNPLEASANT CLIMATE" ON THE EVE OF THE OPENING TODAY OF THE FIRST ISRAELI TRADE FAIR IN AMMAN. JORDANIAN GOVERNMENT AND OPPOSITION OFFICIALS ARE SAID TO OPPOSE THE EVENT.

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DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT ALUF BEN WROTE IN THE LEAD STORY OF INDEPENDENT HA'ARETZ (1/8): "SOURCES IN ISRAEL SAID THAT PA CHAIRMAN YASSER ARAFAT YESTERDAY TURNED DOWN AMERICAN ENVOY DENNIS ROSS' COMPROMISE PROPOSAL CONCERNING THE COMPLETION OF ISRAELI TROOP REDEPLOYMENT IN THE WEST BANK .... NETANYAHU APPEARS TO HAVE ACCEPTED THE AMERICAN PROPOSAL."

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENTS HEMMI SHALEV AND BEN CASPIT REPORTED IN A THE LEAD STORY OF POPULAR, PLURALIST MAARIV: "THE U.S. WANTS TO CIRCUMVENT THE REDEPLOYMENT TIMETABLE CONTROVERSY WHICH HAS BEEN STANDING IN THE WAY OF THE HEBRON AGREEMENT BY PROVIDING THE PALESTINIANS WITH A LETTER SPELLING OUT THE PULLBACK'S 'TIMEFRAME.'"

MAARIV REPORTED IN ANOTHER STORY THAT, ACCORDING TO

ISRAELI SOURCES, CHAIRMAN ARAFAT HAS BEEN DISPLAYING GROWING UNEASE OVER EGYPTIAN "OVER-INVOLVEMENT" IN THE HEBRON TALKS.

MAARIV VETERAN COLUMNIST YOSEF HARIF OPINED, "IT IS NOW NETANYAHU THAT HAS TO BEG FOR A MEETING WITH THE CHAIRMAN .... THIS IS A CRYING SHAME."

HA'ARETZ ANALYST AKIVA ELGAR OPINED, "FOR NOW, ARAFAT IS CONTENT WITH SCORING POINTS WITH THE AMERICANS AND WITH GETTING PRESIDENT CLINTON TO



DEEPEN HIS COMMITMENT TO THE OSLO ACCORD."  
NATIONALIST HATZOFE EDITORIALIZED, "THE HEBRON  
NEGOTIATIONS ARE NO REASON FOR FREEZING JEWISH  
CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS OR, FOR THAT MATTER, PUTTING  
UP WITH ILLEGAL ARAB BUILDING DRIVES."

INDEPENDENT JERUSALEM POST EDITORIALIZED, "IF AN  
OPPORTUNITY ARISES TO FIX OSLO IN ORDER TO SAVE IT,  
THAT OPPORTUNITY SHOULD BE TAKEN."

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I. "ARAFAT REJECTED NETANYAHU'S DEFERRED PULLBACK  
PROPOSAL"

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REDEPLOYMENT IN THE WEST BANK .... NETANYAHU  
APPEARS TO HAVE ACCEPTED THE AMERICAN PROPOSAL. THE  
ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER MAY HAVE AGREED TO CONCLUDE  
WEST BANK REDEPLOYMENT AND THE TRANSFER OF TERRITORY  
TO THE PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY BEFORE THE SPRING OF  
1999 -THE DATE HE HAD ORIGINALLY SUGGESTED ....  
AMBASSADOR ROSS MANAGED TO PERSUADE ARAFAT NOT TO  
WALK AWAY FROM THE NEGOTIATIONS .... ARAFAT WANTS  
THE AMERICANS TO IMPROVE THEIR GUARANTEES CONCERNING  
THE NEXT STAGES OF THE INTERIM AGREEMENT."

II. "AGREEMENT AGAIN POSTPONED AT LAST MINUTE"

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENTS HEMMI SHALEV AND BEN

CASPIT REPORTED IN THE LEAD STORY OF POPULAR, PLURALIST MAARIV (1/8): "THE U.S. WANTS TO CIRCUMVENT THE REDEPLOYMENT TIMETABLE CONTROVERSY WHICH HAS BEEN STANDING IN THE WAY OF THE HEBRON AGREEMENT BY PROVIDING THE PALESTINIANS WITH A LETTER SPELLING OUT THE PULLBACK'S 'TIMEFRAME' . . . . AMERICAN SOURCES SAID THAT THE U.S. IS GOING TO OFFER A 'TIMEFRAME,' AND NOT A RIGID DATE, FOR THE LAST ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL . . . . THE AMERICANS APPEAR TO FEEL THAT ISRAELI REDEPLOYMENT SHOULD BE COMPLETED NOT LATER THAN MARCH OF 1998. IT APPEARS THAT DESPITE THE ISRAELI LEAKS THAT THE PRIME MINISTER WANTS THE WITHDRAWAL TO LAST UNTIL MAY 1999, ISRAEL DID NOT MENTION THIS IN THE NEGOTIATIONS. WHAT NETANYAHU DID WAS REITERATE HIS REFUSAL TO SET ANY DATE OR TIMETABLE . . . . CHAIRMAN ARAFAT WAS ANGRY OVER WHAT HE CALLED 'DELIBERATE ISRAELI LEAKS'."

III. "TENSION BETWEEN ARAFAT AND MUBARAK"

MAARIV REPORTED IN ANOTHER STORY (1/8) THAT, ACCORDING TO ISRAELI SOURCES, CHAIRMAN ARAFAT HAS BEEN DISPLAYING GROWING UNEASE OVER EGYPTIAN "OVER-INVOLVEMENT" IN THE HEBRON TALKS WHICH, ARAFAT REPORTEDLY FEARS, MAY YET CREATE A CRISIS IN PALESTINIAN-AMERICAN RELATIONS AND RISK DISRUPTING U.S. ASSISTANCE TO THE PA.

IV. "NETANYAHU'S DISPLAY OF WEAKNESS"

MAARIV VETERAN COLUMNIST YOSEF HARIF OPINED (1/8): "IT APPEARS THAT DENNIS ROSS' THREATS TO TAKE THE NEXT PLANE HOME FAIL TO IMPRESS YASSER ARAFAT . . . . ARAFAT KNOWS THAT IT TAKE STRONG NERVES TO CARVE OUT A GOOD DEAL . . . . ARAFAT ALSO KNOWS THAT THE AMERICANS AND THE ISRAELIS WOULD NOT DARE WALK AWAY BECAUSE OF 'JUST ONE MOE TINY CONCESSION.' HE UNCLAS SECTION 04 OF 05 TEL AVIV 000222

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PERSPECTIVE .... IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE OSLO  
AGREEMENT BE HONORED .... THE GOVERNMENT CERTAINLY  
SHOULD NOT TRY TO CHANGE THE AGREEMENT SIMPLY TO  
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 1:30 P.M. BY MR. KENNETH H. BACON, ASD (PA) AT THE PENTAGON  
 MR. BACON: GOOD AFTERNOON.  
 IT'S APRIL FOOL'S DAY, AND OF COURSE I'M VERY GLAD TO BE  
 WITH YOU ON THIS DAY.  
 I'D LIKE TO START OFF WITH AN APRIL FOOL'S DAY QUESTION.  
 EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT APRIL IS THE MONTH NAMED AFTER THE GREEK  
 GODDESS APHRODITE, THE GODDESS OF BEAUTY AND LOVE. IF THAT'S THE  
 CASE, WHY IS THE FIRST DAY "FOOL'S DAY"? THAT'S THE QUESTION.  
 Q: WOMEN HAVE BEEN MAKING FOOLS OF MEN FOR ALL ETERNITY,  
 RIGHT?  
 A: THERE'S PROBABLY NO RIGHT ANSWER TO THAT, BUT WE CAN  
 START WITH THAT. ANYBODY ELSE HAVE AN ANSWER?  
 Q: ONLY FOOLS FALL IN LOVE.  
 A: THAT'S CERTAINLY A GOOD ANSWER. ANY OTHER ANSWERS?

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Q: YOU'RE NOT GOING TO PROVIDE US WITH...  
 A: NO, I DON'T HAVE AN ANSWER. THIS IS A PHILOSOPHICAL  
 QUESTION HERE. THIS IS A DO-IT-YOURSELF BRIEFING. YOU GUYS COME  
 UP WITH THE ANSWERS, AND SO FAR, IT'S BEEN PRETTY SHORT.  
 SECONDLY, I WANT TO DEMONSTRATE OUR TECHNOLOGY HERE.  
 TECHNOLOGY IN TWO WAYS. FIRST, OUR TECHNOLOGY TO SHOW YOU NEW  
 TECHNOLOGY ON THE INTERNET. THAT'S THE SECOND PART. THIS IS  
 GULFLINK. AS YOU CAN TELL, GULFLINK TODAY IS GOING INTERACTIVE,  
 WHICH MEANS THAT FOR THE FIRST TIME NOW, PEOPLE WHO LOG ONTO  
 GULFLINK TO GET INFORMATION ABOUT GULF WAR ILLNESS PROGRAMS, FOR  
 TREATING IT, RESEARCHING ITS CAUSES, AND MAKING INFORMATION  
 AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC, CAN SEND E-MAIL MESSAGES BACK AND GET  
 ANSWERS. THEY MAY NOT ALWAYS GET THE ANSWERS THEY WANT OR THEY  
 THINK THEY DESERVE, BUT THEY WILL GET RESPONSES QUICKLY, AND AS  
 FULLY AS WE CAN GIVE THE RESPONSES.  
 SO BRYAN WHITMAN IS GOING TO ILLUSTRATE THE PROGRAM HERE.  
 THERE IS THE FORM, ACTUALLY, THAT YOU USE FOR REPORTING BACK IN  
 ON MEDICAL CONDITIONS. YOU CAN ACTUALLY MAKE A MEDICAL REPORT TO

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THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO GET INCLUDED IN THE COMPREHENSIVE CLINICAL EVALUATION PROGRAM, SEEK INFORMATION ABOUT EITHER YOUR

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MEDICAL CONDITION, OR TO REQUEST INFORMATION ABOUT DOCUMENTS OR OTHER TYPES OF INFORMATION THAT WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO PROVIDE.

[LAUGHTER]

BRYAN HAS ALWAYS LIVED A CHARMED LIFE, AS YOU CAN TELL FROM HIS ADDRESS.

WE THINK THIS WILL HELP US IN TWO WAYS. FIRST, IT WILL HELP US GET MORE INFORMATION FROM PEOPLE; AND TWO, IT WILL HELP US GET INFORMATION OUT TO PEOPLE. AS YOU KNOW, WE'RE STILL TRYING TO ASSEMBLE AS MUCH INFORMATION AS WE CAN ABOUT CERTAIN GULF WAR INCIDENTS.

THERE IT IS, A DEMONSTRATION OF HOW IT WORKS. ANY OF YOU CAN TRY THIS.

Q: I HAVE THIS QUESTION ABOUT APRIL FOOL'S DAY.

A: SEND IT IN AND SEE WHAT HAPPENS. IS IT ABOUT APHRODITE?

Q: YES, EXACTLY.

A: GOOD. I THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO ASK THAT.

I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE, DO YOU KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE SET UP TO RESPOND TO THESE QUESTIONS?

VOICE: WE HAVE SEVEN PEOPLE REPLYING TO ALL CORRESPONDENCE,

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WHETHER IT BE IN WRITTEN FORM, WHETHER IT'S E-MAIL, AND THEN WE HAVE APPROXIMATELY, AS OF TODAY, 16 OPERATORS--TELEPHONE OPERATORS--THAT ACTUALLY PHONE BACK, EITHER CALLS COMING INTO THE HOTLINE, OR WE'LL CALL BACK PEOPLE ON E-MAILS THAT COME IN, ALSO.

A: SEVEN PEOPLE ANSWERING MAIL AND E-MAIL AND 16 PEOPLE DEALING WITH THE INCIDENT HOTLINE.

Q: SO WHAT'S THE ANSWER? WHAT'S CAUSING THE PROBLEM?

A: WE'RE HOPING YOU'LL FIND THAT OUT FOR US.

LET ME MAKE ONE OTHER ANNOUNCEMENT.

AS YOU KNOW, TODAY THE B-2 BOMBER IS BEGINNING ITS INITIAL OPERATIONAL CAPABILITY. A WING OF B-2S BECOMES OPERATIONAL TODAY AT WHITEMAN AIR FORCE BASE IN MISSOURI. THERE ARE, RIGHT NOW, 13 B-2S WHICH HAVE BEEN DELIVERED TO THE 509TH BOMB WING AT WHITEMAN. THERE WILL BE A TOTAL OF 21 B-2S IN OPERATION, OR 21 B-2S DELIVERED BY THE YEAR 2000. AS YOU KNOW, THIS IS A STEALTHY BOMBER DESIGNED TO INCREASE OUR AIR DOMINANCE. AIR DOMINANCE IS BASICALLY FREEDOM FROM ATTACK AND FREEDOM TO ATTACK. AS A STEALTH PLANE THIS ADVANCES BOTH THOSE MISSIONS -- FREEDOM FROM ATTACK AND FREEDOM TO ATTACK.

WITH THAT, I'LL TAKE YOUR QUESTIONS.

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Q: CAN YOU GIVE US THE DETAILS YOU HAVE ON THE CRASH IN TEGUCIGALPA, THE C-130?

A: I DO NOT HAVE EXTENSIVE DETAILS ON THAT, BUT LET ME WALK YOU THROUGH WHAT I DO HAVE.

A U.S. AIR FORCE C-130H, HERCULES CARGO AIRCRAFT, CRASHED AT ABOUT 9:45 A.M. LOCAL TIME IN HONDURAS -- THAT'S 10:45 EST. IT CRASHED AT THE VERY END OF THE TEGUCIGALPA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. TEGUCIGALPA IS THE CAPITAL OF HONDURAS. IT WAS ENROUTE FROM HOWARD AIR FORCE BASE IN PANAMA TO THE BASE IN HONDURAS ON A ROUTINE RESUPPLY MISSION. IT WAS ASSIGNED TO THE AIR RESERVES 440TH AIRLIFT WING AT GENERAL MITCHELL INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN WISCONSIN.

THERE WERE TEN PEOPLE ON BOARD. WE, SO FAR, HAVE CONFIRMED THAT THREE ARE DEAD. THE OTHER SEVEN ARE INJURED. WE WILL APPOINT A BOARD TO INVESTIGATE THE ACCIDENT, AS ALWAYS, AND WE WILL ALSO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DETAILS AS SOON AS WE GET THEM.

Q: A RESERVE AIRCRAFT, RESERVE FLIGHT?

A: YES.

Q: FROM WHERE?

A: THIS WAS FROM THE 440TH AIRLIFT WING AT GENERAL

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MITCHELL INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN WISCONSIN, I ASSUME THAT'S MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN.

Q: THE PLANE WAS FLYING OUT OF HOWARD. THEY WERE ON TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT.

A: IT WAS FLYING OUT OF HOWARD. THEY HAD BEEN ASSIGNED TEMPORARILY TO HOWARD, AND THEY WERE RESUPPLYING EITHER TROOPS OR EMBASSY PERSONNEL IN TEGUCIGALPA.

Q: IT CRASHED ON APPROACH?

A: YES. IT CRASHED ON APPROACH AT THE EDGE OF THE RUNWAY. I DON'T BELIEVE THERE WERE... SO FAR WE HAVE RECEIVED NO REPORTS OF COLLATERAL DAMAGE.

Q: DO WE KNOW WHO WAS ON THE PLANE? WERE THEY ALL MILITARY PERSONNEL?

A: I BELIEVE SO, BUT I DON'T KNOW THAT FOR SURE. WE'LL BE CHECKING THAT. WE HAVE NOT, I BELIEVE, RELEASED THE NAMES OF ANY PEOPLE IN THE CREW YET. WE'LL CHECK ON THAT. YOU SHOULD STAY IN TOUCH WITH DDI ON THAT, OR I CAN ALSO GIVE YOU A CONTACT DOWN AT HOWARD AIR FORCE BASE IF YOU WANT TO CALL DIRECTLY DOWN THERE. IT WOULD BE CAPTAIN MIKE MURK, AND HE IS AT 507-284-5459.

Q: HAD THERE BEEN ANY INDICATION THE AIRCRAFT WAS IN UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 05 DIFFICULTY?

A: WE DON'T HAVE THOSE DETAILS YET. THIS JUST HAPPENED SEVERAL HOURS AGO, AND THE AUTHORITIES HAVE BEEN CONCENTRATING MORE ON TAKING CARE OF THOSE WHO ARE INJURED. AS THOSE DETAILS BECOME AVAILABLE, WE'LL GET THEM TO YOU.

Q: DO YOU KNOW WHETHER THE PLANE CRASHED AT... WHICH END OF THE RUNWAY? WAS IT A MISSED APPROACH, OR THE END OF THE RUNWAY OR THE BEGINNING OF THE RUNWAY?

A: I BELIEVE IT CRASHED ON APPROACH, BUT I DON'T HAVE FULL DETAILS OF THIS YET. MORE DETAILS, I'M SURE, WILL BECOME AVAILABLE IN THE NEXT FEW HOURS.

Q: JUST TO FOLLOW UP ON THE B-2, THE PLANE HAS BEEN CRITICIZED BY SOME BECAUSE OF ITS EXPENSE; BY OTHERS BECAUSE OF THE FACT THAT IT WAS ORIGINALLY DESIGNED FOR A DIFFERENT MISSION, THAT IT MIGHT BE A COLD WAR RELIC. CAN YOU ASSURE THE U.S.

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TAXPAYERS THAT THE B-2, THAT THEY'RE GETTING THEIR MONEY'S WORTH WITH THE B-2 BOMBER THAT NOW ASSUMES OPERATIONAL CAPABILITY?

A: I CAN ASSURE THE U.S. TAXPAYERS THAT THIS IS THE MOST UP-TO-DATE HEAVY BOMBER FLYING IN THE WORLD TODAY. IT HAS STEALTH CAPABILITY. AS YOU KNOW, IT HAS A VERY UNIQUE, PIONEERING SHAPE. IT'S A FLYING WING MADE OUT OF COMPOSITE MATERIALS. IT'S DESIGNED TO BE ABLE TO EVADE ENEMY DEFENSES AND TO ZERO IN ON ITS TARGETS. GENERAL FOGLEMAN, THE AIR FORCE CHIEF OF STAFF, HAS SAID THAT IN THE PAST WE TALKED ABOUT HOW MANY AIRCRAFT WE NEEDED TO DESTROY A TARGET. WITH THE B-2, WE TALK ABOUT HOW MANY TARGETS WE CAN DESTROY WITH ONE AIRCRAFT. IN FACT DURING SOME RECENT TESTS--USING THE JOINT DIRECT ATTACK MUNITION, THE JDAM, WHICH AS BEEN CITED MANY TIMES FROM THIS PODIUM AS AN EXAMPLE OF SAVING MONEY THROUGH PROCUREMENT REFORM, AND SOMETHING ELSE CALLED THE GLOBAL POSITIONING SATELLITE AIDED MUNITION, BOTH VERY HIGHLY ACCURATE, PINPOINT BOMBS--THREE B-2S DESTROYED 16 TARGETS USING 16 BOMBS, SO THEY WERE ABLE TO DESTROY 16 DIFFERENT TARGETS WITH 16 BOMBS. THAT, I THINK, ILLUSTRATES GENERAL FOGLEMAN'S COMMENT THAT WE'VE CHANGED THE CALCULUS OF WARFARE WITH PLANES THAT CAN (1) EVADE ENEMY AIR DEFENSES; AND (2)

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DELIVER HIGHLY PRECISE MODERN MUNITIONS.

Q: IF IT'S SUCH A GOOD PLANE, WHY DOESN'T THE PENTAGON WANT TO BUY ANY MORE OF THEM?

A: WE'VE SAID MANY, MANY TIMES THAT THIS IS A WONDERFUL PLANE BUT IT'S A VERY EXPENSIVE PLANE. IT WAS BUILT, AS YOU KNOW, IT WAS DESIGNED BEFORE THE END OF THE COLD WAR WHEN WE MAINTAINED ON ALERT A NUCLEAR BOMBER, LONG RANGE AIRCRAFT CARRYING NUCLEAR BOMBS. WE NO LONGER MAINTAIN THOSE PLANES ON ALERT ANY MORE, ON RUNWAY ALERT AS WE USED TO.

THIS IS A PLANE THAT HAS BOTH A CONVENTIONAL AND A NUCLEAR MISSION AND WILL BE ABLE TO, I THINK, GIVE US FULL SPECTRUM DOMINANCE IN ANY TYPE OF HEAVY BOMBING THAT MAY BE REQUIRED TODAY OR IN THE FUTURE. BUT IT IS A COSTLY PLANE. ONE OF THE THINGS WE LEARNED WHEN WE USED THE F-117 FIGHTERS IN DESERT STORM WAS THAT WHEN YOU HAVE A STEALTHY AIRCRAFT THAT CAN EVADE AIR DEFENSES, YOU DON'T NEED NEARLY AS MANY OF THEM AS YOU DID CONVENTIONAL PLANES. THEREFORE, THE PLANNERS FELT THAT WE WERE ABLE TO GET BY WITH A FAR SMALLER FLEET THAN WE WOULD HAVE HAD TO 40 YEARS AGO BUILDING HEAVY BOMBERS. WE'RE DOING THAT. AS YOU KNOW, WE ONLY HAVE 50 F-117S, AND THAT FLEET PERFORMED

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BRILLIANTLY DURING THE GULF WAR.

Q: THE B-2 IS NOW CERTIFIED TO CARRY NUCLEAR WEAPONS. IS IT COUNTABLE UNDER THE START RULES? DOES THAT LIMIT ITS AVAILABILITY FOR CONVENTIONAL MISSIONS?

A: SORRY, DOES IT LIMIT ITS AVAILABILITY?

Q: IF IT'S COUNTED UNDER START RULES...

A: I'M AFRAID I'M NOT AN EXPERT ON THE DETAILS OF THAT. WE'LL GET YOU AN ANSWER TO THAT.

Q: I JUST WANTED TO BE CLEAR ON YOUR ANSWER TO MY QUESTION, AND MAKE SURE I DIDN'T QUOTE YOU OUT OF CONTEXT. BASICALLY WHAT YOU'RE SAYING ABOUT WHY YOU DON'T WANT MORE OF THEM IS THAT WHILE IT'S A WONDERFUL PLANE, IN YOUR WORDS, IT'S VERY EXPENSIVE. SO IS THE COST FACTOR WHY YOU DON'T WANT TO BUY ANY MORE OF THESE PLANES?

A: THE AIR FORCE HAS MADE THE DECISION THAT 21 PLANES WILL BE ENOUGH FOR THEM TO MEET THEIR NEEDS IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER HEAVY BOMBERS WE ALREADY HAVE. WE'VE GOT NEARLY 100 B-1 BOMBERS AND WE HAVE SEVERAL HUNDRED B-52 BOMBERS STILL IN OPERATION. SO WE HAVE A DIVERSE, HEAVY BOMBER FORCE BUILT OVER A NUMBER OF DECADES, BUT AS YOU KNOW, THE B-52S, SOME OF WHICH ARE 40 OR MORE

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YEARS OLD, ARE STILL FLYING AND PERFORMING VERY, VERY WELL. IN FACT B-52S WERE USED TO LAUNCH CRUISE MISSILES AGAINST TARGETS IN IRAQ SEVERAL MONTHS AGO. SO THEY'RE STILL VERY MUCH IN USE.

Q: CAN B-2S LAUNCH CRUISE MISSILES?

A: B-2S CAN LAUNCH A VARIETY OF ORDNANCE. I DON'T KNOW WHETHER THESE HAVE BEEN OUTFITTED TO LAUNCH CRUISE MISSILES.

Q: WE HAVE IT FROM A HIGHLY RELIABLE SOURCE THAT THESE 13 B-2S ARE NOW IN MODIFICATION TO HAVE THEIR WINGS FOLDED AND OPERATE FROM CARRIERS. COULD YOU COMMENT ON THAT?

A: SINCE THEY ARE A WING, I THINK IT WOULD BE HARD TO FOLD THE WING. IT WOULD BE LIKE FOLDING A BUTTERFLY.

Q: THE MASS SUICIDE IN CALIFORNIA HAS AROUSED THE AMERICAN PUBLIC'S GROWING INTEREST ONCE AGAIN IN UFOS TO THE POINT WHERE SOME OF THE PUBLIC BELIEVES THAT THE GOVERNMENT CAN SUBSTANTIATE THEIR EXISTENCE--THAT THE GOVERNMENT HUSBES REMAINS OF THESE SPACECRAFT AND ALIENS. WOULD YOU ADDRESS THOSE TWO ISSUES, PLEASE?

A: YES. WE CANNOT SUBSTANTIATE THE EXISTENCE OF UFOS, AND WE ARE NOT HARBORING REMAINS OF UFOS. I CAN'T BE MORE CLEAR ABOUT IT THAN THAT. WE CANNOT SUBSTANTIATE THAT THEY EXIST AND

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WE ARE NOT HARBORING REMAINS.

Q: WHEN CITIZENS CALL WITH SIGHTINGS OF UFOS, WHERE ARE THOSE CALLS ROUTED TO NOW?

A: THAT'S AN INTERESTING QUESTION. LET ME TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT UFOS.

FOR 22 YEARS, FROM 1947 TO 1969, THE U.S. AIR FORCE INVESTIGATED REPORTS OF UFOS. IT WAS CALLED PROJECT BLUE BOOK, AND THAT PROJECT WAS HEADQUARTERED AT WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE IN DAYTON, OHIO. THEY INVESTIGATED 12,618 SIGHTINGS DURING THAT 22-YEAR PERIOD, AND THEY REACHED THREE CONCLUSIONS BASED ON THOSE INVESTIGATIONS.

THE FIRST WAS THAT NO UFO REPORTED, INVESTIGATED OR EVALUATED BY THE U.S. AIR FORCE POSED ANY THREAT TO UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NATIONAL SECURITY. THAT WAS THE FIRST CONCLUSION THEY REACHED.

THE SECOND CONCLUSION THEY REACHED WAS THAT THERE WAS NO EVIDENCE SUBMITTED TO THE AIR FORCE OR UNCOVERED BY THE AIR FORCE THAT SIGHTINGS CALLED "UNIDENTIFIED" REPRESENTED TECHNOLOGICAL

DEVELOPMENTS OR PRINCIPLES BEYOND THE RANGE OF OUR SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE. IN OTHER WORDS, THERE WAS NOTHING OUTSIDE THE REALM UNCLAS SECTION 03 OF 05 OF OUR SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE, OUR ABILITY TO BUILD AIRCRAFT, UNDERSTAND AIRCRAFT, ETC.

THE THIRD CONCLUSION THEY REACHED WAS THAT THERE WAS NO EVIDENCE INDICATING THAT SIGHTINGS OF THESE SO-CALLED UFOS WERE EXTRATERRESTRIAL VEHICLES. A VAST MAJORITY OF THOSE SIGHTINGS WERE EXPLAINED BY METEOROLOGICAL PHENOMENA -- LIGHTNING, ETC. -- OR THEY WERE EXPLAINED BY PLANES IN THE AREA, ETC.

OF THE 12,618 SIGHTINGS, VIRTUALLY ALL OF THEM WERE EXPLAINED. THERE WERE, HOWEVER, 701 "UNIDENTIFIED" SIGHTINGS. THOSE ARE THE ONES THAT I REFERRED TO IN THE SECOND POINT I WAS MAKING, WHICH IS, OF THE SIGHTINGS IDENTIFIED OR CATEGORIZED AS UNIDENTIFIED. NOTHING REPRESENTED TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENTS BEYOND THE REALM OF OUR KNOWLEDGE.

SO MANY OF THESE WE BELIEVE MIGHT HAVE JUST BEEN SKETCHY REPORTS THAT COULDN'T BE TRACKED DOWN TOTALLY; THEY COULDN'T BE

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NAILED DOWN BECAUSE WE DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH FACTS.

Q: SO THE CALLS ARE ROUTED TO WHERE NOW?

A: NOW THE CALLS ARE ROUTED TO PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS THAT LOOK INTO UFOS. YOU CAN GET THESE NAMES OFF THE INTERNET IF YOU ENTER UFO YOU CAN GET NAMES OFF THE INTERNET. BUT THERE'S ALSO SOMETHING CALLED GALE'S ENCYCLOPEDIA OF ASSOCIATIONS, WHICH LISTS ASSOCIATIONS BY INTEREST OR SUBJECT MATTER, AND IT HAS A LIST OF UFO-INTERESTED ORGANIZATIONS, AND PEOPLE CAN CALL THOSE ORGANIZATIONS.

YOU MIGHT ASK WHY DID THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE STOP AFTER 22 YEARS INVESTIGATING? WHY DID IT STOP INVESTIGATING REPORTS OF UFOS? IT DID SO PRIMARILY BECAUSE IT DIDN'T FIND THAT THERE WAS ANY THREAT TO THE NATION'S SECURITY, AND IT DIDN'T FIND THAT ANY OF THESE WERE EXTRATERRESTRIAL VEHICLES AS CLAIMED BY MANY OF THE PEOPLE WHO MADE THESE CALLS. IT JUST WAS NOT A GOOD WAY TO USE THE TAXPAYERS' MONEY.

Q: A QUESTION ON THE FUTURE OF NATO COMMAND. HOW HIGH RANKING ON THE AGENDA OF GENERAL CLARK IS THE EXPANSION OF NATO?

A: THE EXPANSION OF NATO WILL BE ONE OF THE MAJOR TOPICS ON HIS AGENDA. HE WILL NOT GET THERE PROBABLY UNTIL JULY OF THIS

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YEAR.

AS YOU KNOW, THERE WILL BE A SUMMIT IN MADRID IN JULY WHERE IT'S ANTICIPATED THAT THE LEADERS OF NATO WILL ANNOUNCE THE COUNTRIES WHO WILL BE ASKED TO JOIN NATO. IT WILL TAKE SEVERAL YEARS, PROBABLY, UNTIL THEY'RE ACTUALLY INTO THE ALLIANCE BECAUSE IT REQUIRES A UNANIMOUS VOTE BY ALL OF THE CURRENT NATO MEMBERS, ALL 16 MEMBERS.

GENERAL CLARK, OR THE SACEUR--WHETHER IT'S GENERAL CLARK OR NOW GENERAL JOULWAN--IS INTIMATELY INVOLVED IN MAKING THE MILITARY SIDE OF NATO EXPANSION WORK. THE DECISION TO EXPAND NATO AND WHOM TO INVITE INTO NATO WILL BE MADE BY POLITICAL LEADERS, BY PRESIDENTS AND PRIME MINISTERS. THAT'S MAINLY A

POLITICAL AUTHORITY MADE BY ELECTED OFFICIALS. THE MILITARY COMMANDERS WILL MAKE THE MILITARY SIDE OF THAT WORK, WHICH IS MAKING THE MILITARY FORCES OF THE NEW NATO MEMBERS AS INTEROPERABLE AS POSSIBLE WITH THE FORCES OF THE EXISTING NATO MEMBERS. DOES THAT ANSWER YOUR QUESTION?

Q: THERE'S A PIECE IN THE WASHINGTON TIMES ABOUT EVIDENCE THAT MOSCOW HAS HAD AN AGGRESSIVE UNDERGROUND BUNKER-BUILDING PROGRAM GOING ON WITH FOUR SEPARATE PROJECTS IN AND AROUND

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MOSCOW, AND ALSO A RELATED STORY ABOUT THERE HAVING BEEN AT LEAST FOUR ALERTS DURING THE 1990S WHEN RUSSIAN NUCLEAR WEAPONS WERE PLACED ON A HIGHER-LEVEL ALERT. CAN YOU SHED ANY LIGHT ON EITHER OF THOSE REPORTS? IS THE PENTAGON AWARE OF IT? CONCERNED ABOUT IT?

A: THE RUSSIANS ARE BUILDING--AND HAVE BEEN FOR SOME TIME--VARIOUS UNDERGROUND FACILITIES IN RUSSIA. THESE WERE DONE IN THE SOVIET UNION AND THEY'RE BEING CONTINUED BY RUSSIA TODAY. WE ALSO HAVE HARDENED STRUCTURES TO PROTECT OUR LEADERS IN THE EVENT OF NUCLEAR WAR, AND WE ALSO HAVE OTHER WAYS TO PROTECT OUR LEADERS, BY MOVING THEM, BY PUTTING THEM IN THE AIR, ETC., FROM NUCLEAR ATTACK. SO THIS IS SOMETHING THAT BOTH THE UNITED STATES AND RUSSIA HAVE DONE.

RUSSIA IS CONTINUING THE PROGRAM. WE DO NOT REGARD THE PROGRAM AS A THREAT. IT IS NOT AN OFFENSIVE PROGRAM. IT'S A PROGRAM TO PROTECT THEIR OFFICIALS. WE DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY THEY'RE CONTINUING TO DO THIS, BUT THEY ARE.

Q: THIS DOESN'T BOTHER YOU IN LIGHT OF RUSSIA TALKING ABOUT NOT HAVING THE FUNDS TO GO WITH FURTHER REDUCTIONS OF START? YET THEY'RE PUTTING ALL THIS MONEY INTO THAT KIND OF...

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A: FIRST OF ALL, RUSSIA HAS AGREED, PRESIDENT YELTSIN HAS AGREED TO BRING START II UP BEFORE THE DUMA, SO THE DUMA WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO VOTE ON THE START II TREATY. THE RUSSIAN LEADERSHIP, LED BY PRESIDENT YELTSIN, THINKS THAT THIS IS AN IMPORTANT TREATY AND IT'S A NECESSARY PRECONDITION TO FURTHER ARMS REDUCTIONS WHICH BOTH RUSSIA AND THE UNITED STATES WANT.

SECONDLY, RUSSIA HAS BEEN REDUCING ITS NUCLEAR ARSENAL IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE START I AGREEMENT. THAT TAKES ARSENALS DOWN FROM 10,000 OR MORE NUCLEAR WEAPONS DOWN TO ABOUT 6,000 AS DEFINED BY THE START I AGREEMENT. THEY'VE BEEN DOING THAT AND THEY'VE BEEN DOING IT QUITE AGGRESSIVELY. JUST IN RECENT WEEKS THEY'VE DESTROYED 19 SUBMARINE LAUNCHED BALLISTIC MISSILES, IN THE LAST 7 TO 14 DAYS THEY'VE DESTROYED THOSE. SO THEY ARE MOVING FORWARD WITH THEIR WEAPONS DESTRUCTION AS REQUIRED UNDER THE START I TREATY AND WE FULLY ANTICIPATE THAT THEY WILL UNDER THE START II TREATY, AFTER THE DUMA RATIFIES IT.

Q: YOU SAID THEY DESTROYED 19 MISSILES. DO YOU MEAN SUBMARINES OR MISSILES?

A: NO, THEY DESTROYED 19 SUBMARINE-LAUNCHED BALLISTIC MISSILES IN THE LAST WEEK OR SO.

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Q: YOU DON'T THINK THAT THE RESOURCES THEY'RE USING COULD BE USED IN A BETTER WAY?

A: EVERY COUNTRY MAKES DECISIONS ABOUT HOW TO DEFEND ITSELF AND HOW TO DEFEND ITS PEOPLE AND ITS LEADERS. WE MAKE THOSE DECISIONS EVERY DAY AND RUSSIA MAKES THOSE DECISIONS, AND THIS IS HOW THEY DECIDED TO DO IT.

AS I POINTED OUT, WE DO HAVE FACILITIES FOR PROTECTING MILITARY/CIVILIAN LEADERS, FOR PROTECTING OUR NATIONAL COMMAND AUTHORITY.

Q: DOES THE UNITED STATES DISCUSS THIS ISSUE WITH RUSSIA? ABOUT MAYBE THESE FUNDS WOULD BE BETTER SPENT ELSEWHERE?

A: FIRST OF ALL, MONEY THAT'S BEING SPENT ON DIGGING TUNNELS IS NOT BEING SPENT ON DEVELOPING NEW MISSILES; IT'S NOT BEING SPENT ON DEVELOPING NEW OFFENSIVE CAPABILITIES. I THINK THAT'S A VERY IMPORTANT DISTINCTION. THESE ARE ON DEFENSIVE MEASURES. WE ARE WORRIED PRIMARILY ABOUT OFFENSIVE MEASURES.

AS YOU KNOW, WE HAVE A PROGRAM--THE COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION PROGRAM--THAT IS HELPING RUSSIA DESTROY ITS NUCLEAR ARSENALS. IT HELPS THEM CUT THE WINGS OFF BOMBERS; IT HELPS THEM DISMANTLE MISSILES. WE PROVIDE ALL OF THAT ASSISTANCE IN KIND TO UNCLAS SECTION 04 OF 05

RUSSIA. NOT IN TERMS OF MONEY. WE PROVIDE THEM EQUIPMENT, WE PROVIDE THEM TECHNOLOGICAL ADVICE, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, ETC. SO THESE ARE ENTIRELY DIFFERENT PROGRAMS AND IT'S NOT, THEY CAN'T TAKE MONEY FROM THE COOPERATIVE THREAT REDUCTION PROGRAM, ALSO KNOWN AS NUNN/LUGAR, AND DIVERT IT TO OTHER PURPOSES.

AS I SAID, WE'RE WORRIED PRIMARILY ABOUT OFFENSIVE CAPABILITY, AND WE'VE STARTED A VERY AGGRESSIVE ARMS REDUCTION REGIME WITH RUSSIA TO LIMIT THEIR OFFENSIVE CAPABILITY AND OUR OFFENSIVE CAPABILITY. IN HELSINKI, THE LEADERS OF BOTH RUSSIA AND THE UNITED STATES MADE IT VERY CLEAR THAT THEY WANT TO GO BEYOND START II TO A START III AGREEMENT THAT WILL REDUCE EVEN FURTHER THE NUCLEAR ARSENALS OF BOTH COUNTRIES.

Q: TO KIND OF PUT THIS STORY IN PERSPECTIVE, HAS THE UNITED STATES OR THE PENTAGON NOTICED AN ACCELERATED MOVEMENT IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THESE BUNKERS, OR IS THIS SOMETHING THAT'S

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BEEN GOING ON FOR SOME TIME?

A: THEY'VE BEEN BURROWING AWAY FOR SOME TIME IN VARIOUS UNDERGROUND FACILITIES. THEY HAVE ALWAYS PLACED A HEAVY EMPHASIS, GOING BACK TO SOVIET TIMES, ON CIVIL DEFENSE AND PROTECTION, UNDERGROUND PROTECTION AND OTHER TYPES OF PROTECTION. I CAN RECALL DECADES AGO HAROLD BROWN, THEN THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, USED TO TALK, THERE WAS A BIG DEBATE DURING THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION ABOUT CIVIL DEFENSE. THE DEBATE WENT THAT THE RUSSIANS WERE OUTSPENDING US BY SOME HUGE MARGIN ON CIVIL DEFENSE, AND, THEREFORE, WE WERE LEAVING OURSELVES EXPOSED BY NOT SPENDING AS MUCH MONEY ON CIVIL DEFENSE.

HAROLD BROWN SAID, "WE PRACTICE CIVIL DEFENSE EVERY FRIDAY AFTERNOON WHEN PEOPLE LEAVE CITIES AND DRIVE OUT INTO THE COUNTRY. WE HAVE WAYS OF DISBURSING OUR POPULATIONS VERY, VERY QUICKLY." THE RUSSIANS HAVE NOT PAID AS MUCH ATTENTION TO DISPERSION AS WE HAVE, AND THEY'VE PAID MORE ATTENTION TO

UNDERGROUND PROTECTION.

BUT I THINK THIS DEVELOPMENT WHICH HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR A LONG WHILE AND IS NOT NEW, DEFLECTS ATTENTION FROM TWO MORE IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS. THE FIRST IS THE PROGRESS THAT WE'RE

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MAKING ON ARMS REDUCTION TODAY. THE START I TREATY, AS I SAID, BRINGS IT DOWN TO ABOUT 6,000 COUNTABLE WEAPONS. START II WHICH OUR SENATE HAS RATIFIED AND WE HOPE THE DUMA WILL RATIFY SOON, BRINGS THE NUMBERS DOWN BETWEEN 3,000 AND 3,500 ON EACH SIDE -- A SIGNIFICANT REDUCTION. AND START III, AS OUTLINED BY PRESIDENT CLINTON AND PRESIDENT YELTSIN, WOULD BRING THE ARSENALS DOWN TO BETWEEN 2,000 AND 2,500. SO THIS IS A REDUCTION OF ABOUT 80 PERCENT OR WILL BE A REDUCTION OF OVER 80 PERCENT IN ARSENALS IN A 10 TO 15 YEAR PERIOD. THIS IS AN EXTRAORDINARY DEVELOPMENT. THAT'S JUST ONE OF THEM, THOUGH.

THE SECOND IS THAT BOTH THE UNITED STATES AND RUSSIA HAVE AGREED TO STOP TARGETING THEIR STRATEGIC NUCLEAR WEAPONS AT EACH OTHER. SO WE NO LONGER HAVE THE HAIR TRIGGER THAT WE LIVED WITH FOR DECADES UNDER THE COLD WAR. THIS, AGAIN, IS ANOTHER IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT. IT'S AN EFFORT BY BOTH SIDES TO BUILD STABILITY AND CONFIDENCE IN A CONTINUING PEACEFUL ENVIRONMENT.

WE STILL MAINTAIN VERY EXTENSIVE NUCLEAR FORCES, AS DO THE RUSSIANS. WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IS TO LIMIT AND CONTAIN THOSE FORCES AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.

Q: DO YOU THINK THIS POSITIVE DEVELOPMENT COULD COME TO A

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HALT CONSIDERING THAT RUSSIA MIGHT BE THREATENED BY POSSIBLE NATO EXPANSION?

A: NO, I DON'T. AND I DON'T THINK PRESIDENT YELTSIN DOES EITHER. IN HELSINKI HE TALKED ABOUT MOVING TO START III. I THINK THE RUSSIANS UNDERSTAND THAT NATO IS GOING TO EXPAND AND IT WILL EXPAND IN A WAY THAT'S NOT THREATENING TO RUSSIA. NATO EXPANSION IS NOT AGAINST RUSSIA, IT'S FOR STABILITY IN EUROPE, INCREASED STABILITY IN EUROPE. WE'VE SPENT A LOT OF TIME TALKING TO RUSSIA ABOUT THAT. WE'RE WORKING HARD TO FIND WAYS TO INCORPORATE RUSSIA INTO A CONSULTING ARRANGEMENT THAT WILL MAKE THEM FEEL PART OF RATHER THAN OUTSIDE OF SECURITY DECISIONS MADE IN EUROPE. THEY'LL HAVE A VOICE, NOT A VETO IN THESE DECISIONS.

SO I GATHER FROM WHAT PRESIDENT YELTSIN SAID THAT THEY FULLY INTEND AND WANT TO GO AHEAD WITH FURTHER ARMS REDUCTIONS, EVEN AS NATO EXPANDS.

Q: A STATUS REPORT ON THE SECURITY REVIEW OF THE COSCO/LONG BEACH LEASE. THERE WAS A STORY IN THE PAPER THE OTHER DAY THAT WE'VE NOW GRANTED COSCO 24- HOUR NOTICE TO PULL INTO ANY PORT THAT HAS MILITARY SIGNIFICANCE, WHICH IS SOMETHING WE STILL DON'T DO FOR RUSSIA AND SOME OF THE OTHER FORMER RUSSIAN STATES.

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THAT DECISION WAS MADE, AND THE INITIAL DECISION TO ALLOW LONG BEACH TO GO AHEAD LAST YEAR. WERE BOTH OF THOSE DECISIONS MADE



WITHOUT ANY PENTAGON REVIEW OF THE SECURITY THREAT?

A: THE SECURITY REVIEW OF THE COSCO ARRANGEMENT--AND THE POTENTIAL COSCO ARRANGEMENT IS THAT THE CHINA OCEAN SHIPPING COMPANY WHICH HAS BEEN OPERATING OUT OF LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA SINCE 1981--WOULD EXPAND ITS OPERATIONS THERE IF IT REACHES AN AGREEMENT WITH THE PORT OF LONG BEACH, AND ALL OF THESE NEGOTIATIONS ARE TAKING PLACE BETWEEN COSCO AND THE CITY, OR THE PORT OF LONG BEACH, NOT BETWEEN THE U.S. GOVERNMENT AND COSCO OR BETWEEN THE U.S. NAVY AND COSCO.

COSCO ALSO OPERATES IN A NUMBER OF OTHER PORTS, INCLUDING BALTIMORE, WHICH OF COURSE IS RELATIVELY NEARBY. AND IT OPERATES OUT OF LOS ANGELES AND SEATTLE, OTHER PORTS IN THE UNITED STATES.

THE OFFICE OF NAVAL INTELLIGENCE HAS DONE A PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION AND HAS TALKED TO SOME PEOPLE ON THE HILL ABOUT ITS FINDINGS. IT HAS NOT FOUND--I DON'T BELIEVE IT HAS FOUND-- NATIONAL SECURITY CONCERNS.

WE ARE CONTINUING TO REVIEW THIS, AND THE SECRETARY HAS NOT COMPLETED WORK, THE DEPARTMENT HAS NOT COMPLETED ITS WORK ON

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THIS, BUT THE EARLY REPORTS ARE THAT THERE WERE NOT NATIONAL SECURITY CONCERNS ATTENDANT TO EXPANDING COSCO'S PRESENCE IN THE UNITED STATES.

Q: IS THIS REVIEW BEING AFFECTED AT ALL BY THE FUNDRAISING ALLEGATIONS CONNECTING THE WHITE HOUSE AND THE DNC?

A: NO, THIS IS TOTALLY SEPARATE FROM THAT. AS I POINTED OUT, COSCO HAS OPERATED IN THE UNITED STATES FOR MANY YEARS BEFORE THESE ALLEGATIONS CAME TO THE SURFACE. THIS IS A COMPLETELY SEPARATE OPERATION FROM THAT.

COSCO IS THE WORLD'S LARGEST OCEAN SHIPPING COMPANY. IT CARRIES GOODS FOR THE WORLD'S LARGEST, MOST POPULOUS COUNTRY; A COUNTRY THAT HAS BEEN EXPERIENCING ECONOMIC BOOM AND DOING MORE AND MORE TRADING ALL OVER THE WORLD, INCLUDING WITH THE UNITED STATES. IT IS THE COMPANY THAT BRINGS CHINESE GOODS, ONE OF THE COMPANIES THAT BRINGS CHINESE GOODS TO THE UNITED STATES, AND THEN CARRIES U.S. GOODS BACK TO [CHINA]. I KNOW THAT YOU PROBABLY SPENT ENOUGH TIME IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TO HAVE SEEN COSCO CONTAINERS TRAVELING ON TRUCKS OR RAILROAD TRAINS. YOU'VE PROBABLY BEEN SEEING THIS FOR THE LAST 10 OR 15 YEARS, AND I DOUBT IF YOU'VE EVER WORRIED ABOUT OUR NATIONAL SECURITY WHEN UNCLAS FINAL SECTION OF 05

YOU'VE SEEN A COSCO CONTAINER.

Q: HAS THE DEPARTMENT MADE ITS OFFICIAL POSITION YET ON THE MCDONNELL DOUGLAS/BOEING MERGER? AND IF NOT, WHEN WILL ONE BE FORTHCOMING?

A: IT HAS NOT MADE ITS POSITION KNOWN YET, AND I DON'T KNOW WHEN THAT DECISION WILL BE.

Q: THE QDR REPORT IS DUE TO CONGRESS SIX WEEKS FROM NOW. CAN YOU GIVE US AN UPDATE ON WHERE IT IS? HAVE RECOMMENDATIONS BEEN MADE? WHAT'S THE SECRETARY'S INVOLVEMENT AT THIS POINT?

A: THE SECRETARY'S INVOLVEMENT IS INTENSE. HE HAS MET SEVERAL TIMES WITH THE CHIEFS TO DISCUSS THIS. HE HAS BRIEFINGS PRETTY MUCH ON A WEEKLY BASIS ABOUT THE QDR. RIGHT NOW THERE HAS BEEN A DRAFT... HE HAS SAID FROM THE VERY BEGINNING THAT HE WANTS THIS TO BE A STRATEGY DRIVEN REVIEW, NOT IN RESPONSE TO BUDGETARY FIGURES, BUT IN RESPONSE TO OUR VIEW OF WHAT OUR

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STRATEGY SHOULD BE FOR THE NEXT 10, 15, 20 YEARS. AND A LOT OF  
WORK RIGHT NOW HAS BEEN GOING INTO GETTING THAT STRATEGY PORTION  
WORKED OUT.

THERE ARE DRAFTS THAT HAVE BEEN WRITTEN, BUT NOTHING IS  
FINAL YET. THERE'S STILL WORK BEING DONE ON THE STRATEGY PART,  
AND THAT WILL PROBABLY CONTINUE FOR ANOTHER WEEK OR SO.

IN PARALLEL TO THAT, THERE ARE SEVEN GROUPS, AS YOU KNOW,  
WORKING ON VARIOUS TOPICS. ALL OF THIS STUFF IS BEING  
INTEGRATED, GROUPS HAVE BEEN--ARE--LOOKING AT WAYS THAT THE  
PENTAGON CAN BE RUN MORE EFFICIENTLY, AND THAT SOME THINGS CAN BE  
DONE FOR LESS MONEY. SOME THINGS MAY HAVE TO BE DONE MORE  
AGGRESSIVELY THAN WE'VE DONE IN THE PAST AND MAY COST MORE MONEY.  
THOSE ARE THE TYPES OF CHOICES THAT WILL BE MADE IN THE NEXT  
MONTH OR SIX WEEKS.

Q: THE STRATEGY PORTIONS... IS IT SAFE TO ASSUME THAT A  
WEEK OR SO FROM NOW EITHER THE TWO MRC STRATEGY WILL BE LOCKED IN  
PLACE OR SOMETHING WILL REPLACE IT? IS THAT WHAT YOU MEAN BY  
OVERALL STRATEGY?

A: WELL, IT'S MORE COMPLEX THAN THAT. IT'S BROADER THAN  
JUST WHETHER WE STICK WITH THE TWO MRC STRATEGY. IT REALLY IS

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THE STRATEGY THAT WILL DEFINE THE WAY WE ENGAGE WITH THE WORLD.  
AND THE WAY WE THINK WE CAN BEST SHAPE EVENTS THAT ARE OF  
INTEREST TO OUR NATIONAL WELL-BEING. THAT'S WHAT WE'RE LOOKING  
AT. WHAT TYPES OF FORCES DO WE NEED TO DO THAT, HOW BEST DO WE  
DO IT, WHAT SORT OF FORWARD DEPLOYMENTS DO WE NEED? THERE ARE A  
NUMBER OF QUESTIONS THAT HAVE TO BE ANSWERED BY THAT.

WE, I BELIEVE, WILL BE ABLE TO DISCUSS THE STRATEGY SECTION  
OF THE QDR BEFORE THE WHOLE STUDY IS COMPLETED. OUR HOPE IS  
WE'LL BE ABLE TO DISCUSS THAT SOME TIME IN EARLY MAY BEFORE THE  
FINAL DOCUMENT IS DONE. AFTER THE STRATEGY PART IS COMPLETE,  
THEN A NUMBER OF CHOICES WILL HAVE TO BE MADE ABOUT HOW BEST TO  
IMPLEMENT THAT STRATEGY. THAT WORK WILL BE DONE OVER THE NEXT  
SEVERAL WEEKS.

Q: A JAPANESE TELEVISION NETWORK HAS REPORTED THAT  
ACCORDING TO U.S. INTELLIGENCE REPORTS, THERE'S BEEN SOME RECENT  
MILITARY MOVEMENTS IN NORTH KOREA. ONE OF THE REPORTS SAYING  
THAT SOME OF OUR TROOPS HAVE MOVED TO (INAUDIBLE). AND...

A: SORRY?

Q: ...HAVE MOVED TO THE BORDER REGION OF CHINA; AND THE  
OTHER ONE BEING SOME UNUSUAL TANK MOVEMENTS IN PYONGYANG. CAN

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YOU CONFIRM THESE REPORTS?

A: THERE HAVE BEEN... THE WINTER IS USUALLY THE MOST  
INTENSE TRAINING PERIOD FOR THE NORTH KOREAN MILITARY, AND THEY  
HAVE BEEN CARRYING OUT TRAINING EXERCISES RECENTLY, SOME OF WHICH  
WERE REPORTED BY THE SENATE DELEGATION THAT'S JUST COME OUT OF  
NORTH KOREA.

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 1:30 P.M. (EDT) BY MR. KENNETH H. BACON, ASD (PA) AT THE PENTAGON  
 MR. BACON: WELL, GOOD AFTERNOON. IT CERTAINLY IS A  
 GREAT THRILL TO BE THE WARM-UP ACT TO THE ROSWELL UFO REPORT!  
 [LAUGHTER] AND I WELCOME YOU ALL TO THE BRIEFING. LET ME MAKE A  
 FEW ANNOUNCEMENTS AT THE BEGINNING, AND THEN I'LL TAKE YOUR  
 QUESTIONS. I KNOW YOU ALL WANT TO GET ON TO UFOS, SO WE CAN DO  
 THAT AS SOON AFTER I FINISH AS POSSIBLE.  
 FIRST, I'D LIKE TO ANNOUNCE THAT SECRETARY COHEN HAS SENT A  
 MESSAGE TO THE TROOPS ON FORCE PROTECTION ON THE FIRST  
 ANNIVERSARY OF THE KHOBAR TOWERS BOMBING. AND THAT'S AVAILABLE  
 AT THE BACK OF THE ROOM FOR ANYBODY WHO WANTS A COPY OF THAT.  
 THE ANNIVERSARY, AS YOU KNOW, IS TOMORROW.  
 SECOND, I'D LIKE TO ANNOUNCE THAT SECRETARY COHEN HAS  
 ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT THE PRESIDENT HAS NOMINATED GENERAL WILLIAM

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 CROUCH OF THE ARMY TO TAKE OVER THE JOB OF VICE CHIEF OF STAFF OF  
 THE ARMY HERE IN WASHINGTON. GENERAL CROUCH, AS YOU KNOW, IS  
 CURRENTLY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF U.S. ARMY EUROPE AND ALSO THE  
 SEVENTH ARMY IN GERMANY.

AND WITH THAT, I'LL TAKE YOUR QUESTIONS.

Q: SPEAKING OF UFOS, WHAT'S THE PENTAGON'S TAKE ON THIS  
 WHOLE THING? DO YOU ALL SUBSCRIBE TO THE AIR FORCE'S EXPLANATION  
 THAT THESE WERE JUST A BUNCH OF DUMMIES DROPPED WITH PARACHUTES?

A: I THINK IT'S -- THE AIR FORCE HAS SPENT YEARS  
 INVESTIGATING THIS, NOT JUST THIS INCIDENT BUT A NUMBER OF  
 INCIDENTS, ALLEGED INCIDENTS INVOLVING UFOS, AND THEY HAVE FOUND  
 OTHER EXPLANATIONS FOR ALMOST -- I BELIEVE FOR ALL OF THESE. AND  
 THEY HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO CONFIRM ANY SO-CALLED "SIGHTING" OF  
 UFOS. THEY FOUND EITHER NATURAL PHENOMENA TO EXPLAIN WHAT  
 HAPPENED OR AIRCRAFT LIGHTS IN THE AREA TO EXPLAIN WHAT HAPPENED.  
 BUT THERE HAVE BEEN A NUMBER OF EXPLANATIONS THEY HAVE COME UP  
 WITH OVER THE YEARS. AS YOU KNOW, AFTER YEARS OF INVESTIGATING  
 REPORTS OF UFOS, THE AIR FORCE STOPPED MORE THAN A DECADE AGO,

AND THEY HAVE NOT BEEN INVESTIGATING THESE INCIDENTS AT ALL BECAUSE IT WAS A WASTE OF TAXPAYERS' MONEY TO KEEP INVESTIGATING

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REPORTS THAT NEVER TURNED OUT TO BE TRUE.

BUT THIS WILL BE EXPLAINED IN GREAT DETAIL VIS-A-VIS THE ROSWELL INCIDENT AS SOON AS I FINISH.

Q: DO YOU THINK THIS WILL PUT THIS WHOLE THING TO REST?

A: OF COURSE NOT. [LAUGHTER] PROBABLY, IN ANOTHER DECADE, WE'LL BE HERE HAVING -- ANOTHER COLONEL WILL BE HERE GIVING ANOTHER BRIEFING ON THE ROSWELL INCIDENT. [LAUGHTER]

Q: WHY DOES THIS COME OUT IN DRIBS AND DRABS? DOESN'T THAT SORT OF JUST FUEL CONSPIRACY? AND WHY WASN'T IT INCLUDED IN THE 1994 REPORT?

A: WELL, I THINK THE AIR FORCE WILL EXPLAIN ALL THAT. BUT THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS, THIS HAS BEEN INVESTIGATED MANY TIMES, AND THIS IS AN EFFORT TO PULL TOGETHER THEIR LATEST THINKING ON IT. I THINK THEY'RE REISSUING AN OLDER REPORT, AS I UNDERSTAND IT. [OFF MIKE] ISN'T THAT CORRECT?

Q: ON THE SUBJECT OF KHOBAR TOWERS, YOU MENTIONED THE ONE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY. IT HAS BEEN A YEAR. WHAT'S BEEN THE DELAY IN THE RELEASE OF THE RECORD REPORT AND ITS RECOMMENDATIONS, WHICH HAS BEEN COMPLETED FOR OVER SIX MONTHS NOW?

A: WELL, THE RECORD REPORT WAS REDONE, AS YOU KNOW, AT THE

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REQUEST OF THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE AND THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE. AND THE SECOND REPORT, BY THE AIR FORCE IG, LIEUTENANT GENERAL SWOPE, WAS COMPLETED SHORTLY BEFORE THE QUADRENNIAL DEFENSE REVIEW CAME OUT. SECRETARY COHEN MADE A DECISION AT THAT TIME THAT HE WAS GOING TO CONCENTRATE ON BRINGING THE QUADRENNIAL DEFENSE REVIEW TO CLOSURE AND PRESENTING IT ON THE HILL, PRESENTING IT TO THE PUBLIC. AND HE DID THAT. AND SEVERAL WEEKS AFTER THE QDR WAS RELEASED AND EXPLAINED ON THE HILL, HE BEGAN LOOKING NOT JUST AT THE SWOPE VERSION OF THE RECORD REPORT, BUT HE WENT RIGHT BACK TO THE BEGINNING AND STARTED WITH THE DOWNING REPORT. AND HE STARTED WITH NOT ONLY THE REPORT, BUT THE ATTACHMENTS, THE APPENDICES, AND THEN HE WENT THROUGH THE RECORD REPORT AND THE ATTACHMENTS AND THE APPENDICES, AND NOW HE IS ON TO THE SWOPE REPORT.

AND SO THIS HAS BEEN A MONUMENTAL UNDERTAKING. HE HAS WANTED TO BE VERY CAREFUL AND THOROUGH, AND HE HAS BEEN. AND HE'S NOT DONE YET. BUT MY ANTICIPATION IS THAT, IN SEVERAL WEEKS, HE WILL BE FINISHED WITH HIS REVIEW AND WILL BE ABLE TO DISCUSS WHAT HIS CONCLUSIONS ARE.

Q: KEN, WHAT IS THE DEPARTMENT'S POSITION UPON THE HOUSE

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ACTION OF LAST WEEK THAT PASSED A BILL, WHICH SAID THAT 10,000 SOLDIERS COULD BE USED FOR BORDER PATROL? AND, SECONDLY, WHAT IS YOUR RESPONSE TO MILITARY PEOPLE WHO SAY WE JUST DON'T HAVE THAT MANY TRAINED SOLDIERS TO SPARE, EVEN IF WE WANTED TO? AND LASTLY,

WHAT'S THE LEGAL STATUS OF THIS MARINE WHO IS ACCUSED OF SHOOTING A U.S. CITIZEN WHILE ON BORDER PATROL? AND YOU HAVE A CIVILIAN AUTHORITY INVESTIGATING AND CHARGING, AND ARE THE MARINES GOING TO HAVE A SEPARATE LITIGATION? WHAT'S THE STATE OF PLAY ON THAT?

A: I'M TEMPTED TO INVOKE THE WARREN CHRISTOPHER RULE THAT IN A MULTI-PART QUESTION, I GET TO ANSWER THE QUESTION I CHOOSE. [LAUGHTER] BUT I WON'T BECAUSE THEY'RE ALL SERIOUS QUESTIONS.

TODAY THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT HAS ABOUT 242 PEOPLE ON THE BORDER ASSISTING WITH OBSERVATION AND SURVEILLANCE OF BORDER ACTIVITIES. THIS IS PART OF THE SUPPORT OF COUNTER-DRUG EFFORTS, NOT MOUNTED BY THIS AGENCY, BUT MOUNTED BY GENERAL MCCAFFREY'S AGENCY.

WE PROVIDE TROOPS PURELY IN A SUPPORT CAPACITY, BECAUSE, AS YOU KNOW, THE MILITARY IS PROSCRIBED FROM PARTICIPATING IN DOMESTIC LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES UNDER AN 1878 LAW, THE POSSE COMITATUS LAW. SO WE PROVIDE SUPPORT IN TERMS OF EXTRA EYES AND

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EARS, SOME SURVEILLANCE, MAYBE SOME INTELLIGENCE FROM TIME TO TIME, BUT IT'S ALL IN A SUPPORT CAPACITY.

GENERAL MCCAFFREY HAS MADE IT VERY CLEAR THAT HE WOULD PREFER TO HAVE ALL OF THE BORDER PATROL OPERATION DONE BY BORDER PATROL AGENTS AND NOT HAVE THE MILITARY INVOLVED AT ALL. AND THE MILITARY WOULD CERTAINLY SUPPORT A DECISION LIKE THAT, BUT IT WOULD REQUIRE APPOINTING MANY MORE BORDER PATROL AGENTS THAN WE HAVE TODAY. SO WE CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SUPPORT IN AN AS-NEEDED BASIS. I DON'T THINK THAT WE NEED ANYWHERE NEAR AN ADDITIONAL 10,000 SOLDIERS TO ASSIST IN THE SUPPORT OF THE BORDER PATROL OPERATIONS RIGHT NOW. AND THERE HAS BEEN-- SO ANSWERING YOUR FIRST QUESTION, THAT'S IT.

I'M AFRAID I'VE FORGOTTEN MOST OF THE OTHER QUESTIONS, BUT -

Q: THE OTHER ONE WAS, WHAT'S THE STATE OF PLAY, LEGALLY, WHERE YOU HAVE CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES IN TEXAS CHARGING A MARINE WITH SHOOTING A CITIZEN WHILE ON BORDER PATROL, AND THEN YOU HAVE THE MARINES, WHO PRESUMABLY HAVE THEIR OWN LEGAL ACTION. WILL THE DEPARTMENT LET THE CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES QUESTION THE MARINE OR WILL THEY INSIST ON A SEPARATE LEGAL ACTION BY THE CORPS?  
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A: WELL, FIRST OF ALL, THE MARINES HAVE COOPERATED FULLY WITH DOMESTIC LAW AND WITH CIVILIAN LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN THE COURSE OF THIS INVESTIGATION, AND THEY CONTINUE TO COOPERATE FULLY. THEY HAVE MADE STATEMENTS, THEY HAVE PROVIDED ALL THE INFORMATION THEY'VE BEEN REQUESTED TO PROVIDE.

Q: WHILE YOU'RE ON THAT, DOES THAT INCLUDE LETTING THEM QUESTION THIS ACCUSED PERSON?

A: SORRY?

Q: THERE WAS A COMPLAINT THAT THE CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES WEREN'T ALLOWED TO QUESTION THE ACCUSED MARINE.

A: I KNOW THE ACCUSED MARINE HAS PROVIDED A STATEMENT OF WHAT HAPPENED TO THE CIVILIAN LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.

Q: BUT I JUST WANT TO KNOW IF I CAN TAKE IT FROM YOUR STATEMENT THAT, IF REQUESTED, THE MARINES WILL LET HIM BE QUESTIONED BY CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES.

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A: IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE FOUR-MAN PATROL HAS COOPERATED FULLY WITH DOMESTIC LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES. THEY REMAINED FOR FOUR DAYS IN THE AREA. AT THE END OF FOUR DAYS, THERE WAS NO MORE DEMAND OR REQUEST FOR THEM TO PROVIDE INFORMATION, AND THEY LEFT. THAT IS MY UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT HAPPENED.

THE MARINES HAVE LAUNCHED THEIR OWN INVESTIGATION OF WHAT WENT ON. AND THE JOINT TASK FORCE SIX, WHICH RUNS THE BORDER SUPPORT OPERATION, HAS ALSO DONE AN INVESTIGATION, AND THAT INVESTIGATION, WHICH I'VE READ IN DRAFT FORM, BUT I HAVE NOT SEEN IN FINAL FORM, CONCLUDES THAT THEY WERE FOLLOWING PROPER PROCEDURES IN RESPONDING TO AN ATTACK AGAINST THEM. THEY RESPONDED THE WAY THEY'RE ALLOWED TO, IN SELF-DEFENSE.

NOW, THE MARINES ARE LOOKING INTO IT, AND THERE IS A CIVILIAN PROCEEDING GOING ON, AT THE SAME TIME. AS I SAID, THE MARINES HAVE COOPERATED WITH THAT.

Q: ANY RESULTS ON THE TODAY'S MEETING BETWEEN THE GREEK MINISTER OF DEFENSE APOSTOLOS TSOHATZOPOULOS AND THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE WILLIAM COHEN HERE AT THE PENTAGON?

A: I HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO TALK TO ANYBODY WHO WAS AT

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THE MEETING YET. THEY WERE PREPARED TO TALK ABOUT A WIDE RANGE OF ISSUES -- SECRETARY COHEN WAS -- STARTING WITH NATO ENLARGEMENT, WHICH OF COURSE IS AT THE TOP OF EVERYBODY'S LIST RIGHT NOW. THEY WERE ALSO GOING TO TALK ABOUT BOSNIA AND THE PROGRESS OF THE SFOR MISSION IN BOSNIA. THEY WERE GOING TO TALK ABOUT CYPRUS, AND THEY WERE GOING TO TALK ABOUT THE CONFIDENCE-BUILDING MEASURES IN THE AEGEAN. THOSE WERE THE MAIN ISSUES OF CONVERSATION THEY WERE PLANNING TO COVER.

Q: DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING ON THE EXTENSIVE MEETING BETWEEN THE GREEK MINISTER OF DEFENSE APOSTOLOS TSOHATZOPOULOS AND THE UNDERSECRETARY JAN LODAL YESTERDAY AT THE GREEK EMBASSY?

A: I AM AFRAID I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ON THAT.

Q: AND LAST NIGHT, IT WAS REPORTED THAT YOUR AMBASSADOR IN ATHENS, THOMAS NILES, PROTESTED TO THE GREEK GOVERNMENT REGARDING THE WELL-KNOWN ISSUE OF THE UPGRADING THE F-4 GREEK FIGHTERS BY U.S. OR GERMANY. DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING ON THAT?

A: I AM AFRAID I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ON THAT. WE'LL TRY TO GET INFORMATION ON THAT.

Q: WELL, THE CINCS THAT ARE IN TOWN FOR THE CINC CONFERENCE, WILL THEY MEET AS A GROUP WITH THE PRESIDENT? OR

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WILL ANY CINCS INDIVIDUALLY MEET WITH THE PRESIDENT?

A: I DON'T BELIEVE THE CINCS ARE MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT THIS TIME AROUND. AND I DON'T BELIEVE THAT ANY INDIVIDUAL CINCS WILL BE MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT, EITHER.

Q: YOU MENTIONED THE STATEMENT OF COHEN TO THE TROOPS. COULD YOU JUST PARAPHRASE WHAT THAT STATEMENT IS, TO GIVE IT A LITTLE BIT ON CAMERA?

A: SECRETARY COHEN MADE BASICALLY TWO POINTS IN HIS

STATEMENT TO THE TROOPS. THE FIRST IS THAT THE FBI IS MAKING PROGRESS IN ITS INVESTIGATION, TO LOCATE THE TERRORISTS RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS DEADLY ACT A YEAR AGO, AND THAT THIS GOVERNMENT IS DETERMINED TO BRING THE TERRORISTS TO JUSTICE.

I THINK THE RECENT CAPTURE OF THE MAN RESPONSIBLE FOR THE KILLINGS OUTSIDE THE CIA SHOWS THAT WE ARE DETERMINED AND DEDICATED TO BRINGING TERRORISTS LIKE THIS TO JUSTICE, AND WE WILL PURSUE THESE TERRORISTS WITH THE SAME VIGOR THAT WE PURSUED THAT FELLOW.

SECONDLY, HE STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF FORCE PROTECTION. HE REPORTED ON HIS RECENT TRIP TO THE GULF, IN WHICH HE HAD A CHANCE TO REVIEW A NUMBER OF THE INSTALLATIONS OVER THERE, THE

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PRINCE SULTAN AIR BASE AT AL-KHARJ, FOR INSTANCE, THE PRE-POSITIONING SITE IN -- AT CAMP DOHA IN KUWAIT, THE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT FACILITY THAT HOUSES THE FIFTH FLEET IN BAHRAIN. AND HE ALSO VISITED A SITE IN OMAN. HE REPORTED THAT HE FOUND THE FORCE PROTECTION MEASURES VERY IMPRESSIVE, BUT NOTED THAT THERE'S NO ABSOLUTE LEVEL OF FORCE PROTECTION, THAT IT REMAINS EVERYBODY'S RESPONSIBILITY ALL THE TIME, AND THAT FORCE PROTECTION IS CLEARLY THE BUSINESS OF EVERY PERSON IN THE MILITARY, EVERY DAY IN EVERY WAY. THAT WAS BASICALLY THE GIST OF HIS MESSAGE TO THE TROOPS.

Q: COULD YOU CHARACTERIZE THE PROGRESS THAT THE FBI IS MAKING IN THE CASE?

A: I CANNOT. THAT'S SOMETHING FOR THE FBI TO TALK ABOUT.

Q: TODAY THE INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER, THE BRITISH PAPER, REVEALED THAT MOST OF THE AMERICAN BOMBS AND AIR-TO-GROUND MISSILES ACQUIRED BY ISRAEL IN LEBANON LAST YEAR, WERE SOLD TO THE UNITED STATES' ARMED FORCES AND NOT TO ISRAEL. AND THEY KILLED 200 CIVILIANS AND 14 GUERRILLAS. AND THEY FOUND OUT THAT 1,700 BOMBS AND MISSILES WERE TRANSFERRED FROM U.S. MILITARY STOCKS, WITH NO PROHIBITION ON THEIR USE AGAINST CIVILIANS. WHAT DO YOU COMMENT ON THIS REPORT?

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A: I HAVEN'T SEEN THAT REPORT, AND I'D RATHER NOT COMMENT ON IT UNTIL I HAVE A --

Q: THEY ARE SAYING ALSO THAT SO ROUTINE HAS THE SYSTEM OF WEAPONS TRANSFER FROM U.S. INVENTORIES BECOME, THAT MASSIVE SHIPMENTS OF ORDINANCE TO ISRAEL ARE NOW UNDERTAKEN WITH NO PUBLICITY OR DEBATE IN AMERICA.

A: I WOULD SAY THAT ALL ASPECTS OF OUR POLICY TOWARD ISRAEL ARE DEBATED HEALTHFULLY EVERY YEAR. BUT I CAN'T COMMENT SPECIFICALLY ON THAT REPORT, BECAUSE I HAVEN'T READ IT.

Q: ARE YOU DENYING THAT SHIPMENT OF ARMS ARE BEING TRANSFERRED TO ISRAEL FROM THE STOCKPILES HERE, WITHOUT ANY DEBATE?

A: I'M TELLING YOU THAT I'M NOT GOING TO COMMENT ON A REPORT THAT I HAVEN'T READ.

Q: WHEN SECRETARY COHEN MET IN SAUDI ARABIA WITH ABDULLAH AND SAUD, DID THAT RESULT IN THEM PROVIDING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE KHOBAR TOWERS?

A: THIS IS A -- IS A TASK THAT THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT IS

UNDERTAKING, THROUGH THE FBI. THEY'RE IN CHARGE OF THIS INVESTIGATION. DIRECTOR FREEH HAS BEEN OVER THERE SEVERAL TIMES. UNCLAS FINAL SECTION OF 03  
THERE IS EXTENSIVE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THE SAUDIS ON THIS INVESTIGATION, AND IT IS NOT SOMETHING THAT SECRETARY COHEN HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN A DETAILED WAY.

Q: HE HASN'T RAISED THAT -- [OFF MIKE]?

A: HE DID TALK TO THEM ABOUT THE INVESTIGATION, AND HE SAID PUBLICLY THAT HE -- HE URGED THE IMPORTANCE OF COOPERATION, FULL COOPERATION WITH THE SAUDIS -- FROM THE SAUDIS WITH THE UNITED STATES. HE REPEATED WHAT THE PRESIDENT HAS SAID; THAT WE EXPECT FULL AND COMPLETE COOPERATION FROM THEM. AND HE DID SPEAK ABOUT ONE PARTICULAR INCIDENT, WHICH WAS THE DEPORTATION OF AL-SAYEGH FROM CANADA TO THE UNITED STATES. BUT THE DETAILED DISCUSSIONS OF THE INVESTIGATION ARE UNDER THE MANTLE OF THE FBI.

YES?

Q: FOLLOWING UP ON MARK'S QUESTION, WITH THE CINCS IN TOWN, WILL DEFENSE SECRETARY COHEN CONDUCT INTERVIEWS REGARDING

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THE CHAIRMANSHIP, USE THE OPPORTUNITY?

A: I CAN'T GO INTO SPECIFICS, BUT CERTAINLY THAT'S ON HIS MIND AND IT'S ON THEIR MIND, AND THERE WILL BE OPPORTUNITIES FOR SOME OF THEM TO TALK.

Q: HOUSE MAJORITY LEADER ARMEY LAST NIGHT SAID THAT IF THE PRESIDENT IS NOT WILLING TO COMPROMISE ON THE QUESTION OF KELLY AND MCCLELLAN -- THE DEPOTS AT KELLY AND MCCLELLAN AIR FORCE BASES, THAT THERE WILL BE NO FURTHER ROUND OF BASE CLOSINGS. DOES THE PENTAGON SEE ROOM FOR COMPROMISE HERE, OR IS THE PRESIDENT GOING TO INSIST, AND PENTAGON GOING TO INSIST, THAT YOU RETAIN THE RIGHT TO PRIVATIZE THOSE DEPOTS?

A: WELL, FIRST OF ALL, I CAN'T TALK FOR THE PRESIDENT ON THIS ISSUE. WE ARE SPENDING A LOT OF TIME, THE SECRETARY AND THE STAFF ARE SPENDING A LOT OF TIME THIS WEEK ON THAT ISSUE, WHICH IS BRAC, AND HOW TO GET BRAC THROUGH. THE SECRETARY WAS ENCOURAGED BY THE FACT THAT THERE WAS A 9-9 VOTE ON IT IN THE SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE. AS YOU KNOW, THERE ARE STRONG SUPPORTERS FOR BRAC IN THE SENATE, IN PARTICULAR; THERE ARE SOME IN THE HOUSE AS WELL. AND WE ARE PREPARED TO WORK WITH CONGRESS AGGRESSIVELY AND ENERGETICALLY TO TRY TO GET A BRAC PACKAGE

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THROUGH. I CAN'T TELL YOU WHAT THE DETAILS OF ANY EVENTUAL COMPROMISE WILL BE. I THINK IT MAY BE TOO EARLY TO TALK ABOUT DETAILS AT THIS TIME. I THINK WE HAVE TO GET A CLEARER IDEA OF WHERE EVERYBODY STANDS, AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO.

BUT THE MOST IMPORTANT THING ABOUT BRAC IS TO STRESS THAT IF WE WANT TO GO AHEAD WITH THE MODERNIZATION PROGRAM THAT THE PENTAGON, THAT THE CHIEFS, THAT THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE -- AS ILLUSTRATED BY THE QDR -- THINKS IS THE RIGHT MODERNIZATION PROGRAM FOR THE FUTURE, WE HAVE TO GENERATE SAVINGS SOMEWHERE, AND IT REALLY DOES COME DOWN TO A CHOICE BETWEEN PROTECTING FORCES OR PROTECTING OLD FACILITIES -- PROTECTING FACILITIES THAT ARE EXCESS IN MANY RESPECTS. AND I KNOW THIS IS A CONTROVERSIAL



AND EMOTIONAL AREA, BUT IT'S AN AREA IN WHICH WE MUST MAKE PROGRESS IF WE'RE GOING TO GO AHEAD AND CARRY OUT THE MODERNIZATION PROGRAM WE THINK IS NECESSARY FOR THE NEXT CENTURY.

Q: ON THAT ISSUE, THERE'S BEEN SOME ANALYSES THAT INDICATE THAT IF THE CONGRESS DOESN'T LIFT THE 60-40 RULE, THAT THE PENTAGON WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PRIVATIZE KELLY AND MCCLELLAN -- EVEN IF THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING PROVES THAT TO BE THE BEST DEAL. HAVE YOU ALL HAD A CHANCE TO LOOK AT THAT AND SEE WHETHER --

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A: WELL, WE ARE STILL HOPEFUL THAT WE'LL GET SOME RELIEF FROM THE 60-40 RULE. THE SECRETARY HAS SENT LETTERS TO CONGRESS ON THAT. WE'RE ASKING FOR 50-50, WHICH GIVES US SOME RELIEF. AND WE CAN MAKE COPIES OF THOSE LETTERS AVAILABLE TO YOU, IF YOU HAVEN'T GOTTEN THEM ALREADY. BUT I THINK WE MADE SOME AVAILABLE LAST WEEK, AND THERE WERE SOME NEW LETTERS EITHER LATE LAST WEEK OR EARLY THIS WEEK.

Q: YOU DON'T KNOW WHETHER YOU COULD PRIVATIZE THOSE UNDER 60-40?

A: IT WOULD BE MORE COMPLICATED, OBVIOUSLY, AND THAT'S ONE OF THE REASONS WE HAVE ASKED FOR RELIEF. WE HAVE ASKED FOR 50-50. ALL ASPECTS OF THIS ISSUE ARE CONTROVERSIAL, AS YOU KNOW. BUT WE'RE TRYING TO MAKE THE CASE THAT -- AS THE PRESIDENT MADE IN 1995, THAT THERE SHOULD BE A COMPETITIVE ASPECT IN TRYING TO RESOLVE THESE PROBLEMS. AND 50-50 WOULD GIVE US MORE ROOM TO ALLOW COMPETITION.

Q: HAS SECRETARY COHEN RECEIVED ANY TYPE OF BRIEFING ON THE ROSWELL REPORT? AND IF SO, WHAT WAS HIS REACTION?

A: I AM NOT AWARE THAT HE DID, SO I CAN'T REPORT ON HIS REACTION.

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Q: COULD YOU TAKE THAT QUESTION?

A: SURE.

Q: THANK YOU.

A: JUST A SEC' -- GEORGE?

Q: JUST A SHORT [INAUDIBLE]. YOU SAID THAT WE DON'T NEED 10,000 TROOPS THERE TO HELP IN DRUG PATROL. ASIDE FROM THAT, COULD YOU SPARE THAT MANY TRAINED TROOPS TO DO THAT JOB? THE COMMANDERS TELL ME THEY DON'T HAVE THAT MANY TO SPARE.

A: [PAUSE] THE TROOPS ARE STRETCHED NOW, AS YOU KNOW. THE OPERATIONAL TEMPO AND THE PERSONNEL TEMPO IS VERY HIGH.

TO A CERTAIN EXTENT, WE RESPOND TO THE DIRECTION WE GET FROM CONGRESS AND THE DIRECTION WE GET FROM THE PRESIDENT. WE ALWAYS RESPOND TO THE DIRECTION WE GET FROM THE PRESIDENT, THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. BUT RIGHT NOW THERE DOES NOT SEEM TO BE A NEED FOR AN ADDITIONAL 10,000 TROOPS. WE'RE COMFORTABLE WITH THE FORCE THAT WE HAVE PROVIDED TO THE BORDER PATROL OPERATIONS ALREADY. I DON'T SEE A HUGE DEMAND, ON THE PART OF GENERAL MCCAFFREY, OR ON THE PART OF THE PRESIDENT, TO SUPPLY LARGE NUMBERS OF ADDITIONAL TROOPS. I THINK THAT PEOPLE ARE SATISFIED WITH THE SUPPORT WE'RE PROVIDING ALREADY.

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AND I THINK THAT WE HAVEN'T GOTTEN TO THE NEXT POINT OF WHETHER WE COULD DO IT, BECAUSE I DON'T THINK WE ARE GOING TO BE ASKED TO PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL 10,000 TROOPS TO THE BORDER PATROL OPERATIONS.

FRES: THANK YOU.

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TRANSCRIPTS OF THE DOD NEWS BRIEFING ARE ALSO AVAILABLE ON DEFENSELINK, THE DOD HOMEPAGE - HTTP://WWW.DTIC.MIL/DEFENSELINK/ OASD/PA IS LOOKING AT DISCONTINUING TRANSMITTAL OF THE TWICE WEEKLY PRESS BRIEFING IN MESSAGE FORMAT. WE BELIEVE MOST, IF NOT ALL, AGENICES ON OUR DISTRIBUTION LIST ARE ABLE TO OBTAIN THIS BRIEFING VIA DEFENSELINK. WE SOLICIT YOUR COMMENTS ON THIS PROPOSAL. PLEASE REPLY VIA MESSAGE TO: OASD/PA/DOI (ATTN: LT COL SCHULTE) OR VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL TO: TSCHULTE@GATE.PA.OSD.MIL. YOUR OPINION IS IMPORTANT. PLEASE LET US KNOW.

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TO THE SIDE. VERY BRIEFLY HE PULLED A GUN, THE OFFICER DISARMED THE MALT ENTRANCE WITHOUT A PASS. THE OFFICER ASKED HIM TO STEP AT ABOUT 8:12 THIS MORNING, AN INDIVIDUAL TRIED TO GET INTO TAKE YOUR QUESTIONS.

A: LET ME TELL YOU BRIEFLY WHAT HAPPENED AND THEN I'LL FROM HIM? IDENTIFICATION OF THE OFFICER WHO WAS ABLE TO TAKE THE GUN AWAY IDENTIFICATION OF THE INDIVIDUAL INVOLVED? ALSO, THE

Q: ON THE MATTER THIS MORNING, DO YOU HAVE ANY WITH THAT, I'LL TAKE YOUR QUESTIONS. THEY TAKE OVER AFTER ME.

RESEARCH. I WILL INTRODUCE THEM AT THE END OF THE BRIEFING AS WITH SOME OFFICERS WHO WILL GIVE YOU A REPORT ON SOME NEW I'D ALSO LIKE TO WELCOME THE NAVY. ADMIRAL PEASE IS HERE HERE.

INSTRUCTORS FROM FORT MEADE, MARYLAND. WE'RE GLAD TO HAVE YOU HERE FROM THE ADVANCED NCO COURSE. THEY ARE STUDENTS AND SECOND, I'D LIKE TO WELCOME 14 ARMY PUBLIC AFFAIRS PEOPLE PAGE 02 RUEKJCS7744 UNCLAS

THE FUTURE. QUESTIONS ON THE LATEST EVENTS AS WELL AS WHAT WE EXPECT TO DO IN THIS CRUCIAL ISSUE OF GETTING REMAINS BACK, AND ALSO ANSWER YOUR TALK ABOUT THE NEXT STEP IN OUR DEALINGS WITH NORTH KOREA OVER FROM NORTH KOREA. HE WILL GIVE A DESCRIPTION OF WHAT HAPPENED, HERE TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS ON THE LATEST RETURN OF REMAINS DIRECTOR OF THE PRISONER OF WAR/MISSING PERSONNEL OFFICE, WILL BE ON FRIDAY THE 8TH AT 11:00, ALAN LIOTTA, WHO IS THE DEPUTY START, LET ME MAKE A FEW ANNOUNCEMENTS. MORNING, AND I'D BE GLAD TO TALK ABOUT THAT LATER. BUT BEFORE I BRIEFED BY CHIEF JESTER ON THE SECURITY INCIDENT HERE THIS SORRY I'M LATE FOR THE EARLY BRIEFING. I'VE BEEN GETTING MR. BACON: GOOD AFTERNOON. 1:15 P.M. (EDT) BY MR. KENNETH H. BACON, ASD (PA) AT THE PENTAGON SUBJ: DOD NEWS BRIEFING - CONDUCTED ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 1997 AT UNCLAS SECTION 01 OF 05

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HIM, HE WAS HANDCUFFED AND TAKEN AWAY. HE REMAINS UNDER QUESTIONING NOW.

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THE NAME OF THE INDIVIDUAL WAS RAYMOND STEVE MAESTAS. HE'S 36 YEARS OLD. HE'S 5'11" TALL, 240 POUNDS. HE IS FROM WEST COVINA, CALIFORNIA, WHICH IS NEAR LOS ANGELES. ALL OF THIS INFORMATION COMES FROM HIS DRIVER'S LICENSE.

HE WAS APPREHENDED BY AN OFFICER NAMED CHRISTOPHER FREEMAN WHO IS QUITE A BIT SMALLER THAN MR. MAESTAS. CHRISTOPHER FREEMAN IS ABOUT 5'6", WEIGHS ABOUT 165 POUNDS.

HE WAS ASSISTED IN THIS ARREST BY A SECURITY AIDE NAMED MARVIN FRAZIER.

BASICALLY WHAT HAPPENED WAS THAT FREEMAN AND FRAZIER WERE BEHIND THE DESK THAT YOU PROBABLY ALL GO BY WHEN YOU COME IN THE MALL ENTRANCE. WHEN MAESTAS WAS UNABLE TO SHOW AN IDENTIFICATION BADGE, HE [FREEMAN] ASKED HIM TO STEP TO THE OFFICER'S RIGHT, WHICH IS OVER BY THE X-RAY MACHINE. FREEMAN WENT AROUND TO TALK TO HIM. MAESTAS WAS WEARING A KNAPSACK AT THE TIME. FRAZIER IMMEDIATELY PICKED UP THE PHONE TO CALL FOR REINFORCEMENTS. FRAZIER, RIGHT AFTER HE DIALED THE NUMBER, LOOKED UP AND SAW THAT MAESTAS HAD PULLED A GUN ON FREEMAN, BUT FREEMAN DIDN'T SEE IT BECAUSE HE WAS SIDWAYS TO MAESTAS. SIMULTANEOUSLY, FREEMAN TURNED AROUND, SAW THE GUN WAS PULLED, IMMEDIATELY GRABBED HIS

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HAND WITH THE GUN IN IT, PUSHED IT TO THE SIDE, PUSHED MAESTAS DOWN TO THE GROUND -- WRESTLED HIM TO THE GROUND. AT THAT POINT, FRAZIER, THE AIDE, CAME AROUND AND HELPED HIM, AND THEY HANDCUFFED HIM. THIS WAS ALL DONE IN A MATTER OF PROBABLY LESS THAN A MINUTE. THE REINFORCEMENTS ARRIVED ABOUT A MINUTE, MAYBE A MINUTE AND A HALF LATER.

Q: WAS THERE A ROUND IN THE CHAMBER?

A: I UNDERSTAND IT WAS A 9MM BARETTA. IT HAD A CLIP IN IT WITH TEN ROUNDS IN IT, AND THERE WAS A ROUND IN THE CHAMBER. HE ALSO HAD, IN THE KNAPSACK, 12 OTHER MAGAZINES FILLED, SO HE HAD A TOTAL OF 120 ROUNDS IN THE KNAPSACK, 10 ROUNDS IN THE GUN, A TOTAL OF 130 IN ALL.

Q: ANY KIND OF SERVICE HISTORY THAT YOU'VE RUN ON THIS INDIVIDUAL?

A: WE DO NOT HAVE ANY RECORD THAT HE SERVED IN THE MILITARY, AS OF YET. HE APPARENTLY DOES HAVE A CRIMINAL RECORD, BUT THE CALIFORNIA CRIMINAL REPORTING COMPUTER SYSTEM IS DOWN THIS MORNING, [LAUGHTER] AND WE ARE UNABLE TO FIND OUT WHAT HIS CRIMINAL RECORD IS.

Q: THERE ARE REPORTS HE ASKED FOR SOMEONE WHEN HE ENTERED

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THE BUILDING.

A: YES.

Q: CAN YOU FILL US IN ON THAT?

A: WHEN HE ENTERED THE BUILDING HE ASKED TO SPEAK TO "THE

ADMIRAL IN CHARGE." THEN HE ASKED TO SPEAK TO THE "VICE ADMIRAL ABOUT A CAR THEFT." I DON'T THINK HE MEANT THE VICE ADMIRAL IN CHARGE OF CAR THEFT, IT WAS THE VICE ADMIRAL ABOUT A CAR THEFT. IT WAS AT THAT POINT THAT OFFICER CHRISTOPHER FREEMAN ASKED HIM TO STEP TO THE SIDE BECAUSE HE CONCLUDED THAT THIS MIGHT BE A TOUGH CASE. THIS WASN'T THE NORMAL GUY COMING TO WORK.

LET ME JUST SORT OF WALK YOU THROUGH THE EVENTS. ACTUALLY, HE HAD TRIED TO ENTER THE ENTRANCE BY THE SOUTH PARKING LOT ABOUT 15 MINUTES BEFORE HE GOT TO THE MALL ENTRANCE AND HAD BEEN TURNED AWAY BECAUSE HE DIDN'T HAVE A PASS. HE THEN WENT BACK, GOT INTO HIS CAR, DROVE TO THE MALL ENTRANCE. HE TRIED TO GET IN THROUGH THE PARKING SECURITY STATION, BUT WAS TURNED BACK. SO HE WENT AROUND AND PARKED IN THE EXTENDED MALL PARKING LOT. IN OTHER WORDS, HE COULDN'T GET CLOSE TO THE BUILDING. THEN HE WALKED IN, AND, AS I SAID, AT APPROXIMATELY 8:12 CAME THROUGH THE MALL ENTRANCE AND TRIED TO GET IN.

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HE WAS WRESTLED TO THE GROUND AND TAKEN TO A HOLDING AREA FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE ARRESTED IN THE BUILDING. WE ANTICIPATE THAT HE WILL BE ARRAIGNED SOMETIME THIS AFTERNOON AT U.S. MAGISTRATE COURT IN VIRGINIA, ALEXANDRIA. WE DON'T KNOW THE TIME YET, WHEN THAT WILL HAPPEN.

Q: DO YOU KNOW THE CHARGES?

A: I DON'T KNOW YET WHAT HE'LL BE CHARGED WITH, NO.

Q: YOU SAID THAT HE WAS REFUSED AT ONE ENTRANCE,

A: YES.

Q: ...REFUSED AT A PARKING GATE, AND HE WASN'T BEING LOOKED FOR? THERE WAS NO ALERT?

A: FIRST OF ALL, IT'S VERY ROUTINE FOR PEOPLE TO COME HERE WITHOUT PASSES AND TRY TO GET IN. THERE'S NOTHING UNUSUAL ABOUT THAT, AND THAT DOESN'T TRIGGER A REPORT. SECONDLY, IT'S QUITE ROUTINE FOR PEOPLE TO COME IN A CAR WHO DON'T KNOW THE PARKING LOT SYSTEM AND TRY TO GET THROUGH ONE OF THOSE PARKING CONTROL GATES AND BE TOLD THEY CAN'T COME AND PARK CLOSE TO THE BUILDING. THEY'RE FREQUENTLY TOLD BY THE GUARDS THAT THEY CAN FIND IN A DISTANT LOT AN EMPTY PARKING PLACE IF THEY HAVE AN APPOINTMENT TO SEE SOMEBODY. SO THIS DIDN'T SEEM UNUSUAL IN EITHER CASE, AND UNCLAS SECTION 02 OF 05

THERE WERE NO PHONE CALLS MADE BECAUSE OF THIS.

Q: HE WAS NOT EXHIBITING ABERRANT BEHAVIOR AT THAT TIME, BUT...

A: HE WAS, BUT WE DIDN'T KNOW IT BECAUSE THE ABERRANT BEHAVIOR IS SO MUCH LIKE WHAT HAPPENS MANY, MANY TIMES A DAY. [LAUGHTER] NO, PEOPLE SHOW UP ALL THE TIME WITHOUT PASSES, AND THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO DON'T KNOW THE ROPES, SO WE DIDN'T KNOW IT WAS ABERRANT BEHAVIOR AT THE TIME UNTIL HE CAME INTO THE BUILDING.

NOW OFFICER FREEMAN DID EXACTLY WHAT HE WAS SUPPOSED TO DO. HE DID EVERYTHING RIGHT. HE HAD BEEN TRAINED IN DISARMING PEOPLE AND HE USED THAT TRAINING AND DISARMED THIS GUY VERY QUICKLY AND SKILLFULLY.

Q: WAS THE MAN'S CAR FOUND?

A: YES. HE WAS DRIVING A RED CHEVY WHICH HE HAD RENTED

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FROM AVIS AT BWI ON FRIDAY. ABOUT AN HOUR AFTER HE ARRIVED, AN ARMY EOD TEAM WAS DISPATCHED TO HIS CAR. THEY WERE ABLE TO LOCATE THE CAR BECAUSE THEY HAD THE LICENSE NUMBER FROM THE AVIS KEY.

THEY FIRST SENT A CANINE TEAM OUT TO SNIFF THE CAR, SO A DOG WENT AND SNIFFED THE CAR FOR EXPLOSIVES. THE DOG FOUND NO SIGN OF EXPLOSIVES. THEN THE ARMY DISPATCHED A ROBOT CALLED ARGUS, WHICH IS A SMALL TRACK VEHICLE WITH AN ARM AND A TV CAMERA ON IT. THEY PUT THE KEY INTO ARGUS' HAND AND THEY MANIPULATED IT WITH THE CONTROLS TO GO UP AND OPEN THE CAR DOOR. THEY WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT THE CAR DOOR WASN'T RIGGED TO EXPLODE WHEN IT WAS OPENED. SO ARGUS WENT UP AND PUT THE KEY IN AND TURNED THE KEY. UNFORTUNATELY FOR A REASON INVOLVING BRIGHT SUNLIGHT IN THE CAMERA, THEY WEREN'T ABLE TO MANIPULATE ARGUS ACTUALLY TO OPEN THE DOOR, SO AN ARMY EOD MAN, DRESSED UP IN ONE OF THOSE BOMB PROTECTIVE SUITS, WENT OUT AND ACTUALLY OPENED THE CAR DOOR.

IN THE CAR THEY FOUND AN EMPTY COKE CAN AND A RECEIPT FROM A CVS PHARMACY FOR A PACK OF CIGARETTES. THEY FOUND NO EXPLOSIVES. THEY ALSO FOUND NO INDICATION OF WHAT HE WAS DOING OR WHY.

Q: BEYOND THE CAR THEFT, HAS HE SAID ANYTHING THAT SHED

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ANY LIGHT ON HIS MOTIVATION?

A: I'M NOT AWARE THAT HE HAS AT THIS STAGE. HE'S STILL BEING INTERVIEWED.

Q: THIS COULD POTENTIALLY HAVE BEEN A VERY SERIOUS INCIDENT.

A: WELL...

Q: IF HE HAD 130 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION.

A: I THINK WHAT YOU SHOULD FOCUS ON IS THAT THE SYSTEM HERE WORKED. HE WAS NOT ALLOWED INTO THE BUILDING, HE WAS APPREHENDED BEFORE HE EVEN GOT BY THE DESK. AN OFFICER WHO WAS COURAGEOUS, WELL TRAINED, AND VERY DECISIVE AND QUICK DID EXACTLY WHAT HE WAS SUPPOSED TO DO -- MOVED THE GUN AWAY, DISARMED HIM, WRESTLED HIM TO THE GROUND, HANDCUFFED HIM. AT THE SAME TIME HIS ASSISTANT HAD ALREADY CALLED FOR REINFORCEMENTS AND THE REINFORCEMENTS ARRIVED VERY, VERY QUICKLY.

Q: WILL THIS RESULT IN ANY REVIEW, PERHAPS EVEN A ROUTINE REVIEW, OF THE SECURITY PROCEDURES? AND ARE YOU CONFIDENT GENERALLY THAT SECURITY AT THE PENTAGON IS ADEQUATE?

A: I THINK THIS SHOWS THAT THE FORCE OF 220 AGENTS, DEFENSE PROTECTIVE AGENTS, IS EXTREMELY WELL TRAINED AND WELL

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SUITED FOR ITS JOB.

OBVIOUSLY ANY INCIDENT LIKE THIS CAUSES CHIEF JOHN JESTER AND HIS STAFF TO SIT DOWN AND REVIEW ONE, WHAT HAPPENED; TWO, DID IT HAPPEN ACCORDING TO PROCEDURES; THREE, DID EVERYTHING GO RIGHT; AND FOUR, WAS THERE ANYTHING WE SHOULD HAVE DONE DIFFERENTLY; AND FIVE, SHOULD WE REEXAMINE PROCEDURES? THAT'S SORT OF SOP IN A SITUATION LIKE THIS. IT DOESN'T MEAN THAT THE PROCEDURES ARE WRONG, IT DOESN'T MEAN THERE WILL BE A CHANGE. IT

JUST MEANS THAT THIS IS ALWAYS AN OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK FOR WAYS TO FINE TUNE THE OPERATION.

Q: AT ANY TIME DID THE SECURITY GUARDS DRAW THEIR GUNS?

A: NO. THE ONLY PERSON WHO WAS ARMED WAS OFFICER FREEMAN. THE AIDE, FRAZIER, WAS NOT ARMED. FRANKLY, FREEMAN DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO DRAW HIS GUN.

Q: IS THERE NO PANIC BUTTON UP THERE? DO THEY HAVE TO ACTUALLY, PHYSICALLY, PHONE FOR HELP?

A: IN THIS CASE THEY PHONED. I DON'T BELIEVE THERE'S A PANIC BUTTON. I'LL FIND THAT OUT. I DON'T ACTUALLY KNOW THE ANSWER TO THAT QUESTION. I'LL FIND THAT OUT.

Q: YOU MENTIONED HE RENTED HIS CAR ON FRIDAY AT BWI

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AIRPORT.

A: RIGHT.

Q: DO WE KNOW IF HE FLEW INTO BWI THAT DAY, OR HE WAS...

A: THAT'S WHAT WE'RE STILL TRYING TO CHECK. HE IS FROM CALIFORNIA, BUT WE DON'T KNOW HOW LONG HE'D BEEN IN THE AREA. THE OBVIOUS QUESTION IS: DID HE FLY IN HERE WITH THE WEAPON AND THE 130 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION, OR DID HE ACQUIRE THEM HERE? IF HE ACQUIRED THEM HERE, HOW DID HE DO IT IF HE HAS A CRIMINAL RECORD? THOSE ARE STILL QUESTIONS WE'RE LOOKING INTO. AS I SAY, THE FELLOW IS STILL BEING QUESTIONED.

Q: WHAT OTHER INVESTIGATIVE AGENCIES ARE INVOLVED?

A: MANY. THE FBI, FOR ONE, IS INVOLVED.

Q: YOU SAY OFFICER, IS THAT HIS RANK? OFFICER FREEMAN? AND THE SPELLING OF MR. FRAZIER'S NAME? AND IS THAT HIS RANK AS WELL?

A: HE'S CALLED A SECURITY AIDE. I BELIEVE THAT FRAZIER IS SPELLED THE NORMAL WAY, F-R-A-S-E-R [CORRECTED TO F-R-A-Z-I-E-R], BUT I'LL DOUBLE CHECK ON THAT. MARVIN IS HIS FIRST NAME. AND THERE ARE TEN OF THOSE. THERE ARE ABOUT TEN AIDES AND 220 OFFICERS WHO ALL HAVE ABOUT EIGHT AND A HALF WEEKS OF TRAINING

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BEFORE THEY BECOME OFFICERS, AND THAT'S FOLLOWED BY ABOUT 12 WEEKS OF ON-THE-JOB TRAINING ONCE THEY GET HERE.

Q: AM I ACCURATE IN MY PERCEPTION THAT THERE WAS ONE ARMED OFFICER STANDING BETWEEN THIS FELLOW AND NAVAL HEADQUARTERS, ALL THE STAFF UPSTAIRS, AND THE REST OF THE BUILDING, AND AT ONE POINT THIS GUY HAD THE DROP ON THAT GUARD THAT WAS ARMED, MR. FREEMAN?

A: NO. YOU'RE NOT ENTIRELY RIGHT. THERE WAS ONE OFFICER AND ONE AIDE AND THE SECURITY DESK. YOU KNOW THE MACHINE FOR CHECKING PACKAGES IS THERE. BUT YES, THERE WERE TWO PEOPLE THERE AND THOSE TWO PEOPLE WERE ADEQUATE TO APPREHEND THIS FELLOW AND DISARM HIM.

Q: BUT THERE WAS NOTHING BETWEEN THAT SECURITY DESK AND NAVAL HEADQUARTERS, RIGHT?

Q: DID THE SECURITY DOORS NOT CLOSE?

A: HE WAS ALREADY INSIDE. I DON'T BELIEVE THE DOORS CLOSED.

THERE IS A PANIC BUTTON AT THE DESK, IN RESPONSE TO AN

EARLIER QUESTION, BUT THE AIDE WAS ALREADY ON THE PHONE. SO IT WAS QUICKER FOR HIM, SINCE HE WAS ALREADY ON THE PHONE, TO SAY, UNCLAS SECTION 03 OF 05 BY THE WAY WE'VE GOT A STRANGE FELLOW HERE THAT WE'RE INVESTIGATING. THEN HE LOOKED UP AND SAW THAT THE GUN HAD BEEN PULLED.

Q: WHAT IMPACT WILL THIS HAVE ON THE CURRENT INVESTIGATION THAT'S BEING DONE, THE REVIEW THAT'S BEING DONE AT THE REQUEST OF CONGRESSMAN TRAFICANT ABOUT SECURITY PROCEDURES HERE AT THE PENTAGON?

A: I'M SURE IT WILL BE ONE OF THE INCIDENTS THAT WILL BE LOOKED AT. HE'LL HAVE TO DRAW HIS OWN CONCLUSION ABOUT IT, BUT THE CONCLUSION THAT CHIEF JESTER HAS DRAWN IS THAT HERE THE SYSTEM WORKED.

Q: WAS THIS THE FIRST TIME, IT'S THE FIRST TIME I REMEMBER AN ARMED PERSON BEING APPREHENDED AT THE GATE.

A: I DON'T HAVE THE ANSWER TO THAT QUESTION. WE'LL GET IT.

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Q: JUST TO CLARIFY AN EARLIER ANSWER, YOU SAID YOU HAD NO RECORD THAT HE WAS EVER A MEMBER OF ANY OF THE ARMED SERVICES. ARE YOU STILL SEARCHING, OR IS THAT COMPLETE NOW, YOU'RE SATISFIED...

A: WE'RE STILL LOOKING, BUT THE EARLY RETURNS DID NOT INDICATE... OBVIOUSLY WHEN A FELLOW COMES AND ASKS FOR A PERSON OF A SPECIFIC RANK IN A SPECIFIC SERVICE, YOU MIGHT THINK HE HAD SOME SORT OF CONNECTION WITH THAT SERVICE. IN THIS CASE HE MIGHT HAVE WORKED IN A SHIPYARD. THERE COULD BE ANY NUMBER OF THINGS. BUT SO FAR, WE HAVEN'T FOUND ANY INDICATION THAT THAT'S THE CASE.

Q: IS THERE AN EFFORT UNDERWAY TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT HIS COMMENTS ABOUT AN ADMIRAL OR A VICE ADMIRAL WAS, IN FACT, TRUE? THAT HE DOES KNOW SOMEBODY?

A: WE HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO DETERMINE THAT.

Q: HIS PROFESSION?

A: I DON'T KNOW WHAT HIS PROFESSION IS.

Q: HE DID NOT THEN ASK FOR SOMEONE SPECIFICALLY BY NAME?

A: NO.

Q: WERE HIS ACTIONS CAPTURED ON THE PENTAGON VIDEO MONITOR?

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A: THEY WERE NOT. THE MONITORING SYSTEM IS NOT ON ALL THE TIME, OR AT LEAST IT WASN'T ON THIS MORNING AT THE MALL ENTRANCE. IT CAN BE TURNED ON, BUT THIS INCIDENT WAS OVER BEFORE THEY THOUGHT OF TURNING THE MONITOR ON.

Q: WHAT WOULD THE PENTAGON SAY ABOUT FREEMAN OTHER THAN HE WAS JUST DOING HIS JOB? WOULD THE PENTAGON SAY ANYTHING FURTHER? HOW WOULD YOU CHARACTERIZE IT?

A: HE DID HIS JOB VERY WELL. I SAID THAT HE WAS COURAGEOUS, WELL TRAINED, DECISIVE, QUICK MOVING, AND HE DID EXACTLY WHAT HE WAS TRAINED TO DO. HE DID IT EXTREMELY WELL.

Q: WOULD YOU SAY HE AVERTED TRAGEDY?

A: HE CERTAINLY PREVENTED THIS FELLOW FROM GETTING INTO



THE BUILDING WITH MANY ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. YES, I'D SAY HE WAS [DOING] WHAT WE TRAIN POLICE OFFICERS, THE PROTECTIVE FORCE AT THE PENTAGON, TO DO. HE WAS A PERFECT EXAMPLE OF TRAINING AND COURAGE COMING TO THE FORE ALL AT ONCE.

I POINTED OUT TO YOU THAT THIS FELLOW, MAESTAS, WEIGHS 240 POUNDS, AND THAT OFFICER FREEMAN IS CONSIDERABLY SMALLER, WEIGHS ABOUT 165 POUNDS. HE WORKS OUT. HE'S PART OF THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM THAT THE PENTAGON HAS, SORT OF A SEPARATE, MORE

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ELITE SWAT TEAM. THESE ARE THE GUYS YOU SEE DRESS UP IN SORT OF JEDI-TYPE UNIFORMS IN BLACK AT TIMES OF CRISIS AROUND THE BUILDING WHEN WE'RE EXPECTING UNUSUAL EVENTS, CHALLENGES. HE'S ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE. SO HE HAS ADDITIONAL TRAINING BEYOND WHAT IT TAKES TO BE AN OFFICER.

Q: HOW LONG HAS HE BEEN ON THE FORCE?

A: I'M AFRAID I DON'T KNOW THAT.

Q: YOU NOTED THAT EVERYTHING WENT RIGHT THE WAY IT WAS SUPPOSED TO WORK TODAY. BUT IT SEEMS ALSO, WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE SITUATION, THAT THERE WAS CERTAINLY POTENTIAL THAT IF EVERYTHING HADN'T GONE EXACTLY RIGHT THAT WE COULD HAVE HAD A HUGE TRAGEDY HERE TODAY. ISN'T IT SOMEWHAT COMPLACENT TO JUST SAY EVERYTHING WORKED, EVERYTHING'S FINE? DOESN'T THIS POINT OUT THAT THERE MAY BE MORE OF A THREAT THAN WAS ANTICIPATED?

A: FIRST OF ALL, JAMIE, I DON'T KNOW HOW I CAN SAY ANYTHING DIFFERENT THAN EVERYTHING WORKED BECAUSE, IN FACT, IT DID. THIS IS WHY WE HAVE POLICE OFFICERS. THIS IS WHY WE HAVE SECURITY, TO PREVENT DISASTERS. IN THIS CASE, IT WORKED.

I TOLD YOU THAT EVERY SECURITY INCIDENT GIVES US A REASON TO REVIEW OUR PROCEDURES AND TO REVIEW EVERYTHING FROM TRAINING, TO

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THE RECRUITING OF PERSONNEL, TO THE PROCEDURES, TO THE PHYSICAL BARRIERS AT ENTRANCEWAYS, AND WE WILL DO THAT. THAT'S NOT TO SAY THAT ANYTHING WAS WRONG OR THAT WE'LL CHANGE ANYTHING, BUT IT'S AN INVITATION FOR A REVIEW, AND WE WILL TAKE THAT INVITATION.

BUT I THINK, LOOKING AT THE FACTS HERE, YOU HAVE TO CONCLUDE THAT THIS WENT EXTREMELY WELL AND WE SHOULD THANK OFFICER FREEMAN AND WE SHOULD THANK MARVIN FRAZIER, HIS AIDE, FOR THE GOOD JOB THEY DID IN APPREHENDING THIS FELLOW.

Q: BUT IS THERE CONCERN THAT THERE WERE ONLY TWO OFFICERS BETWEEN THIS GUNMAN AND NAVAL HEADQUARTERS?

A: FIRST OF ALL, NAVAL HEADQUARTERS ISN'T EXACTLY ON THE SECOND FLOOR OF THE PENTAGON. ONE OF THE THINGS WE POINTED OUT HERE WAS THAT THE FIRST THING THE SECURITY AIDE, FRAZIER, DID, WAS TO CALL FOR REINFORCEMENTS AND THE REINFORCEMENTS WERE THERE VERY, VERY QUICKLY. THERE ARE PLENTY OF OFFICERS IN THE AREA, PARTICULARLY DURING THE HEAVY TRAFFIC TIMES OF THE DAY. THERE ARE PEOPLE MOVING AROUND, THERE ARE PEOPLE OUTSIDE, THERE ARE PEOPLE INSIDE THE BUILDING, SO THE REINFORCEMENTS WERE THERE VERY QUICKLY. I DON'T THINK YOU SHOULD NECESSARILY ASSUME THAT HAD THIS FELLOW GOTTEN THROUGH, HE WOULD HAVE HAD A CLEAR SHOT AT

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NAVAL HEADQUARTERS WHICH IS ON THE FOURTH FLOOR OF THE PENTAGON. FIRST OF ALL, HE MAY NOT HAVE KNOWN WHERE THEY WERE -- WE DON'T KNOW THAT. WE DON'T KNOW WHAT HE KNEW AND WHAT HE DIDN'T KNOW. THE INDICATIONS WERE THAT THIS PROBABLY ISN'T THE TYPE OF GUY YOU'D ASK TO DO COMPLEX PROBLEMS FOR YOU IF YOU NEEDED A RATIONAL SOLUTION. HE DID NOT SEEM TO BE APPROACHING HIS DAY IN A RATIONAL WAY. SO WE DON'T KNOW WHAT WOULD HAVE HAPPENED WHEN HE GOT INTO THE BUILDING, AND, OF COURSE, THAT'S ONE THING TO WORRY ABOUT.

BUT THE THING TO FOCUS ON HERE IS THAT THE POLICE AGENTS, THE PROTECTIVE SERVICE PEOPLE, DID EXACTLY WHAT THEY'VE BEEN TRAINED TO DO AND THE SYSTEM WORKED.

Q: WHEN HE CAME TO THE SOUTH PARKING LOT EARLIER AND TRIED TO GET IN, DID HE ASK FOR ANYBODY THERE?

A: I DON'T BELIEVE HE DID. HE JUST TRIED TO GET IN. HE MAY HAVE THOUGHT THAT IF HE FLASHED THE WORD "ADMIRAL" AROUND THAT PEOPLE WOULD JUST LET HIM IN. I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT WAS ON HIS MIND, AND THAT'S ONE OF THE THINGS WE'RE TRYING TO FIND OUT, EXACTLY WHY HE DID THIS. WE DON'T KNOW WHY HE DID THIS. BUT IT APPEARS TO BE A VERY INDIVIDUAL ACT BY A PERSON WHO CLEARLY HAD UNCLAS SECTION 04 OF 05

SOMETHING ON HIS MIND, BUT WE HAVEN'T QUITE FIGURED OUT WHAT, YET.

Q: WAS THE GUN CONCEALED UNDER A COAT OR IN A HOLSTER SOMEHOW?

A: IT WAS APPARENTLY IN THE KNAPSACK, AND HE WAS ABLE TO REACH IN QUICKLY AND GET IT. THAT'S MY UNDERSTANDING.

Q: CAN YOU CLARIFY, IS HE STILL IN THE PENTAGON?

A: YES. THERE'S A SPECIAL HOLDING AREA FOR PEOPLE LIKE HIM.

Q: YOU SAID...

A: BUT HE'S HANDCUFFED, SO DON'T WORRY. [LAUGHTER] AND WE'VE TAKEN HIS GUN AWAY.

Q: I WANTED TO ASK YOU ABOUT THE REINFORCEMENTS THAT YOU SAID ARRIVED VERY QUICKLY. CAN YOU DESCRIBE HOW LARGE OF A GROUP OF REINFORCEMENTS ARRIVED?

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A: WE'LL FIND OUT, BUT I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY OFFICERS ARRIVED.

Q: WE WERE TOLD EARLIER HE WOULD BE TAKEN TO A FEDERAL MAGISTRATE IN ALEXANDRIA FOR ARRAIGNMENT. DO YOU KNOW WHEN THAT MIGHT OCCUR?

A: THAT'S SUPPOSED TO HAPPEN THIS AFTERNOON, BUT I DON'T KNOW THE EXACT TIME. AT THE MOMENT I CAME IN HERE HE WAS STILL BEING INTERVIEWED BY THE DEFENSE PROTECTIVE SERVICE AND THE FBI.

Q: HE'S NOT BEEN CHARGED YET.

A: HE HAS NOT BEEN CHARGED. THAT'S WHY HE HAS TO GO TO THE U.S. MAGISTRATE'S COURT, TO BE CHARGED.

Q: PRIOR TO HIS DRAWING THE GUN WAS THERE SOMETHING IN HIS MANNER OR HIS DRESS OR HIS ATTITUDE OR THE VOLUME OF HIS VOICE THAT PROMPTED THE SUSPICION OF THE OFFICERS?

A: WELL ONE, THAT HE DIDN'T HAVE A PASS; AND TWO, THAT HE WANTED TO TALK TO THE ADMIRAL IN CHARGE AND THEN TO THE VICE

ADMIRAL ABOUT CAR THEFT. THOSE TWO QUESTIONS WERE A TIP-OFF THAT THIS WASN'T A NORMAL PENTAGON VISITOR.

Q: WAS THERE ANYTHING BIZARRE ABOUT HIS BEHAVIOR OR THE MANNER IN WHICH HE WAS DRESSED OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT?

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A: WELL, HE'S AN IMPOSING LOOKING FELLOW BECAUSE OF HIS SIZE -- 240 POUNDS. BUT I DON'T BELIEVE HE WAS DRESSED IN A BIZARRE WAY THAT TIPPED PEOPLE OFF.

Q: WHEN THERE'S A VERY SERIOUS INTRUSION LIKE THAT...

A: THERE WAS NOT AN INTRUSION. THE INTRUSION DID NOT TAKE PLACE.

Q: ATTEMPTED INTRUSION.

A: RIGHT.

Q: WHEN SECURITY IS TIPPED ABOUT THIS, DOES DEFENSE SECURITY GO TO THE VITAL OFFICES AROUND THE PENTAGON AND ALSO TO PROTECT TOP LEADERS IN DOD?

A: BILL, I WANT TO BE VERY CLEAR ABOUT THIS. THIS FELLOW DID NOT GET INTO THE BUILDING. THERE WAS NO REASON TO TIP PEOPLE OFF BECAUSE HE WAS APPREHENDED BEFORE HE GOT BEYOND THE DESK, AND HE WAS APPREHENDED VERY, VERY QUICKLY.

I THINK WHAT YOU CAN TELL FROM THE WAY THIS HAPPENED IS THAT THE SYSTEM IS VERY RESPONSIVE. REINFORCEMENTS WERE ON THE WAY, AND THEY ARRIVED SHORTLY THEREAFTER AND HELPED TAKE THE GUY AWAY. WITHIN AN HOUR WE HAD AN EOD TEAM ON SITE WITH A ROBOT CHECKING OUT THE CAR BECAUSE WE WANTED TO MAKE SURE THERE WERE NO

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EXPLOSIVES IN THE CAR, SO THE SYSTEM RESPONDED QUICKLY.

Q: IS THERE SUCH A CONTINGENCY?

A: WE HAVE MANY CONTINGENCIES.

Q: HAS THERE BEEN ANY EFFECT ON THE MILITARY'S MOVEMENT OF SUPPLIES OR ANYTHING BECAUSE OF THE UPS STRIKE THAT YOU KNOW OF?

A: NOT THAT I'M AWARE OF.

Q: A KOREAN AIRLINER IS DOWN NEAR GUAM. CAN YOU UPDATE US ON ANY MILITARY SEARCH AND RESCUE EFFORTS?

A: I CANNOT BECAUSE I JUST SAW THE REPORT AS I WALKED IN HERE. WE'RE CHECKING ON THAT. DO WE HAVE ANY FACTS ON THAT YET? I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW IT WAS A KOREAN AIRLINER. I JUST HEARD THERE WAS A 747 REPORTED MISSING OFF GUAM. BUT WE WILL FOLLOW THAT AND LET YOU KNOW IF WE'VE BEEN ASKED TO PROVIDE ANY SEARCH AND RESCUE.

Q: DO YOU HAVE ANY DETAILS ON THE CASUALTY IN BOSNIA THE OTHER DAY?

A: IT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN... THE SOLDIER DIED OF A GUNSHOT WOUND THAT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN EITHER ACCIDENTAL OR SELF-INFLICTED, BUT IT'S STILL UNDER INVESTIGATION. WE DON'T HAVE A CONCLUSIVE REPORT YET ON HOW IT HAPPENED.

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Q: DO YOU KNOW WHAT THE SOLDIER'S JOB WAS OR ANYTHING ABOUT HIM?

A: HE WAS STAFF SERGEANT EZZARD C. FULLER, E-Z-Z-A-R-D, 42 YEARS OLD, FROM SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA. HE HAS A FAMILY -- SURVIVED BY A WIFE AND THREE DAUGHTERS, A SON, STEP-DAUGHTER, AND TWO STEP-SONS. HE AS ASSIGNED TO THE 603RD TRANSPORTATION COMPANY AT FORT POLK, LOUISIANA. HIS SPECIALTY WAS TRUCK DRIVER. AS I SAID EARLIER, THE INCIDENT REMAINS UNDER INVESTIGATION.

Q: CAN YOU UPDATE US ON THE REVIEW OF THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE "DON'T ASK, DON'T TELL" POLICY? WHO'S IN CHARGE OF IT AND HOW LONG IS IT GOING TO TAKE? THIS EVIDENTLY CAME UP MONTHS AGO, BUT...

A: IT DID. IT CAME UP SHORTLY AFTER THE SERVICEMEMBERS LEGAL DEFENSE NETWORK REPORT CAME OUT. IT'S BEING DONE BY FRED PANG, THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR FORCE MANAGEMENT POLICY, HE'S SUPERVISING IT. I CAN'T TELL YOU WHEN IT'S GOING TO BE COMPLETED, BUT IT BASICALLY HAS TWO MAJOR ELEMENTS TO IT. THE FIRST IS TO LOOK AT THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE DISCHARGED EVERY YEAR BECAUSE THEY'VE EITHER ANNOUNCED THAT THEY WERE HOMOSEXUALS OR BECAUSE THEY'VE BEEN DISCOVERED TO BE HOMOSEXUALS. IN OTHER

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WORDS, DISCHARGED FOR HOMOSEXUALITY. THAT NUMBER HAS RISEN OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS, AND WE WANT TO UNDERSTAND WHY IT'S RISEN. THAT'S THE FIRST PART OF THE STUDY.

THE SECOND PART OF THE STUDY IS TO LOOK INTO SOME OF THE SPECIFIC CHARGES THAT HAVE BEEN MADE BY THE SLDN AND OTHER GROUPS ABOUT INAPPROPRIATE INVESTIGATIONS. WE WANT TO FIND OUT IF THOSE ALLEGATIONS ARE CORRECT OR NOT. THE GOAL OF THE STUDY IS TO FIND OUT IF THE "DON'T ASK, DON'T TELL, DON'T PURSUE" LAW IS CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD BY MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY -- BOTH ENLISTED AND OFFICERS, PARTICULARLY BY COMMANDERS -- AND WHETHER IT'S BEING CONSISTENTLY AND FAIRLY ENFORCED THROUGHOUT THE MILITARY.

SECRETARY COHEN FELT THAT THE LAW WHICH HAS BEEN IN EFFECT FOR ABOUT THREE YEARS COULD BE APPROPRIATELY REVIEWED, AND WE OUGHT TO FIND OUT, THE IMPLEMENTATION OF IT, COULD BE APPROPRIATELY REVIEWED NOW. WE HAVE SOME EVIDENCE, WE HAVE SOME FACTS. WE OUGHT TO TAKE A LOOK AT THEM AND SEE WHERE WE STAND.

THIS IS A LAW. WE CANNOT CHANGE THE LAW. WE DON'T INTEND TO CHANGE THE LAW. WE DON'T WANT TO CHANGE THE LAW. IT'S JUST LOOKING AT HOW WELL THE LAW'S UNDERSTOOD AND HOW WELL IT'S BEING IMPLEMENTED.

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Q: BY ANY PROCESS AT ALL, BY THE END OF THE YEAR PERHAPS..

A: OH, IT WILL BE DONE BY THE END OF THE YEAR. I JUST DON'T HAVE A PRECISE DATE FOR WHEN IT WILL BE DONE.

Q: WHAT ABOUT THE REQUEST FROM SPEAKER GINGRICH THAT A NEW INVESTIGATION BE SET UP ON SEXUAL MATTERS IN THE MILITARY? IS THERE ANYONE JUMPING TO THAT HERE IN THE PENTAGON?

A: WE ARE DOING IT. WE ARE, ONE, LOOKING AT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE "DON'T ASK, DON'T TELL, DON'T PURSUE" LAW, AND WE ALREADY HAVE THREE SEPARATE INVESTIGATIONS UNDERWAY LOOKING AT ISSUES THAT CAME OUT OF ABERDEEN AND THE KELLY FLINN CASE. THESE ARE THREE DOD INVESTIGATIONS. AS YOU KNOW, THE ARMY HAS DONE ITS OWN INVESTIGATION OF INTEGRATED TRAINING AND HOW THAT'S WORKING IN THE ARMY AND WHAT SOME OF THE PROBLEMS WERE THAT WERE ILLUSTRATED BY ABERDEEN.

SO WE HAVE MANY INVESTIGATIONS UNDERWAY, THE MOST PROMINENT

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OF WHICH IS THE PANEL BEING HEADED BY FORMER SENATOR KASSENBAUM BAKER THAT LOOKS AT INTEGRATED TRAINING, HOW IT'S WORKING, AND OTHER RELATED ISSUES. THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO REPORT IN THE FALL. WE ALSO HAVE THE TASK FORCE THAT'S LOOKING AT THE "GOOD ORDER AND DISCIPLINE" PHRASE, HOW THAT'S UNDERSTOOD, HOW IT'S IMPLEMENTED, WHETHER THERE'S CLEAR AND CONSISTENT APPLICATION OF THAT. AND WE HAVE ANOTHER GROUP LOOKING AT THE RULES THAT DEAL SPECIFICALLY WITH ADULTERY. THAT'S ALSO TO LOOK AT THE CLARITY OF THE LANGUAGE, THE DEGREE OF UNDERSTANDING OF THE RULE AND HOW WELL IT'S BEING ENFORCED.

Q: IS THERE ANY WORD YET ON WHEN MILITARY SUPPORT TO CIVILIAN AGENCIES ON THE BORDER MIGHT RESUME, AND IF THERE WILL BE ANY CONDITIONS ATTACHED TO THAT?

A: NO. I'M AFRAID WE HAVEN'T FINISHED THAT REVIEW YET.

Q: ON THE UFO STUDY THAT THE CIA DID OVER THE WEEKEND, OR IT WAS RELEASED OR REPORTED ON OVER THE WEEKEND -- AS PENTAGON SPOKESMAN ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT A REPORT THAT SAYS THAT THE GOVERNMENT WILLFULLY MISLED INDIVIDUALS TO CONCEAL PROGRAMS?

A: I'VE READ THE CIA STUDY, AND I HAVE READ WHAT THEY SAID ABOUT THE AIR FORCE. IT'S THEIR CHARACTERIZATION OF WHAT THE AIR

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FORCE SAID. I HAVE NOT GONE BACK AND CHECKED WHAT THE AIR FORCE SAID AT THE TIME, SO I'D PREFER NOT TO COMMENT ON WHAT THE STUDY SAID. IT IS NOT THE POLICY OF SECRETARY COHEN OR ANY OF THE PEOPLE WHO WORK FOR HIM TO MISLEAD THE PUBLIC.

Q: WERE YOU AT ALL AWARE OF ANY MISLEADING OF THE PUBLIC THAT WAS DONE BY THE AIR FORCE PRIOR?

A: I WAS NOT AWARE OF THAT. I WILL SAY THAT ONE INTERESTING ASPECT OF THE REPORT WAS THAT FOR YEARS, UFO PEOPLE HAVE BEEN CHARGING THAT WE'VE COVERED UP THE FACT THAT THERE REALLY ARE UFOS, AND THE CIA STUDY CONFIRMS, AS HAS EVERY OTHER STUDY DONE BY THE GOVERNMENT, THAT WE HAVE NO EVIDENCE OF UFOS. WE HAVE NO EVIDENCE OF EXTRATERRESTRIAL VISITORS TO THIS PLANET. THE STUDY GOES ON TO SAY THAT ONE EXPLANATION FOR MANY OF THESE SIGHTINGS MIGHT HAVE BEEN AIRPLANES THAT WERE BEING TESTED AT THE TIME.

Q: DO YOU THINK THAT APPLIES TO ANY PROGRAMS THAT MIGHT BE TESTED NOW, OR CAN YOU SAY CATEGORICALLY THAT THE DEPARTMENT DOES NOT ENGAGE IN THAT KIND OF PUBLIC RELATIONS ACTIVITY IN TERMS OF PROGRAMS THAT ARE PERHAPS FLYING TODAY?

A: FIRST OF ALL, WE CERTAINLY HAVE CLASSIFIED PROGRAMS AND

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WE CERTAINLY HAVE LEGITIMATE REASONS FOR NOT DISCLOSING SOME OF THE WORK WE'RE DOING, WHETHER IT'S RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT OR WHETHER IT'S OPERATIONS. I AM NOT AWARE THAT WE ARE PUTTING OUT STORIES THAT MISSTATE THE TRUTH ABOUT THOSE PROGRAMS. THE DISTINCTION WOULD BE WE JUST DON'T TALK ABOUT THE PROGRAMS AT ALL, SO I CERTAINLY WOULDN'T TALK ABOUT ANY OF THOSE PROGRAMS

TODAY.

Q: HAVE YOU SEEN REPORTS ABOUT LEAKED DECLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS ON THE AIR FORCE AND POWS SHOWING THAT THE AIR FORCE KNEW MORE ABOUT LIVE POWS THAN WAS FIRST ADMITTED? HAVE YOU SEEN THAT REPORT YET?

A: I HAVE NOT SEEN THAT REPORT. THERE HAVE BEEN SIMILAR REPORTS IN THE PAST ABOUT OTHER SERVICES, BUT I HAVEN'T SEEN ANY SPECIFIC ONE ABOUT THE AIR FORCE SO I CAN'T COMMENT ON IT AT ALL.

Q: WHAT'S THE STATUS OF THE INVESTIGATION INTO EZEQUIEL HERNANDEZ'S DEATH? AND DO YOU...

A: I'M SORRY?

Q: WHAT'S THE STATUS OF THE INVESTIGATION INTO THE DEATH OF THE REDFORD TEENAGER? AND DO YOU EXPECT THAT INVESTIGATION TO COME TO AN END ANY TIME SOON?

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A: YES, I EXPECT IT TO COME TO AN END. I CAN'T GIVE YOU THE EXACT TIMING OF WHEN IT WILL COME TO AN END. THE INITIAL CONCLUSION OF THE MARINE CORPS WHEN THEY LOOKED INTO THIS WAS THAT THE MARINES ACTED APPROPRIATELY. THEY FELT THEY WERE UNDER THREAT, THEY'D BEEN FIRED UPON, AND THEY RESPONDED LEGITIMATELY TO DEFEND THEMSELVES AS THEY'RE ALLOWED TO DO UNDER THE RULES OF ENGAGEMENT. BUT WE ARE CONTINUING TO LOOK AT THAT INCIDENT. WHEN WE FINISH, WE WILL REPORT ON THE FINDINGS.

Q: A SENIOR STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL SAID YESTERDAY THAT VERY SOON ARRESTS OF MLADIC AND KARADZIC WOULD COME. DOES THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT SEE IT THAT WAY, THAT THAT IS IMMINENT?

A: I DIDN'T SEE ANY REPORT THAT THAT SENIOR OFFICIAL SAID THAT. I HAVE TO CONFESS, I HAVEN'T FINISHED THE TRANSCRIPT OF THE BRIEFING, BUT I CAN'T IMAGINE THAT IF HE SAID THAT YESTERDAY, IT WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN REPORTED. I DON'T THINK I SHOULD COMMENT ON THAT UNTIL I READ THE ACTUAL REMARKS MYSELF. DID YOU SEE ANY REPORTS THAT THAT'S WHAT HE ACTUALLY SAID?

Q: I ASKED THE QUESTION. THAT "ARRESTS WOULD COME SOON" OF THESE WAR CRIMINALS, AND I TAKE IT THAT THAT ARREST WOULD COME BY WHAT MEANS? ANYTHING TO DO WITH NATO OR SFOR?

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A: ALL I CAN TELL YOU, BILL, IS WHAT WE HAVE SAID MANY TIMES BEFORE, THAT WE'RE DETERMINED TO HELP THE INTERNATIONAL WAR CRIMES TRIBUNAL BRING INDICTED WAR CRIMINALS TO JUSTICE.

PRESS: THANK YOU.

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[FBIS Summary] Antonio Molto is the host and Ecuadorian journalist Christian Almeida Leon, coordinator of the UFO Research Program in Ecuador, is the main guest on today's "Straight Talk" program. (Alexis Slachter), science specialist for the Cuban media employed by Granma newspaper, and Osvaldo Rodriguez, a former "Straight Talk" host, are also guests in the discussion called: "UFO's, another US manipulation?"

Rodriguez says he has learned there is evidence of the presence of UFO's in the world, but the explosion of a UFO in New Mexico in 1947 and the results of an autopsy performed on one of the humanoid bodies found at the site has been kept a secret by the Americans.

Almeida adds: "There is a double standard by the US Government. On the one hand they discredit and ridicule the topic, but, on the other, they have commissions working on a government budget to conduct the investigations. It is an opportunity for them to have access to new technology, a contribution to their economy, of

course."

(Slachter) adds that it may be possible that extraterrestrials did in fact land and that the Americans kept all the secrets for themselves, but he says there could be a second part to the story: "The extraterrestrials came here, but the Americans took advantage of this to stage a great disinformation campaign on a global level. Based on that reality, they could have implemented a giant disinformation campaign to conduct experiments in the world, always saying: these are not our systems, they come from outer space, they are extraterrestrials. That could be a possibility."

Oswaldo Rodriguez adds: "I want to point out that, last year, there was a great commotion after a peasant in southern Matanzas Province claimed he saw a flying saucer land in an area near him. He claims to have seen two human-looking beings. It was a story carried by our television and our media. We have also been visited by strange objects; however, we may wonder: could this not be part of the US aggression against Cuba? Could they be testing our defense systems? Christian was telling me that people who have seen these objects claim they hear no sound. We know the United States has planes that are not detected by radar. Could this not be part of the war against us?"

Almedia goes on to explain that 50 years have passed since the UFO incident in New Mexico. He says a CD-ROM is now available with over 1,700 declassified documents of the US Government on the subject. It is not that the United States is being nice and wants the world to be informed about it, but it is because there is a series of civilian institutions that are exerting pressure for this information to be made available. Almeida adds that inexplicable technological advances are taking place. "These advances can only be explained by a technological transfer, of which the Americans are taking advantage to maintain their policy of world domination."

Almeida says the UFO topic is being manipulated because of the way it has been handled by the US Government. "It is information blockade, which prevents the information from being made available to other countries. The United States maintains a direct blockade against Cuba, but is also maintaining a blockade on the rest of the world, which does not permit us to draw our own conclusions on the matter. They want to impose their reasons and their truth," Almeida concludes.

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[FBIS Report]

1. [00] Headlines.

2. [02] Video report: Paramilitaries killed at least 30 alleged FARC, Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, informers in the Uraba's banana growing region. Paramilitaries attacked on all four points of Antioquia with the Uraba region being the worst hit. Antioquia Paz Adviser Ruben Dario Jaramillo this is a reaction to what happened in Nudo de Paramillo and a dispute for control over the region. The vigilante groups also carried selective assassinations in Toledo, San Carlos and Salgar. Antioquia Government Secretary Nestor Hincapie reported that in all 30 people may have been killed. The authorities in Uraba are continuing the search in farms to find more victims. Video of corpses, soldiers removing bodies; Jaramillo, Hincapie talking to a reporter. (texting)

3. [05] Video report: Presumed paramilitaries killed 11 people in Santa Isabel Corregimiento, Cesar Department, in the early morning hours of today. According to a preliminary investigation, 30 men dragged the victims out of their homes. One of the victims is elderly woman who was burned in her home. The Cesar Police

commander [name not given] stated the Police began an investigation to find out what happened. Video of funeral parlor with several coffins, map of the area, Police commander talking to reporter. (texting)

4. 30 [03] Video report: ELN, Army of National Liberation, took over Jamundi from 0130 to 0600. Rebels of the Jose Maria Becerra Front detonated explosive devices and destroyed the second floor of the town's mall. There were no victims. They made off with medicine, money and clothing. This is the third time rebels take over the mall in six months, but this is the first time they explode dynamite. Video of mall; local resident talking to a reporter; soldiers.

5. 31 [04] Video report: Tomorrow, government and FARC representatives will meet to discuss the exchange and work procedures during the first official meeting of the peace talks. Starting at 0700 today, government and FARC met at the mayor's office with San Vicente del Caguan mayor and mothers of kidnapped soldiers. Their goal was to work out the details of tomorrow's meeting at La Machaca village. The government said the meeting will be held behind closed doors. According to government delegate Fabio Valencia Cossio there is nothing new to report. FARC Commander Jairo stated that if the mothers want it an office can be set up so they can be constant contact with the FARC. Video of delegates arriving; footage of yesterday's ceremony; Valencia, Commander Jairo talking to reporters.

6. [06] Video report: Commenting on the government-FARC meeting, experts feel Pastrana was the winner in view of the fact FARC leader Tirofijo, Manuel Marulanda Velez, did not attend. They noted the FARC missed great opportunity before the international community that was awaiting to hear what the FARC had to say. Footage of Pastrana's meeting with the FARC leaders last year; unidentified men talking to a reporter.

7. [07] Report over video: A survey by the Napoleon Franco firm, commissioned by the "National Newscast," on how people felt about Tirofijo's absence at the start of the peace talks showed most people believed he did not attend for security reasons. Video shows results on screen.

8. [07] Video report: Foreign newscasts reported on FARC and government meeting.

9. [08] Video report: Recapping of yesterday's ceremony in San Vicente del Caguan. Footage of yesterday's ceremony.

10. [09] Video report: Armenia - Ibague is partly closed due to landslides.

11. [10] Video report: Police blotter.

12. [11] International news.

13. [12] Sports

14. [20] Video report: The father of a well-known model was

kidnapped.

15. [20] Video report: Photograph carried by daily El Espectador of an UFO turned out to be a hoax.

16. [21] Video report: Private schools are charging for services they cannot provide.

17. [26] Entertainment news.

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SAY THAT NOW THAT THEIR LAND CONTRACT HAS DOUBLED FROM FIFTEEN TO THIRTY YEARS, THEY WILL INVEST IN CROPS WITH A LONGER PAYBACK TIME. QUANZHOU, LIKE MANY CHINESE CITIES, IS ONLINE WITH A NEWSPAPER (QUANZHOU WANBAO), PERSONAL WEBPAGES, BBS, FORUMS WITH SOME VERY OUTPOKEN PARTICIPANTS AND CHATROOMS. QUANZHOU REGION FAMILY PLANNING REGULATIONS ARE APPENDED TO THIS REPORT. END SUMMARY.

2. QUANZHOU IS BOTH A REGION OF 6.5 MILLION PEOPLE AND A CITY OF ABOUT 500,000 PEOPLE. QUANZHOU LIES MIDWAY BETWEEN THE OTHER TWO MAJOR COASTAL CITIES OF FUJIAN PROVINCE -- THE XIAMEN SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE TO THE SOUTH AND THE CAPITAL CITY OF FUZHOU TO THE NORTH. QUANZHOU'S NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN THE SOUTH FUJIAN DIALECT (MINNAN YU) OF QUANZHOU IS ALSO SPOKEN IN TAIWAN AND IN SOME PARTS OF SOUTH ASIA BY THE MILLIONS OF DESCENDANTS OF QUANZHOU PEOPLE WHO SETTLED THERE OVER THE PAST SEVERAL HUNDRED YEARS. EIGHT HUNDRED YEARS AGO QUANZHOU IS ONE OF THE WORLD'S BUSIEST SEAPORTS. THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT WAS LONG RELUCTANT TO INVEST IN QUANZHOU, AS IN NEARBY XIAMEN, BECAUSE OF THE MILITARY CONFRONTATION WITH NEARBY TAIWAN. THE QUANZHOU INFRASTRUCTURE IS BEING BUILT UP. NOW THERE IS A FINE XIAMEN-QUANZHOU HIGHWAY AND THE RAILROAD FINALLY REACHED QUANZHOU IN 1998, QUANZHOU MAY BE ABLE TO ATTRACT MORE OF THE INVESTMENT CAPITAL THAT HAS FUELED THE GROWTH OF XIAMEN AND FUZHOU OVER THE PAST DECADE. QUANZHOU HAS LITTLE HEAVY INDUSTRY, SO AIR POLLUTION IS NOT A BIG PROBLEM. QUANZHOU IS VISIBLY LESS PROSPEROUS THAN XIAMEN AND FUZHOU. UNLIKE THOSE TWO CITIES, MOTORCYCLISTS WORKING AS UNOFFICIAL TAXIS AND PEDICAB TAXIS ARE COMMON SIGHTS IN QUANZHOU.

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SIGNS OF ECONOMIC RECOVERY IN THE QUANZHOU REGION?  
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3. A LOCAL BUSINESSMAN TOLD ESTOFF THAT THE ECONOMY IS STARTING TO LOOK BETTER FOR THE AVERAGE MAN BUT MOST BUSINESSES HAVE NOT YET SEEN ANY IMPROVEMENT. THE BUSINESSMAN ATTRIBUTED THE IMPROVEMENT TO LOWER INTEREST RATES AND OTHER MEASURES TAKEN TO STIMULATE THE ECONOMY BY THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT. ACCORDING TO THE QUANZHOU EVENING NEWS, THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF THE QUANZHOU CITY COMMUNIST PARTY COMMITTEE, THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX IN THE QUANZHOU AREA CLIMBED DURING NOVEMBER FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MANY MONTHS. IN OCTOBER 1998, THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR THE ENTIRE QUANZHOU REGION WAS DOWN 3.9 PERCENT AND FOR QUANZHOU CITY PROPER BY 2.3 PERCENT COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS OCTOBER. DEFLATION WAS SOMEWHAT GREATER IN THE RURAL OUTLYING COUNTIES AND SMALL CITIES OF THE REGION - JINJIANG CITY WAS DOWN BY 5 PERCENT AND HUIAN COUNTY HAD THE GREATEST DECLINE WITH DROP IN THE RETAIL PRICE INDEX OF 5.5 PERCENT COMPARED WITH OCTOBER 1997. A RANDOM SAMPLE SURVEY OF 600 DEPOSITORS IN 20 CITY AND RURAL SAVINGS INSTITUTIONS REPORTED IN THE DECEMBER 14 QUANZHOU WANBAO FOUND THAT THE PROPORTION OF REPORTS OF HIGHER INCOME DECLINED OVER THE PAST YEAR (HALF REPORT NO CHANGE). THE SURVEY ALSO REVEALED A BROAD CONSENSUS THAT



INFORMATION IS OFTEN INACCURATE, SAID THE SCHOLAR. END  
NOTE]

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FUJIAN TRADITIONAL MUSIC CONCERTS IN THE PARK  
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6. BY THE PARK IN QUANZHOU CITY CENTER, AMATEUR MUSICAL TROUPES PLAY TRADITIONAL FUJIAN (MINNAN INYUE -- MININ) MUSIC TO LARGE CROWDS. THE CHINESE DIALECT AND THE MUSICAL STYLE, WHICH SCHOLARS SAY IS DESCENDED FROM THE COURT STYLE OF THE SONG DYNASTY OF ONE THOUSAND YEARS AGO, ARE THE SAME AS IN TAIWAN JUST 100 MILES AWAY. ONE MUSICAL TROUPE PLAYED UNDER A BANNER DONATED BY CHEN SHUIBIAN ON HIS 1989 VISIT TO QUANZHOU FIVE YEARS BEFORE CHEN BECAME THE MAYOR OF TAIPEI. THE LANGUAGE, THE MUSIC, THE EVER-PRESENT TEA SHOPS AND PERHAPS EVEN THE ORDERLINESS OF THE CITY COMPARED WITH BEIJING AND SOME OTHER CITIES IN NORTHERN CHINA GAVE ESTOFF THE IMPRESSION THAT QUANZHOU IS IN A REGION WITH A QUITE DISTINCT CULTURE OF ITS OWN. ONE QUANZHOU MAN TOLD ESTOFF, "YOU SEE OUR MUSIC HAS A MUCH MORE REFINED STYLE THAN THE CLASSICAL CHINESE MUSIC IN THE BEIJING STYLE".

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CORRUPTION AND CORRUPTION FIGHTING IN FAMILY PLANNING  
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7. ONE QUANZHOU RESIDENT TOLD ESTOFF THAT CORRUPTION IS A SERIOUS PROBLEM IN QUANZHOU AS IN MANY OTHER CHINESE CITIES. ESTOFF WAS TOLD THAT NOT JUST STRICT FAMILY PLANNING RULES BUT THEIR UNEVEN APPLICATION, AS WELL, CAUSES RESENTMENT IN MANY RURAL DISTRICTS OUTSIDE OF UNCLAS SECTION 03 OF 09 BEIJING 000475

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QUANZHOU. THE RICH AND WELL-CONNECTED ARE ABLE TO EVADE RULES AND HAVE AN ADDITIONAL CHILD BY JUST PAYING A FINE. THE SPREAD OF CORRUPTION IS THE GREATEST THREAT TO SOCIETY, SAID THE RESIDENT. EVEN OFFICIAL POSITIONS ARE BOUGHT AND SOLD SOMETIMES, HE SAID. A FAMILY PLANNING NOTICE POSTED ON A QUANZHOU STREET TRANSLATED AT THE END OF THIS REPORT DETAILS LOCAL POLICY ON MARRIAGE AGE, PERMISSION TO HAVE A CHILD, AND RULES AGAINST SEX-SELECTIVE ABORTION.

8. ANOTHER QUANZHOU RESIDENT TOLD ESTOFF THAT NEXT YEAR, WHEN HIS SON REACHES AGE TWELVE, HE WILL FINALLY HAVE PAID OFF THE FAMILY PLANNING FINE IN FULL. QUANZHOU COUPLES WHO HAVE AN ADDITIONAL CHILD IN VIOLATION OF THE

RULES PAY A FINE OF BETWEEN TWO AND THREE TIMES THE  
COUPLE'S COMBINED ANNUAL INCOME.

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A CAMPAIGN AGAINST SEX-SELECTIVE ABORTIONS  
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9. THE OCTOBER 3 WANBAO REPORTS ON A CAMPAIGN BY THE  
LOCAL FAMILY PLANNING AUTHORITIES TO STOP SEX-SELECTIVE  
ABORTION USING ULTRASOUND IN NANAN CITY. THE CAMPAIGN  
INCLUDED EDUCATION OF HEALTH PROFESSIONALS AND A PUBLIC  
EDUCATION USING RADIO, TELEVISION AND POSTED NOTICES. NEW  
PROCEDURES WERE IMPLEMENTED. ULTRASOUND B PROCEDURES MUST  
BE CONDUCTED BY TWO OR MORE PEOPLE. PEOPLE WHO CONDUCT  
ULTRASOUND EXAMINATIONS MUST SIGN AN AGREEMENT  
ACKNOWLEDGING THAT THEY WILL BE FIRED AND PROSECUTED IF  
ILLEGAL FETAL SEX DETERMINATION IS DISCOVERED. A WOMAN  
WHO HAD ILLEGAL ABORTIONS ON THE BASIS OF A SEX  
DETERMINATION LOSE THEIR FAMILY PLANNING CERTIFICATE  
(PERMISSION TO HAVE A CHILD) AND MUST PAY A LARGE FINE.

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COMMENT: SEX SELECTIVE ABORTION AND SEX RATIO SKEWING  
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10. SKEWED SEX RATIOS, NOTES CHINESE DEMOGRAPHER MA  
YINGTONG [STC: 7456 3467 6639] IN THE SEPTEMBER 1998  
ISSUE OF POPULATION AND ECONOMICS [RENKOU YU JINGJI]  
APPEARED FIRST IN THE CITIES AND DEVELOPED AREA WHERE  
PEOPLE HAD ACCESS TO ULTRASOUND MACHINES. ONLY AFTER THE  
MACHINES HAD SPREAD TO RURAL CHINA DID RURAL CHINESE SEX  
RATIOS BCOME HIGHER THAN IN THE MORE DEVELOPED AREAS.  
FETAL SEX DETERMINATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF SEX-SELECTIE  
ABORTION HAS BEEN BANNED MANY TIMES IN CHINA SNCE THE  
1980S. MA ESTIMATES THAT IN 1989, WHEN TE SEX RATIO AT  
BIRTH WAS 113, IF A NORMAL SEX RATIO IS 107:100 (THIS MA  
CONSIDERS TO BE THE HIGH END OF THENORMAL RANGE), THEN  
"AT LEAST 14.28 PERENT OF ALL MOTHERS HAD THE SEX OF  
THEIR FETUS DEERMINED AND SO 6.9 PERCENT OF THE FEMALE  
FETUSES WERE ABORTED". IF MA'S ANALYSIS IS CORRECT, THE  
OMINALLY ILLEGAL PRACTICE OF SEX SELECTIVE ABORTION IS  
VERY WIDESPREAD. IF, AS SOME OTHER REPUTABLE HINESE  
DEMOGRAPHERS ARGUE, SEX SELECTIVE ABORTIO CAUSES ONLY  
HALF THE SEX SKEWING, THEN MA'S ESTIMATES WOULD BE HALVED  
BUT STILL REMAIN SIGNIFICANT. SEX SELECTIVE ABORTION HAS  
BEEN BANNED BY THE CHINESE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT AND BY  
LOCAL GOVERNMENTS MANY TIMES, YET LIKE MANY OTHER  
GOVERNMENT ORDERS, THE BANS ARE OFTEN QUICKLY FORGOTTEN  
OR IGNORED.

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A PARTY ORDER AND CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE FAKING OF  
OFFICIAL STATISTICS  
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11. A FRONT PAGE ARTICLE IN THE OCTOBER 7 QUANZHOU  
WANBAO CALLED ON PEOPLE TO CALL A HOTLINE CREATED BY THE  
QUANZHOU CITY GOVERNMENT TO FIGHT THE FALSIFICATION OF  
STATISTICS. THE HOTLINE IS PART OF QUANZHOU CITY'S EFFORT  
TO IMPLEMENT THE RECENT ORDER "NOTICE OF THE COMMUNIST  
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OFFICE ON RESOLUTELY OPPOSING AND STOPPING THE  
FALSIFICATION OF STATISTICS". A DECEMBER 22 FRONT PAGE  
COMMENTARY IN THE FUJIAN CAPITAL CITY NEWSPAPER FUZHOU  
RIBAO EXPLAINED THE REASONS FOR THIS CAMPAIGN.

12. "A FUJIAN PROVINCE STATISTICAL REGULATIONS  
ENFORCEMENT GROUP THROUGH FORMAL INVESTIGATIONS AND  
UNDERCOVER WORK DISCOVERED THAT SOME UNITS KEEP TWO SETS  
OF BOOKS. SOME UNITS MAKE FALSE REPORTS ABOUT THEIR  
PRODUCTION AND INCOME. THEY MAKE EXAGGERATED REPORTS TO  
SUPERVISORY UNITS IN ORDER TO WIN AWARDS. TO THE TAX  
DEPARTMENTS THEY REPORT VERY LOW FIGURES SO AS TO EVADE  
TAXATION. SOME RURAL ORGANIZATIONS UNDERREPORT THE NUMBER  
OF BIRTHS ABOVE FAMILY PLANNING TARGETS AS WELL AS CRIME  
STATISTICS. THEY MAKE FALSE REPORTS SO AS TO ATTRACT  
BUSINESSES AND INVESTMENT. ALL THESE FALSIFICATIONS ARE  
THE WORK OF INDIVIDUALS OR SMALL GROUPS OF PEOPLE.

13. "THE FALSIFICATION OF STATISTICS IS SPREADING IN  
SOME REGIONS AND IN SOME DEPARTMENTS. THE BASIC REASON  
IS THAT THE LEADERS OF THESE REGIONS AND DEPARTMENTS WANT  
TO SHOW THEY HAVE "GLORIOUS ACHIEVEMENTS". IN THIS WAY  
THEY COUNT ON WINNING THE TRUST OF HIGHER LEVELS AND  
PROMOTIONS. THEY REPORT GOOD NEWS BUT NOT BAD NEWS.  
THEY PUFF UP ACHIEVEMENTS AND HIDE SHORTCOMINGS. THEY  
PLAY ALL KINDS OF GAMES WITH STATISTICS. ON THE OTHER  
HAND, MANY HIGHER-UPS JUST ACCEPT THE REPORTS AND READ  
THE STATISTICS. THEY NEVER GO OUT THEMSELVES TO TAKE A  
LOOK AND SO THEY ARE VERY EASILY FOOLED. IN SOME REGIONS  
AND DEPARTMENTS, THERE ARE LEADERS WHO INSIST THAT  
UNREALISTIC GOALS AND VERY DIFFICULT TASKS BE ACHIEVED  
AND APPLY PRESSURE AT EACH LEVEL. THE NATURAL RESULT IS  
TO FORCE UP ALL KINDS OF TRASH FROM BELOW.

14. "THE FALSE STATISTICS CRISIS IS VERY GRAVE. THE BAD  
STATISTICS PUT FALSE INFORMATION IN THE HANDS OF LEADERS  
AT EVERY LEVEL. THE RESULTS OF BAD INFORMATION IS VERY  
OFTEN BAD DECISIONS. THE BAD STATISTICS PROVIDE FALSE  
INFORMATION TO THE MARKET AND TO COMPANIES. THIS CAN VERY  
EASILY LEAD TO A BUBBLE ECONOMY. FALSE STATISTICS ARE A  
SERIOUS THREAT TO THE CHINESE NATION. FALSE STATISTICS  
DAMAGE THE WORK AND INTERESTS OF THE STATE AND OF PEOPLE  
IN EVERY AREA. THEY ALSO DAMAGE THE AUTHORITY AND  
CREDIBILITY OF THE GOVERNMENT", CONCLUDED THE FUZHOU  
RIBAO FRONT PAGE COMMENTARY.

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30 YEAR LAND CONTRACTS AWARDED IN RURAL QUANZHOU  
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15. FROM THE NOVEMBER 3, 1998 QUANZHOU WANBAO: "TAIPING VILLAGE IS THE TRIAL SITE FOR THE FOR YONGPING COUNTY VILLAGE COLLECTIVE LAND CONTRACT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY CERTIFICATES AND THE FIRST VILLAGE IN QUANZHOU CITY TO BE SO DESIGNATED. THE CERTIFICATES HANDED OUT IN THIS CEREMONY INVOLVED 14 VILLAGE ORGANIZATIONS, 510 HOUSEHOLDS COMPRISING 2200 PEOPLE, AND CONTRACTS COMPRISING 296.314 MU [NEARLY 20 HECTARES]. THERE WAS A FESTIVE AIR AS THE CERTIFICATES WERE HANDED OUT IN THE VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING ROOM. VILLAGER LI CHUBIN SAID HAPPILY AS HE RECEIVED HIS CERTIFICATE, "WHEN PLANTING TREES, BAMBOO, AND FRUIT WE NEED AT LEAST THREE - FIVE YEARS AND USUALLY TEN OR MORE YEARS BEFORE WE CAN GET A HARVEST. THE FARMERS ARE AFRAID THAT GOVERNMENT POLICY WILL CHANGE SO THEY DON'T INVEST. THIS MAKES THE SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTIVITY OF THE LAND DECLINE. BUT WITH THE CERTIFICATE IN MY HAND I WON'T HAVE THESE CONSTRAINTS AND CAN GO OUT A GET A LOT DONE." FOR THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS, QUANZHOU CITY HAS MADE STABILIZING AND IMPROVING THE CONTRACT RESPONSIBILITY SYSTEM A TOP PRIORITY. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT WORK. SOON FUJIAN PROVINCE WILL GIVE ALL FARMERS VILLAGE COLLECTIVE LAND MANAGEMENT AUTHORIZATION CERTIFICATES."

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COMMENT: CHINESE ACADEMICS SAY RESTORATION OF PRIVATE PROPERTY CAN HELP SOLVE AGRICULTURAL ILLS  
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16. EXTENDING THE TERM OF LAND CONTRACTS FROM FIFTEEN TO THIRTY YEARS BEGAN WHEN MANY LAND CONTRACTS GIVEN OUT IN THE EARLY 1980S CAME UP FOR RENEWAL IN THE MID 1990S. ACCORDING TO A LATE 1997 PRESS REPORT, THE 30-YEAR CONTRACTS HAD BEEN EXTENDED IN MANY BUT NOT ALL AREAS OF CHINA. GIVING THE FARMERS MORE DECISION MAKING POWER AND A LONGER TERM CONTRACT ARE SOME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT TRENDS IN CHINA TODAY. CHINESE LEADERS SAY THAT THEY WANT TO REDUCE INTERFERENCE BY LOCAL OFFICIALS IN THE INDEPENDENT DECISION-MAKING OF FARMERS. THIS POINT IS MADE EMPHATICALLY IN THE REPORT OF THE GUANGDONG CP PARTY CHAIRMAN LI CHANGCHUN [STC: 2621 7022 2504] TO THE GUANGDONG PROVINCE PARTY CONGRESS PRINTED ON PAGE ONE OF

NANFANG RIBAO [GUANGZHOU] ON NOVEMBER 12, 1998. IN SOME AREAS, THE CONTRACT SYSTEM HAS HELPED ATTRACT FOREIGN INVESTORS IN CHINESE AGRICULTURE.

17. CHINESE LEADERS ALSO WANT FARMERS WHO, GIVEN THE PRC'S HISTORY OF RADICAL POLICY SWINGS, DOUBT THAT ANY POLICY WILL LAST FOR LONG, WILL BE ABSOLUTELY CONVINCED THAT THEY ARE SECURE IN THEIR LAND CONTRACTS. THEY SEE THESE MEASURES AS THE KEYS TO BOOSTING CHINA'S LOW AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIVITY. BUT THERE ARE MANY OBSTACLES. ONE IS THE LACK OF A LAND REGISTRATION SYSTEM TO PROVE TITLE AND MAP OUT A LAND CLAIM. THE THIRTY YEAR CONTRACT TERM IS WRITTEN INTO THE NEW LAND MANAGEMENT LAW [TUDI GUANLIFA]. THE NEW LAW ALSO STRENGTHENS LEGAL PROTECTIONS FOR FARMERS BY REQUIRING HIGHER LEVEL REVIEW OF ANY CONVERSION OF AGRICULTURAL LAND TO A NON-AGRICULTURAL USE.

18. THE EXTENSION OF THE LAND CONTRACT TERM FROM 15 TO 30 YEARS PROVIDES SOME BUT NOT ALL OF THE INCENTIVES OF LAND OWNERSHIP. SINCE THE FIRST FIFTEEN YEAR CONTRACTS WERE EXTENDED TO THIRTY YEARS IN THE MID 1990S, THE PRC MASS MEDIA HAS REPORTED ON THE BENEFITS OF LONGER TERM CONTRACTS FOR BOOSTING LONG-TERM INVESTMENT IN AGRICULTURAL LAND. IN SOME AREAS WITH MARGINAL LAND, INHERITABLE CONTRACTS FOR AS LONG AS 80 YEARS HAVE BEEN GRANTED.

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COLLECTIVE OWNERSHIP: A SACRED PRINCIPLE IS QUESTIONED  
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19. TWO CHINESE UNIVERSITY PROFESSORS WHO SPECIALIZE IN ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT STUDIES HAVE TOLD ESTOFF THAT THAT THE REAL SOLUTION TO LOW INVESTMENT IN AND LOW PRODUCTIVITY IN AGRICULTURE IS TO GIVE THE FARMERS CLEAR OWNERSHIP OF LAND. THE PROFESSORS ALSO SAY THAT WHILE MANY CHINESE ACADEMICS BELIEVE THE RESTORATION OF PRIVATE PROPERTY IS NECESSARY, THEY CAN TALK ONLY AROUND THE EDGES OF THIS THESIS. CHINESE SCHOLARS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO PUBLISH ARTICLES OR PRESENT PAPERS IN CONFERENCES CALLING FOR THE RESTORATION OF THE PRIVATE OWNERSHIP OF LAND.

20. THE STANDARD CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY EXPLANATION OF WHY MARKET METHODS ARE BEING USED BY CHINA IS THAT CHINA IS USING WESTERN METHODS TO STRENGTHEN SOCIALISM RESEMBLES THE ZHONGTI XIYONG "CHINESE IN THE MAIN, BUT THE WESTERN FOR THE USEFUL" FORMULATION FAVORED BY NINETEENTH CENTURY CHINESE CONSERVATIVES. THE COLLECTIVE OWNERSHIP OF LAND IS A BEDROCK PRINCIPAL OF COMMUNISM AND SO MOST RESISTANT TO CHANGE. YET IN CHINESE PUBLICATIONS ON NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AS WELL AS IN AGRICULTURE CAN BE SEEN A GROWING RECOGNITION THAT THE COLLECTIVE OWNERSHIP SYSTEM IS THE ROOT OF THE PROBLEM. THE CHINESE UNCLAS SECTION 06 OF 09 BEIJING 000475

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ACADEMY OF SCIENCES SUPPORTED STUDY "CHINESE RESOURCE TRENDS AND DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY" [ZHONGGUO ZIYUAN TAISHI YU KAIFA FANGLUUE] BY HE XIYU ET AL, PUBLISHED BY HUBEI KEXUE JISHU CHUBANSHE] IN MAY 1997 IS ONE EXAMPLE.

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IN THE LOCAL PRESS: CHINESE LAW NEEDS PRIVACY CONCEPT;  
FLYING SAUCERS VISIT QUANZHOU  
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--- CHINESE LAW NEEDS PRIVACY CONCEPT [QUANZHOU WANBAO, NOVEMBER 16, 1998] EVERYONE THINKS THAT THEY HAVE A SACRED RIGHT TO PRIVACY. BUT AN EXAMINATION OF CHINESE LAWS SHOWS THAT THERE IS NO MENTION OF A CITIZEN'S RIGHT TO PRIVACY. THIS IS A SERIOUS SHORTCOMING IN CHINA'S LEGAL SYSTEM. A WIDESPREAD PROBLEM TODAY IS IMPLEMENTING THE LAW ON LEGAL PROCEDURES. STRICT OBSERVANCE OF THIS LAW ON PROCEDURES IS AN IMPORTANT GUARANTEE OF THE FAIRNESS OF JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS. SINCE CHINESE LAW DOES NOT HAVE THE CONCEPT OF A "RIGHT TO PRIVACY" LEGAL OFFICIALS CAN EASILY BECOME BIASED AS THEY WORK ON A CASE. THE PEOPLE HANDLING THE CASE MAY NOT RECOGNIZE PRIVATE AFFAIRS AS BEING PRIVATE. THIS MAKES IT HARDER TO PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF THE PERSON WHO ARE INVOLVED IN THE CASE. SEE "IS THERE A RIGHT TO PRIVACY" AT [HTTP://WWW.USEMBASSY-CHINA.GOV/ENGLISH/SANDT/PRIVLAW.HTML](http://www.usembassy-china.gov/english/sandt/privlaw.html) FOR A FULL TRANSLATION OF THIS ARTICLE.

-- FLYING SAUCER REPORT [QUANZHOU WANBAO DECEMBER 17]: SEVERAL RESIDENTS OF NAN'AN, INCLUDING A JOURNALIST, SAW AN OVAL SHAPED WHITE, SHINY UFO IN THE SOUTHWESTERN SKY AT 11 PM ON THE NIGHT OF DECEMBER 16. THE OBJECT DARKENED AS IT MOVED TO THE LEFT AND BRIGHTENED AS IT MOVED TO THE RIGHT. THE OBJECT STAYED IN SIGHT FOR TWO HOURS. [COMMENT: ACCORDING TO THE XIAMEN NEWSPAPERS, ANOTHER UFO VISITED THE XIAMEN AREA FURTHER SOUTH IN LATE NOVEMBER. UFOS ARE AS POPULAR IN CHINA AS THEY ARE IN THE UNITED STATES. X-FILES VIDEO DISCS AND STORIES ABOUT THE SUPPOSED ALIEN LANDING AT ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO CAN BE FOUND IN CHINESE STORES. THE LANZHOU MAGAZINE UFO RESEARCH [FEIDIE YANJIU] BOASTS THAT IT IS THE HIGHEST CIRCULATION UFO MAGAZINE IN THE WORLD. END COMMENT]

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QUANZHOU ON THE INTERNET  
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-- QUANZHOU EVENING NEWS [QUANZHOU WANBAO], THE QUANZHOU COMMUNIST PARTY COMMITTEE NEWSPAPER IN CHINESE AT [HTTP://CITIES.FZ.FJ.CN/FUJIAN\(UNDERSTRIKE\)W/NEWS/FZB/INDEX.HTML](http://cities.fz.fj.cn/fujian(understrike)w/news/fzb/index.html) THIS SITE IS UPDATED DAILY.

-- WINDOW ON QUANZHOU IN CHINESE AT  
HTTP://CITIES.FZ.FJ.CN/FUJIAN(UNDERSTRIKE)W/CITY/QUANZHOU  
/C-INDEX.HTML

-- CHINA TELECOM QUANZHOU AT HTTP://WWW.QZ.FJ.CN/ HAS  
MANY QUANZHOU LINKS INCLUDING TOURIST INFORMATION, CHAT  
ROOMS, AND PERSONAL WEBPAGES.

-- QUANZHOU FORUM AT HTTP://QZ.FREESERVERS.COM/ IN  
CHINESE. A BBS AND ONLINE DISCUSSION FORUM LINKED TO AN  
ONLINE FORUM WEBSITE OF BESEEN.COM OF TEXAS.  
SAMPLES FROM THE QUANZHOU ONLINE FORUM: "THE DEVELOPMENT  
OF QUANZHOU IS STILL BEING HELD BACK FOR MANY YEARS  
BECAUSE OF TENSION IN THE TAIWAN STRAITS. WHAT A BIG LIE!  
HOW LONG CAN WE STAND FOR THAT OLD EXCUSE!", "THE  
PREVIOUS MAYOR OF QUANZHOU WAS NOT ONLY A PIG BUT ALL HE  
CARED ABOUT WAS MONEY", AND "THE PEOPLE OF QUANZHOU HAVE  
SUFFERED FOR MANY YEARS FROM THE ABYSMAL QUALITY OF CITY  
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-- THE QUANZHOU CHAT ROOM IN CHINESE AT  
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-- FUJIAN PROVINCE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BUREAU IN  
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A CHINESE-LANGUAGE GUIDE TO THE FUJIAN PROVINCE MASS MEDIA.

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APPENDIX: QUANZHOU REGION FAMILY PLANNING REGULATIONS  
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THE REGULATIONS BELOW ARE TRANSLATED FROM A NOTICE POSTED ON THE SIDE OF A BUILDING OFF A BUSY STREET IN THE MIDDLE OF QUANZHOU, FUJIAN PROVINCE. A NEARBY SHOPKEEPER SAID THAT THE RULES WERE POSTED ABOUT THREE YEARS AGO BY THE LI DISTRICT AUTHORITIES. THIS DISTRICT IN 1997 WAS BROKEN UP INTO SEVERAL SMALLER DISTRICTS ENCOMPASSING QUANZHOU CITY AND ITS SURROUNDING AREAS.

TRANSLATION BEGINS

FAMILY PLANNING POLICIES, LAWS AND REGULATIONS

THE OVERALL PLANNING POLICY OF CHINA IS TO: CONTROL THE SIZE OF THE POPULATION, IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF THE POPULATION, BRING POPULATION GROWTH TO A LEVEL APPROPRIATE TO THE GROWTH OF SOCIETY AND THE ECONOMY AND INTO HARMONY WITH RESOURCE USE, THE ECOLOGY AND THE ENVIRONMENT.

FERTILITY POLICY:

FERTILITY POLICY ENCOURAGES LATE MARRIAGE, FORBIDS BIRTHS OUTSIDE OF FAMILY PLANNING, PROMOTES HAVING CHILDREN LATE, AND FORBIDS EARLY MARRIAGE AND HAVING CHILDREN EARLY. FERTILITY POLICY ALSO FORBIDS THE ILLEGAL GIVING UP FOR ADOPTION AND ADOPTION OF CHILDREN.

IF BOTH HUSBAND AND WIFE ARE FARMERS: A MAN SHOULD NOT MARRY BEFORE HE IS 22 FULL YEARS OF AGE AND A WOMAN 20 FULL YEARS OF AGE. [TRANSLATOR'S NOTE: ZHOU SUI - AGE SINCE BIRTH AS OPPOSED TO THE TRADITIONAL CHINESE RECKONING WHICH MAKES A CHILD ONE YEAR OF AGE AT BIRTH AND ANOTHER YEAR OLDER AT THE NEXT SPRING FESTIVAL. END NOTE] AT THE TIME OF THE BIRTH OF THEIR FIRST CHILD, THE MAN SHOULD BE NO YOUNGER THAN 22 YEARS, 10 MONTHS AND THE WOMAN 20 YEARS, 10 MONTHS. IF THE FIRST CHILD IS A BOY, ADDITIONAL BIRTHS ARE NOT PERMITTED (EXCEPT IN THOSE CASES IN WHICH FORMAL PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH FAMILY PLANNING REGULATIONS). IF THE FIRST CHILD IS A GIRL, THE COUPLE MAY BE GRANTED PERMISSION UPON APPLICATION TO HAVE ANOTHER CHILD BUT THERE MUST BE A SPACING OF AT LEAST FOUR FULL YEARS BETWEEN THE BIRTHS OF THE FIRST AND SECOND CHILDREN.

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HAD A CHILD, OR AFTER THE BIRTH OF A CHILD HAVE NOT YET IMPLEMENTED BIRTH CONTROL MEASURES, A MAN WITHIN ONE YEAR OF STERILIZATION OR A WOMAN WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF STERILIZATION, SHALL USE BIRTH CONTROL DRUGS OR APPARATUS. IN SUCH CASES THE WOMAN SHALL BE CHECKED FOR PREGNANCY EACH SEASON AND WOMAN USING A CONTRACEPTIVE IMPLANT SHALL BE EXAMINED ONCE EVERY HALF YEAR. SEX-SELECTIVE ABORTION IS FORBIDDEN AND DOING A ABORTION ON ONE'S OWN IS FORBIDDEN.

III. LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY

COUPLES WHO HAVE A CHILD OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF THE FAMILY PLANNING REGULATIONS ARE ASSESSED A "FEE FOR AN UNPLANNED BIRTH" [JIHUA SHENGYU WAI SHENGYU FEI].

1. COUPLES WHO HAVE THEIR FIRST CHILD TOO EARLY OR VIOLATE THE RULE FOR SPACING THE FIRST AND THE SECOND CHILD ARE ASSESSED A FEE BETWEEN SIXTY AND ONE HUNDRED UNCLAS SECTION 09 OF 09 BEIJING 000475

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PERCENT THE COMBINED ANNUAL INCOME OF THE COUPLE.

2. COUPLES WHO HAVE MORE THAN ONE CHILD ARE ASSESSED BETWEEN TWO AND THREE TIMES THEIR COMBINED ANNUAL INCOME.

3. COUPLES WHICH HAVE TWO CHILDREN BEYOND WHAT THEY ARE ALLOWED UNDER FAMILY PLANNING REGULATIONS ARE ASSESSED BETWEEN FOUR AND SIX TIMES THEIR ANNUAL INCOME. HEAVIER ASSESSMENTS ARE LEVIED ON COUPLES WHO HAVE THREE OR MORE CHILDREN BEYOND WHAT IS PERMITTED UNDER FAMILY PLANNING REGULATIONS.

AN UNAUTHORIZED ADOPTIONS OF A CHILD IS HANDLED AS AN ADDITIONAL OUTSIDE OF FAMILY PLANNING BIRTH UNDER THE FAMILY PLANNING REGULATIONS.

[TRANSLATOR'S NOTE: INFORMAL ADOPTIONS BASED ON AGREEMENTS BETWEEN TWO FAMILIES THAT MIGHT BE RECOGNIZED OFFICIALLY ONLY MUCH LATER WHEN A CHANGE IS MADE IN A FAMILY REGISTER WHEN A NEED AROSE ARE TRADITIONAL IN SOUTHERN CHINA. HERE THE INTENT OF THE REGULATION IS TO ENSURE THAT ADOPTION IS NOT USED TO EVADE THE LIMITATION OF CHILDREN TO ONE OR TWO UNDER FAMILY PLANNING RULES.  
END NOTE]

ADDITIONAL PENALTIES ARE IMPOSED UPON EMPLOYEES OF GOVERNMENT OR PARTY ORGANIZATIONS OR COMPANIES WHO VIOLATE THE FAMILY PLANNING REGULATIONS AND DIRECTIONS UNDER GOVERNMENT OR PARTY DISCIPLINARY RULES.

LE (STC: 1442) REGION PEOPLES GOVERNMENT (PROPAGANDA DEPARTMENT)

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1. [00] Announcer-read report: Headlines.
2. [02] Video report: President Fujimori today opened a meeting of American hemisphere justice ministers, attorneys general. In the afternoon Fujimori received US Attorney General Janet Reno at the Government Palace. Video shows footage of meeting, Gaviria, Fujimori, US ambassador Jett making statements, Attorney General Reno. (Texting)
3. [05] Video report: Student registration process began in state-owned schools. Education minister reiterated parents should not pay for tuition. Video shows parents forming line, school blackboard, facilities, parents, students making statements.
4. [07] Video report: This morning nine people were killed when a bus went off a cliff on a road in Huancavelica. Video shows crashed bus, rescue workers, bodies.
5. [09] Announcer-read report: News preview.
6. [11] Video report: In last few years Peru has reduced the number of hectares planted with coca leaf. Peasants in Apurimac valley region are growing coffee and cocoa bean. Video shows aerial view of Apurimac valley, river, farmer Leoncio Chavez making statements, helicopter, soldiers, project coordinator

making statements, cocoa bean plantation, coffee plant, pineapple plantation, roads, AID representative Marion Ford making statements.

7. [16] Announcer-read report: Coca leaf crop substitution plan conference to be held in Washington. Peruvian companies to present advantages of law to promote private investment in Amazon region.

8. [17] Video report: on four-year-old boy who was born without arms. Video shows boy eating with feet, mother making statements, boy playing piano, drawing with feet, father making statements, boy playing soccer with brothers.

9. [19] Video report: Residents in La Encantada neighborhood reported a private school began construction of parking zone in environmental protected area. Video shows parking lot under construction, resident making statements, palm trees, police officer, school principal making statements.

10. [21] Video report: Body of pregnant 25-year-old woman found in Panamericana Sur Highway. Video shows body of woman, police officers, police car.

11. [22] Announcer-read report: News preview.

12. [26] Video report: Numerous UFOs have been recently sighted in Peru. Video shows city skyline at night, UFO expert Sixto Paz making statements, UFO pictures, drawings.

13. [29] Video report: One hundred vehicles blocked by landslide on road connecting Ayacucho and the jungle. Video shows swollen river, road, onlookers, people crossing pedestrian bridge over river. No drinking water reported in Tingo Maria due to recent rains. Video shows cistern trucks, people getting water.

14. [31] Video report: Weather report.

15. [33] Video report: International news.

16. [35] Announcer-read report: News preview.

17. [37] Video report: Sports.

18. [46] Announcer-read report: News preview.

19. [48] Video report: Biographer Carlos Vidal said he will apologize to entertainer Gisela Valcarcel if public rejects his book. Video shows Vidal making statements.

20. [50] Video report: on local farmer keeping more than 600 birds at his farm. Video shows hen coop, birds, farmer making statements.

21. [52] Announcer-read report: Close of newscast.

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1. [00] Headlines.
2. [01] Video report on residents of 37 human settlements in Callao blocking the northern portion of the Pan-American Highway in the wee hours of today to demand that the government provides them basic services. Video shows angry demonstrators speaking and riot policemen trying to clear the road and firing tear gas.
3. [06] Video report on residents of 37 settlements in Callao facing a situation of abject poverty.
4. [08] International news -- The Argentine Government granted asylum to General Lino Oviedo, while the Brazilian Government granted asylum to former Paraguayan President Raul Cubas.
5. [09] Video report on President Alberto Fujimori saying during a meeting with Victor Joy Way, president of the Council of Ministers, that if corruption charges raised against Customs are true, the head of this institution will have to resign and face legal action. As for those people who have committed tax evasion, he noted that they will be able to dodge criminal charges if they pay their dues. Video shows Fujimori speaking.
6. [14] Special report on 100th anniversary of the arrival of the ship Sakuramaru, which brought the first Japanese immigrants to San Vicente de Canete, Peru, being commemorated. Video shows



old Japanese immigrants speaking.

7. [19] Video report on commemorative Buddhist ceremony being held in San Vicente de Canete, where the first Japanese immigrants arrived.

8. [21] Report over video on mini van falling down a cliff in Huancayo, leaving six dead.

9. [22] Video report on residents of Chincheros, Cusco, being concerned over the discovery of a huge crater, which they claim was made by a UFO.

10. [26] Video report on Police arresting Jose Luis Mancilla, alias Paneton, an infamous Peruvian criminal, this morning.

11. [27] Video report on young man in Piura stabbing the 19-year-old woman he lived with and escaping with their three-year-old daughter after the murder.

12. [29] Weather report.

13. [34] Sports.

14. [44] Video report on traditional procession of the Lord of Tremors, which marks the beginning of Holy Week, taking place in Cusco.

15. [45] Further report on processions throughout the country to mark the beginning of Holy week.

16. [48] Video report on Miss Peru pageant.

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1. SUMMARY: SYRIA IS POLITICALLY AN AUTHORITARIAN SOCIETY  
WITH A ONE PARTY SYSTEM AND NO FORMAL INSTITUTIONS OF  
CIVIL SOCIETY. DESPITE THE OCTOPUS REACH OF GOVERNMENT  
ORGANIZATIONS (GO) IN EVERY SPHERE OF LIFE IN SYRIA, SOME  
NGO'S ARE POTENTIAL BUILDING BLOCKS OF CIVIL SOCIETY.  
THREE TYPES OF GROUPS EXIST:

- (A) GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (GO)
- (B) INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (IO)
- (C) NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (NGO)

ALL OF THE 518 NGO'S IN SYRIA ARE REGISTERED WITH, AND  
MONITORED BY, THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS; THUS, NGO'S  
ARE IN REALITY QUASI-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS. SOME  
NGO'S AND SOME PROFESSIONAL GROUPS HAVE MANAGED TO

ESTABLISH -- DESPITE GOVERNMENT MONITORING -- INFORMAL NETWORKS OF TRUST TYPICAL OF CIVIL SOCIETY. LIKE-MINDED SYRIAN PROFESSIONALS, LINKED INFORMALLY, DISCUSS ISSUES SUCH AS HUMAN RIGHTS AND GRASSROOTS ACTION. OTHER INSTITUTIONS, SUCH AS SATELLITE TV (UNLICENSED DISHES CROWD DAMASCENE ROOFS) AND THE INTERNET (A FEW HUNDRED TEST SITES EXIST, AND THOUSANDS ARE ILLEGALLY CONNECTED TO INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS IN BEIRUT AND AMMAN), ARE ALSO CRITICAL BUILDING BLOCKS OF CIVIL SOCIETY. END SUMMARY.

2. WE REPORT SEPTTEL ON POST CIVITAS PROJECTS. USIS DIALOGUES WITH NGO AND IO REPRESENTATIVES THROUGH TWO KINDS OF PROGRAMS: CLOSED SEMINARS AT THE PAO RESIDENCE, AND SEMINARS CO-SPONSORED BY USIS WITH IO'S (SUCH AS THE RED CRESCENT) AND NGO'S (SUCH AS THE DAMASCUS EMERGENCY SOCIETY). IN THESE CLOSED SEMINARS PARTICIPANTS HAVE DEBATED SUCH ISSUES AS THE ROLE OF VOLUNTEERISM IN SYRIAN SOCIETY, AND PROPOSED SUCH PROJECTS AS A UNIFIED DATABASE OF NGO ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIP. IN PUBLIC LECTURES WHICH WE HAVE SPONSORED WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS, THE MESSAGE OF CIVIC SOCIETY AND OF DEMOCRACY IS IMPLICIT. SYRIANS ARE ACCUSTOMED TO THE ABSENCE OF FRANK PUBLIC DIALOGUE. FOR EXAMPLE, AFTER A LECTURE ON KAWAKIBI'S TURN-OF-THE-CENTURY WRITINGS ON DEMOCRACY WHICH CHALLENGED THE OPPRESSIVE OTTOMAN REGIME, AN AUDIENCE MEMBER ACKNOWLEDGED THAT TALKING ABOUT THE 1910'S HAD MEANING FOR EVENTS OF THE 1990'S. DURING RECENT ACULSPEC PROGRAMS U.S. ARTISTS ENCOURAGED STUDENTS TO BE CREATIVE; STUDENTS TOLD US THIS WAS THEIR FIRST CHANCE TO TRULY EXPRESS THEMSELVES.

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WHERE THERE ARE NO NGO'S  
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3. SYRIAN NGO'S EXIST AT THE SUFFERANCE OF THE OFFICIAL BA'TH PARTY AND OF THE GOVERNMENT. THE BA'TH PARTY DOMINATES POLITICS AND SOCIETY. IT CONTROLS THE PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY, YOUTH MOVEMENTS, THE WOMEN'S UNION, PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS, SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES. NO TOWN HOWEVER SMALL IS WITHOUT ITS ARAB CULTURAL CENTER, WHOSE MYRIAD CULTURAL ACTIVITIES SUPPORT SYRIAN BA'THISM ALL LOCAL POLITICAL AND CULTURAL OFFICIALS ARE FROM THE PARTY ELITE. (AT A RECENT CULTURAL FESTIVAL SPONSORED BY THE BA'TH YOUTH PARTY, THE PARTY OFFICIAL INTRODUCED THE PAO TO THE ARAB CULTURAL CENTER DIRECTOR, SAYING: "WE ARE ALL ONE; WHAT I DO IS WHAT HE DOES!")

4. BA'THIST PARTY ACTIVITIES ARE BURSTING WITH VOLUNTEERS SEEKING TO RISE IN PARTY CADRES OR JUST TO SURVIVE AND TO HOLD ON TO THEIR JOBS. SCHOOL TEACHERS DONATE SUMMER WEEKS TO COUNSEL IN YOUTH CAMPS FOR GRADE SCHOOL "AL-TALA'A" (VANGUARD) AND HIGH SCHOOL "SHIBIBIT ATH-THAWRA" (YOUTH OF THE REVOLUTION) MOVEMENTS. THE EGALITARIANISM OF BA'THIST SOCIALIST IDEOLOGY IS EVIDENT IN THE LONG ROWS OF TENTS, AND PARTY LEADERS EATING THE CAMP MENU FROM STEEL PLATES IN THE CAFETERIA. CLASSICAL ARABIC

[Flying Saucer or UFO]

LACES BA'THIST FORMULAIC INTRODUCTIONS: "COMRADE ZAINAB MAHMOUD, MEMBER OF THE DEIR AZ-ZOR SECTION OF THE VANGUARD YOUTH PARTY." THIS MELANGE OF SOCIALISM, CLASSICAL ARABIC (THE LANGUAGE OF ARAB UNITY) AND SOCIAL VOLUNTEERISM IMPARTS TO FUTURE GENERATIONS A SENSE OF VOLUNTEERISM REMINISCENT OF SCOUT GROUPS IN THE WEST, YET SHAPED BY A RIGID SCHEME OF PARTY IDEOLOGY AND REWARDS.

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5. THE WOMEN'S UNION IS THE ONLY OFFICIAL WOMEN'S GROUP IN SYRIA. WHILE FOUNDED TO FURTHER THE PARTY, THE UNION DOES AT TIMES ATTRACT NON-PARTY MEMBERS TO WOMEN'S ISSUES SEMINARS. A RECENT UNION CULTURAL WEEK INCLUDED LECTURES ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN IN ISLAM AND IN THE QURAN BOTH BY A CONSERVATIVE THEOLOGIAN AND BY A REFORMIST ISLAMIC THEORETICIAN. BOTH EVENTS WERE PACKED WITH A MIX OF PARTY FAITHFUL AND OF VEILED (SCARVED) WOMEN PROBABLY NOT IN THE PARTY. WOMEN'S UNION SEMINARS TO DRAFT THE POST-BEIJING PROPOSAL FOR SYRIA INCLUDED NON-PARTY LAWYERS AND TEACHERS WHO FOCUSED ON WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S RIGHTS AND ON THE NEED FOR CURRICULUM CHANGES.

6. SYRIAN LABOR SYNDICATES AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS ARE PRO FORMA AND RARELY ENHANCE PROFESSIONAL COOPERATION. EVEN THOUGH UNIONS HOLD ELECTIONS, OFFICIALS ARE DETERMINED BY PARTY STRUCTURE. AS ONE TRADE UNION BRANCH HEAD PUT IT, "THE ELECTIONS FOR UNION OFFICERS ARE 'DEMOCRACIYYA SHAKLIYYA,' DEMOCRACY IN FORM BUT NOT CONTENT." PROFESSIONALS AVOID STERILE BA'THIST ASSOCIATIONS SINCE THERE IS NO OPPORTUNITY IN THE RIGID PARTY STRUCTURE FOR TRUE COLLABORATION. CHANCES FOR PROFESSIONAL DIALOGUE ARE RARE. USIS SEMINARS FOR COMPUTER AND ENGLISH TEACHING PROFESSIONS DRAW ENTHUSIASTIC PARTICIPANTS WHO TELL US THE EVENTS PROVIDE THEIR FIRST CHANCE TO DISCUSS SHARED INTERESTS WITH PROFESSIONAL COLLEAGUES; THEY BUSILY EXCHANGE EXPERIENCES AND PHONE NUMBERS DURING SEMINAR BREAKS.

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 INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AS A NICHE FOR COMMUNITY ACTION  
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7. INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (IO'S) SUCH AS THE INTERNATIONAL FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION (IFPA) AND UNICEF, AND INTERNATIONAL DONORS SUCH AS THE GERMAN FOUNDATION, GTZ, OPERATE IN SYRIA BY PERMISSION OBTAINED FROM THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MFA) AND HAVE FREER REIGN THAN NGO'S, WHO ARE UNDER THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS (MSA) UMBRELLA. THE IFPA SPONSORS SOCIAL PROJECTS SUCH AS A SHELTER FOR FEMALE JUVENILES WHO ARE VICTIMS OF RAPE, A SHELTER FOR MALE JUVENILE DELINQUENTS AND YOUTH CENTERS IN MAJOR SYRIAN CITIES. YOUTH CENTER ACTIVITIES WERE CHALLENGED LAST YEAR, OSTENSIBLY BECAUSE OF OPPOSITION BY RELIGIOUS LEADERS TO SEXUALLY EXPLICIT LANGUAGE USED IN SEMINARS. THE CENTERS CURRENTLY SPONSOR CONSCIOUSNESS-RAISING PROGRAMS RUN BY VOLUNTEER LAWYERS AND SOCIAL WORKERS ON ISSUES SUCH AS INTER-GENERATIONAL CONFLICT AND AIDS. THE RED CRESCENT SPONSORS YOUTH GROUPS WHO TRAIN IN FIRST-AID AND SERVE AS A FIRST-AID CORPS AT PUBLIC EVENTS AND ORGANIZE FUND RAISING FAIRS FOR CHILDREN. THESE GROUPS ARE THE CLOSEST THING, BESIDES CHRISTIAN YOUTH GROUPS AND MARCHING BANDS, TO WESTERN TEENS AND SCOUTS. THE INTERNATIONAL BOY SCOUT MOVEMENT, SEEN AS A CHALLENGE TO BA'THIST YOUTH PARTIES, IS NOT ALLOWED IN SYRIA.

8. UNICEF COOPERATES WITH THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH ON RURAL FAMILY HEALTH CENTERS. UNICEF RECEIVES FUNDING AND SUPPORT FROM OTHER MINISTRIES, INCLUDING THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE, WITH WHOM UNICEF RECENTLY CO-SPONSORED A SEMINAR ON JUVENILE RIGHTS. A UNICEF EMPLOYEE SITS ON THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION CURRICULUM COMMITTEE AND HAS INTRODUCED COMPONENTS OF GLOBAL EDUCATION AND YOUTH RIGHTS TO THE SYRIAN SCHOOL CURRICULUM. CIVIC EDUCATION IN SYRIA MEANS PARTY IDEOLOGY. NONETHELESS, PROFESSIONALS CIRCUMVENT PARTY TURF BY APPLYING THE NEWEST PEDAGOGICAL APPROACHES. A RECENTLY-RETURNED CIVIC EDUCATION IV PARTICIPANT WHO SERVES ON THE UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF EDUCATION CURRICULUM COMMITTEE, WORKED IN THAT COMMITTEE TO TEACH PRINCIPLES OF CIVIC SOCIETY IN SUCH MODULES AS ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION.

9. GTZ PARTIALLY FUNDS THE ALEPPO MUNICIPALITY "PROJECT TO PRESERVE THE OLD CITY OF ALEPPO" TO IMPROVE INFRASTRUCTURE OF THE OLD CITY OF ALEPPO VIA COMMUNITY-  
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BASED PROJECTS WITH DEVELOPMENT COMPONENTS. A SERIES OF TOWN MEETINGS IDENTIFIED A NURSERY AS THE MOST IMPORTANT COMMUNITY NEED; PROJECT STAFF WORKED WITH THE COMMUNITY AND THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH SUCH A NURSERY. PROJECT ENGINEERS DOUBLE AS SOCIAL WORKERS INVOLVING RESIDENTS IN URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS. ONE OF THE SOCIAL WORKERS IS A MEMBER OF POST'S CORE CIVITAS GROUP AND ATTENDED THE USIA AMMAN CIVITAS CONFERENCE IN AMMAN.

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 QUASI-NGO'S: AN EXCUSE TO GATHER  
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10. INTERESTING HYBRID NGO'S EXIST. THE SYRIAN COMPUTER SOCIETY (SCS) DRAWS TOGETHER INDIVIDUALS FROM DIFFERENT PROFESSIONS SUCH AS ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING AND BUSINESS. IN THE SCS, ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS FIND A DEGREE OF STATUS NOT FOUND IN THE PARTY-RUN ENGINEERS SYNDICATE WHERE BUILDING ENGINEERS REIGN SUPREME. THE SCS PRESIDENT, THE SON OF THE SYRIAN PRESIDENT, HAS INSISTED ON DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS. THE SCS TO SOME EXTENT REWARDS COMPETENCE RATHER THAN PARTY STATUS. THE SCS PLAYS MANY ROLES -- AMONG THEM, SUPPORTING Y2K INITIATIVES AND PUSHING THE INTERNET, AS IT JUST DID IN THE SHAM 99 INTERNATIONAL INFOTECH CONFERENCE (SEE SEPTEL REPORT ON PARTICIPATION BY POST'S THREE SPECIALISTS). WITH NO REAL "MARKET ARENA" HERE, SCS OFFERS ITS MEMBERS A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO GENERATE CONTACTS AND CONTRACTS. MEMBERS WHO VOLUNTEER TO DO PRO BONO CONSULTING WORK FOR GOVERNMENT PROJECTS ARE OFTEN CONTACTED LATER FOR MORE WORK.

11. WHILE MANY NGO'S PROVIDE SOCIAL SERVICES, SOME STUDY ARCHAEOLOGY OR PROVIDE EMERGENCY RELIEF. THE "SOCIETY FOR THE PRESERVATION OF URBAN HERITAGE" IN ALEPPO WAS FOUNDED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE CENTURY IN RESPONSE TO THE PURLOINING OF A MAGNIFICENT PRAYER NICHE FROM A MOSQUE INSIDE THE ALEPPO CITADEL. RECORDS OF THE ASSOCIATION INDICATE LECTURES AND ARCHAEOLOGY STUDY TOURS THROUGHOUT THIS CENTURY. TODAY THE SOCIETY SPONSORS MORE THAN A HUNDRED LECTURES AND CULTURAL EVENTS A YEAR. ON THE MARGINS OF THESE "POWER LECTURES," THE AUDIENCE NETWORKS SOCIALLY AND PROFESSIONALLY. A LOCAL SCHOOLTEACHER DESCRIBED THE SOCIETY AS "A PLACE TO GO, SMOKE A CIGAR AND LOOK FOR A JOB." ANOTHER SOCIETY, THE DAMASCENE "SOCIETY FOR NATIONAL EMERGENCY," WAS DESCRIBED BY A CYNICAL OBSERVER AS "A GROUP FOUNDED TO ASSIST PEOPLE IN DISTRESS WHICH NOW HAS SO MUCH MONEY IT DOESN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH IT." THE GROUP FINDS SUITABLE PROJECTS, BUT IT ALSO SPONSORS LECTURES ON SOCIOLOGY AND CULTURE. SOCIETY MEMBERS ENJOY AN EXCUSE TO GET TOGETHER. ANOTHER DAMASCENE SOCIETY, "THE COSMOLOGICAL SOCIETY," SPONSORS LECTURES ON UFO'S AND SCIENCE FICTION. ALL OF THESE NGO'S PROVIDE PRIVATE FORA FOR DISCUSSION OF A WIDE RANGE OF ISSUES FROM JOB PROSPECTS TO HUMAN

RIGHTS.

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QUASI-NGO'S AND EPHEMERAL PROFESSIONAL ATTACHMENTS  
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12. THE MOST INTERESTING AND ELUSIVE SIGNS OF CIVIL SOCIETY ARE SMALL CLUMPS OF PROFESSIONALS WHO COORDINATE THROUGH IO'S AND NGO'S TO PURSUE HUMAN RIGHTS PROJECTS, UNDER THE GUISE OF SUCH GENERIC TITLES AS "WOMEN'S SOCIAL SITUATION." THESE GROUPS DISCUSS SUCH HEALTH ISSUES AS REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH, SUCH HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES AS BATTERED WOMEN, AND SUCH LEGAL RIGHTS ISSUES AS INHERITANCE LAWS. PEOPLE OF SIMILAR THOUGHT KNOW OF EACH OTHER AND PURSUE CIVIC SOCIETY GOALS THROUGH BENEVOLENT SOCIETY ACTIVITIES. THEY DO NOT DARE TO FORM CIVIC SOCIETY GROUPS THAT WOULD COMPETE WITH OFFICIALLY-SANCTIONED GROUPS. ONE LAWYER, HOPING TO ESTABLISH A BATTERED WOMEN'S LEGAL DEFENSE HOT LINE WITH SUPPORT PROMISED BY AN IO, REMAINS FRUSTRATED TO DATE. THE SARG ALLOWS A HOT LINE FOR WOMEN IN MEDICAL DISTRESS, STAFFED BY VOLUNTEER PHYSICIANS AND SOCIAL WORKERS, BUT FORBIDS A LEGAL HOT LINE. IN A RECENT USIS CIVITAS SEMINAR, PARTICIPANTS VOTED DOWN A PROPOSAL TO FORM A COMMITTEE, SAYING THAT  
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ANYTHING OFFICIAL WOULD HAVE TO BE APPROVED BY THE  
GOVERNMENT.

13. PROFESSIONALS WHO FUNCTION AS INDIVIDUALS AWARE OF ONE ANOTHER'S EFFORTS COULD EASILY FORM A HUMAN RIGHTS GROUP IF THE AUTHORITIES WOULD ALLOW THAT. THE OFFICIAL HUMAN RIGHTS GROUP IN SYRIA IS A GOVERNMENT MOUTHPIECE. THE FREQUENT LECTURES ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN SUCH OFFICIAL ARENAS AS THE ARAB CULTURAL CENTERS, DO NOT ADDRESS DOMESTIC ISSUES EXCEPT AS IDEOLOGICAL REPETITION OF THE COMMITMENT OF THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT TO DEMOCRACY. A RECENT SPEECH AT THE DAMASCUS ARAB CULTURAL CENTER, BILLED AS "HUMAN RIGHTS UNDER PRESIDENT ASAD," DEALT SOLELY WITH PALESTINIAN AND ISRAELI HUMAN RIGHTS. WE DISTRIBUTE THE DOS HUMAN RIGHTS REPORT HERE AND IT IS WIDELY READ, BUT NEVER PUBLISHED.

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14. IN SYRIA NO PUBLIC FORA EXIST IN WHICH TO DISCUSS CIVIL SOCIETY OR HUMAN RIGHTS. LIKE-MINDED PROFESSIONALS CONSIDER SUCH ISSUES QUIETLY, IN NGO MEETINGS AND THROUGH INFORMAL SOCIAL LINKAGES. IN USIS CIVITAS SEMINARS, SYRIAN LAWYERS, EDUCATORS AND NGO MEMBERS DEBATE HOW TO COORDINATE THEIR ACTIVITIES, AND HOW FAR TO PUSH THE ENVELOPE. A WOMAN LAWYER ACTIVIST TOLD US THAT WHEN SHE USES THE TERM "WOMEN'S SOCIAL CONDITION" THAT SHE CAN SAY ANYTHING TO THE MEDIA, BUT THAT ONCE SHE USES THE TERM "HUMAN RIGHTS" SHE IS BLOCKED FROM SPEAKING. IN A WOMEN'S UNION SEMINAR TO CODIFY SYRIA'S POST-BEIJING WOMEN'S PROGRAM, PARTICIPANTS SAID THEY WERE ALLOWED TO SPEAK ABOUT CHILDREN'S RIGHTS (SYRIA IS A SIGNATORY OF THE CHILD PROTECTION CONVENTION). THESE INDIVIDUALS REPRESENT THE BEGINNINGS OF CIVIL SOCIETY IN SYRIA. THEIR ACTIVITIES ARE THE FOUNDATION ON WHICH LIKE-MINDED PROFESSIONALS AIM TO CREATIVELY "CRACK" THE OUTMODED AUTHORITARIAN REGIME.  
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TEXT:

[Unattributed article: "Hot Border"]

[FBIS Translated Text]

The Colombian uncertainty on what can happen at the border has been accentuated by recent incidents with the neighboring country.

Border relations between Venezuela and Colombia have never been devoid of problems. Despite the undeniable progress that has been achieved by the negotiating commission of the conflict, which was created by the two countries, the incidents continue to recur. That is why Colombian authorities were greatly displeased by the statement made by Venezuelan Foreign Minister Jose Vicente Rangel last week, in response to a journalist's question concerning the alleged overflight by a Venezuelan aircraft over Norte de Santander in Colombia. The Colombians are sighting UFO's, Rangel had said. Apparently there are persons there who have a more vivid imagination than Gabriel Garcia Marquez, he noted.

The truth is that, according to reports available to the Colombian authorities, over the past weeks there have been Venezuelan overflights in the jurisdiction of the municipality of Tibu. The first occurred July 22 at 11:30 in the morning. According to the official report, three F-16 aircraft, belonging to the Venezuelan Armed Forces [FAV], that had been camouflaged, suddenly flew over Colombian territory, causing great alarm among the authorities.

According to official reports, the aircraft overflew at an altitude below 3,000 feet. According to reports supplied by military authorities of the zone, -- that were made available to the Colombian Foreign Ministry in the wake of the incident -- the aircraft entered 35 km inside the jurisdiction of Tibu. The entrance and consequential violation of Colombian airspace occurred in the sector known as Vetas de Oriente. The aircraft later passed over Tibu and Campo Dos and again overflew Venezuelan territory in the area of Tres Bocas (see map). This same operation had been carried out by Venezuelan aircraft on three opportunities, the most recent on July 27.

Arms at Discretion [subhead]

Another source of tension between the two countries has been Venezuelan gunrunning operations to the FARC [Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia]. Although Venezuelan authorities have been reluctant to admit publicly that there are ties between Venezuelan gun runners and Colombian guerrillas, the truth is that Colombian security organizations have evidence which demonstrates that the existence of such ties are close and cause of concern. Among the weapons seized from Colombian subversive organizations are FAL and AK-47 rifles, M-60 machine-guns, grenades, Browning pistols, Miniuzi submachine-guns, and approximately 35,000 rounds of ammunition from the neighboring country. According to authorities of the FARC 16th Front, which operates in Vichada, and whose commander is Tomas Molina Caracas, a. K. A. "El Negro Acacio," conducts permanent operations on the Venezuelan border.

According to authorities, another of the leaders of the group, is Josue Eliseo Prieto alias "Commander Esteban," considered one of the heads of finances of the FARC. The other leader is known as "Chiguere," who was imprisoned for a long time in Venezuela, but who managed to escape with the complicity of the prison guards in Puerto Ayacucho, capital of the state of Amazonas.

"Esteban" was killed by men of the 4th Army Division last May 26 in an operation staged between the municipalities of Garcitas and Totumo (Vichada). Four Venezuelan citizens were captured in the operation. Nonetheless, some authorities of that country

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TEXT:

[FBIS Log] 1. At the request of the Eighth Region governor, the Interior Ministry asked that a visiting judge be assigned to investigate the disappearance of university student Jorge Matute Johns last December. Following the lack of success of the investigations, the State Defense Council will also become a party in this case. Remarks by Eighth Region Governor Jaime Toha. (1 min)

2. The Totolo Observatory also saw the images transmitted by Television Nacional de Chile last night, which UFO-ologists thought could be an UFO. However, the observatory reported that the images correspond to an airplane at high speed leaving a vapor trail, which in this time of the year reflects an orange color early in the morning and late in the afternoon. (1 min)

3. If Pinochet's immunity is removed based on assumptions, his family believes he should be given the opportunity to prove his innocence. Thus, they do not agree with him undergoing medical tests, which may lead to an acquittal. Remarks by attorney Pablo Rodriguez, who pointed out that it would be very damaging to his image if Pinochet cannot prove his innocence. He added that the dignity of the individuals should be respected, therefore no tests should be taken against his will. Remarks by attorney for the plaintiffs Hugo Gutierrez, who indicated that he believes that the Army will do the same thing they did with retired General Manuel Contreras [who is serving time in prison for the murder of Orlando Letelier in Washington], because nobody is above the law and everybody is subject to the rule of law. He added that Pinochet will indeed have to take the medical tests and testify before the court. (1 min)

4. The government and Unicef will commemorate Children's Day on 8 August with a national cultural celebration. Activities will be organized throughout the country to create awareness of children's rights. On that day access to museums and other cultural activities will be free. Remarks by First Lady Luisa Duran, who said that the best present for children would be to learn to respect their rights, especially those who are most vulnerable in society. This will take place after President Lagos announces the government's policy on children in Punta Arenas. (1 min)

5. The National Small and Medium Enterprises Council demanded that the government provide immediate and global solutions to the large debts of the sector. Furthermore, Economy, Energy and Mining Minister Jose de Gregorio affirmed that the authorities are committed to the development of small and medium enterprises. These issues were discussed during a small and medium enterprises national encounter that took place this morning. Transportation