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E.O. 12065: NA
TAGS: PINS, PINT, CS
SUBJECT: GRENADA COUP MEDIA REACTION

1. HEREWITH MEDIA REACTION GRENADA COUP MAR 19.
2. NEWS STORY (CANA), ST. GEORGES, GRENAD: RADIX NAMED SPECIAL ENVOY. QUOTE. THE NEW REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA YESTERDAY NAMED ITS FIRST DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVE...KENDRICK RADIX, WHO WILL BE AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES AND THE UNITED NATIONS. THE APPOINTMENT OF THE GRENADIAN LAWYER WHO IS ALREADY IN THE UNITED STATES SEEKING SUPPORT FOR THE NEW ADMINISTRATION, WAS ANNOUNCED OVER RADIO FREE GRENADA YESTERDAY MORNING.

"HOWEVER THERE MAY BE SOME TIME BEFORE RADIX CAN BECOME OFFICIALLY EFFECTIVE, BECAUSE THE NEW ADMINIS-
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TRATION WHICH SEIZED POWER... IS YET TO BE RECOGNIZED BY A FOREIGN COUNTRY. RADIX IS A BUREAU MEMBER OF THE NJM. ENDQUOTE.

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QUOTE. WHEN THE MINISTERS FROM THE EAST CARIBBEAN COMMON MARKET (ECCM) MEET IN ANTIGUA THISWEEK...THEY WILL BE DOING SO WITH A STRONG REALISATION OF THEIR OWN VULNERABILITY...WHAT HAS HAPPENED IN GRENADA IS NOT LIKELY TO MAKE MORE LIBERAL THOSE GOVERNMENTS THAT HAVE ALREADY SHOWN SIGNS OF A CAUTION THAT CAN BORDER ON THE RIDICULOUS AT TIMES.

"IT IS NOT FOR NOTHING, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT THE ANTIGUAN GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN THREATENING TO MAKE A CARICOM ISSUE OF THE GRENADA COUP WHERE THE QUESTION OF RECOGNITION... IS CONCERNED. A QUICK REFLECTION ON PROBLEMS FACING THE ANTIGUA GOVERNMENT AT HOME WILL PARTLY ACCOUNT FOR ITS ATTITUDE. WHETHER OR NOT THE ANTIGUANS WERE FLYING A KITE WHEN THE CALIMED A CUBAN INFLUENCE WAS BEING EXERTED ON CERTAIN GROUPS WITHIN THE COUNTRY WE CAN NEVER BE SURE. BUT SHOULD WE ASSUME THAT THIS CLAIM IS VALID WE CAN AGAIN APPRECIATE WHY THE BIRD GOVERNMENT WILL NOT EASILY ACCEPT THAT THE COUP IN GRENADA WAS A 'SPECIAL CASE.'

"...WHAT GRENADA HAS SHOWN IS THAT FOR A FEW CURSORY REMARKS HERE AND THERE ABOUT 'BANDITS,' OR A CALL FOR A BETTER UNDERSTANDING IN THE COUNTRY, CARIBBEAN LEADERS WERE MOST RELUCTANT TO OPENLY CRITICIZE THE GAIRY GOVERNMENT. NOR WERE ANY STEPS TAKEN AS FAR AS WE KNOW, TO PUT ANY NOTICEABLE PRESSURE ON THE GAIRY GROUP TO ENSURE A CHANGE OF POLICY. THE USUAL EXCUSE HAS BEEN ONE OF RELUCTANCE TO BECOME INVOLVED IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF A FRIENDLY GOVERNMENT. YET WE HAVE NOT BEEN

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UNRELENTING IN OUR CRITICISM OF HAPPENINGS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

"IT IS A TYPE OF HYPOCRACY THAT HAS CAUGHT UP WITH THE REGION AND HAS NOW PLACED IT ON THE HORNS OF A DILEMMA. FOR HAVING FAILED TO BE AS VOCAL AS THEY MIGHT HAVE BEEN AGAINST GAIRY, THE CARIBBEAN GOVERNMENTS, EVEN IF MINDED TO DO SO, CANNOT NOW GIVE THE IMPRESSION OF COMING DOWN HEAVILY ON THE BISHOP REGIME FOR THE USE OF FORCE IN TOPPLING GAIRY. AND STILL IF NO ISSUE IS MADE OF THE ILLEGAL ACTION IT MIGHT WELL BE TAKEN THAT FORCE IS IN ORDER WHEN A GOVERNMENT PROVES PROBLEMATIC TO A NUMBER OF ITS CITIZENS. WITH THE NUMBER OF PROBLEMS FACING CERTAIN CARIBBEAN GOVERNMENTS IT IS A BITTER PILL TO SWALLOW, AND A POSSIBLE FATE NOT COMFORTABLE TO CONTEMPLATE. ENDQUOTE.

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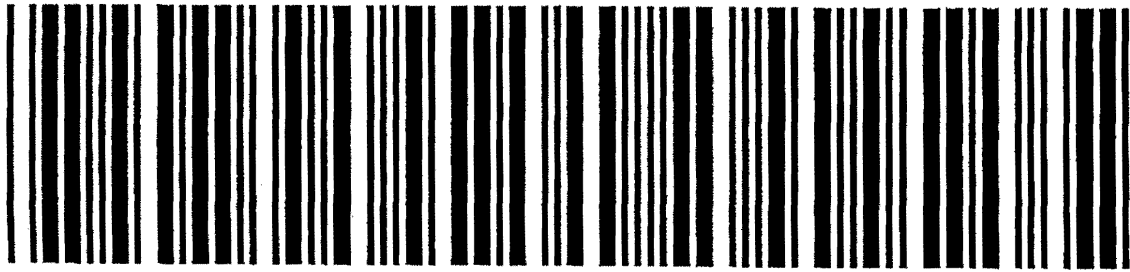
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TAGS: PINT PINS GJ
SUBJECT: BIO DATA ON MEMBER OF PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT IN
GRENADA

EMBASSY OFFICER BULLEN HAS BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON THREE
ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA.
THIS INFORMATION IS PROVIDED FROM MEMORY AS EMBASSY OFFICER
HAS HAD NO RECENT CONTACT WITH ANY OF THE INDIVIDUALS LISTED.

LYDEN RAMDHANNY: ABOUT 29 YEARS OLD, OF EAST INDIAN DESCENT,
WAS BORN IN GRENVILLE, ST ANDREW'S PARISH. HE ATTENDED
GRENADA BOYS SECONDARY SCHOOL, AND UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST
INDIES (TRINIDAD) GRADUATING WITH A BSC IN AGRICULTURAL
SCINECES. CURRENTLY MANAGES FAMILY BUSINESSES; SEVERAL
COCOA AND BANANA ESTATES, A RACE TRACK, CINEMA AND GENERAL
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL BUSINESS. PARENTS WERE STRONG SUPPORTERS
AND FINANCIAL BACKERS OF OPPOSITION GRENADA NATIONAL PARTY.

NORRIS BAIN: WAS BORN IN ST DAVIDS PARISH AND LATER WORKED
AS AN AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION OFFICER WITH THE GRENADA
AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT.

DR BERNARD GITTENS: ABOUT 40 YEARS OLD, SON OF A PROMINENT
GRENADIAN HOTELIER. GITTENS ATTENDED PRESENTATION COLLEGE
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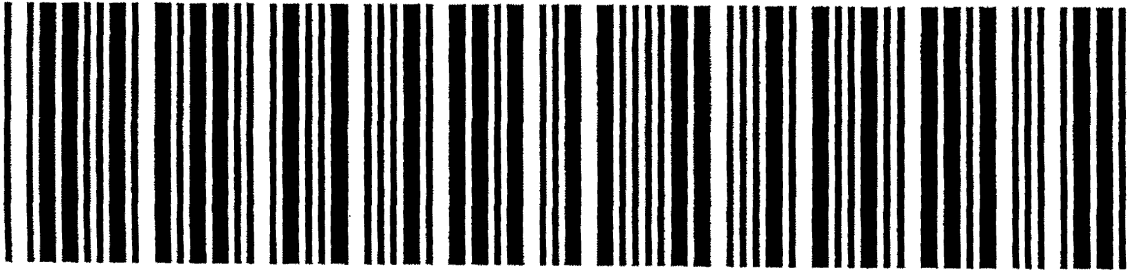
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E.O. 12065: GDS, 3/19/85 (CAMP, DONALD A.) OR-P
TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ
SUBJECT: GRENADA:REPORTS OF LARGE GAIRY ARMS ORDERS

1. (C) - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. GRENADA' S REGEL LEADER MARUICE BISHOP HAS BEEN ALLEGING SINCE LAST WEEK'S COUP THAT OUSTED SIR ERIC GAIRY HAD BEEN PLANNING HARSH CRACKDOWN ON OPPOSITION. IN SUPPORT OF HIS CHARGES, HE PRODUCED AT RECENT PRESS CONFERENCE "DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE" OF LARGE-SCALE WEAPONS PURCHASES PLANNED BY GAIRY LAST MONTH. EVIDENCE WAS IN FORM OF FILES FROM HOME OF FORMER DEFENCE FORCE CHIEF WINSTON MASANTO LISTING ORDERS TO BE PLACED WITH COLT OF THE US AND TWO BRITISH ARMS FIRMS-- LE PERSONNE AND CO. AND WEBLEY AND SCOTT, LTD.
3. EMBASSY OFFICER LAROCHE, JUST RETURNED FROM GRENADA, BROUGH COPIES OF THOSE FILES GIVEN HIM BY MEMBERS OF NEW GOVERNMENT. IT IS UNCLEAR FROM DOCUMENTS WHETHER ORDERS WERE EVER PLACED, SINCE AN ACCOMPANYING LETTER TO GRENADA POLICE CHIEF, DATED FEB. 18, 1979, SEEMS TO BE IN FORM OF PRELIMINARY CONSULTATION WITHIN GOVERNMENT ON CONFIDENTIAL

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ARMED FORCES NEEDS.

4. PROPOSED ORDERS IF GENUINE ARE STAGGERING IN THEIR SIZE CONSIDERING SMALL GRENADA MILITARY. ORDER FROM

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WEDDELL AND SCOTT INCLUDED 600 STERLING AR-18 5.56 MM COMBAT RIFLES, ONE MILLION ROUNDS OF LIVE AMMUNITION, 500,000 BLANKS, ONE THOUSAND HAND GRENADES, ETC. COLT AND LE PERSONNE ORDERS WERE MUCH SMALLER.

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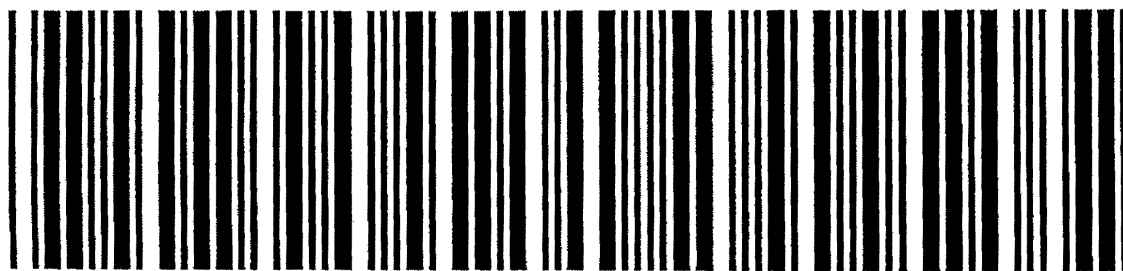
5. COMMENT: FROM OUR KNOWLEDGE OF PRECARIOUS STATE OF GRENADA'S FINANCES AND FROM PER PERSONAL OF DOCUMENTS, IT APPEARS UNLIKELY THAT ORDERS WERE EVER PLACED. DOCUMENTS SEEM TO BE IN FORM OF "WISH LIST" TO EQUIP PROPERLY A COMPETENT AND EFFICIENT DEFENCE FORCE, WHICH GRENADA OBVIOUSLY DID NOT HAVE. (BRITISH REPRESENTATIVE IN GRENADA TOLD EMBASSY'S LAROCHE THAT UK'S ARMS EXPORT CONTROL LAWS HAD PREVIOUSLY STOPPED A GAIRY WEAPONS ORDER; THIS ORDER TOO WOULD HAVE COME UP AGAINST THAT OBSTACLE.) IT IS ALSO POSSIBLE THAT SUDDEN INTEREST IN PURCHASE OF ARMED FORCES EQUIPMENT MAY HAVE ARISEN FROM US REPORT TO GAIRY GOVERNMENT ON JANUARY 15, 1979, THAT TREASURY DEPARTMENT HAD REPORTS OF ARMS SMUGGLING INTO GRENADA.

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TAGS: PINT, GJ
SUBJECT: CUBANA AIRCRAFT IN GRENADA

1. (C) - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. A TWO-ENGINE CUBANA AIRCRAFT MADE AN UNEXPECTED LANDING APRIL 7 MORNING AT GRENADA'S ONLY AIRPORT. PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY ARMY COMMANDER HUDSON AUSTIN TOLD EMBOFFS THAT, IN FACT, CUBANA PLANE ON NON-SCHEDULED FLIGHT FROM ST. LUCIA TO TRINIDAD HAD DEVELOPED ENGINE TROUBLE. AFTER AN EMERGENCY LANDING, THE CREW TINKERED WITH THE ENGINE AND RESUMED THEIR TRIP WITHIN AN HOUR. (WE ARE UNAWARE OF SCHEDULED CUBANA FLIGHTS VIA ST. LUCIA. THERE ARE UNCONFIRMED RUMORS THAT TWO CUBANS STAYED BEHIND IN GRENADA.)

3. COMMENT: THIS INCIDENT AND AUSTIN'S EXPLANATION TAKES
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ON ADDED SIGNIFICANCE IN LIGHT OF PM BISHOP'S STATEMENT OF APRIL 8 THAT GRENADA WILL ESTABLISH TIES WITH CUBA AND REQUEST ARMS AID.
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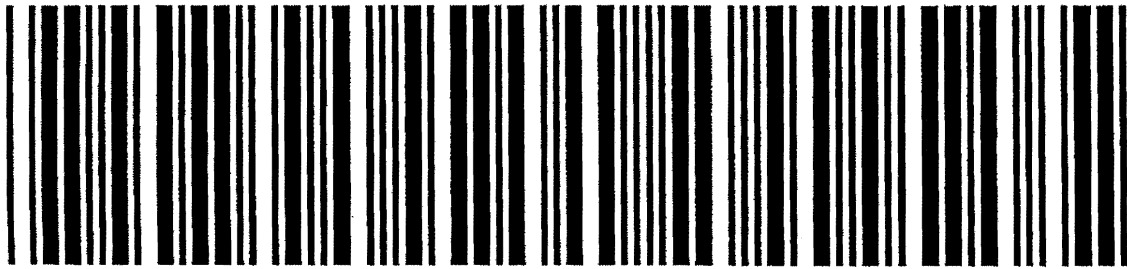
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E.O. 12065: N/A
TAGS: PINT, GJ, TD, CU
SUBJECT: THE WEEKLY "BOMB" CHARGES CUBAN MILITARY
PARTICIPATION IN GRENADA COUP

1. THE WIDELY-READ WEEKLY TABLOID, "THE BOMB," OF 3/23
CARRIES A FRONT-PAGE STORY BY STAFF WRITER IAN GOODING
CLAIMING THAT TEN CUBAN SOLDIERS HELPED MAURICE BISHOP
CARRY OUT HIS COUP AGAINST ERIC GAIRY'S REGIME IN GRENADA.
HIGHLY SENSATIONALIST AND CONTROVERSIAL, "THE BOMB"
SOMETIMES TWISTS OR DISTORTS ITS STORIES BUT IS NOT KNOWN
TO MANUFACTURE THEM.

2. ACCORDING TO GOODING, WHO RECENTLY HAS BEEN IN GRENADA,
TEN HEAVILY-ARMED CUBAN GUERRILLAS WERE LANDED SECRETLY ON
A REMOTE GRENADIAN BEACH ON 3/13 A FEW HOURS BEFORE THE
NJM ATTACK ON THE ARMY BARRACKS TOOK PLACE. FROM THERE
THE CUBANS SPLIT INTO TWO GROUPS AND, ALONG WITH ABOUT
TWENTY TEENAGE BOYS, ATTACKED THE BARRACKS AND RADIO
STATION. WITHIN FOUR HOURS THE COUP HAD SUCCEEDED AND THE
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CUBANS PROMPTLY RETURNED TO CUBA BY PLANE.

3. IN THE SAME ARTICLE GOODING ALSO CLAIMS THAT FORBES
BURNHAM PAID A SECRET VISIT TO GRENADA ON 3/16 BUT GIVES

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NO DETAILS. THE WRITER DID NOT IDENTIFY HIS SOURCES FOR
EITHER CHARGE.

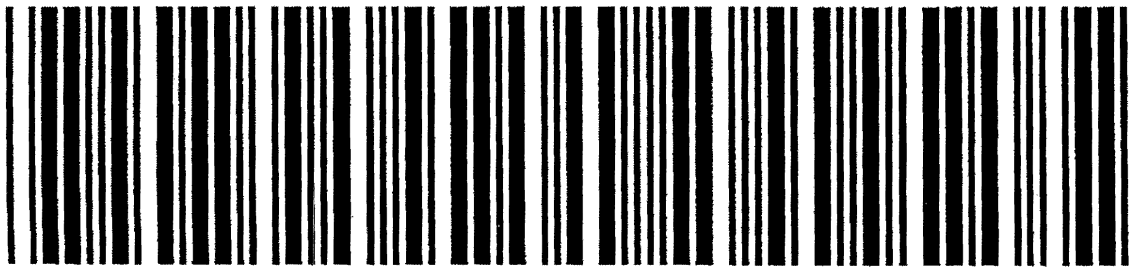
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4. COMMENT. TO DATE "THE BOMB" STORY IS THE FIRST AND ONLY
TIME EITHER THE CUBAN PARTICIPATION OR BURNHAM VISIT
ALLEGATIONS HAS APPEARED IN THE MEDIA HERE. FOX

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E.O. 12065 GDS 3/22/85 (HEWITT, ASHLEY C.)

TAGS: PINT, PINS, GJ

SUBJECT: GRENADA RECOGNITION

REF: STATE 071202

1. REFTTEL TRANSMITTED THE TEXT OF THE STATEMENT TO BE
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USED BY THE SPOKESMAN IN ANNOUNCING OUR DECISION TO
CONTINUE NORMAL RELATIONS WITH GRENADA. THE STATEMENT
WAS MADE BY THE SPOKESMAN DURING THE MARCH 22 NOON
BRIEFING EXACTLY AS TRANSMITTED. YOU SHOULD SHARE THE

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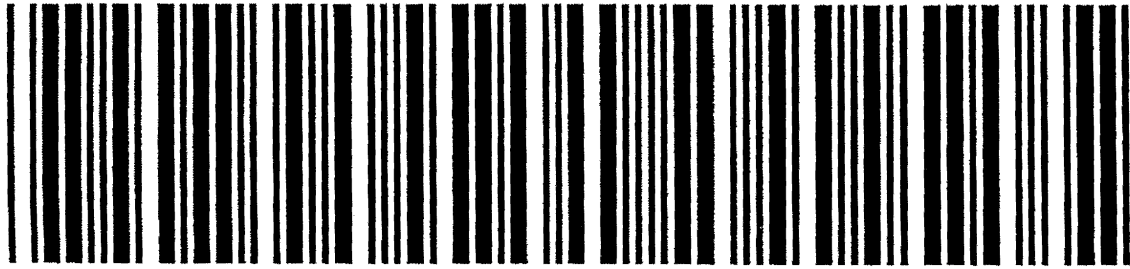
2. IN CONVERSATIONS WITH HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND OTHERS, YOU SHOULD EMPHASIZE THE IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO EARLY FREE ELECTIONS IN GRENADA. WE HAVE TOLD THE NEW GOVERNMENT THAT WE HOPE IT WILL SHORTLY ANNOUNCE A PROJECTED DATE FOR ELECTIONS. (L.O.U.)

3. (C) FYI: WHILE WE WOULD HAVE CONTINUED RELATIONS WITH GRENADA IN ANY EVENT, WE TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF A "DECISION" TO DO SO TO INCREASE THE PRESSURE ON THE NEW GOVERNMENT TO HOLD ELECTIONS AS PROMISED. END FYI. VANCE

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TAGS: PINT, GJ, TD, US
SUBJECT: PRESS REPORT THAT SECRETARY VANCE IS IN GRENADA

REF: FOX-CAMP TELECON OF 3/23

1. "TRINIDAD GUARDIAN" OF 3/23 CARRIES FRONTPAGE STORY BY STAFF-WRITER ERROL PILGRIM STATING THAT "CYRUS VANCE ARRIVED IN GRENADA YESTERDAY FOR TALKS WITH THE PROVISIONAL REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT OF MAURICE BISHOP." THE ARTICLE STATES THAT VANCE WAS DUE TO MEET WITH BISHOP AND HIS COLLEAGUES AT 0900 HRS ON 3/23.

2. THE ARTICLE ALSO SAYS THAT A MATTER WHICH ARISES IN CONNECTION WITH U.S. "RECOGNITION" OF THE NEW REGIME IS "THE CONTINUED PRESENCE OF KNOWN AMERICAN CRIMINAL ELEMENTS IN THE ISLAND." THE NJM HAS REPORTEDLY ACCUSED GAIRY OF HARBORING SUCH CRIMINALS IN GRENADA. THE ARTICLE STATES THAT AT LEAST ONE SUCH FUGITIVE, WANTED BY THE FBI ON SEVERAL CHARGES OF FRAUD, IS LIVING COMFORTABLY THERE WITH SEVERAL LARGE LAND HOLDINGS.

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3. THE "GUARDIAN" REPORT CONCLUDES BY SAYING THAT BERNARD COARD OF THE NJM HAD COMMENTED THAT THESE KNOWN CRIMINAL ELEMENTS WERE BEING WATCHED AND THAT "THE SURVEILLANCE OF

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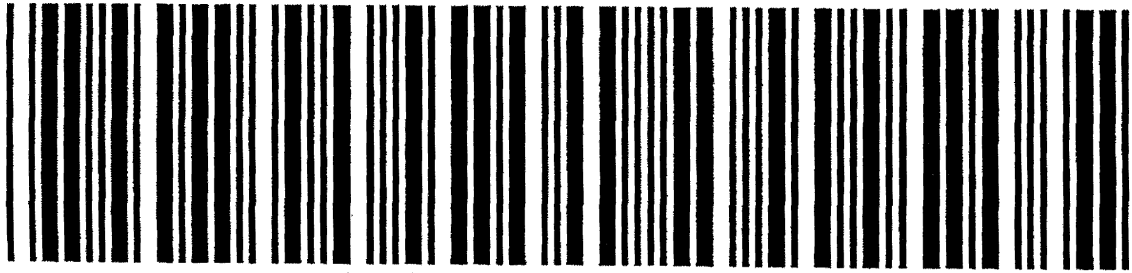
THEIR MOVEMENTS WOULD CONTINUE UNTIL FORMAL RECOGNITION WAS GRANTED BY THE U.S., AT WHICH TIME THE MATTER OF THEIR DEPORTATION WOULD BE TAKEN UP."

4. COMMENT. WE HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH THE "GUARDIAN" AND OTHER MEDIA HERE TO CORRECT THE STORY ABOUT WHICH US REPRESENTATIVE IS IN GRENADA. THUS FAR ONLY THE "GUARDIAN" HAS REPORTED THE ERRONEOUS STORY. FOX

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TAGS: PINT, PINS, GJ

SUBJ: GRENADA: MEETING WITH REVOLUTIONARY LEADERS BISHOP
AND WHITEMAN

REF : STATE 70482, STATE 71209, BRASILIA 2518

- 1. (C) - ENTIRE TEXT.
- 2. BY SEPTTEL I SHALL REPORT IN DETAIL THE TWO-HOUR DISCUSSION WITH BISHOP AND THITEMAN MARCH 23. COARD WAS UNAVAILABLE. I WAS ACCOMPANIED BY CONSUL LAROCHE, AID OFFICER LIERCKE, AND ECONOMIC OFFICER STANLEY. THIS MESSAGE SUMMARIZES
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THE MAIN POINTS COVERED AND CONTAINS MY COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. NEVERTHELESS, I URGE THE LENGTHIER MESSAGE BE READ IN ITS ENTIRETY. THE FLAVOR OF THE DISCUSSIONS CANNOT BE ADEQUATELY CONVEYED IN THIS MESSAGE.

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3. AFTER GIVING BISHOP COPIES OF DEPARTMENT'S MARCH 22 STATEMENT ON CONTINUATION OF RELATIONS, I FOLLOVED CLOSELY INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED IN REFTELS. BEFORE INVITING DISCUSSION OF THE POINTS MADE, I SUGGESTED I OUTLINE THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF U.S. RELATIONS WITH GRENADA PRIOR TO MARCH 13 WHICH WE PROPOSED TO CONTINUE ON THE BASIS OF MUTUAL ACCEPTABILITY. LIERCKE THEN OUTLINED IN DETAIL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE WE MAKING AVAILABLE TO GRENADA. HIS PRESENTATION WAS FOLLOWED WITH AVID INTEREST. COPIOUS NOTES WERE TAKEN AND OUR PROGRAM RESUMES GRATEFULLY RECEIVED. IT IS CLEAR BISHOP NEEDS AND WANTS ASSISTANCE BADLY. I SKETCHED OUR PEACE CORPS EFFORTS. BISHOP WANTS PEACE CORPS TO STAY. LAROCHE THEN SPOKE OF OUR EXPECTATIONS RE US CITIZENS AND THEIR PROPERTY. I SAID AMERICANS' WELL BEING IS CENTRAL TO OUR RELATIONS WITH THE NEW GOVERNMENT. AGAIN, WE WERE GIVEN EVERY POSSIBLE REASSURANCE. STANLEY AND I THEN SPOKE OF TRADE, TOURISM AND INVESTMENT. TOTAL EXPOSITION GAVE BISHOP AND WHITEMAN A GOOD APPRECIATION OF WHAT RELATIONS WITH U.S. MEANT TO GRENADA.

4. THERE FOLLOWED A DISCUSSION OF OUR PRESENT RELATIONS. I RAISED OUR EXPECTATIONS RE PROMPT, FAIR AND FREE ELECTIONS FOR SECOND AND THIRD TIME. THE RESPONSE AGAIN WAS FUZZY; WE MOVED ON TO A DISCUSSION OF IDEOLOGY. THEY AVOIDED ANY DEFINITION OTHER THAN BEING CONFIDENTIAL

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SOCIALIST BUT DID ACKNOWLEDGE THE VIRTUES OF PRAGMATISM. THEY WANT TO BE DEFINED BY THEIR ACTIONS. BISHOP SAIDX THEY WERE LESS KEEN ON IMPLANTING THE TANZANIAN MODEL. THEY NOW FAVOR GREEK STYLE PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY. HE SAID THIS SHOULD PLEASE US.

5. I THEN SAID IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO RAISE A NUMBER OF DIFFICULT PROBLEMS WHICH I PREFERRED BE LAID OUT IN THE OPEN, CONFIDENT THAT WE MUTUALLY DESIRE THEY NOT BECOME ISSUES BETWEEN US. I TOLD BISHOP I FRANKLY WAS NOT SATISFIED WITH HIS RESPONSE THUS FAR TO MY REQUEST FOR ASSURANCES ON ELECTIONS: HE WOULD GIVE MO NO TIME FRAME; HE WOULD NOT TELL ME IF INDEPENDENT OBSERVERS WOULD BE USED. SINCE THE U.S. ATTACHED SUCH IMPORTANCE TO EARLY AND FREE ELECTIONS AND WE BOTH WANT A CLOSE AND PRO-

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DUCATIVE RELATIONSHIP, I NEEDED A FIRMER COMMITMENT FROM THE NEW GOVERNMENT IN THIS RESPECT. HE REACTED BY TELLING ME THE NEW GOVERNMENT IS SERIOUSLY CONSIDERING TWO OPTIONS IN SETTING ITSELF UP: (1) TO CONTINUE TO TRY TO ACCOMMODATE ITSELF TO "FARCICIAL LEGAL OPTIONS" IMPLANTED BY A FOREIGN CULTURE IN GRENADA OR (2) TO BE "HONEST" AND BYPASS THE PRESENT SYSTEM TO CREATE A SYSTEM OF "REAL" DEMOCRACY. UNDER A NEW SYSTEM THE PEOPLE WOULD HAVE FULL PARTICIPATION IN THE GOVERNMENT AT THE GRASS ROOTS LEVEL THROUGH PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLIES. THIS DISCUSSION WAS VERY OPAQUE. I ASKED HIM IF HE WAS AWARE OF THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE LATTER OPTION TO GRENADA'S SITUATION WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH. IT WAS CLEAR HE DID ALTHOUGH HE AT ONE POINT SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO KEEP A GOVERNOR GENERAL AND STAY IN THE COMMONWEALTH. IT IS ALSO CLEAR SUCH SWEEPING CHANGES GAVE HIM PAUSE. I SAID I STILL DID NOT HAVE THE ANSWER ON ELECTIONS I WAS SEEKING. BISHOP REPLIED HE WOULD PROBABLY ANNOUNCE SOON THE STEPS THEY WOULD TAKE TO CARRY OUT ELECTIONS BUT THEY COULD NOT BE HELD SOON. THEY WOULD PROBABLY BE PRECEDED BY THE CALLING OF A
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CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY, THE NAMING OF NEW ELECTORAL OFFICIALS AND THE DRAWING UP OF NEW VOTERS' ROLLS. HE BELIEVED WE WOULD BE SATISFIED WITH THEIR ACTIONS. ON OUTSIDE OBSERVERS FROM ANY COUNTRY OR COUNTRIES, HE FIRST SAID THIS WOULD BE AN UNACCEPTABLE INFRINGEMENT OF GRENADA'S SOVEREIGNTY. AFTER DISCUSSING VARIOUS PRECEDENTS HE THEN SAID HE WOULD REFER THIS QUESTION TO HIS COLLEAGUES IN THE GOVERNMENT AND WOULD LET ME KNOW.

6. OTHER TOPICS RAISED REPORTED SEPTEL.

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7. CONVERSATION WHICH TOUCHED ON MANY SENSITIVE MATTERS WAS NONETHELESS VERY CORDIAL. BISHOP SHOWED FLASHES OF ANGER BUT NOT DIRECTED AT U.S. HE AND WHITEMAN OBVIOUSLY WELCOMED THE EXCHANGE WHICH LASTED ONE HOUR MORE THAN SCHEDULED. OUR INSTRUCTIONS TO PRESS ON ELECTIONS UNFORTUNATELY WERE NOT PARALLELED BY BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER WHO PRECEDED ME. HIS CONVERSATION WAS NOT VERY SUBSTANTIVE AND HIS THEME WAS THE UK DOES NOT TELL OTHER PEOPLE HOW TO RUN THEIR GOVERNMENTS. CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER SEES BISHOP MARCH 26. HE WILL ALSO PRESS ON ELECTIONS, WHICH SHOULD BE HELPFUL.

8. COMMENT: I WAS IMPRESSED, AND THIS IS NOT FULLY SHARED BY THE OFFICERS ACCOMPANYING ME, BY THE HIGH DEGREE OF IDEOLOGICAL MOTIVATION THAT APPEARS TO ANIMATE
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BOTH BISHOP AND WHITEMAN NOT APPARENT TO ME IN OUR PREVIOUS CONTACTS. THEY ARE IN DRAMATIC CIRCUMSTANCES. ESSENTIALLY THEY ARE A HANDFUL OF INTELLIGENT DEDICATED AND HARD-WORKING YOUNG MEN OF PRIVILEGED BACKGROUNDS WHO BY THEIR BOLDNESS ARE IN CONTROL OF A NEAR BANKRUPT, TROPICAL SLUM. THEY ARE RAISING EXPECTATIONS AND MUST SOON PRODUCE TO KEEP THE POPULAR SUPPORT THEY NOW HAVE. THEY MUST HAVE OUTSIDE HELP. NEVERTHELESS PRAGMATIC

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BY IDEALISTIC CONCEPTS THAT WILL BE VERY HARD TO IMPLEMENT.
I WAS ALSO IMPRESSED BY THE FEEEL FOR POWER THE TWO MEN
DISPLAYED. I CONSIDER WE ARE DEALING WITH AN
IDEOLOGICALLY COMMITTED ALTHOUGH PROBABLY NOT AN
IDEOLOGICALLY UNIFIED GROUP. WE ARE IN FAIR SHAPE THUS
FAR IN OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THEM ALTHOUGH THEIR FEAR
OF A COUNTERCOUP, THEIR SENSITIVITY TO CRITICISM, AND
GAIRY'S CONTINUED PRESENCE IN THE U.S. WILL BE IRRITANTS.
FOR THEM HOWEVER THE QUESTION OF US, UK AND CANADIAN
ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE SEEMS OVERRIDING IN THE SHORT-TERM.
UNLESS SOME OTHER SOURCES OF ASSISTANCE ARE FOUND, THIS
FACTOR WILL BE A KEY ONE IN DEFINING OUR RELATIONSHIP
WITH THE NEW GROUP.

9. RECOMMENDATIONS: WE WERE NOT SUCCESSFUL IN OB-
TAINING CONCRETE ASSURANCES ON THE TIMING AND NATURE OF
ELECTIONS. I RECOMMEND I WAIT UNTIL AFTER THE CANADIAN
HIGH COMMISSIONER PRESSES BISHOP ON ELECTIONS AND THAT
I THEN TELEPHONE OR GO SEE BISHOP AGAIN TO ASCERTAIN IF
SUCH ASSURANCES WILL BE GIVEN US. I AM NOT SANGUINE THAT
THEY WILL AND THIS OBVIOUSLY WOULD PRESENT US WITH A
PROBLEM. PREVIOUSLY, WE SKETCHED OUT OUR MAIN POLICY
ALTERNATIVES AS WE SEE THEM; I.E., SUPPORT EFFORTS TO
OVERTURN THE COUP; CUT OURSELVES OFF FROM AND ATTEMPT TO
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ISOLATE GRENADA; INDICATE APPROVAL OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT
BY INCREASING OUR SUPPORT, OR IN CONCERT WITH THE UK AND
CANADA TAKE A CAREFUL BUT FORTHCOMING APPROACH TO INVLUENCE A
SITUATION THAT IS STILL IN EVOLUTION. WE SEE NO VIABLE
ALTERNATIVE TO CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THE LAST COURSE.
HOWEVER IT IS NOW MORE APPARENT THAT AT THIS EARLY STAGE
WE CANNOT YET HOPE TO SET THE TERMS OF OUR ASSISTANCE
WITHOUT SERIOUSLY DISRUPTIVE CONSEQUENCES. IF WE EXPECT
TO HAVE A SIGNIFICANT CONSTRUCTIVE INVLUENCE ON THE COURSE
OF EVENTS, WE SHALL HAVE TO PLAY FOR TIME SHOWING FOR-
BEARANCE AND PATIENCE AND AVOIDING UNNECESSARY CON-
FRONTATION UNTIL THE NEW GOVERNMENT IS MORE COMFORTABLE
IN ITS RELATIONSHIP WITH US, AND WE UNDERSTAND ITS
ULTIMATE DESIGNS BETTER.
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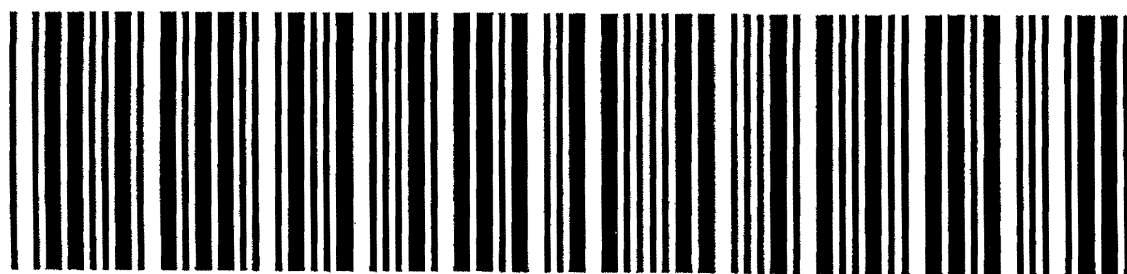
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TAGS: PINT, PINS, GJ

SUBJ: GRENADA: TALK WITH GOVERNOR GENERAL SCOON

1. (C) - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. I FOUND SCOON RELAXED, PROBABLY MORE RELAXED THAN HE SHOULD BE. HE SPOKE TO ME OF THE CONSITTUTIONAL MUDDLE WITH WHICH GRENADA IS NOW FACED. HE HAS NOT HEARD IN ANY WAY FROM PRIME MINISTER GAIRY; THEREFORE SO FAR AS SCOON KNOWS, GAIRY HAS NOT RESIGNED. UNDER THE CONSTITUTION GAIRY'S RESIGNATION WOULD GO TO SCOON. NEVERTHELESS SCOON COULD DECLARE THE PM ABSENT IN WHICH CASE PREUDHOMME, THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER, WOULD BECOME PM. AN EARLIER SCENARIO WOULD HAVE PREUDHOMME RESIGN IN FAVOR OF REVOLUTIONARY LEADER BISHOP. HOWEVER, PM MUST HAVE THE MAJORITY OF SEATS IN THE PARLIAMENT. BISHOP'S PARTY HAS ONLY THREE OF FIFTEEN AND PROBABLY COULD COUNT ON THREE OTHER OPPOSITION MEMBERS,
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BUT WOULD STILL LACK A MAJORITY SO THAT AVENUE IS OUT. SCOON NOW TRYING WITH TWO ALTERNATES: (1) TO "PERSUADE" 3 OR 4 GAIRY MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT TO RESIGN SO HE COULD APPOINT BISHOP'S PEOPLE IN HIS STEAD, THUS GIVING BISHOP

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THE REQUIRED MAJORITY; OR (2) HE COULD DISSOLVE THE PARLIAMENT WHICH HE IS EMPOWERED TO DO, AFTER WHICH ELECTIONS WOULD HAVE TO BE CALLED WITHIN THREE MONTHS. HE THOUGHT FIRST SOLUTION WOULD WORK AND GIVE BISHOP THE LEGITIMACY EVERYONE WANTS HIM TO HAVE. I TOLD HIM I HOPED THAT A SOLUTION AGREEABLE TO EVERYONE COULD BE FOUND QUICKLY AS THE PRESENT MUDDLE CONTRIBUTED TO A CONTINUING ERA OF UNEASE NOT GOOD FOR ANYONE.

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3. SCOON, WHO ALTHOUGH APPOINTED BY GAIRY STRIKES ME AS BEING RATHER OBJECTIVE, THEN SPOKE WITH ME IN CONFIDENCE ABOUT THE NEW GROUP IN POWER. HE SAID BISHOP AND RADIX ARE ESSENTIALLY MODERATE AND OF DEMOCRATIC ORIENTATION. HOWEVER, COARD AND WHITEMAN ARE HARD-CORE IDEOLOGUES WHO WILL PRESS FOR THE MOST RADICAL MOVES. HE FEARED THEM. SCOON SAID IN REALITY THE NEW GROUP COULD NOT COMMAND MAJORITY PUBLIC SUPPORT AND THEY KNOW IT. AS TIME GOES ON HE FELT SURE THERE WOULD BE GROWING OPPOSITION IN THE RURAL DISTRICTS, PARTICULARLY IN THE WEST. HE SAID THERE ARE ABOUT 7000-8000 WHO ARE FIRM SUPPORTERS OF GAIRY UNDER ANY AND ALL CIRCUMSTANCES. THE NEW JEWEL KNOWS THIS AND IS ALREADY DISPLAYING EARLY SIGNS OF PARANOIA.

4. SCOON SAID WE WERE WISE TO HAVE MOVED QUICKLY TO CONTINUE RELATIONS AND HE ADVISED WE RETAIN CLOSE CONTACT WITH THE NEW GOVERNMENT TO HELP ASSURE THAT THE SITUATION EVOLVES IN DESIRABLE DIRECTIONS.

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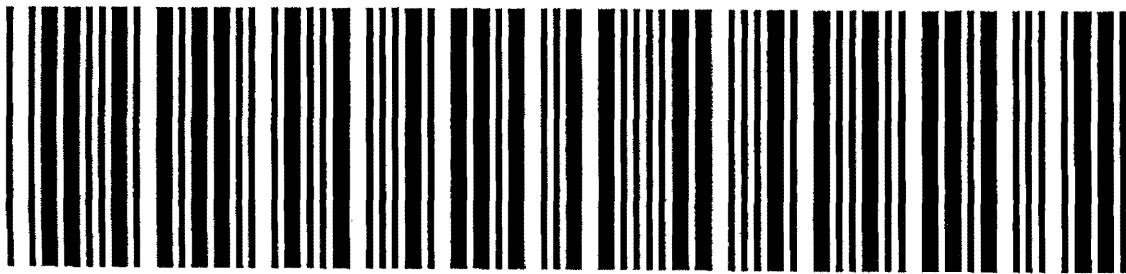
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SUBJECT: GRENADA:

1. (C) ENTIRE TEXT
2. ON MARCH 20 AMBASSADOR JOHN JACKSON, BRITISH AMBASSADOR IN HAVANA, STOPPED BY FOR AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS. HE COMMENTED ON THE EARLY PRONOUNCEMENTS OF THE BISHOP GOVERNMENT. HE SAID THEY SOUNDED VERY SIMILAR TO THE TYPE OF STATEMENTS MADE BY CASTRO WHEN HE FIRST TOOK OVER IN CUBA. TO MY SURPRISE AMBASSADOR JACKSON WENT ON TO SAY THAT HE FOUND THE ENGLISH USED BY BISHOP TO BE CURIOUS "ALMOST AS IF HE WAS TRANSLATING FROM THE SPANISH."
3. I TOLD AMBASSADOR JACKSON THAT IN A RECENT STAFF MEETING WE TOO HAD RECALLED THAT CASTRO MADE VERY SOOTHING STATEMENTS WHEN HE FIRST ASSUMED POWER BUT THEN WE NOTED MOST REVOLUTIONARY REGIMES MAKE SUCH STATEMENTS. I SAID WE STILL BELIEVE WE SHOULD MAINTAIN CONTACT AND OBSERVE CLOSELY BEFORE WE MADE ANY FICAL JUDGEMENTS.

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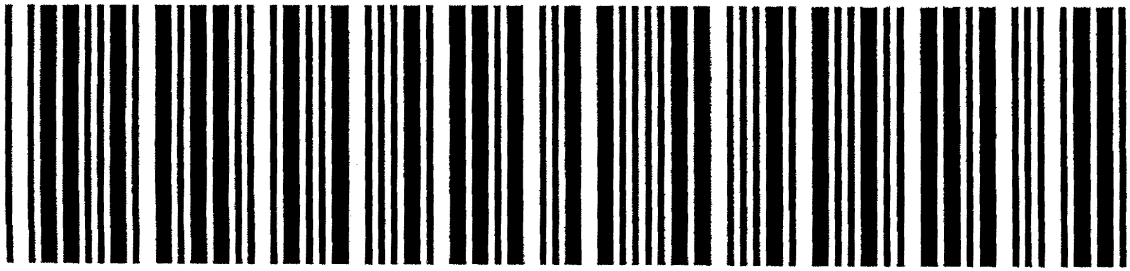
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SUBJECT: GRENADA: VIGNETTES

1. AT FIRST IT SEEMED LIKE OLD TIMES ON ARRIVAL AT THE GRENADA AIRPORT. PROTOCOL OFFICER FRANCIS WAITED AT THE FOOT OF THE AIRCRAFT STEPS. MRS. SHEARS, THE OTHER OFFICIAL GREETER WAS OUTSIDE THE VIP ROOM. BOTH WERE ATTENTIVE AND SMILING AS USUAL BUT LOOKED AT THE GROUND A LOT AND SEEMED EMBARRASSED. THE NEW ELEMENT AT TH AIRPORT WERE HEAVILY ARMED MILITIA MEN OF THE PEOPLES REVOLUTIONARY ARMY. THEY WERE IN OLIVE DRAB FATIGUE UNIFORMS WITH YELLOW CRUDE PRA ARM PATCHES WITH MYSTERIOUS NUMBERS ON THEM. THE MILITA MEN LOOKED STERN UNTIL YOU WENT UP AND SPOKE TO THEM THEN THEY DISOLVED INTO INFECTIOUS WEST INDIAN SMILES AND EXTENDED THEMSELVES TO EVERY POSSIBLE COURTESY.

2. MRS. SHEARS DID NOT PRESIDE OVER THE VIP ROOM, SHE DIDN'T EVEN ENTER IT. INSTEAD A YOUNG MAN WITH A PISTOL SHOVED INTO HIS WAIST SAID, "REMEMBER ME?"
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IT WAS VALENTINO SAWNEY, A YOUNG LABOR LEADER WHOM WE'D SENT TO FRONT ROYAL, VIRGINIA FOR THE AIFLD COURSE IN 1978. SAWNEY'S HAND WAS SWEATY WHEN WE SHOOK. WE REMINISCED ABOUT THE GREAT PARTY WE HAD FOR THE GROUP

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BEFORE THE WENT UP. SAWNEY SEEMS TO BE IN CHARGE OF

THE AIRPORT ALTHOUGH WE HAVE HIM LISTED AS CUSTOMS AND SHIPPING CLERK. FROM THE NUMBE OF ARMED MILITIA THE AIRPORT OBVIOUSLY IS CONSIDERED A PRIME STATEGIC POINT.

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3. THERE ARE ARMED MEN AT THE BRIDGES ON THE HILLY ROAD INTO TOWN. ALSO AT TWO MILITIA HEADQUARTERS WE PASSED. ONE STILL FLIES THE REVOLUTIONARY SYMBOL USED DURING THE FIRST DAYS, UNTIL SOMEONE TOLD THE NEW JEWEL THAT THEIR SYMBOL AND THE JAPANESE FLAG WERE THE SAME. TOKYO PAPERS WOULD BE MYSTIFIED.

4. THERE ARE STILL QUITE A FEW YOUNG MEN BEARING ARMS. THEY CRADLE THEM WITH OBVIOUS PRIDE BUT SOME ALREADY LOOK BORED. THE REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT WILL HAVE TO TRY HARDER TO CONVINCEN THAT A COUNTER COUP THREATENS. AT IMPORTANT POINTS THE ARMS LOOK LIKE MODERN SEMI AUTOMATICS. AT LESS IMPORTANT POINTS THEY RANGE FROM 22S TO SHOTGUNS AND OLD ENFIELDS.

5. THE UNIFORMS ARE SAID TO BE CUBAN VIA, OF ALL PLACES, CHILE. IT SEEMS CASTRO SENT THEM TO ALLENDE AND THEN PINOCHET SENT THEM TO GAIRY WHO KEPT THEM IN THEIR CRATES BECASUE OF BRITISH DISPLEASURE AT THE GIFT. THE NEW GOVERNMENT DISTRIBUTED THEM TO THE REVOLUTIONARY MILITIA. WILL THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT BE DISPLEASD NOW?

6. THE CHAMBERMAID AT THE HOTEL WHERE I USUALLY STAY

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ALWAYS LEAVES THE GIDEON BIBLE OPEN TO A PASSAGE SHE WANTS ME TO TAKE TO HEART. FOR THIS VISIT SHE CHOSE CHAPTER 15 OF TH BOOK OF PROVERBS: "A SOFT ANSWER TURNETH AWAY WRATH: BUT GRIEVOUS WORDS STIR UP ANGER." I HOPE THE INSTRUCTIONS I CARRY ARE NOT CONSIDERED GRIEVOUS.

7. LOUIS MY ASSIGNED DRIVER TAKES ME TO CALL ON THE GOVERNOR GENERAL IN A SMALL COMMANDEERED AND RACHITIC RED TOYOTA. I RIDE IN THE FRONT SEAT WITH HIM, HIS PISTOL AND HIS SEMI-AUTOMATIC RIFLE. HE IS AN ARC WELDER WHO DIDN'T HAVE MUCH WORK SO HE RAISES PIGS AND GOATS. HE APPEARS TO BE A POOR WHITE WITH LONG HAIR AND SCRAGGLY BEARD. IN HIS CUBAN OLIVE DRAB UNIFORM HE COULD BE TAKEN FOR A CUBAN.

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HE OBVIOUSLY THINKS AMERICANS ARE GREAT AND SO IS THE REVOLUTION. LATER WE SEE HIM DRIVING THE BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER IN ONE OF GAIRY'S BIG BLACK CARS. HE IS HAVING THE TIME OF HIS LIFE. HE IS IMMENSELY LIKABLE. HE TELLS US HE AND HIS FELLOW MILITIA MEN ARE GOING ON THE GOVERNMENT PAYROLL SOON. I WONDER HOW THEY WILL BE PAID. LOUIS IS QUITE A CONTRAST TO THE CONSTABLE FROM THE OLD REGIME WHO DRIVES ME TO THE AIRPORT WHEN I LEAVE. HE IS ALL BRITISH SPIT AND POLISH.

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8. IT IS QUITE A CONTRAST TO SEE BIKINI-CLAD TOURISTS GAPING AT THE ARMED MILITIA MEN AT THE HOTEL. THESE ARE BISHIP'S PERSONAL BODYGUARDS. THEY WEAR BLACK BERETS. ONE OF THEM BRINGS US COFFEE, SHOVING THE DOOR OPEN WITH HIS AUTOMATIC WEAPON. HE DIDN'T BRING ENOUGH COFFEE BUT WE DECIDE NOT TO ASK FOR MORE.

9. BISHOP AND WHITEMAN ARE SOFT SPOKEN AND CONTROLLED. ONLY NOW AND THEN ARE THERE FLASHES OF ANGER OR ANNOYANCE, LIKE LIGHTNING FLASHES. THEY FLASH WHEN ANYONE HAS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CRITICIZED THEM. IT TAKES TIME TO GET THEM TO SMILE. THEY BREAK INTO A GENUINE LAUGH ONLY ONCE. THEY DO NOT SEEM AT ALL FRIGHTENED OR INSECURE. THEY ARE VERY INTELLIGENT. THEY FIX THEIR EYES ON US WONDERING IF WE ARE TELLING THE TRUTH. TOWARDS THE END THEY SEEM TO HAVE DECIDED THAT WE WERE.

10. AT THE AIRPORT SAWNEY DOES NOT WANT ME TO LEAVE THE VIP ROOM. WHY? HE BRINGS EVERYTHING TO ME. WHEN HE CLEARS OFF A HIGH TABLE FOR ME TO WRITE ON HE SHOVES ASIDE LENIN'S "THE LAND QUESTION AND THE FIGHT FOR FREEDOM" WHICH EITHER HE OR THE QUIET YOUNG MAN WHO SITS ON A COUCH WATCHING US HAS BEEN READING.

11. AS WE LEAVE WE THANK ALL THE PLAINCLOTHESMEN WHO WERE WITH US DURING OUR STAY. ONE IS SERVEANT DATE WHO WAS A NEW JEWEL INFILTRATOR IN GAIRY'S POLICE. I ALSO SAY GOODBYE TO LOUIS. ALL BREAK INTO WARM, FRIENDLY GRINS. THE CREW OF THE AIRCRAFT SEEING THE ARMED MEN IN THE TOWER AND ON ALL SIDES SEEM ANXIOUS TO LEAVE GRENADA. WE WOULD HAVE WANTED TO STAY LONGER.

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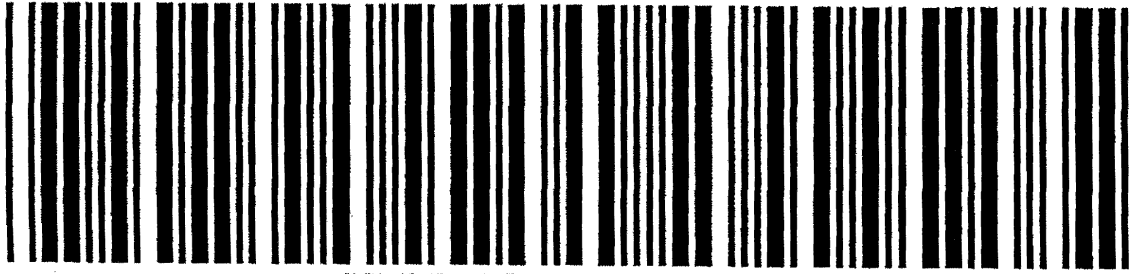
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SUBJ: GRENADA: NEW CABINET ANNOUNCED

1. GRENADA'S PM MAURICE BISHOP ANNOUNCED MARCH 25 A SEVEN-MEMBER CABINET FOR HIS NEW REGIME. THIS APPEARS TO BE CORE OF 14-PERSON "PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT" REPORTED IN BRIDGETOWN 986. CABINET MEMBERS AND THEIR PORTFOLIOS ARE:

MAURICE BISHOP - HOME AFFAIRS, NATIONAL SECURITY, EXTERNAL RELATINS, INFORMATION AND CULTURE, CARRIACOU AFFAIRS.

BERNARD COARD - FINANCE, TRADE, INDUSTRY, PLANNING

UNISON WHITEMAN - AGRICULTURE, TOURISM, FISHERIES

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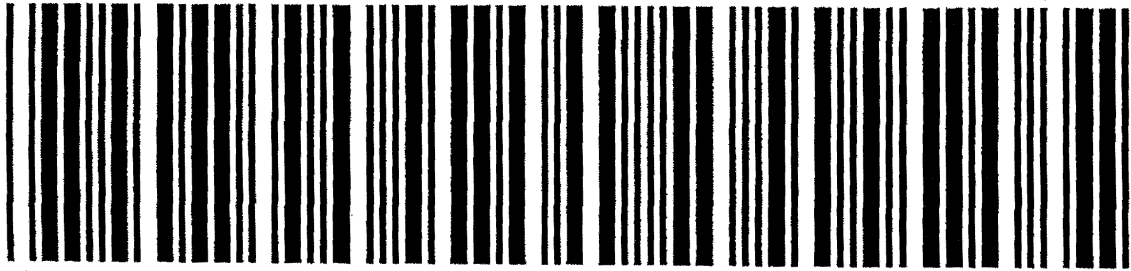
2. A DEPUTY MINISTER FOR LEGAL AFFAIRS -- LLOYD
NOEL -- WAS ALSO APPOINTED, PROBABLY BECAUSE KENRICK
RADIX HAS ALSO BEEN DESIGNATED AMBASSADOR TO THE U.S.

3. BISHOP ALSO ANNOUNCED THREE "SECRETARIES" TO MINISTRIES:
DR. BERNARD GITTENS FOR HEALTH AND HOUSING; PALM BUXO FOR
TOURISM; AND LYLE BULLEN FOR CARRIACOU AND PETIT
MARTINIQUE AFFAIRS.
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1. AHAS INOPERABLE AGAIN. APPEARS THERE MAY BE A SHORT IN THE SYSTEM.

2. ONE CSR/ASR INOPERABLE DUE TO REPERF MALFUNCTION. PLEASE SHIP REPLACEMENT UNIT SOONEST.

3. KWM2A IS IN NEED OF CEO-R VISIT IN NEAR FUTURE.

4. BECAUSE OF THE SITUATION WHICH TOOK PLACE IN GRENADA RECENTLY, AN EMBASSY OFFICER HAS INQUIRED IF OUR C&R UNIT COULD SET UP AN AMATEUR (HAM) RADIO STATION, WITH OUR AVAILALE EQUIPMENT.

REQUEST OC ADVISE RE THIS MATTER. FYI: THE C&RU HAS NOT MADE ANY ADVANCES RE THIS IDEA TO THE LOCAL MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS,
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BUT FEEL CERTAIN OF A POSITIVE RESPONSE.
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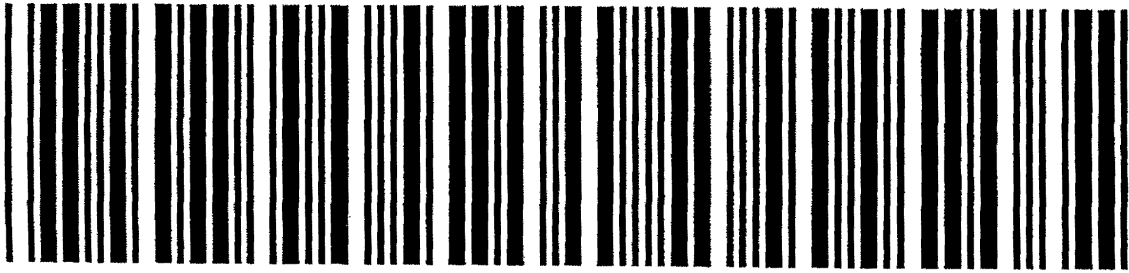
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SUBJECT: TEXT OF GOTT STATEMENT ON GRENADA

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1. THE FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE GOTT STATEMENT ON GRENADA, DELIVERED IN PARLIAMENT ON 3/23 BY FONMIN JOHN DONALDSON:

(BEGIN TEXT) GRENADA, A BRITISH DEPENDENCY FROM 1783, BECAME AN ASSOCIATED STATE ENJOYING INTERNAL SELF-GOVERNMENT ON MARCH 3, 1967, AND ACHIEVED FULL INDEPENDENCE ON FEBRUARY 7, 1974, THUS ASSUMING COMPLETE RESPONSIBILITY FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT AND DESTINY AND THE CONDUCT OF ITS INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

FROM INDEPENDENCE IN 1962, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO HAS MAINTAINED UNINTERRUPTED BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH SUCCESSIVE GOVERNMENTS OF GRENADA DURING ITS EVOLUTION FROM A COLONY TO A SOVEREIGN AND INDEPENDENT MONARCHY AND SINCE.

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WITHOUT ANY FORMAL ACT OF RECOGNITION ON ITS PART, THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO PARTICIPATED IN GRENADA'S INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATIONS. EVEN PRIOR TO FEBRUARY 7, 1974, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE EVENT, TRIN-

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TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO SIGNIFIED ITS SUPPORT FOR GRENADA'S MEMBERSHIP IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF NATIONS.

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TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO WAS AMONG THE CO-SPONSORS OF UNITED NATIONS ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 3204 (XXIX) BY WHICH GRENADA WAS ADMITTED TO MEMBERSHIP OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND SUBSEQUENTLY SUPPORTED ITS APPLICATIONS TO THE SPECIALISED AGENCIES OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO ALSO VOTED AFFIRMATIVELY ON GRENADA'S APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES.

SINCE THE ATTAINMENT OF INDEPENDENCE OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO ON AUGUST 31, 1962, THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO HAS STEADFASTLY MAINTAINED A POLICY AND PRACTICE OF NON-INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OTHER SOVEREIGN NATIONS WHICH HAS PRECLUDED ANY IMPLICIT OR EXPLICIT COMMENT ON THE LEGAL OR OTHER QUALIFICATIONS OF THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF FOREIGN COUNTRIES, SAVE IN THE CASE OF SOUTH AFRICA AND RHODESIA.

ON TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 1979, IN HIS ADDRESS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE INTER-AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION, HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT OF OUR REPUBLIC, MR. ELLIS CLARKE, SPEAKING IN HIS OWN RIGHT FROM THE BENEFIT OF HIS CONSIDERABLE EXPERIENCE AS A SENIOR

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ADMINISTRATOR OF THE COUNTRY, A DISTINGUISHED DIPLOMAT AND LAWYER STATED:

"IT (THE POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO) HAS BEEN CLEAR IN THAT AT NO TIME HAS THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO GIVEN FORMAL EXPRESS RECOGNITION TO ANY REGIME THAT HAS COME INTO POWER WHETHER BY CONSTITUTIONAL MEANS OR OTHERWISE."

IN THIS REGARD THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO IS ON SOUND JURIDICAL GROUND FOR WHICH THERE IS PRECEDENT AS FAR BACK AS 1930, WHEN THE SECRETARY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS OF MEXICO ENUNCIATED A POLICY OF NON-INTERVENTION IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF STATES

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"... THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT IS ISSUING NO DECLARATIONS IN THE SENSE OF GRANTS OF RECOGNITION, SINCE THAT NATION CONSIDERS THAT SUCH A COURSE IS AN INSULTING PRACTICE AND ONE WHICH, IN ADDITION TO THE FACT THAT IT OFFENDS THE SOVEREIGNTY OF OTHER NATIONS, IMPLIES THAT JUDGMENT OF SOME SORT MAY BE PASSED UPON THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THESE NATIONS BY OTHER GOVERNMENTS, INASMUCH AS THE LATTER ASSUME, IN EFFECT, AN ATTITUDE OF CRITICISM, WHEN THEY DECIDE, FAVORABLY OR UNFAVORABLY, AS TO THE LEGAL QUALIFICATIONS OF FOREIGN REGIMES.

THEREFORE, THE GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO CONFINES

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ITSELF TO THE MAINTENANCE OR WITHDRAWAL, AS IT MAY DEEM ADVISABLE, OF ITS DIPLOMATIC AGENTS, AND TO THE CONTINUED ACCEPTANCE, ALSO WHEN IT MAY DEEM ADVISABLE, OF SUCH SIMILAR ACCREDITED DIPLOMATIC AGENTS AS THE RESPECTIVE NATIONS MAY HAVE IN MEXICO; AND IN SO DOING, IT DOES NOT PRONOUNCE JUDGEMENT, EITHER PRECIPITATELY OR A POSTERIORI, REGARDING THE RIGHT OF FOREIGN NATIONS TO ACCEPT, MAINTAIN OR REPLACE THEIR GOVERNMENTS OR AUTHORITIES.

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NATURALLY, IN SO FAR AS CONCERNS THE USUAL FORMULAS FOR ACCREDITING AND RECEIVING AGENTS AND FOR THE EXCHANGE OF SIGNED LETTERS OF HEADS OF GOVERNMENTS AND CHANCELLORS, THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT WILL CONTINUE TO USE THE SAME FORMULAS ACCEPTED UP TO THE PRESENT TIME BY INTERNATIONAL AND DIPLOMATIC LAW."

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MANY OTHER COUNTRIES ARE GUIDED BY THIS DOCTRINE IN THE CONDUCT OF THEIR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.

IT IS IN THE ABOVE CONTEXT THAT THE FOLLOWING CHRONOLOGY RELATING TO EVENTS IN GRENADA AS THEY CAME TO THE ATTENTION OF GOVERNMENT IS PRESENTED:-

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EARLY IN THE MORNING OF TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 1979, A NEWS FLASH ANNOUNCED THAT A COUP HAD TAKEN PLACE IN GRENADA.

IN A LATER REPORT OF THE OVERTHROW OF THE GOVERNMENT OF PRIME MINISTER GAIRY IN A RECORDED SEGMENT AN UNIDENTIFIED VOICE CLAIMED THAT A NEW REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT HAD TAKEN OVER THE GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA. THE VOICE STATED THAT THE ARMY HAD SURRENDERED AND THE ACTING COMMISSIONER OF POLICE WAS BEING HELD IN PROTECTIVE CUSTODY AND APPEALED TO ALL POLICE STATIONS TO HOIST WHITE FLAGS AS A SIGN THAT THEY WERE OFFERING NO RESISTANCE.

THROUGHOUT THE DAY PERIODIC REPORTS CONTINUED TO BE BROADCAST. REPRESENTATIVES OF FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS RESIDENT IN PORT OF SPAIN, CALLED AT THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND EXPRESSED THE CONCERN OF THEIR GOVERNMENTS OVER THE REPORTED EVENTS IN GRENADA.

IN SPITE OF THE FACT THAT NO INDEPENDENT REPORTS OR ASSESSMENT OF THE SITUATION WERE YET AVAILABLE, ALL INDICATED THAT THEIR GOVERNMENTS WERE EAGER TO BE GUIDED BY THE REACTIONS OF THE CARICOM GOVERNMENTS TO THE EVENT.

REPORTS WERE RECEIVED FROM OVERSEAS MISSIONS. MEANWHILE THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS WHO WAS IN CARACAS FOR THE INAUGURATION OF THE NEW PRESIDENT

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FOREIGN MINISTER FORDE CALLED ACTING MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS PADMORE ON TUESDAY NIGHT TO INVITE THE GOVERNMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN A MEETING OF CARICOM FOREIGN MINISTERS, SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE IN BRIDGETOWN THE NEXT DAY. UP TO THAT TIME THE ONLY INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON THE SITUATION IN GRENADA WAS WHAT HAD BEEN BROADCAST ON THE RADIO.

FOREIGN MINISTER FORDE WAS THEREFORE INFORMED THAT ON THE BASIS OF AVAILABLE INFORMATION, THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO WAS OF THE OPINION THAT PARTICIPATION IN SUCH A MEETING COULD SERVE NO USEFUL PURPOSE AS IT HAD NO ADVICE TO OFFER. THE FOREIGN MINISTER GRACIOUSLY OFFERED TO KEEP THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO INFORMED OF ANY APPROACHES WHICH MIGHT BE AGREED UPON TO THE PROBLEM THEY IDENTIFIED.

ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14 AND CONTINUING, THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS CONTINUED TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM ITS OVERSEAS MISSIONS IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AS WELL AS FURTHER INFORMATION FROM RESIDENT AMBASSADORS WHO HAD OBTAINED REPORTS FROM GRENADA. THE ACTING MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS ALSO RECEIVED A REPORT FROM FOREIGN MINISTER FORDE ON THE PROGRESS OF THE MEETING.

ALL AVAILABLE INFORMATION INDICATED A TENDENCY ON THE PART OF OTHER GOVERNMENTS TO APPROACH THE SITUATION WITH CAUTION. THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, HOWEVER, STILL HAD NO OFFICIAL REPORT ON THE EVENTS OR THE RESULTING SITUATION IN GRENADA.

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THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO HAS NEVER ACCORDED FORMAL RECOGNITION TO OR ISSUED A FORMAL COMMENT UPON A NEW GOVERNMENT IN ANY STATE WITH WHICH IT MAINTAINS RELATIONS REGARDLESS OF THE MANNER IN WHICH THE CHANGE OCCURRED.

THIS POLICY HAS MOST RECENTLY BEEN IMPLEMENTED IN THE CASE OF IRAN WHERE NOTHING HAS BEEN STATED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO. THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO WILL CONTINUE TO CONDUCT BUSINESS WITH THE ESTABLISHED GOVERNMENT WITHIN THE SOVEREIGN STATES WITH WHICH IT MAINTAINS RELATIONS.

MOREOVER, SIGNIFICANT ECONOMIC RELATIONSHIPS EXIST BETWEEN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO AND GRENADA. THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO WILL NOT ACT IN ANY FASHION SO AS TO SEEM TO BE INVOLVED IN ANY ACTIVITIES WHICH TINKER WITH THE CONSTITUTION OF GRENADA.

IT WILL CONTINUE TO DEAL WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA AND SPECIFICALLY WILL CONTINUE TO HONOR THE PROVISIONS OF ALL AGREEMENTS WITH THAT COUNTRY AND TAKES NOTE OF THE STATEMENTS ATTRIBUTED TO THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA WITH REFERENCE TO ITS INTENTION TO HONOR EXISTING FOREIGN AND REGIONAL COMMITMENTS.

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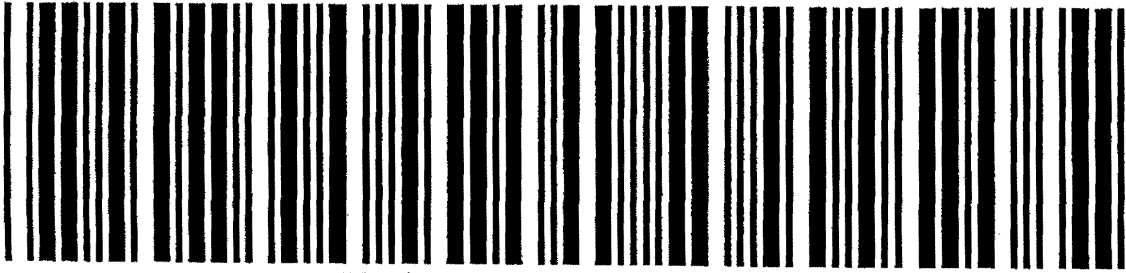
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TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ

SUBJ: GRENADA: NEW POLITICAL STRUCTURE

REF: BRIDGETOWN A-93 OF MAY 17, 1973

1. DURING OUR MEETING WITH BISHOP AND THIEMAN THEY ATTEMPTED TO DESCRIBE ANOTHER OPTION TO THE PRESENT POLITICAL STRUCTURE OF GRENADA. BISHOP DESCRIBED IT AS PURE DEMOCRACY BASED ON GRASS ROOTS PARTICIPATION. IT WAS A CONFUSING DESCRIPTION HE GAVE. HOW CONFUSING CAN BE JUDGED BY THE FACT THAT ALL FOUR AMERICANS PRESENT HAD DIFFERENT INTERPRETATIONS OF WHAT HE MEANT.

2. WE NOW HAVE A BETTER IDEA FROM A-93 OF MAY 17, 1973. WE QUOTE THE DESCRIPTION OF A NEW POLITICAL SYSTEM PROPOUNDED BY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BISHOP IN THE NEW JEWEL NEWSHEET ON JANUARY 19, 1973. THE CONCEPT WILL STILL BE CONFUSING TO MANY:
"HOW WILL THESE ASSEMBLIES WORK? EVERY PERSON IN THE VILLAGE WILL BE A MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY OF HIS VILLAGE.

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THE PEOPLE IN THE VILLAGE TOGETHER WILL DISCUSS AND REACH THEIR OWN DECISIONS. ALSO, THE PEOPLE WILL ELECT A COUNCIL TO CARRY OUT THOSE DECISIONS. AT ANY TIME THE PEOPLE CAN ELECT A NEW COUNCIL. AT ANY TIME.

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"THEN THERE WILL BE A NATIONAL ASSEMBLY. THE PEOPLE OF EACH VILLAGE WILL CHOOSE A DELEGATE TO THIS CENTRAL BODY. THE CENTRAL BODY WILL ALSO CHOOSE ITS OWN COUNCIL TO DO THE DAY TO DAY WORK OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY. THAT COUNCIL CAN BE THROWN OUT AT ANY TIME THAT THE ASSEMBLY WISHES TO ELECT A NEW COUNCIL. IF THE COUNCIL IS NOT DOING THE ASSEMBLY'S WORK, THEN THE ASSEMBLY CAN FIRE THE COUNCIL AT ANY TIME. FURTHERMORE, ANY VILLAGE CAN REPLACE ITS DELEGATE ON THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AT ANY TIME.

"BETWEEN THESE TWO LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT IS THE PARISH ASSEMBLY. EACH PARISH IN GRENADA WILL HAVE ITS OWN ASSEMBLY. THIS WILL BE MADE UP OF DELEGATES FROM EACH VILLAGE OF THE PARISH. THE DAY TO DAY RUNNING OF THE AFFAIRS OF THE PARISH ASSEMBLY WILL BE IN THE HANDS OF A PARISH COUNCIL CHOSEN BY THAT ASSEMBLY.

"TO SUM UP, WHAT WILL HAPPEN IS THAT POWER WILL BE ROOTED IN THE VILLAGES. EACH AND EVERY PERSON IN THE VILLAGE WILL BE A MEMBER OF HIS ASSEMBLY. THE VILLAGE COUNCIL WILL CARRY OUT THE DECISIONS OF THE PEOPLE OF THE VILLAGE-THE VILLAGE ASSEMBLY. MOREOVER, THE VILLAGE WILL SEND A NUMBER OF PERSONS TO THE PARISH ASSEMBLY. THE PARISH ASSEMBLY WILL HIRE A COUNCIL TO IMPLEMENT ITS PLANS.

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SIMILARLY, THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY WILL BE MADE UP OF THOSE SENT BY EACH VILLAGE, AS ARRANGED. THAT CENTRAL BODY, TOO, WILL HAVE ITS COUNCIL.

"HOW IS THIS DIFFERENT FROM THE PRESENT SYSTEM? IN A NUMBER OF WAYS. IN THE FIRST PLACE, THERE WILL BE NO POLITICAL PARTIES AND THEREFORE NO PARTY LEADERS AND PARTY BOSSES. WE WILL ALL BE JUST ONE PEOPLE. NO PARTIES TO DIVIDE US, ONE AND ONLY ONE PEOPLE.

"IN THE SECOND PLACE, THE COUNCIL OR ANY MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL CAN BE DISMISSED AT ANY TIME THAT THE PEOPLE DECIDE. NOT IN FIVE YEARS TIME.

"MOST IMPORTANTLY, THIS NEW SYSTEM WILL COMPLETELY INVOLVE

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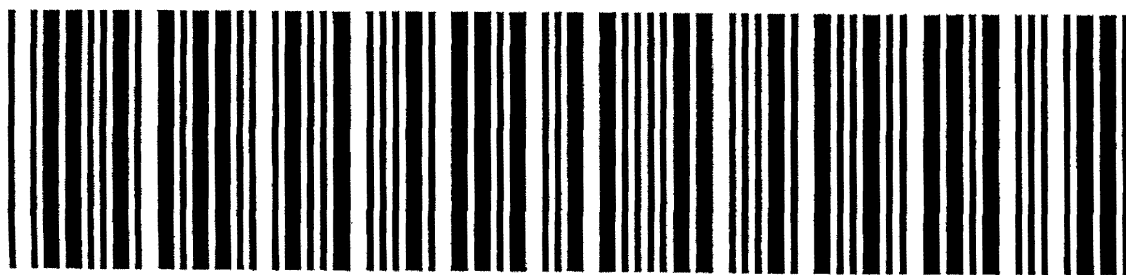
"THE SYSTEM OF PEOPLES ASSEMBLIES IS WORKING WELL IN
TANZANIA. THERE, THE PEOPLE HAVE THEIR POWER IN THEIR OWN
HANDS WHERE THE PEOPLE'S POWER RIGHTLY BELONGS."
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SUBJ: GRENADA: MEETING WITH REVOLUTIONARY LEADERS, BISHOP AND
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1. (C) - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. WITH CONSUL LAROCHE, AID OFFICER LIERCKE AND ECONOMIC
OFFICER STANLEY, I MET FOR TWO HOURS WITH BISHOP AND WHITE-
MAN ON MARCH 23. THE TWO LEADERS CAME TO MY HOTEL SINCE, THEY
EXPLAINED, THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE IS "A MESS". MANY
OF THE FILES WERE DESTROYED. (THIS SURPRISING
STATEMENT CONFIRMED BY OTHER SOURCES INDICATES THE NEW
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GOVERNMENT MAY BE ENCOUNTERING PROBLEMS WITH THE CIVIL
SERVICE). THE TWO MEN WERE ACCOMPANIED BY SEVERAL ARMED
MILITIAMEN FROM THE PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY ARMY WHO
PATROLLED THE SITE THROUGHOUT THE MEETING.

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3. AFTER SMALL PLEASANTRIES, I GAVE BISHOP THE TEXT OF THE DEPARTMENT'S STATEMENT ON CONTINUATION OF RELATIONS. HE HAD NOT SEEN IT AND WAS OBVIOUSLY PLEASED TO HAVE IT. I THEN BEGAN READING THE INSTRUCTIONS I RECEIVED IN REFEELS VERY SLOWLY. BISHOP INTERRUPTED TO ASK IF HE COULD HAVE A COPY. I SAID I WAS SORRY IT WAS THE ONLY COPY I HAD AND I NEEDED IT FOR MY RECORD. BOTH MEN THEN TOOK NOTES AS I SPOKE. WHEN I CITED OUR CONCERN THAT THERE BE EARLY ELECTIONS, BISHOP SAID IT WOULD TAKE LONGER THAN 3 MONTHS OR 6 MONTHS TO DO.

4. BEFORE ENTERING INTO DISCUSSIONS I SUGGESTED I OUTLINE THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF OUR RELATIONS WITH GRENADA PRIOR TO MARCH 13. I SAID IT WAS RELATIONS ALONG THESE LINES THAT WE WERE HOPING TO CONTINUE, PROVIDED OF COURSE THAT GRENADA WISHED TO DO SO ON A MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE BASIS.

5. LIERCKE THEN OUTLINED THE USAID PROGRAM AS IT RELATES TO GRENADA. WE CITED THE FORTHCOMING MEETING OF THE CARIBBEAN GROUP AND URGED GRANADIAN PARTICIPATION. WE SENSED A POSITIVE RESPONSE. LIERCKE SAID AN AID LOAN FOR ABOUT U.S. \$1 MILLION FINANCED THE CONSTRUCTION OF 191 HOUSES WHICH WERE WELL ON THEIR WAY TO COMPLETION. AN AID-FUNDED LOAN OF ABOUT US\$150,000 FOR SMALL INDUSTRY CREDIT WAS AVAILABLE FOR DISBURSEMENT, A LOAN OF ABOUT US\$50,000 FOR A COCOA PLANT HAD BEEN DISBURSED AND THE BUILDING IS NEARING COMPLETION, AN AID-FUNDED LOAN FOR US\$140,000
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TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO SMALL FARMERS IS READY FOR DISBURSEMENT, AND AN AID GRANT FUNDED PROJECT ON FARM RESEARCH IS READY TO BE INITIATED AFTER AN AGREEMENT IS SIGNED WITH THE APPROPRIATE GRENADIAN MINISTRY. WE ALSO SPOKE OF THE SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES FUNDS WHICH ARE APPROVED IN BRIDGETOWN.

6. BISHOP AND WHITEMAN SHOWED KEEN INTEREST. THEY TOOK MANY NOTES AND WERE GRATEFUL FOR RESUMES OF THE PROGRAMS. WHITEMAN THEN ASKED WHAT PHILOSOPHY WAS BEHIND US ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE. WE EXPLAINED THE ORIGINS AND BASIS FOR US AID. WHITEMAN WAS INTERESTED BY THE NON-IDEOLOGICAL BASIS OF US ASSISTANCE SINCE WE HELPED SUCH COUNTRIES AS JAMAICA AND GUYANA AND HAITI AS WELL. I NOTED MY OWN BELIEF THAT THE PRIVATE SECTOR IS THE KEY TO SOUND

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BISHOP TO ADVISE ME IF THERE WERE ANY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS WHERE OUR ASSISTANCE COULD BE USEFUL. HE SEEMED INTERESTED. WE DISCUSSED THE CARIBBEAN DEVELOPMENT BANK THROUGH WHICH MOST AID LOANS WERE DISBURSED. BISHOP AND HITEMAN SEEMED TO BELIEVE THEY COULD GET ALONG BETTER WITH THE BANK THAN DID GAIRY.

7. I ASKED WHAT THE NEW GOVERNMENT THOUGHT OF THE WORK OF THE PEACE CORPS. THEY COULD STAY OR WITHDRAW AS DESIRED. BOTH MEN SAID THEY HAD A HIGH REGARD FOR THE P.C. WHITEMAN ASKED IF THEY DID NOT ALSO WORK ON THE SMALLER ISLANDS SUCH AS CARRIACOU. BISHOP ASKED HOW LONG THEIR TOUR OF DUTY WAS.

8. BISHOP REPEATED THE ASSURANCE HE HAD GIVEN ON THE SAFETY AND WELL BEING OF AMERICANS AND THEIR PROPERTY. I TOLD HIM THAT THIS WAS A CENTRAL ELEMENT IN OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS. THE AMERICAN MEDICAL SCHOOL OF 700 STUDENTS WAS NOT MENTIONED.

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9. THERE WAS A SHORT DISCUSSION ON TOURISM, FOREIGN INVESTMENT AND TRADE BUT NO SPECIAL INTEREST WAS SHOWN. AT THE END OF OUR PRESENTATION IT APPEARED BOTH MEN WERE IMPRESSED BY THE EXTENT OF GRENADA'S RELATIONS WITH THE US.

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10. I SAID THERE WAS NO QUESTION AT ALL OF GRENADA'S SOVEREIGNTY AND ITS RIGHT TO DETERMINE ITS OWN POLICIES, BUT AT THE SAME TIME AS BOTH GOVERNMENTS WANTED GOOD RELATIONS WE SHOULD DIRECT OUR ATTENTION TO SPECIFIC MATTERS BEARING ON OUR CURRENT RELATIONS. I BELIEVED WE WERE DOING FAIRLY WELL IN UNDERSTANDING ONE ANOTHER. I GAVE BISHOP A COPY OF THE NEW YORK TIMES EDITORIAL FAVORABLE TO THE NEW JEWEL WHICH PLEASED HIM. I SAID THE NEW GOVERNMENT HAD TAKEN A NUMBER OF STEPS WHICH MADE FAVORABLE IMPRESSIONS ABROAD BUT STILL HAD MORE TO DO. I THEN PRESSED ON THE MATTER OF PROMPT

AND FAIR ELECTIONS AND RETURNED TO THIS SUBJECT A NUMBER OF TIMES WHEN THE ANSWERS WERE FUZZY. IN EACH CASE, BISHOP SPOKE OF THE DIFFICULTIES OF HOLDING ELECTINS, STATING THE GAIRY REGIME HAD LEFT THE ELECTORAL SYSTEM IN CHAOS, AND IT WOULD TAKE A LONG TIME TO CLEAR
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UP. BISHOP WAS TOLD THAT NEVERTHELESS THE QUESTION OF NATURE AND TIMING OF ELECTIONS WAS VERY IMPORTANT TO THE U.S. BISHOP SAID ELECTIONS IN THREE MONTHS WERE CLEARLY IMPOSSIBLE. THEY COULD NOT EVEN BE HELD IN SIX MONTHS. HE DID NOT KNOW HOW LONG IT WOULD TAKE. I SAID THERE ALSO SEEMED TO BE A PROBLEM TO SOME PEOPLE THAT NO SOLUTION HAD BEEN FOUND TO CONSTITUTIONALIZING THE NEW GOVERNMENT. I UNDERSTOOD IF THE GOVERNOR GENERAL WERE TO DISSOLVE THE PARLIAMENT, ELECTIONS WOULD HAVE TO BE CALLED WITHIN THREE MONTHS. WOULD NOT THAT BE A GOOD SOLUTION FOR EVERYONE? BISHOP REACTED STRONGLY. HE SAID THE GOVERNOR GENERAL HAD ALREADY BEEN TOLD THAT AN ELECTION IN THREE MONTHS WAS NOT ACCEPTABLE. HIS GROUP WAS TIRED OF THE FARCICAL LEGAL

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OPTIONS THAT WERE BEING EXPLORED TO LEGITIMIZE HIS GOVERNMENT. HE SAID A TEAM OF THREE LAWYERS WERE NOW IN GRENADA TO HELP WORK OUT A SOLUTION. HE BELIEVED A NEW CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY WOULD BE CONVENED TO REVISE THE CONSTITUTION MORE IN KEEPING WITH GRENADA'S REALITIES.

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11. I TOLD BISHOP THAT QUITE FRANKLY I DID NOT FEEL I HAD AN ADEQUATE ANSWER TO REPORT WHICH MET OUR CONCERN ON EARLY AND FAIR ELECTIONS. THIS DID NOT SEEM CONSISTENT WITH MANY PUBLIC ASSURANCES HE HAD MADE. HE THEN SAID HE WANTED ME TO KNOW THE NEW GOVERNMENT IS SERIOUSLY CONSIDERING TWO OPTIONS: THE FIRST WOULD BE TO CONTINUE ITS EFFORTS TO ACCOMMODATE ITSELF TO THE ARCHAIC AND USELESS POLITICAL SYSTEM IMPLANTED IN GRENADA BY A FOREIGN CULTURE. WHILE HE WANTED TO KEEP A GOVERNOR GENERAL, ALTHOUGH NOT NECESSARILY SCOON, AND STAY WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH, HE BELIEVED THE PRESENT SYSTEM WAS INHERENTLY DISHONEST AND ALIEN AND DID NOT WORK. HE SHOWED SOME HOSTILITY TOWARDS SCOON. A SECOND OPTION WAS TO

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ACT HONESTLY AND IN ACCORD WITH GRENADA' CULTURE AND BYPASS THE PRESENT SYSTEM TO IMPLEMENT A SYSTEM OF REAL DEMOCRACY. I ASKED HIM TO EXPLAIN WHAT HE MEANT BY THIS. HE SAID HE PROPOSED THE CREATION OF VILLAGE ASSEMBLIES COMPOSED OF EVERY PERSON IN THE VILLAGE. THEY WILL DECIDE WHAT IS TO BE DONE. THIS WOULD BE REAL DEMOCRACY AT A GRASS ROOTS LEVEL. HE APPEARED TO BE CRITICAL OF ELECTIONS, THE PARLIAMENTARY SYSTEM, AND CENTAL GOVERNMENT. NEVERTHELESS, IT WAS HARD TO FOLLOW HIS MEANINGS.

12. I TOLD HIM HE WAS SPEAKING OF A VERY BIG CHANGE WHICH MIGHT BE MISUNDERSTOOD ABROAD AND WHICH COULD COMPLICATE GRENADA'S POSITION IN THE COMMONWEALTH. HOWEVER, THIS WAS PRIMARILY AN INTERNAL CONCERN OF GRENADA'S. HE SAID HE WAS AWARE THE FIRST OPTION WOULD BE MORE "TRANQUILIZIN." I REMINDED HIM THAT I STILL DID NOT KNOW WHAT I SHOULD REPORT ABOUT ELECTIONS. HE SAID A DECISION WOULD BE TAKEN SOON. HE RESENTED HAVING COUNTRIES WITH AUTOCRATIC GOVERNMENTS LIKE ANTIGUA CALLING UPON GRENADA TO HOLD SUPERVISED ELECTIONS WHEN THEY COULD NOT WITHSTAND SUCH SCRUTINY THEMSELVES. HE ALSO CRITICIZED ADAMS SAYING BARBADOS DID NOT MAKE A DIRECT EFFORT TO HELP SUPERVISE ELECTIONS BUT

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UNCL. MADE AN OFFER IN THE PRESS. HE WOULD NOT RESPOND

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TO PRESS OFFERS. (I CHECKED THIS WITH PM ADAMS WHO TELLS ME THAT FORNMIN FORDE IN ADAMS' HEARING MADE THE OFFER DIRECTLY BY TELEPHONE TO BISHOP.) BISHOP SAID GRENADA WOULD PAY NO ATTENTION TO THE DEMANDS OF SUCH INSIGNIFICANT COUNTRIES. I TOLD MR. BISHOP THERE WAS NO PURPOSE IN TALKING ABOUT ANTIGUA, THAT I WAS TALKING ABOUT THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND I WAS TELLING HIM THAT THE ELECTIONS ISSUE WAS OF CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS. BISHOP REPLIED THAT HE WOULD BE MAKING AN ANNOUNCEMENT PROBABLY IN A FEW DAYS ON ELECTIONS, THAT HE WOULD START TAKING STEPS

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NECESSARY, AND HE BELIEVED WE WOULD BE SATISFIED WITH HIS ACTIONS WHICH COUNTED MORE THAN WORDS. I ASKED AGAIN WHAT ABOUT OUTSIDE OBSERVERS. HE SAID THIS WAS AN INFRINGEMENT OF GRENADA'S SOVEREIGNTY AND HE WOULD NOT ACCEPT IT. I SAID THE VIRTUE OF IMPARTIAL OBSERVERS IS THAT NO ONE CAN EASILY QUESTION THE RESULTS AND THE LEGALITY OF THE GOVERNMENT ELECTED. HE SAID IT WAS AN INSULT TO GRENADA AND HE WOULD NOT CONSIDER IT. I SAID THIS COULD BE INTERPRETED AS A FEAR THAT THE NEW JEWEL DID NOT HAVE MAJORITY SUPPORT WHICH I DIDN'T BELIEVE WAS THE CASE. ALSO MANY COUNTRIES HAD OBSERVERS AT THEIR ELECTIONS. HE SAID HE WOULD REFER THIS QUESTION TO HIS COLLEAGUES IN THE GOVERNMENT AND LET ME KNOW.

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13. I THEN SAID I WANTED TO RAISE A NUMBER OF SENSITIVE AND DIFFICULT MATTERS. IT IS FAR BETTER TO HAVE THEM OUT IN THE OPEN AND CLEAR THEM UP SINCE WE MUTUALLY DESIRE THAT THERE NOT BE ISSUES BETWEEN US. I TOLD HIM THERE WAS DISQUIET ABROAD OVER THE IDEOLOGICAL ORIENTATION OF HIS GOVERNMENT. THIS WAS IMPORTANT BECAUSE OF THE EXTRALEGAL MANNER IN WHICH BISHOP CAME INTO POWER, AND THE ALARM IT WAS CAUSING THROUGHOUT THE CARIBBEAN. I NOTED CASTRO CALLED MASS MEETINGS WHICH SHOUTED CONCURRENCE BUT IS THAT REAL DEMOCRACY? BISHOP SAID, "WE ARE SOCIALISTS - EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT - BUT WE WANT TO BE JUDGED BY WHAT WE DO RATHER THAN FROM WHAT PEOPLE THINK WE WILL DO. WE ARE THINKING MORE ALONG THE LINES OF ANCIENT GREECE THAN OF TANZANIA. GREECE WAS A PURE DEMOCRACY. WE WILL HAVE FULL PARTICIPATION BY THE PEOPLE IN THEIR GOVERNMENT". HE SAID WE WOULD BE PLEASED BY THE SYSTEM THEY WOULD DEVELOP.
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I SAID I REGRETTED AMERICAN EMBASSIES THREW OUT ALL THEIR FILES EVERY THREE YEARS SO I STILL DID NOT HAVE HIS 1973 MANIFESTO. BISHOP SAID THEY WERE IN SHORT SUPPLY. HE DIDN'T HAVE AN EXTRA ONE EITHER BUT PERHAPS I COULD GET ONE FROM A MUTUAL JOURNALIST FRIEND DOWNTOWN.

14. I SAID I REALIZED THE PRESENCE OF GAIRY IN THE U.S. WOULD BE AN IRRITANT FOR BOTH OF US. BISHOP ASKED IF GAIRY WERE RECRUITING MERCENARIES IN THE U.S. I REPLIED IF HE WERE HE WOULD BE PROSECUTED SINCE THIS IS AGAINST AMERICAN LAW. BISHOP SAID THIS IS NOT SO - AMERICAN NEWSPAPERS HAVE ADS SOLICITING MERCENARIES. I SAID THE ADS FOR ENLISTMENT ELSEWHERE MAY NOT BE AGAINST THE LAW BUT RECRUITING MERCENARIES IN THE U.S.

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WAS AND I COULD ASSURE HIM WE WOULD NOT TOLERATE IT. I
COULD NOT TELL IF GAIRY IS SEEN BY BISHOP AS A REAL OR
A BOGUS THREAT.

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15. I THEN REFERRED TO ARMS SMUGGLING TO GRENADA, THE
ARREST OF WARDALLY AND HUMPHREY, AND THE INVESTIGATION
BY THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT AS TO WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE AND
THE PROBABLE TRIAL ARISING FROM THIS ACTIVITY. I SAID
MY PURPOSE IN RAISING THIS MATTER WAS TO MAKE THE POINT
THAT THE U.S. TOOK A DIM VIEW OF CONTRAVENTION OF
ITS LAW. SHOULD ANYONE NOW OR IN THE FUTURE ATTEMPT
TO SMUGGLE ARMS FROM THE U.S. INTO GRENADA FOR USE
AGAINST THE BISHOP OR ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT, HE COULD BE
SURE WE WOULD REACT IN THE SAME WAY. BOTH MEN SAT IM-
MUTABLE THROUGH THIS PART OF THE DISCUSSION. BISHOP'S
ONLY QUESTION WAS, "DID THE TWO TREASURY AGENTS COME
TO GRENADA?" KNOWING THE AGENTS' NAMES WERE ON THE
HOTEL REGISTER, THE FLIGHT MANIFEST, AND ENTRY DOCUMENTS,
I HAD NO OPTION BUT TO CONFIRM. BISHOP SAID THIS WAS NO
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16. I THEN RAISED THE MALICIOUS PRESS ACCOUNTS ALLEGING
U.S. ASSASSINATION SQUADS, SAYING IF THEY ORIGINATED AMONG
HIS SUPPORTERS, SUCH STORIES WOULD CAUSE US GREAT PROBLEMS.
HE DISASSOCIATED HIS GROUP FROM THESE STORIES SAYING THEY
ORIGINATED WITH GAIRY'S SUPPORTERS. HE SAID HIS GOVERN-
MENT WOULD NOT MAKE SUCH CHARGES. I TOLD BISHOP THAT
REVOLUTIONS ATTRACTED A WIDE VARIETY OF INTERNATIONAL
THRILL-SEEKERS, ROMATICS, AND PSYCHOPATHS, AND
THAT HE COULD EXPECT TO HAVE MANY VISITORS. UNFORTUNATELY,
I SAID, SOME OF THEM WOULD TRY TO CAUSE TROUBLE BETWEEN US.
I TOLD HIM I UNDERSTOOD WILD STORIES WERE BEING CIRCULATED
TO THE EFFECT THAT MANY OF THE SEVERAL HUNDRED AMERICAN
MALE STUDENTS AT THE MEDICAL SCHOOL HAD MILITARY TRAINING
AND WOULD SERVE AS MILITARY AUXILIARIES SHOULD THE U.S.
INVADE GREAAADA. BISHOP SMILED AND SAID HE KNEW THERE
WOULD BE SUCH RUMORS AND THAT IT WAS BETTER TO DEAL
DIRECTLY WHEN SUCH THINGS CAME UP TO CLARIFY THEM.
MY IMPRESSION IS THAT BISHOP AND WHITEMAN WELCOMED
CANDOR AND DID NOT TAKE OFFENSE EVEN WHEN I SAID WE
PROBABLY WOULD MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH ANY LEGITIMATE
AND LEGAL OPPOSITIONIIN GRENADA AS WE HAD WITH THE
NEW JEWEL WHEN IT WAS IN OPPOSITION.

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17. BISHOP TOLD ME HE WAS GOING TO HAVE TO CLEAN UP

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THE GAIRY LABOR UNIONS. HE SAID THERE WAS MUCH CORRUPTION.

18. I THEN GAVE BISHOP A NOTE REQUESTING AGREEMENT FOR MY SUCCESSOR. HE STUDIED IT WITH INTEREST. I ASKED IF I COULD HEAR FROM HIM SOON. HE SAID HE WOULD LET ME KNOW.

19. I TOLD HIM IF HE HAD NO OBJECTION I WOULD CONTINUE TO HAVE AN EMBASSY OFFICER IN GRENADA FOR A COUPLE OF

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WEEKS SO WE COULD CONTINUE IN CLOSE CONTACT. I SAID MR. KOLEMAY WOULD ARRIVE SATURDAY. HE DID NOT SEEM TO RECOGNIZE THE NAME SO I EXPLAINED HE WAS THE FORMER POLITICAL OFFICER WHO WAS OUR PRIMARY CONTACT WITH THE NEW JEREL. HE SAID THAT WOULD BE FINE AND NOTED DOWN THE NAME.

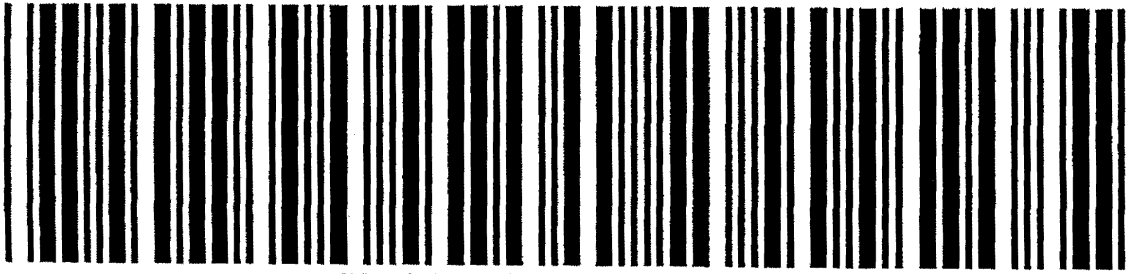
20. I ASKED WHAT MESSAGE I SHOULD TAKE BACK TO WASHINGTON. BISHOP REPLIED, FIRST, TELL YOUR PEOPLE WE WANT TO CONTINUE THE FRIENDLY RELATIONS WE HAVE WITH AMERICA AND TO EXTEND AND STRENGTHEN THEM. (THE BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER'S REPORTING CABLE HAS ALMOST THE SAME WORDS); SECOND, THAT U.S. SHOULD CONTINUE TO MOVE ON ITS PROGRAMS OF ASSISTANCE AND INCREASE THEM IF POSSIBLE; THIRD, THAT I CONVEY HIS BEST WISHES AND THAT OF HIS GOVERNMENT TO PRESIDENT CARTER AND THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES.

21. THE MEETING ENDED IN GOOD SPIRITS. BISHOP AND WHITEMAN, AFTER SHAKING THE HANDS OF EVERY AVAILABLE HOTEL EMPLOYEE, CLIMBED ABOARD A LANDROVER WITH SEVERAL HEAVILY-ARMED MEN WITH GUNS POINTING IN ALL DIRECTIONS, AND RODE OFF WHILE TOURISTS SNAPPED PHOTOGRAPHS. ORTIZ

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1. OTTAWA "CITIZEN" OF MARCH 24 CARRIED FOLLOWING ITEM
ENTITLED "CANADA RECOGNIZES NEW GOVT."

BEGIN TEXT: THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WILL RECOGNIZE THE
NEW GOVERNMENT OF THE TINY CARIBBEAN ISLAND OF GRENADA,
AN EXTERNAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID FRIDAY.

ALLAN ROGER, CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR BARBADOS,
MONDAY WILL CALL ON THE ISLAND'S NEW PRIME MINISTER,
MAURICE BISHOP. END TEXT.

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2. ON MARCH 26, SNIDER OF EXTAFF CARIBBEAN DIVISION,
STATED THAT "THE HIGH COMMISSIONER WAS INSTRUCTED TO
VISIT GRENADA TO CALL ON THE GOVERNOR GENERAL AND THE

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NEW PRIME MINISTER AND TO EXPLAIN THAT THE CALLS INDICATED
A DESIRE OF CANADA TO CONTINUE NORMAL RELATIONS WITH
GRENADA."

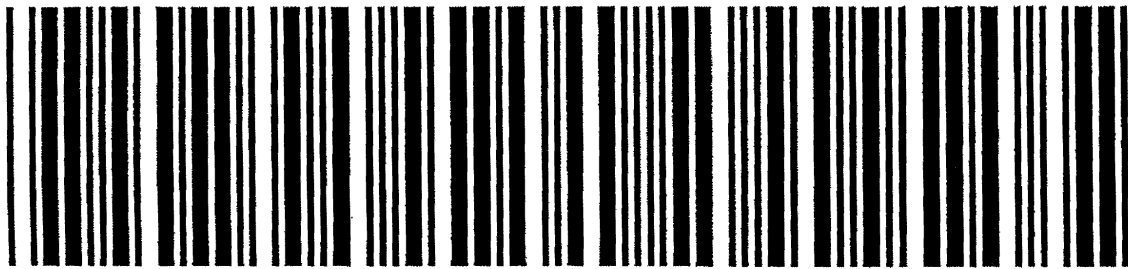
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2. NOW THAT THE DUST HAS BEGUN TO SETTLE ON THE EVENTS OF THE LAST TEN DAYS, I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXTEND TO YOU AND THE ENTIRE EMBASSY STAFF MY APPRECIATION FOR YOUR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE IN COVERING THE COUP IN GRENADA. YOUR THOROUGH, BALANCED AND THOUGHTFUL REPORTING WAS ESSENTIAL TO THE FORMULATION OF OUR POLICY TOWARD THE NEW GOVERNMENT. IN ADDITION, THE SWIFT MANNER IN WHICH YOU MOVED TO INSURE THE WELFARE OF AMERICAN CITIZENS ON THE ISLAND IS ESPECIALLY COMMENDABLE. I KNOW THAT EFFORTS SUCH AS THIS REQUIRE THE DEDICATION AND COOPERATION OF THE ENTIRE STAFF -- OFFICERS, SECRETARIES, COMMUNICATORS, AND FOREIGN SERVICE NATIONALS -- AND WOULD LIKE YOU TO CONVEY TO ALL OF THEM MY THANKS FOR A JOB WELL DONE. VANCE

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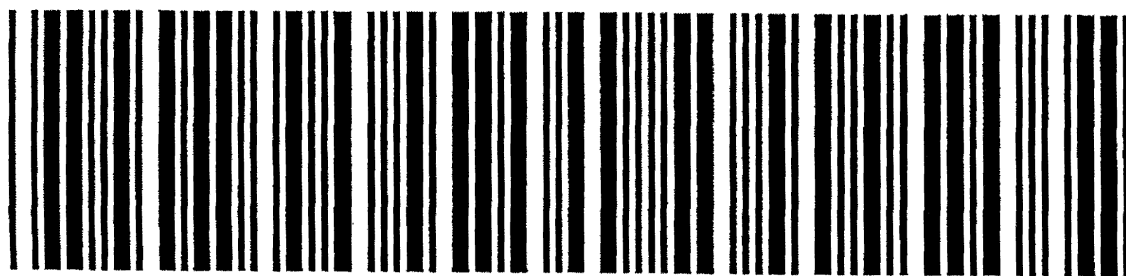
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1. (C) - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. SUMMARY: EMBASSY CONSISTENTLY STRESSES THAT ADEQUATE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE TINY NATIONS OF THE EASTERN
CARIBBEAN, WHILE NECESSARILY LONG-TERM, IS THE SUREST
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PATH TO LONG-TERM POLITICAL STABILITY. GRENADA COUP MAKES
IT CLEAR WE MUST LOOK TO MORE SHORT-TERM SOLUTIONS AS WELL.
COUP SHOULD HAVE BENEFICIAL EFFECT OF FRIGHTENING AREA
NATIONS INTO THE CLOSER REGIONAL TIES WE LONG HAVE EN-

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INCLUDE:

- (1) STRONGER PRESSURES ON THE UK TO TAKE STEPS TO STRENGTHEN ITS SECURITY MEASURES IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN. THE UK HAS LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE REGION AS A WHOLE.
- (2) PROVISION OF SOME US TRAINING TO ANY REGIONAL FORCE WHICH MIGHT BE DEVELOPED , INCLUDING PROPOSED BARBADOS-ST. VINCENT-ST. LUCIA COASTAL PROTECTION FORCE.
- (3) A MILITARY EXCHANGE PROGRAM WITH THE VIRGIN ISLANDS NATIONAL GUARD.
- (4) CONSIDERATION OF AN FMS PROGRAM FOR BARBADOS.
- (5) ISSUANCE OF JOINT UE-UK -CANADA STATEMENT WARNING AGAINST FUTURE ARMED TAKEOVERS IN CARIBBEAN.

HOWEVER US SHOULD AVOID TENDENCY TO ARM PRESENT REGIEMS WITHOUT CONSIDERATION OF POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC REALITIES, NOTABLY EXISTENCE ON MOST ISLANDS OF GROWING, INFLUENTIAL GROUPS OF DISAFFECTED YOUTH, WHO TEND TO LOOK FOR THEIR POLITICAL MODELS OUSIDE US-UK-CANADA ORBIT. END SUMMARY

3. THE NEW JEWEL'S EASILY-EXCECUTED REVOLUTION IN GRENADA MUST INEVITABLY PROMPT RETHINKING AMONG OTHER EASTERN CARIBBEAN TERRITORES AS WELL AS IN WASHINGTON AND LONDON ABOUT THE EXREME VULNERABILITY OF ALL THE TINY WEST INDIAN STATES. THIS EMBASSY CONTINUES TO BELIEVE THAT THE KEY TO STABILITY IS A REGIONALIST APPROACH, WITH EMPHASIS ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AS THE ONLY LONG-TERM METHOD TO INSURE THE CONTINUANCE OF DEMOCRATIC TRADITIONS IN THIS REGION. OUR RECOMMENDATIONS ON THAT SCORE WERE CONTAINED IN REF. A.

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4. FOR SOME OF THESES ISLANDS, THOUGH, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IS A LONG, HARD ROAD. MEANWHILE US SHOULD BE ABLE TO HELP NATIONS OFEASTERN CARIBBEAN TO INCREASE ALREADY-EXISTING REGIONAL TIES AND EXTEND THEM TO SECURITY CONCERNS AS WELL. THEY SHOULD NOT NEED MUCH ENCOURAGEMENT NOW. FROM REACTIONS WE HAVE BEEN HEARING FROM ISLAND LEADERS, THEY ARE FRANTIC TO "DO SOMETHING" AND SOON. THEY WILL WELCOME DISCREET ADVICE FROM US, UK, AND CANADA, ALTHOUGH THEY WOULD WELCOME TANGIBLE HELP MORE. ANTIGUA ATTORNEY GENERAL CALLED ON AMBASSADOR MARCH 22 AS FIRST OF MANY ISLAND VISITORS WE EXPECT TO HEAR FROM WITHREQUESTS FOR AID FOR THEIR SECURITY FORCES.

5. ONE OF MOST PROMISINGVENTURES IS PROPOSED COASTAL

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PROTECTION FORCE BEING ORGANIZED, WITH BRITISH ADVICE, BY BARBADOS, ST. VINCENT AND ST. LUCIA. THIS ENTERPRISE IS LIKELY TO BE ACCELERATED AND PERHAPS EXPANDED IN AFTER-MATH OF GRENADA COUP. IN ADDITION, WEST INDIES ASSOCIATED STATES MINISTER MEETING IN ANTIGUA MARCH 20 DISCUSSED FORMATION OF AN EASTERN CARIBBEAN REGIONAL POLICE OR SECURITY FORCE. WE ARE NOT SURE THIS WILL GET OFF THE GROUND, HOWEVER.

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6. NEW IMET PROGRAM FOR BARBADOS WILL BEGIN DURING NEXT FISCAL YEAR, IF APPROVED BY CONGRESS. THAT US\$60,000 FOR FY80 WILL BE A BIG HELP TO FLEDGLING BARBADOS MILITARY. OTHER DEFENSE FORCES IN AREA RANGE IN SIZE FROM 42 (ANTIGUA) TO 150 (ST. KITTS-NEVIS) AND COULD NOT ABSORB A FULL-SCALE IMET PROGRAM, EVEN IF IT WERE POLITICALLY FEASIBLE. EMBASSY DOES HOWEVER CONSIDER IT DESIRABLE TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE MILITARY EDUCATION AND TRAINING ON AD HOC BASIS TO OCCASIONAL MEMBERS OF MILITARY OF OTHER ISLANDS. THIS IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT IN CASE OF ST. VINCENT AND ST. LUCIA, WHERE OTHERWISE WE WOULD BE IN DIFFICULT POSITION OF

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PROVIDING TRAINING ONLY TO BARBADOS COMPOENT OF REGIONAL COASTAL PROTECTION FORCE. WE WANT TO ENCOURAGE SUCH COOPERATION, NOT PENALIZE IT. OUR ASSISTANCE SHOULD BE GIVEN IN CONSULTATION WITH THE UK WHICH HAS PRIMARY RESPONSIBILTIY.

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7. IN ADDITION TO TRAINING, NATIONS IN REGION HAVE OFTEN ASKED FOR INFORMATION ON MILITARY EQUIPMENTN, SURPLUS OR OTHERWISE, AVAILABLE FROM US. UNFORTUNATELY, A FEW AREA LEADERS HAVE GRANIOSE MILITARY PLANS WHICH WE DO NOT WANT TO ENCOURAGE. BUT ON A CAREFULLY LIMITED SCALE, SOME SALES MIGHT BE USEFUL. REF B AND C REPORTED A FORMAL REQUEST IN 1978 FROM BARBADOS FOR ITEMS TOBE USED TO EQUIP THEIR NEW DEFENSE FORCE. WHILE DEPART-
MENT SUSEQUNTLY SUPPLIED INTERIM REPLIES, THERE WAS NEVER A FORMAL RESPONSE TO BARBADIAN REQUEST. WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE AN ANSWER IN EXPECTATION QUERIES WILL BE RENEWED. IN LINE WITH THAT REQUEST, WE THINK DEPARTMENT AND DOD SHOULD GIVE CONSIDERATION TO VERY MODEST FMS CREDIT SALES TO BARBADOS OR POSSIBLY TO SOME DEVELOPING REGIONAL CONSORTIUM,

8. IN SHORT TERM, EMBASSY ON ITS OWN WILL INCREASE ALREADY-EXISTING CONTACTS WITH REGIONAL MILITARY ESTAB-
LISHMENTS IN ATTEMPT TO ASSESS THEIR TRUE COMBAT CONDI-
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TION AND ABILITY TO WITHSATAND INTERNAL OR EXTERNAL THREAT. (ONE OF SURPRISES TO COME OUT OF GRENADA WAS TOTAL IM-
POTENCE OF GAIRY'S SECUIRYT FORCES.) TO HELP IN THAT ASSESSMENT, EMBASSY SUGGESTS THAT WASHINGTON SEND MILITARY OFFICER ON SHORT TDY LATER THIS YEAR FOR ROUND OF APPOINTMENTS WITH AREA'S DEFENCE FORCES FOR SIMILAR EVALUATION. WE HAVE ALSO SUGGESTED MODES MILITARY EX-
CHANGE PROGRAM BETWEEN BARBADOS AND U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS (REF D). THIS WOULD BE PRIMARILY SYMBOLIC BUT COULD BE BEGUN FAIRLY PROMPTLY. IF IT GOES WELL, IT SHOULD BE EXTENDED ON SMALLER SCALE TO OTHER ISLANDS AS WELL.

9. PERHAPS EVENTS IN GRENADA WILL REAWAKEN BRITISH TO

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THEIR CONTINUING AND NECESSARY ROLE IN THIS AREA (ALTHOUGH WE ARE NOT OPTIMISTIC). EMBASSY HAS URGED, MOST RECENTLY IN REF E, THAT BRITISH FEET BE KEPT TO FIRE ON THIS AND THAT CANADIANS AND PERHAPS VENEZUELAN BE URGED TO PLAY SECURITY ROLE CONSONANT WITH THEIR PROMINENCE IN REGION. BRITISH ADVISORY ROLE IN DISCUSSIONS ABOUT COAST GUARD REFERRED TO ABOVE HAS BEEN HELPFUL, BUT TANGIBLE AID IS REQUIRED AS WELL.

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10. ONE ACTION USG COULD TAKE IN CONCERT WITH CANADA AND UK WOULD BE JOINT STATEMENT, EXPLICITLY ARISING OUT OF GRENADA COUP, IN WHICH TRILATERAL SUPPORT FOR FULL DEMOCRATIC TRADITIONS OF REGION WOULD BE GIVEN AND A WARNING ISSUED THAT ANY ATTEMPTS AT AN EXTRA-CONSTITUTIONAL TAKE-OVER ESPECIALLY ONE ARISING EXTERNALLY WOULD BE CASUE FOR TRILATERAL RESPONSE. SUCH A STATEMENT WOULD CALM THE EXISTING GOVERNMENTS IN THE AREA AND INTIMIDATE ANY POTENTIAL COUP-PLOTTERS.

11. NONE OF ABOVE RECOMMENDATIONS ENVISION TURNING BARBADOS

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OR THE OTHER ISLANDS INTO SOME KIND OF "BATTLEMENTS OF DEMOCRACY." WE ARE AWARE OF DANGER THAT IF THESE ISLANDS SHOULD AQUIRE INAPPROPRIATE MILITARY POWER, SOME OF THEIR LEADERS MIGHT USE IT TO ENTRENCH THEMSELVES IN POWER INDEFINITELY. CERTAINLY THAT IS NO ENCOURAGEMENT TO CONSTITUTIONALISM OR DEMOCRATIC TRADITIONS. RATHER WE RECOMMEND A TWO-PRONGED POLICY OF REVAMPING EXISTING LOCAL FORCES AND TRYING TO ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN EFFECTIVE REGIONAL SECURITY FORCE.

12. THE RISE OF RADICAL MOVEMENTS IN WAKE OF BRITISH WITHDRAWAL HAS CHANGED THE TRADITIONAL SECURITY SITUATION IN THE CARIBBEAN. POORLY-EQUIPPED SECURITY SERVICES ARE NO LONGER SUFFICIENT. BUT WE MUST BE AWARE TOO THAT EVEN THE BEST-EQUIPPED FORCE WILL NOT SAVE A LEADERSHIP OUT OF TOUCH WITH CITIZENS. AND MANY OF THESE GOVERNMENTS ARE OUT OF TOUCH WITH THE NEW GENERATION WHICH GROWS OUT OF THE BLACK POWER MOVEMENTS OF THE SIXTIES RATHER THAN THE INNS OF COURT OF LONDON. THIS GENERATION PROVIDES THE LEADERSHIP AND MANPOWER FOR RADICAL GROUPS THROUGHOUT THE CARIBBEAN. EMBASSY WILL DO ITS PART IN MAINTAINING CONTACT WITH THESE OPPOSITION GROUPS AND, WHEREVER POSSIBLE, NUDGING ISLAND LEADERS TOWARD ACCOMMODATION RATHER THAN CONFRONTATION WITH THEIR POLITICAL

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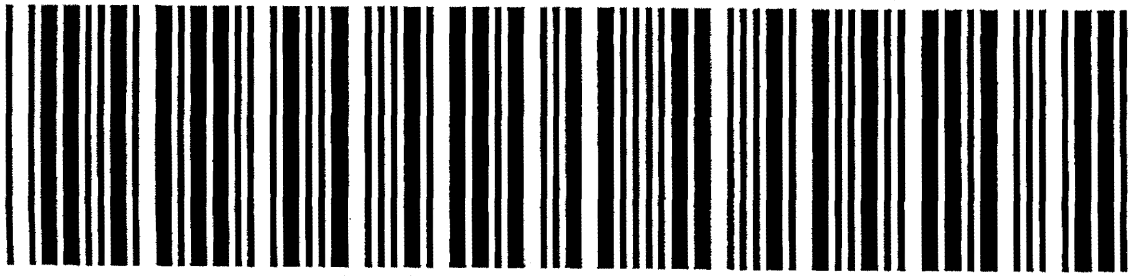
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OFFICIALS. BUT ULTIMATELY EXISTING GOVERNMENTS OF THE
AREA BEAR THE PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY FOR MEETING THE
ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL NEEDS OF THEIR CITIZENS. GRENADA
HAS MADE THEM MORE AWARE OF THE POSSIBLE CONSEQUENCES OF
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TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ, CA
SUBJECT: CANADIAN EXTAFF'S VIEWS ON GRENADA (C)

REF: STATE 81187

1. (C-ENTIRE TEXT)
2. SUMMARY: AS A RESULT OF RECENT MEETINGS BETWEEN CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER AND GRENADIAN LEADERS, THE GOC FEELS IT HAS EFFECTIVELY REGISTERED ITS CONCERNS FOR RESTORATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT AND DEMOCRATIC PROCESS. IT IS NOW WILLING TO GIVE BISHOP SOME BREATHING ROOM. GAIRY HAS APPARENTLY REQUESTED CANADIAN ASSISTANCE IN OVERCOMING THE COUP. END SUMMARY

3. EMBOFF CONVEYED INFORMATION CONTAINED REFTEL TO EXTAFF
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DESK OFFICER DENNIS SNIDER ON APRIL 2. DURING ENSUING DISCUSSION, LATTER REFERRED FREQUENTLY TO REPORT RECENTLY RECEIVED FROM CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER ALLAN ROGER DESCRIBING HIS MARCH 26 MEETINGS WITH PM BISHOP, FINANCE

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4. ACCORDING TO SNIDER, ROGER HAD BEEN GIVEN INSTRUCTIONS TO MAKE COMMENTS OF HIS OWN CHOOSING TO REFLECT CANADIAN GOVERNMENT'S DESIRE FOR CONTINUED NORMAL RELATIONS AND TO GET POINT ACROSS TO BISHOP AND COARD OF THE GOC'S STRONG CONCERN THAT THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT'S EARLY PROMISES REGARDING CONSTITUTIONALITY AND DEMOCRATIC PROCESSES BE KEPT. BISHOP REPORTEDLY "ACCEPTED" THE EXPRESSION OF CONCERN. BASED UPON ROGER'S REPORT, SNIDER FEELS THAT THERE IS NO DOUBT IN BISHOP'S MIND ABOUT GOC'S POSITION.

5. GOC NOW FEELS THAT, FROM TACTICAL POINT OF VIEW, IT HAS MADE ITS PITCH AND IS NOW WILLING TO GIVE BISHOP SOME BREATHING ROOM AS HE ATTEMPTS TO SORT OUT THE DISARRAY THAT GAIRY LEFT BEHIND. IF IN A COUPLE OF MONTHS THERE IS ANY CLEARLY PERCEIVED WAIVERING BY BISHOP, THE GOC WILL RE-EXPRESS ITS CONCERNS AND EXAMINE THE POSSIBLE USE OF WHATEVER LEVERAGE AVAILABLE PROVIDED BY CONTINUING GRENADIAN DESIRE FOR CANADIAN DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

6. WITH REGARD TO POSSIBLE CUBAN INFLUENCE, VIEW FROM EXTAFF WORKING LEVEL IS THAT CUBA, IF IT DOES HAVE A GAME PLAN, WOULD PROBABLY BE MORE EFFECTIVE THROUGH "FRIENDLY PERSUASION" RATHER THAN TRYING TO ESTABLISH OVERT CLIENT STATE. SERVING TO OFFSET ANY CUBAN DESIGNS

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IS GRENADA'S NEED FOR INVESTMENT AND TOURISM ORIGINATING FROM WESTERN SOURCES. SNIDER'S PERCEPTION OF BISHOP IS THAT HE PROBABLY WILL NOT LET IDEOLOGY STAND IN THE WAY OF OBTAINING NEEDED ECONOMIC SUPPORT.

7. SNIDER ALSO RELATED THAT HE HAS HEARD THAT GAIRY IS IN SAN DIEGO AND HAS SENT CABLE TO EXTAFF INFORMING THEM THAT HE HAS NOT RESIGNED AND REMAINS THE LEGITIMATE HEAD OF GOVERNMENT. HE HAS REQUESTED CANADIAN ASSISTANCE IN OVERCOMING THE REBELLION. ASSUMPTION IS THAT HE HAS MADE SIMILAR REQUESTS TO U.S. AND U.K. TEXT OF MESSAGE HAD NOT YET BEEN SEEN BY SNIDER, HOWEVER, NOR DID HE HAVE ANY KNOWLEDGE OF HOW GOC WOULD RESPOND.

8. EMBOFF VISIT TO EXTAFF WAS PRECEDED BY TELEPHONE CALL

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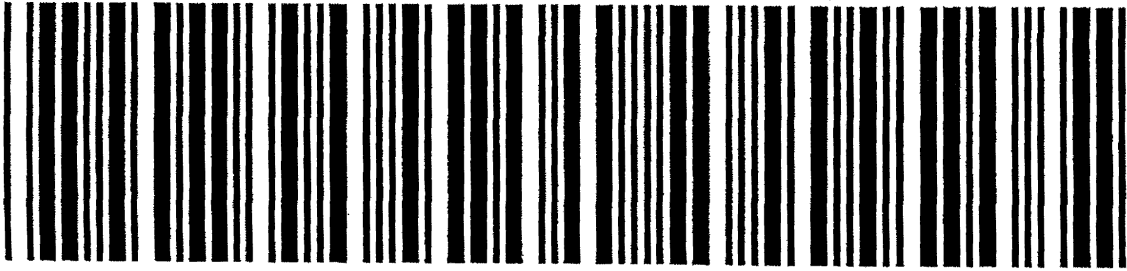
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GARY HARMAN. HARMAN RELATED THAT HE IS NEW ON THE JOB, HAVING RECENTLY ARRIVED FROM CUBA. HE INDICATED HIS APPRECIATION FOR THE CONTINUING U.S.-CANADIAN DIALOGUE ON GRENADA, AND WAS INTERESTED AND PLEASED TO SEE HOW CLOSELY WE WERE COOPERATING IN BARBADOS. (ACCORDING TO SNIDER, HARMAN IS HERE TEMPORARILY AND WILL AT SOME POINT RESUME HIS POSITION AS AMBASSADOR IN HAVANA.) ENDERS

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TAGS: PINS, PINT, DO

SUBJ: DOMINICA'S OPPOSITION PARTY AGAINST REGIONAL SECURITY FORCE

REF: BRIDGETOWN 1078

1. OPPOSITON DOMINICA FREEDOM PARTY (DFP) PUBLICLY STATED RECENTLY THAT IT IS AGAINST REGIONAL SECURITY FORCE PROPOSED AT WEST INDIAN ASSOCIATED STATES MEETING TO DISCUSS GRENADA COUP (REFTEL). DFP TERMS SUCH A PROPOSAL AS A QUOTE RETORGRADE UNQUOTE STEP WHICH WOULD ORGANIZE AN EXTERNAL FORCE TO INTERFER WITH INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF DOMINICA. DFP STATEMENT ADDS THAT SECURITY FORCE WOULD BE QUOTE INTENDED SIMPLY TO PROVIDE ARMED FORCES TO PROTECT THE LEADERSHIP RATHER THAN PROTECTING THE PEOPLE FROM EXTERNAL AGGRESSSION OR INTERNAL UNREST UNQUOTE.

2. DFP FURTHER QUESTIONED REFUSAL OF DOMINICA GOVERNMENT TO RECOGNIZE NEW GRENADA GOVERNMENT, AND WONDERED WHETHER STRONG FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN DOMINICAN PRIME MINISTER PATRICK JOHN AND DEPOSED GRENADA LEADER GARIY WAS THE REASON FOR THIS.

3. COMMENT: A NUMBER OF OPPOSITION POLITICAL PARTIES AND GOUPS,
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INCLUDING TRADE UNION ORGANIZATIONS, HAVE PUBLICLY OPPOSED PROPOSED REGIONAL SECURITY FORCE. STATEMENT BY DFP, HOWEVER, IS OF SIGNIFICANCE AS IT MAKES SPECIFIC NOTE OF APPREHENSION THAT ESTABLISHED LEADERS MAY USE THIS FORCE TO MAINTAIN

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THEIR CONTROL OVER GOVERNMENTS. DOMINICA IS PERHAPS MOST UN-
STABLE OF NEWLY INDEPENDENT CARIBBEAN NATIONS, AND DFP
STATEMENT INDICATES THIS OPPOSITION GROUP IS CONCERNED
THAT PM JOHN MAY SEE REGIONAL SECURITY FORCE AS A MEANS
OF CONTROLLING JUSTIFIED AND LEGITIMATE INTERNAL OPPOSITION.
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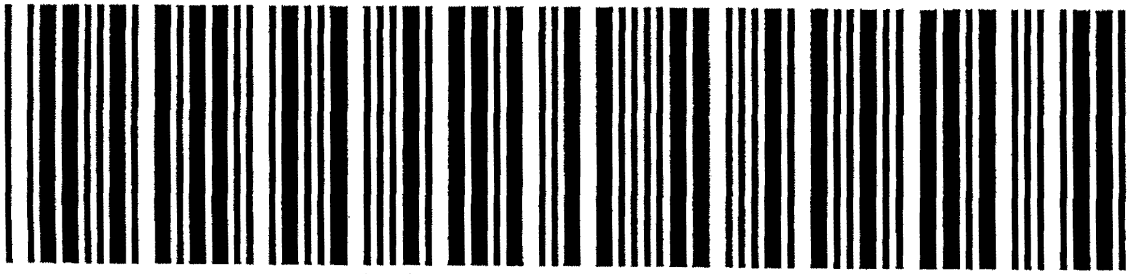
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TAGS: PINT, PINS, GJ

SUBJ: GRENADA: CONFRONTATION WITH THE WEST INDIES ASSOCIATED STATES

1. (C) ENTIRE TEXT.

2. CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER ROGER TOLD ME COMMONWEALTH SECRETARY-GENERAL RAMPHAL RETURNED FROM GRENADA APRIL 1 AFTER LENGTHY CONVERSATIONS WITH NEW BISHOP GOVT. RAMPHAL WAS MUCH CONCERNED BY A DECISION OF THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN CURRENCY AUTHORITY (ECCA) REFUSING TO RELEASE TO GRENADA E.C. \$3 MILLION (APPROX U.S. \$1,132,000). THE ECCA IS A CURRENCY BOARD THAT FALLS SHORT OF BEING A CENTRAL BANK FOR THE LEEWARD AND WINDWARD ISLANDS, BUT WHICH HAS FAIRLY WIDE POWERS INCLUDING FIDUCIARY ISSUES OF UP TO 30 PERCENT

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OF ITS DEMAND OBLIGATIONS; TO PURCHASE SELL, AND DISCOUNT A WIDE RANGE OF BILLS; TO PURCHASE AND SELL LONG TERM BONDS OF EASTERN CARIBBEAN GOVERNMENTS AND GOVERNMENT-APPROVED ENTERPRISES, AND GRANT 90 DAY ADVANCES TO COMMERCIAL

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BARBOS. THE ECCA REFUSAL TO ISSUE EC\$3 MILLION TO

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GRENADA THAT REPORTEDLY HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED BY THE GAIRY GOVERNMENT FACED THE BISHOP GOVERNMENT WITH A SERIOUS PROBLEM. THE NATURE OF THE TRANSACTION BEING REFUSED IS NOT KNOWN, BUT THE NEW BISHOP GOVERNMENT BELIEVES THE REFUSAL TO BE BASED ON POLITICAL RATHER THAN TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS.

3. THIS ACTION BY THE WEST INDIES ASSOCIATED STATES IS IN LINE WITH THEIR HARD-NOSED APPROACH TO THE NEW GRENADA REGIME TO WHICH THE BISHOP GOVERNMENT REACTS WITH GREAT IRRITATION. THE ASSOCIATED STATES ALSO REPORTEDLY CONSIDERED STOPPING THE REGIONAL AIRLINE LIAT FROM FLYING TO GRENADA AND HAVE REMOVED THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE ASSOCIATED STATES SUPREME COURT FROM GRENADA. SUCH ACTIONS BY THE ASSOCIATED STATES WILL ENRAGE THE BISHOP GOVERNMENT WITH LITTLE PRACTICAL BENEFIT TO ALL CONCERNED.

4. RAMPHAL MET WITH BARBADOS FOREIGN MINISTER FORDE TO DISCUSS THE ECCA PROBLEM. THEY APPARENTLY PERSUADED THE ASSOCIATED STATES TO RESCIND THEIR ACTION.

5. WHEN SPEAKING BY TELEPHONE TO BERNARD COARD, THE MINFIN OF THE BISHOP GOVERNMENT ON ANOTHER MATTER HE ADVISED ME OF THE RESCISION OF THE ECCA ACTION WHICH GREATLY RELIVED HIM. HE SAID HOWEVER GRENADA WOULD INSIST IT RECEIVE A COMMITMENT IN WRITING THAT

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ECCA WOULD NOT REIMPOSE SUCH SANCTIONS IN THE FUTURE. IF ECCA REFUSES COARD SAYS GRENADA WILL SIMPLY HAVE TO ISSUE ITS OWN CURRENCY. COARD SAYS GRENADA WANTS A RECONCILIATION WITH ITS NEIGHBORS.

6. THE CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER TELLS ME HE IS RECOMMENDING CANADA CALL A SUB-REGIONAL COMMONWEALTH MEETING AT SOME SECLUDED PLACE IN CANADA TO WHICH GRENADA AND OTHER CARIBBEAN GOVERNMENTS WOULD BE INVITED. HE HOPES SUCH A MEETING WOULD SERVE TO HELP RECONCILE GRENADA TO ITS HOSTILE NEIGHBORS.

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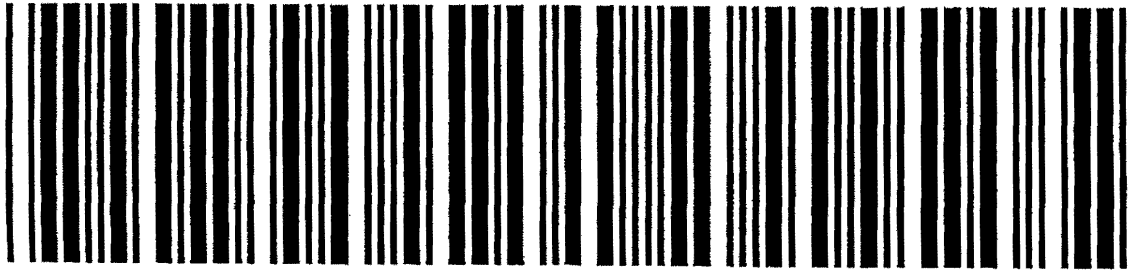
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TAGS: PINT PINT GJ
SUBJECT: US-VENEZUELAN DIALOGUE ON GRENADA

REF: CARACAS 3030; CARACAS 2834

1. C-ENTIRE TEXT

2. DURING HIS FIRST OFFICIAL CALL ON THE NEW FOREIGN
MINISTER, JOSE ALBERTO ZAMBRANO VELASCO, ON MARCH 30,
AMBASSADOR LUERS RECALLED THAT VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE AND
PRESIDENT HERRERA HAD AGREED ON MARCH 23 THAT BOTH
GOVERNMENTS WOULD KEEP IN TOUCH ON THE EVOLVING SITUATION
IN GRENADA. THE AMBASSADOR NOTED THAT THE EMBASSY WAS
READY TO CONTINUE THIS DIALOGUE.

3. THE FOREIGN MINISTER REPLIED THAT ON APRIL 2 HE WAS
SENDING TO GRENADA MIRIAM FIEL, THE FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL
IN CHARGE OF CARIBBEAN AFFAIRS, TO TALK TO MEMBERS OF THE NEW
GOVERNMENT AND GET SOME FEEL FOR THE LONGER RANGE PROSPECTS
OF THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT. THE AMBASSADOR REPLIED THAT THE
EMBASSY WAS SENDING ONE OF ITS OFFICERS, OF GRENADIAN
ORIGIN TO GRENADA FOR TDY. THE AMBASSADOR SUGGESTED THAT
THE DIALOGUE ON GRENADA BE CONTINUED ONCE BOTH THE VENEZUELAN
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AND US OFFICERS HAD REPORTED ON THEIR VISITS THERE.
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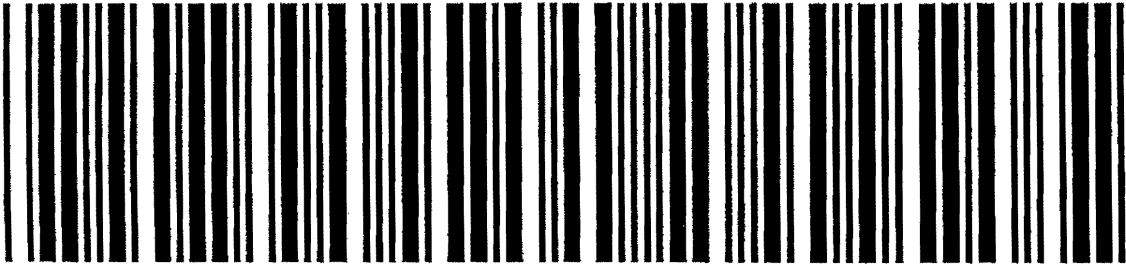
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SUBJECT: GRENADA: RELATIONS WITH THE ASSOCIATE STATES

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2. WE REPORTED THE EXTREME REACTION OF THE GOVERNMENT LEADERS OF THE OTHER WINDWARD AND LEEWARD ISLANDS TO THE COUP IN GRENADA AND THEIR HOSTILITY TO THE BISHOP GOVERNMENT. DURING THE PAST WEEKS WE HEARD STRONG WORDS FROM SUCH LEADERS AS JOHN COMPTON OF ST. LUCIA WHO COMMENTED TO ME THAT PEOPLE LIKE THE BRITISH AND CANDIANS WERE FALLING ALL OVER THEMSELVES TO EXTEND ASSISTANCE TO AN ILLEGAL GOVERNMENT. PREMIER CATO OF ST. VINCENT WAS ALSO TART IN HIS COMMENTS TO ME ON WESTERN REACTIONS TO EVENTS IN GRENADA. I'VE HAD NO DIRECT CONTACT WITH PREMIER BIRD OF ANTIGUA BUT FROM A VARIETY OF SOURCES I UNDERSTAND THAT THE ANTIGUANS ARE PARTICULARLY UPSET AND ANNOYED. ERROL BARROW, THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION IN BARBADOS TOLD ME THAT PREMIER BIRD PERSONALLY UPBRAIDED BARROW FOR HIS PUBLIC STATEMENT ADVOCATING EARLY RECOGNITION AND RESUMPTION OF NORMAL RELATIONS WITH THE BISHOP GOVERNMENT. BARROW SAID IN
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30 YEARS HE HAD NOT SEEN BIRD SO ANGRY.

3. THIS ANGRY REACTION IN THE ASSOCIATED STATES HAS ITS ORIGIN IN THE FEAR, PARTICULARLY IN DOMINICA, ST. LUCIA

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GOVERNMENT AND EVENTUALLY BRINGING IT DOWN. THE
IMPRACTICABILITY OF SUCH A COURSE SEEMS TO BE
DAWNING AND THE WIAS NOW APPEARS TO BE IN THE
PROCESS OF ADOPTING A POSITION OF CAUTIOUS AND
WATCHFUL RELATIONS WITH THE NEW GRENADA REGIME.
MR. GUS COMPTON THE WIAS SECRETARY-GENERAL IS NOW IN
GRENADA. HE TOOK WITH HIM THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE
WIAS APPEAL COURT, THE HEADQUARTERS OF WHICH IS IN
GRENADA. WE BELIEVE COMPTON IS TRYING TO BRING ABOUT
THE RESCINDING OF AN EARLIER WIAS DECISION TO REMOVE
THE COURT FROM GRENADA AND IS OTHERWISE MENDING FENCES
WITH THE BISHOP GOVERNMENT.

4. COMMENT: WE BELIEVE NORMALIZATION OF GRENADA'S
RELATIONS WITH ITS NEAREST NEIGHBORS IS A POSITIVE
DEVELOPMENT AT LEAST IN THE SHORT TERM. EVEN IF IN
THE LONG TERM EVERYONE'S WORST FEARS ABOUT THE
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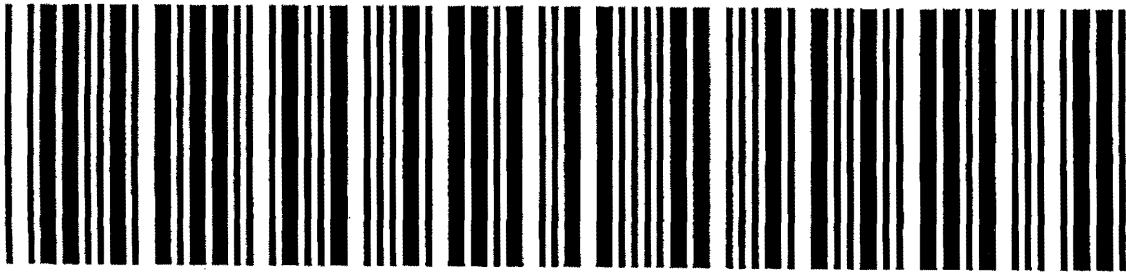
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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLANS WITHOUT BEING CAUGHT IN
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2. AMBASSADOR TOOK ARA/CAR DIRECTOR ASHLEY HEWITT TO CALL ON FOREIGN MINISTER JOHN DONALDSON ON THE MORNING OF APRIL 5 TO DISCUSS THE GRENADA SITUATION AND ITS IMPLICATIONS FOR THE CARIBBEAN AREA.
3. HEWITT BEGAN BY EXPLAINING THAT HE HAD BEEN SENT ON A TOUR OF CARICOM CAPITALS IN CONNECTION WITH GRENADA DEVELOPMENTS. THE PURPOSE OF THE TRIP WAS TO SHARE SOME THOUGHTS AND LISTEN TO THE VIEWS OF THE GOVERNMENTS IN THE AREA ON THE PROBLEMS WHICH MAY LIE AHEAD. HEWITT SAID THAT THE U. S. WAS SURPRISED WHEN THE GRENADA COUP

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OCCURRED. AFTER THE COUP, OUR FIRST CONCERN WAS ABOUT THE UNCONSTITUTIONALITY OF GAIRY'S REMOVAL AND THE APPARENT LIMBO INTO WHICH THAT HAD PLACED GRENADA'S CONSTITUTION. WE WERE THEREFORE GRATIFIED BY BISHOP'S STATEMENTS MADE

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HARD ON THAT THE CONSTITUTION WOULD BE RETAINED AND FREE ELECTIONS HELD SOON. HAD IT NOT BEEN FOR THESE STATEMENTS, THE U. S. MIGHT HAVE HELD OFF LONGER BEFORE INDICATING A WILLINGNESS TO CONTINUE ITS OFFICIAL RELATIONS WITH GRENADA.

4. HEWITT EMPHASIZED THAT THE PRECISE DATE WHEN ELECTIONS WOULD BE HELD WAS NOT SO MUCH THE IMPORTANT ISSUE AS FAR AS THE U. S. WAS CONCERNED. RATHER, THE KEY POINT WAS WHETHER OR NOT FREE ELECTIONS WOULD BE HELD AND CONSTITUTIONALITY MAINTAINED. HOW THE NEW REGIME ACTED ON THESE ISSUES WOULD HELP SHOW WHERE THE NJM CAME FROM IDEOLOGICALLY AND WHERE IT WAS HEADED. THERE WAS CONCERN IN WASHINGTON OVER THE NJM'S FAIRLY LONG AND INTIMATE CONNECTIONS WITH CUBA. A HALLMARK OF OUR POLICY WAS TO TRY TO GIVE GRENADA A MORE MODERATE ROAD TO TRAVEL AND NOT SHOVE IT IN THE DIRECTION OF CUBA.

5. HEWITT STATED THAT U. S. POLICY TOWARDS GRENADA WAS STILL IN THE PROCESS OF FORMULATION. HE HAD COME TO THE AREA TO LEARN THE VIEWS OF THE GOVERNMENTS MOST DIRECTLY AFFECTED SO THAT THOSE ELEMENTS COULD BE INCLUDED IN THE DECISION-MAKING PROCESS. AS HEWITT SAW IT, THERE WERE TWO BASIC QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED. FIRST, WHAT IS HAPPENING WITHIN GRENADA ITSELF? SECOND, WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR GRENADA'S NEIGHBORS, PARTICULARLY THOSE IN THE LEEWARDS AND WINDWARDS?

6. ON THE FIRST QUESTION, THE PRESENT POSITION OF THE

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U. S. WAS TO WAIT AND SEE, JUDGING THE BISHOP REGIME BY ITS ACTIONS RATHER THAN ITS WORDS, AND TRYING TO BE HELPFUL TO IT TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE SO LONG AS DEMOCRATIC NORMS AND BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS WERE PRESERVED. WE WOULD BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR ANY ACTIONS THAT COULD ENDANGER THOSE NORMS AND RIGHTS, BUT SO LONG AS THE NEW GOVERNMENT APPEARED TO BE EVOLVING IN A DEMOCRATIC DIRECTION, WE WOULD STAND BEHIND IT AND OFFER A HELPING HAND WHERE WE COULD.

7. LOOKING AT THE BROADER PICTURE, ONE ALSO HAD TO ASK WHAT SIGNIFICANCE THE GRENADA COUP HAD FOR THE CARIBBEAN AT LARGE, HEWITT SAID. FIRST THERE WAS THE QUESTION OF SECURITY. SECOND, WHAT SIGNIFICANCE DID IT HAVE FOR REGIONAL INSTITUTIONS, STRUCTURES, AND COOPERATION IN THE LEEWARDS AND WINDWARDS? THEN FURTHER AFIELD, WHAT DID IT

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8. THE FOREIGN MINISTER ASSERTED AT THIS POINT THAT GRENADA WAS NOT A MATTER FOR THE COMMONWEALTH TO DEAL WITH, AND THAT THE COMMONWEALTH WAS THEREFORE IRRELEVANT IN THIS SITUATION.

9. HEWITT RESPONDED THAT DONALDSON MIGHT BE RIGHT BUT THAT WE KNEW THE CANADIANS, FOR EXAMPLE, WERE CONCERNED ABOUT THE GRENADA COUP IN THE COMMONWEALTH CONTEXT. HE ADDED THAT HE DID NOT SEE THE OAS AS HAVING MUCH RELEVANCE TO GRENADA EVENTS AT THIS POINT. IN ANY EVENT, WE SAW THE IMPACT ON CARICOM AS THE MAIN PROBLEM SINCE THE U. S. LOOKED TO CARICOM TO BE A VEHICLE FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT. THERE WERE SOME WHO TALKED IN TERMS OF DOMINO THEORIES OR RIPPLE OR DEMONSTRATION EFFECTS CONCERNING GRENADA AND THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN. IT WAS APPARENT THAT LEADERS IN THAT AREA SUCH AS COMPTON, BIRD, AND JOHN WERE THINKING ALONG THOSE LINES. HEWITT HIMSELF WAS SKEPTICAL OF SUCH THEORIES, HOWEVER. EACH COUNTRY WAS UNIQUE AND ITS FATE WAS MOST LIKELY TO BE DETERMINED BY ITS INTERNAL POLITICAL DYNAMICS.

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10. DONALDSON SAID HE AGREED WITH THIS LATTER POINT BUT ONLY IF ONE ADDED TO IT THE PHRASE "OTHER THINGS BEING EQUAL."

11. CONTINUING, HEWITT OBSERVED THAT UNFORTUNATELY THE LEEWARDS AND WINDWARDS WERE CHARACTERIZED BY WEAKNESS, INSTABILITY, AND THE LACK OF VIABILITY. THE U. S. WOULD BE TALKING WITH THE UK ABOUT THESE PROBLEMS LATER IN THE SPRING, AFTER THE GENERAL ELECTIONS. WE WERE EXPLORING WAYS IN WHICH TO PROVIDE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO THOSE ISLANDS, BUT THE U. S. TO A LARGE EXTENT WAS THE PRISONER OF ITS BUDGETARY SYSTEM--TO DO WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO CONSIDER DOING FOR THE LEEWARDS AND WINDWARDS NOW WOULD HAVE REQUIRED THE SUBMISSION OF FOREIGN AID AID PROPOSALS TO CONGRESS TWO YEARS AGO.

12. THE FOREIGN MINISTER SAID HE WAS SURE HEWITT HAD HEARD
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OF THE GOTT'S POSITION AS EXPLAINED BY PRESIDENT CLARKE AND THEN SET FORTH IN PARLIAMENT IN A GOVERNMENT STATEMENT. THE PRESIDENT'S REMARKS AND THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT SAID ALL THERE WAS TO SAY ON THE GOTT POSITION. THE GOTT DID NOT SEE ITSELF AS BEING ABLE TO DIRECT POLITICAL ACTIVITY WITHIN OTHER COUNTRIES AND HAD NO DESIRE TO DO SO. THE GOTT DID NOT HAVE THE RIGHT TO SIT IN JUDGMENT OVER OTHER COUNTRIES. THAT IS WHAT THE GOTT STATEMENT MEANT.

13. TURNING TO THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN, DONALDSON SAID HE WAS SURE HIS VISITORS UNDERSTOOD WHAT THE EFFECT OF THE GRENADA EVENTS HAD BEEN. AS FOR CARICOM, THE COUP HAD BROUGHT THAT ORGANIZATION, ASIDE FROM ITS SECRETARIAT, TO A COMPLETE STANDSTILL. THIS WAS BECAUSE OF THE DIFFERENT VIEWS OF THE COUP AND ITS SIGNIFICANCE HELD BY VARIOUS CARICOM MEMBERS, PARTICULARLY THE REFUSAL OF THE OTHER WIAS COUNTRIES TO SIT DOWN WITH THE NEW GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA.

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14. IN ADDITION, SAID DONALDSON, THE QUESTION OF SECURITY INEVITABLY CAME UP. THE GOTT DID NOT THINK THAT REGIONAL SECURITY HAD BEEN ENHANCED BY EVENTS IN GRENADA. WHERE THE LEEWARDS AND WINDWARDS WERE CONCERNED, THE DEMONSTRATION EFFECT WAS RELEVANT BECAUSE THE COUP SHOWED THAT A HANDFUL OF ARMED MEN COULD TOPPLE A GOVERNMENT WITHOUT DIFFICULTY. THE RESULT UNDERSTANDABLY WAS PANIC IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN, THOUGH NOT IN JAMAICA AND GUYANA.

15. DONALDSON NOTED THAT MANY HAD LAUGHED A FEW MONTHS AGO WHEN BARBADOS'S TOM ADAMS HAD CHARGED THAT HIS COUNTRY WAS IN DANGER OF BEING INVADED BY A SMALL BAND OF MERCENARIES AND SEEMED GENUINELY FRIGHTENED BY THAT PROSPECT. MANY FOUND HIS FEARS LUDICROUS, BUT IT WAS A LAUGHING MATTER NO MORE.

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16. IN DONALDSON'S VIEW THE GRENADA COUP MEANT LESS STABILITY AND GREATER INSECURITY IN THE REGION. THE DOOR NOW WAS OPEN FOR ACTION AND COUNTERACTION. IT WAS POSSIBLE THAT, AS A RESULT OF THE COUP, THERE WOULD BE OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE IN THE AFFAIRS OF THE ENGLISH-SPEAKING CARIBBEAN, EITHER FROM OTHER CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES OR FROM OUTSIDE. (WHEN HEWITT ASKED IF HE MEANT CUBA, DONALDSON REPLIED THAT HE HAD NOT SAID CUBA, WITH WHICH TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO MAINTAINED GOOD RELATIONS.)

17. THE INTRUSION OF OUTSIDE COUNTRIES INTO THE AFFAIRS OF THE ENGLISH-SPEAKING CARIBBEAN COULD CAUSE SERIOUS PROBLEMS. MOREOVER, CERTAIN SITUATIONS ALREADY IN EXISTENCE, THE GUYANA-VENEZUELA AND BELIZE-GUATEMALA DISPUTES, FOR EXAMPLE, COULD BE EXACERBATED. THESE DISPUTES WOULD BE MORE DIFFICULT TO RESOLVE IN THE WAKE OF GRENADA THAN WOULD HAVE BEEN THE CASE BEFORE.

18. HEWITT ASKED WHAT COUNSEL DONALDSON COULD GIVE THE U. S. IN LIGHT OF THE DEVELOPMENTS HE HAD DESCRIBED.

19. THE FOREIGN MINISTER REPLIED THAT TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO DID NOT GIVE ADVICE TO OTHER COUNTRIES. ITS FIRM POLICY WAS TO KEEP OUT OF THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OTHER COUNTRIES. NEVERTHELESS, THE GRENADA COUP DID POINT UP THE NEED FOR EFFECTIVE REGIONAL COOPERATION. THE DOOR MUST BE KEPT OPEN, HE SAID, TO SOME NEW UNIT, NOT A REVIVAL OF THE OLD FEDERATION, BUT A POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC UNIT THAT WOULD

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MAKE INDEPENDENCE MEANINGFUL. IT WOULD HAVE TO HAPPEN
THROUGH A VOLUNTARY COMING TOGETHER OF THE STATES CONCERNED.
IN FACT, IF THESE COUNTRIES WERE TO SURVIVE, THERE WAS NO

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ALTERNATIVE TO MAKING THE CARIBBEAN ECONOMICALLY VIABLE.
UNEMPLOYMENT WAS THE CENTRAL PROBLEM WHICH HAD TO BE
RESOLVED.

20. AMBASSADOR FOX SAID THAT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE
REGION WAS MOVING AHEAD SLOWLY AND SPORADICALLY. THIS WAS
DUE BOTH TO FACTORS WITHIN AND EXTERNAL TO THE REGION.
NEVERTHELESS, AN IMPORTANT PROBLEM WAS THE STRONG TENDENCY
OF EACH COUNTRY TO MOVE IN ITS OWN DIRECTION WITHOUT RE-
FERENCE TO THE OTHERS.

21. TURNING TO GAIRY, THE FOREIGN MINISTER SAID THAT
GRENADIANS HAD SUPPORTED HIM BECAUSE HE HAD PROVIDED THEM
WITH THE BASIC NECESSITIES. THE PROMISES OF POLITICAL
MESSIAHS, RIGHT, LEFT, OR CENTER, PRODUCED NO RESULTS.
BUT BECAUSE THERE WERE NO JOBS, THE PEOPLE OF THE CARIBBEAN

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WERE WILLING TO TAKE CHANCES. THEY WOULD TRY ANYTHING IN
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THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES, AND IT WAS EASIER FOR A REGIME TO COME TO GRIEF WHEN THE ECONOMY WAS AT A STANDSTILL AND UNEMPLOYMENT HIGH.

22. AMBASSADOR FOX POINTED OUT THAT IN ADDITION TO THE FALTERING ECONOMY IN GRENADA THERE WAS ALSO POLITICAL REPRESSION WHICH HAD CONTRIBUTED TO THE REVOLUTION THERE.

23. DONALDSON REPLIED THAT HE DID NOT AGREE. HE DID NOT THINK REPRESSION WAS A KEY INGREDIENT IN REVOLUTIONS--ONE HAD TO LOOK ELSEWHERE FOR THE CAUSES. IN 1970 IN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO FOR EXAMPLE, THERE WAS A SERIOUS POLITICAL UPHEAVAL, BUT THAT HAD NOT BEEN CAUSED BY REPRESSION. THE SAME FORCES THAT WERE AT WORK IN GRENADA WERE ALSO PRESENT IN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO AND OTHER COUNTRIES, REGARDLESS OF THE LEVEL OF FREEDOM EXISTING IN ANY OF THOSE COUNTRIES.

24. HEWITT ASKED WHERE WE SHOULD GO FROM HERE. SHOULD WE GO ALONG WITH AN EFFORT TO CORDON OFF GRENADA FROM ITS NEIGHBORS?

25. THE FOREIGN MINISTER RESPONDED WITH AN EMPHATIC NO. GRENADA WAS A SOVEREIGN, INDEPENDENT STATE, WITH ALL THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES DERIVING FROM THAT STATUS. NO ONE HAD THE RIGHT TO TELL GRENADA WHAT TO DO OR TO INTERFERE IN HER AFFAIRS. THE LEEWARDS AND WINDWARDS WERE WASTING THEIR TIME, INDEED HARMING THEIR OWN INTERESTS, BY TRYING TO PRESSURE GRENADA. GRENADA COULD DO WHAT IT WANTED AND WOULD NOT BE INFLUENCED BY WHAT ITS NEIGHBORS DID OR DID NOT DO.

26. DONALDSON SAID THAT SINCE HEWITT WAS IN THE AREA, HE SHOULD GO TO ST. LUCIA. THE PROBLEMS THERE WERE SERIOUS.

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THE FOREIGN MINISTER STATED THAT THERE WOULD BE EXPLOSIONS IN OTHER CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES, PERHAPS NOT IN EXACTLY THE SAME FORM AS IN GRENADA, BUT IT WAS COMING. HE EXPECTED THAT SOME COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN,

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WOULD TAKE PREEMPTIVE ACTIONS IN AN EFFORT TO FORESTALL OR AVOID THOSE ANTICIPATED EXPLOSIONS BY INSTITUTING REPRESENTATIVE MEASURES.

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27. HEWITT ASKED DONALDSON IF THE GRENADA PROBLEM WOULD ACT AS A GRAIN OF SAND IN THE CARICOM MACHINE AND BRING IT TO A HALT.

28. THE FOREIGN MINISTER RESPONDED THAT NOT ONLY COULD THIS OCCUR, IT ALREADY HAD DONE SO. SOME OF THE BIGGER CARICOM COUNTRIES COULD GO THEIR OWN WAY AND, TO SOME EXTENT, PROTECT THEIR OWN INTERESTS, BUT THIS WAS NOT THE CASE WITH THE SMALL ISLANDS OF THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN. IT HAD BEEN DEMONSTRATED HOW VULNERABLE THOSE ISLANDS WERE TO TAKEOVER BY A SMALL BAND OF ARMED MEN. THE FRAGILITY OF THEIR REGIMES WAS MORE APPARENT NOW THAN EVEN BEFORE. THIS WAS A MATTER THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED IN ANY CONSIDERATION OF THE AREA AND ITS PROBLEMS. THERE ALWAYS WERE COUNTRIES IN THE REGION THAT WOULD PLAY A MISCHIEVOUS ROLE AND THE EXAMPLE OF GRENADA WOULD NOT BE LOST ON SUCH COUNTRIES.

29. IN THAT CONTEXT, AMBASSADOR FOX ASKED WHAT COULD BE DONE TO REASSURE THE COUNTRIES OF THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN?

30. DONALDSON SAID THAT TO SOME EXTENT THOSE COUNTRIES WOULD HAVE TO BE REASSURED PRIVATELY. CONSTRUCTIVE ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL ACTIVITY WITHIN A STABLE FRAMEWORK SHOULD BE THE GOAL. NEVERTHELESS, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO WAS NOT GOING TO RUSH INTO ACTION IN RESPONSE TO THE GRENADA SITUATION. THE GOTT WOULD MOVE CAREFULLY AND DELIBERATELY-- DECISIONS WOULD BE TAKEN ONLY AFTER A COLD, ANALYTICAL EX-

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AMINATION OF THE SITUATION. GRENADA HAD CHANGED GOVERN-
MENTS AND TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO'S REPSONSE WAS, SO WHAT?

31. AMBASSADOR FOX SAID THAT HE HAD, OF COURSE, READ THE
GOTT STATEMENT DELIVERED IN PARLIAMENT ON GRENADA AND FOUND
IT CLEAR. THE GOTT NEVER HAD GIVEN FORMAL RECOGNITION TO
NEW REGIMES WITHIN COUNTRIES WITH WHICH IT HAD DIPLOMATIC
RELATIONS AND WOULD NOT CHANGE THAT PRACTICE IN THE CASE
OF GRENADA. BUT WHAT MESSAGE DID THAT STATEMENT CONVEY TO
THE LEADERSHIP IN GRENADA?

32. DONALDSON ASSERTED THAT THE NEW GRENADA REGIME HAD
UNDERSTOOD THE MESSAGE THAT THE GOTT WAS CONVEYING TO IT.
THAT MESSAGE WAS THAT TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO HAD NOT BEEN
TAKEN IN BY BISHOP'S STATEMENTS. THE WORDS WERE FINE BUT
WHERE WAS THE SUBSTANCE? THE GOTT DID NOT KNOW HOW DISHOP
WOULD RULE. ON WHAT BASIS COULD HE ACT AS PRIME MINISTER,
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WITH NO CONSTITUTION AND THE COURTS SUSPENDED? ON WHOSE
AUTHORITY WOULD THE POLICE ACT? HOW WOULD HUMAN RIGHTS BE
PROTECTED? THE GOTT DID NOT KNOW THE ANSWERS TO THESE AND
MANY RELATED QUESTIONS. IT HOPED THAT THE GRENADIANS KNEW.

33. TURNING BACK TO THE SMALL ISLANDS OF THE EASTERN
CARIBBEAN, DONALDSON UNDERLINED THE DILEMMA WHICH GRENADA
POSED FOR THEM. IF THOSE COUNTRIES ACCEPTED GRENADA, IT
WOULD BE TANTAMOUNT TO INFORMING THEIR PEOPLE TO FOLLOW
BISHOP'S EXAMPLE. THAT OF COURSE WAS TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE.
HE SAID HE KNEW OF AT LEAST TWO COUNTRIES IN THE AREA THAT
NOW WERE SEEKING MILITARY PACTS WITH LARGE COUNTRIES.
FURTHERMORE, THOSE TWO COUNTRIES HAD MADE THEIR APPROACHES
THE DAY AFTER THE COUP TOOK PLACE. HE ALSO KNEW THAT ONE
OF THE COUNTRIES ASKED TO ASSIST WAS READY AND WILLING TO

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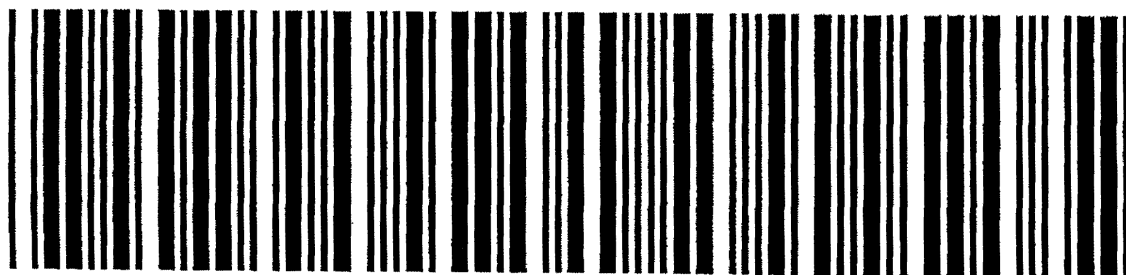
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34. THE FOREIGN MINISTER OBSERVED THAT WHEN HE ADDED ALL THE PIECES OF THE PUZZLE TOGETHER HE GOT A DISTURBING PICTURE. CUBA DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE GRENADA COUP-- THERE WAS NO NEED FOR THE CUBANS TO DO SO. THEY DID NOT OPERATE THAT WAY IN THIS AREA. NEVERTHELESS, GRENADA COULD BECOME A CENTER FOR POLITICAL INFECTION. FOX

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2. SEE REFTEL FOR HIGHLIGHTS OF BISHOP'S APRIL 5 PRESS CONFERENCE. SUBSEQUENT RADIO BROADCASTS CONTAINED SAME INFORMATION.
3. MOOD IN GRENADA CONTINUES ESSENTIALLY AS EMBASSY HAS REPORTED, MOST RECENTLY IN REFTEL. POPULACE IS MILDLY INSECURE BUT THERE IS NO REPEAT NO PANIC. LEADERSHIP, EITHER GENUINELY OR TO GAIN MASS SUPPORT PERIODICALLY PORTRAYS GAIRY-BACKED INVASION AS POSSIBILITY. U.S. MEDICAL STUDENTS ARE AMONG THE MOST JITTERY BECAUSE THEIR STUDIES KEEP THEM ISOLATED AND ALOOF FROM PULSE OF REAL EVENTS IN GRENADA. AS DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, WE HAVE MAINTAINED EMBASSY OFFICIALS ON SPOT CONTINUOUSLY IN GRENADA SINCE COUP AND THEY ARE IN CONSTANT TOUCH WITH MEDICAL STUDENTS. POLITICAL OFFICER DONALD CAMP IS THERE NOW. CAMP IS IN DIRECT CONTACT WITH MED. SCHOOL.

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4. REGARDING POSSIBLE STATEMENT FOR PARENTS AND CONCERNED CONGRESSIONAL STAFFERS, WE SUGGEST SOMETHING ALONG FOLLOWING LINES: QUOTE - U.S. OFFICIALS ON THE SPOT IN GRENADA REPORT DAILY TO THE AMERICAN EMBASSY

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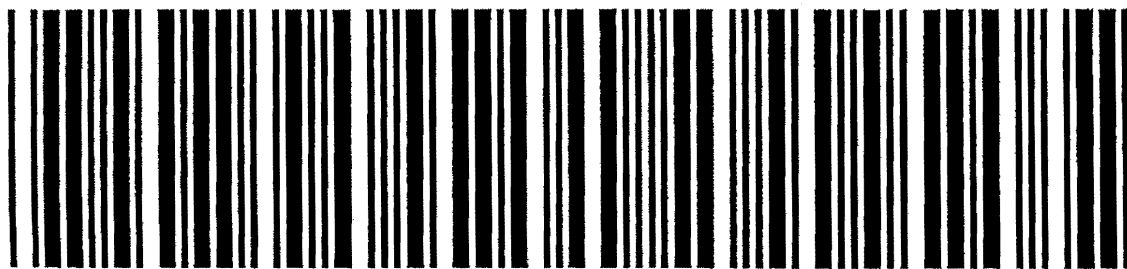
THE GREAT MAJORITY OF OUR CITIZENS HAVE EXPRESSED NO CONCERN WHATEVER ABOUT CONDITIONS THERE. FOR EXAMPLE, ON APRIL 6 AN INTER-ISLAND CRICKET MATCH WAS IN PROGRESS; A CRUISE SHIP WAS IN THE HARBOR; ALL COMMERCIAL AND STUDENT LIFE WAS NORMAL. PERIODIC RADIO BROADCASTS BY THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT HAVE ASKED THE POPULACE TO BE VIGILANT IN CASE CAIRY ATTEMPTS A RETURN. THIS EXHORTATION HAS BECOME CUSTOMARY. THE U.S. GOVERNMENT HAS CONTINGENCY PLANS FOR EVACUATING ITS CITIZENS IN EXTREME SITUATIONS. UNQUOTE.

5. CONSULAR OFFICER SPOKE AT 1700 (LOCAL TIME) TODAY APRIL 6 WITH MR. ALEXIS AT PEARLS AIRPORT, GRENADA. ALEXIS SAID AIRPORT IS OPEN, OPERATIONS PERFECTLY NORMAL, AND HE EXPECTED THIS TO CONTINUE.
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2. SUJMARY : ARA/CAR DIRECTOR HEWITT (NOW IN BRIDGETOWN) MET IN JAMAICA WITH PRIME MINISTER MICHAEL MANLEY TO DISCUSS POINTS RAISED IN REFTEL RE GRENADA. MANLEY GAVE HISTORICAL VIEW OF JAMAICA'S AND PNP'S RELATIONS WITH BISHOP AND THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT, EMPHASIZING THAT WHAT THE NEW GRENADA GOVERNMENT NEEDS IS FRIENDS AND ASSISTANCE. END SUMMARY.
3. ASHLEY HEWITT, ALONG WITH EMBOFFS MET WITH PRIME MINISTER MICHAEL MANLEY APRIL 4 FOR NEARLY AN HOUR TO

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DISCUSS THE PRESNET SITUATION IN GRENADA. THE U.S. PARTY ARRIVED EARLY, AND BEFORE BEING SHOWN TO THE DOWN-STAIRS SITTING ROOM WHERE MEETING WOULD TAKE PLACE, WE ENCOUNTERED THE CUBAN AMBASSADOR TO MAJAJICA AND THE HEAD

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MANLEY'S UPPER OFFICE, WHERE EMBOFFS HAVE NEVER BEEN INVITED.

4. HEWITT EXPRESSED THE USG'S GENUINE DESIRE TO DEVELOP A COOPERATIVE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE NEW GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA AND TO BE AS HELPFUL TO IT AS WE CAN. HE POINTED OUT, HOWEVER, THAT THE RECENT SUSPENSION OF THE CONSTITUTION FOR AN INDEFINITE PERIOD MAY LIMIT THE DEGREE OF US HELPFULNESS. AFTER RAISING OTHER POINTS IN REFTEL, HEWITT INDICATED WE KNEW OF THE CLOSE CONTACT MAINTAINED BY THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT (NJM) WITH GOJ AND THE PNP PARTY OVER THE YEARS. HEWITT ASKED MANLEY ABOUT THE IDEOLOGICAL ORIENTATION OF THE NJM AND FOR AN ASSESSMENT OF ITS LEADERS.

5. THE NJM, SAID MANLEY, BEGAN AS A RADICAL STUDENT MOVEMENT, NOT UNUSUAL, AS SUCH, IN ITS IDEOLOGIES OR ENTHUSIASM. PRIME MINISTER GAIRY RESPONDED TO THE FORMATION AND PHILOSOPHIES OF THE NJM VIOLENTLY, PHYSICALLY ATTACKING THEM AS A THREATENING POLITICAL FORCE. THIS VIOLENCE RESULTED IN INJURIES TO SEVERAL AND THE MURDER OF BISHOP'S FATHER. AFTER HIS FIRST MEETING WITH BISHOP, MANLEY SAID, HE REALIZED THAT THE IDEOLOGIES AND PHILOSOPHIES OF THE NJM WERE ALMOST IDENTICAL TO THOSE OF THE PNP. THE NEXT MOST NOTABLE CONTACT BETWEEN MANLEY AND THE NJM (HIS TONE THROUGHOUT WHEN SPEAKING OF THE NJM WAS AS IF TALKING ABOUT A PROTEGE) WAS THE NJM'S REQUEST THAT MANLEY AND THE PNP SPONSOR THEIR

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ATTENDANCE AT A SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL (SI) CONFERENCE IN VANCOUVER LAST YEAR. MANLEY STRESSED THAT NJM'S INTEREST IN SI IS VERY IMPORTANT IN UNDERSTANDING THEIR POLITICAL ORIENTATION. "IF YOU UNDERSTAND SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL AND ALL THAT REPRESENTS, YOU'LL UNDERSTAND HOW CRUCIAL MY POINT IS THAT THEY SOUGHT THAT KIND OF CONTACT."

6. MANLEY THEN GAVE A BLOW BY BLOW ACCOUNT OF RECENT EVENTS IN GRENADA, AS HE BECAME AWARE OF THEM IN JAMAICA. HE EMPHASIZED THAT THE COUP WAS NOT PLANNED, AS EVIDENCED BY BISHOP'S SEEMING CONFUSION AS TO WHAT TO DO NEXT AND ALMOST TOTAL WILLINGNESS TO GO ALONG WITH THE SUGGESTIONS OF THE INDEPENDENT CARICOM COUNTRIES MEETING IN BRIDGETOWN IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE COUP. THE COUP, HE SAID, WAS PRE-

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VOTERS CENSUS WAS PRELIMINARY TO A FRAUDULENT ELECTION, THAT SEARCHES OF NJM MEMBER HOUSES WERE THREATENING, AND INFORMANTS IN THE POLICE TOLD THEM THAT GAIRY GAVE ORDERS TO HAVE NJM MEMBERS DETAINED AND, IN SOME CASES, DONE IN DURING GAIRY'S TRIP TO THE U.S. HAVING MOVED QUICKLY FOR THE SAKE OF INDIVIDUAL SURVIVAL, THE NJM, MANLEY SAID, ASSURED HIM THEY HAD NO INTENTION OF REMOVING THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL, NOR OF REMOVING THE WIAS COURT OF APPEALS IN GRENADA.

7. ALTERNATIVE SUGGESTIONS INTENDED TO BRING THE NJM GOVERNMENT WITHIN CONSTITUTIONAL BOUNDS MET WITH LITTLE SUCCESS. THE NJM, MANLEY SAID, REFUSED TO HAVE ELECTIONS UNTIL A NEW VOTERS LIST COULD BE PREPARED; GAIRY'S PREVIOUS ELECTORAL MALFEASANCE HAD MADE THE EXISTING ELECTORAL PROCESS FARCICAL.

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8. MANLEY REGRETTED THE FAILURE OF THE INDEPENDENT COUNTRIES TO INCLUDE THE WIAS COUNTRIES IN THEIR CONSULTATIONS. WIAS MEMBER COUNTRIES EXPERIENCED INITIAL PANIC AND CONFUSION AND PUT STRONG PRESSURE ON BISHOP AND

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9. CAUGHT BETWEEN THE WIAS PRESSURE, THE UNACCEPTABLE TO SOME, SOLUTIONS PROPOSED BY THE INDEPENDENTS, AND ITS OWN UNWILLINGNESS TO HOLD ELECTIONS WITHOUT NEW ENUMERATIONS, THE NJM SAW NO RECOURSE BUT TO SUSPEND THE CONSTITUTION, SINCE NO IMMEDIATE MEANS OF BRINGING THEMSELVES THININ IT WERE APPARENT. THEY ARE STILL SEEKING A WAY TO LEGITIMIZE THEIR RULE.

10. THE NJM NOW PLANS TO DRAFT A NEW CONSTITUTION, PRESENT IT TO GRENADIANS BY REFERENDUM, CONDUCT THE NECESSARY ELECTORAL ENUMERATION, AND HOLD ELECTIONS. MANLEY MADE NO PREDICTIONS AS TO THE TIME FRAME FOR
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THIS ENTIRE PROCESS. HE INDICATED NJM'S NEED FOR ASSISTANCE IN DRAFTING A WORKABLE CONSTITUTION AND GRENADA'S NEED FOR ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE. FOREMOST NJM NEEDS FRIENDS "LIKE AMERICA." HE COMMENTED THAT HE WAS CERTAIN NJM WANTED AMERICA AS A FRIEND. HE PRAISED THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION FOR ITS ATTITUDE TOWARDS THE CARIBBEAN IN GENERAL, GIVING JAMAICA AS AN EXAMPLE OF IMPROVED RELATIONS AND THE INCREASING OPPORTUNITY FOR GOVERNMENTS LIKE GRENADA'S NJM TO HAVE FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH THE U.S.

11. EARLIER IN THE CONVERSATION MANLEY REFERRED FAVORABLY TO YALE ANTHROPOLOGIST, MIKE SMITH, WHO HAD COMMENTED YEARS BEFORE THAT GAIRY WAS SEEKING TO DESTROY THE MIDDLE CLASS IN GRENADA. HE LATER REMINDED US OF THIS COMMENT TO POINT OUT THAT THE BROAD SUPPORT THE NJM IS SEEKING TO ESTABLISH IS A CLASS PATRIOTISM IN GRENADA. HE EMPHASIZED THE INHERENT DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THAT KIND OF EFFORT AND MARXIST-LENINIST EFFORTS TOTALLY ABOLISH CLASS-SYSTEMS--WHAT HE CALLED A "COMMUNIST REALITY." MANLEY SAID THAT BISHOP IS EXPERIENCING THE SAME PROBLEMS WITH THE NJM AS HE IS WITH THE PNP: ORGANIZING AND MANAGING THE MANY FACTIONS WITHIN HIS PARTY, LEAVING OUT THE COMMUNISTS.

12. HEWITT TWICE ASKED MANLEY ABOUT NJM CONTACTS WITH CUBA AND THEIR SIGNIFICANCE. BOTH TIMES HE SIDESTEPED THE ISSUE.

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13. MANLEY EMPHASIZED THAT THE ROLE THE US COULD PLAY

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IN GRENADA WAS ASSURING FRIENDSHIP, THE OFFER OF ASSISTANCE AND FIANANCIAL AID. (ON LEAVING, THE PERMANENT SECRETARY IN THE PM'S OFFICE TOLD US THEY HAD JUST HAD A CONFIDENTIAL

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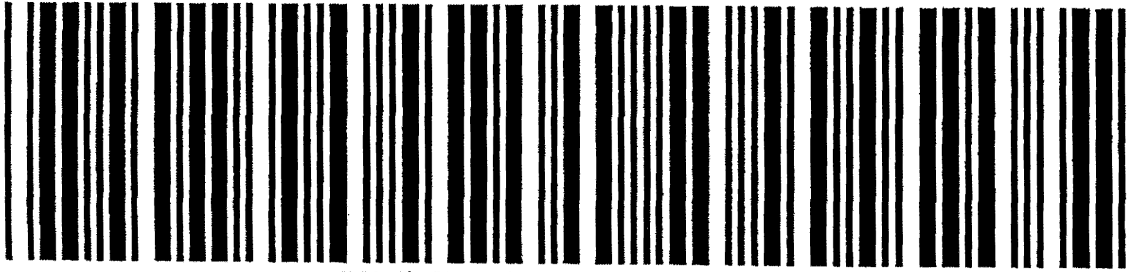
14. MANLEY FELT THAT ALL GOVERNMENTS IN THE REGION AGREED THAT THE GAIRY ADMINISTRATION WAS A BRUTAL AND OPPRESSIVE ONE. HOWEVER, WHILE THE INDEPENDENT COUNTRIES, PRIVY TO THE EVENTS WHICH PRECIPITATED THE COUP, FELT AT EASE WITH RECOGNIZINGTHE NJM GOVERNMENT AND INTENDED TO ENCOURAGE IT TO MOVE TOWARD CONSTITUTIONALITY IN SOME FORM EX-03\$85897)6, THE SMALLER ASSOCIATED STATES OF THE EATERN CARIBBEAN STILL FEEL PANIC AND PERHAPS THREATENDD BY THE COUP.

15. EMBASSY POLOFF MET MANLEY BY CHANCE IN A RESTAURANT SHORTLY AFTER THE ABOVE DISCUSSION AND ASKED HIM ABOUT THE TALKS. MANLEY, BEAMING, SAID THAT IN HIS OPINION US POLICY, AS DESCRIBED BY HEWITT, WAS EXACTLY RIGHT FOR THE GRENADA SITUATION. THE NEW JEWEL LEADERS, HE SAID, ARE NERVOUS, UNCERTAIN, AFRAID. THEY NEED ASSURANCE, ACCEPTANCE, AND ASSISTANCE, AND IF THEY GET THAT FROM THE US, BRITAIN AND AT LEAST SOME CARIBBEAN STATES, THEIR GOVERNMENT SHOULD DEVELOP IN A "HEALTHY" DIRECTION. OTHERWISE, HE COULD FORESEE A "FAR-LEFT DICTATORSHIP." MANLEY SAID THAT THE APPRECIATED HEWITT'S VISIT AND PRAISED HIM FOR HIS CANDOR AND OBJECTIVITY. ORTIZ

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E.O. 12065: GDS 4/6/85 (KLEINKAUF, THERESE)

TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ, CASC

SUBJECT: REPORTS THAT GAIRY PLANS TO LAUNCH AN INVASION

1. (C) ENTIRE TEXT
2. DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED A NUMBER OF INQUIRIES FROM PARENTS AND CONGRESSIONAL STAFFERS ABOUT A RADIO BROADCAST BISHOP MADE APRIL 6 ALERTING THE PEOPLE THAT GAIRY IS ABOUT TO LAUNCH A MERCENARY INVASION TO REGAIN CONTROL.
3. REQUEST POST REPORT ON RADIO BROADCAST AND ON MOOD IN GRENADA, ESPECIALLY OF U.S. STUDENT BODY FOLLOWING THIS BROADCAST.
4. FYI: WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT REPORTS OF A POSSIBLE GAIRY-BACKED MERCENARY INVASION. WE ARE CURRENTLY UNABLE TO VERIFY GAIRY'S WHEREABOUTS BUT WE ARE MAKING EFFORTS TO LOCATE HIM.

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5. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY SUGGESTIONS POST MAY HAVE ON HOW TO RESPOND TO THESE INQUIRIES. VANCE

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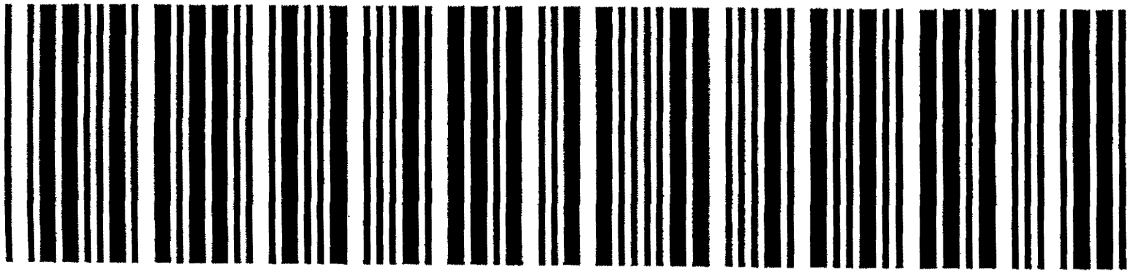
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TAGS: PINT, PINS, GJ
SUBJECT: GRENADA: BISHOP CONTINUES SOUNDING FEARS OF INVASION

REF: BRIDGETOWN 1273

1. (U) FOLLOWING PROVIDES HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESS CONFERENCE BY
PRIME MINISTER BISHOP ARIL 5 AS REPORTED BY LOCAL PRESS
AND POLITICAL OFFICER DONALD CAMP IN GRENADA:

- TWO FRIENDLY CARICOM COUNTRIES INFORMED BISHOP THAT GAIRY IS IN COMMUNICATION WITH EL CONDOR GROUP OF CUBAN EXILES IN MIAMI TO RECRUIT MERCENARIES.
- SAME SOURCES ALLEGED GAIRY HAD (PRESUMABLY SINCE COUP) APPROACHED CHILE AND ARGENTINA FOR ARMS WITHOUT RESULTS.
- GAIRY EFFECTED TRANSFER OF \$45,000 FROM UNNAMED BANK, PRESUMABLY IN US, PURPOSE UNKNOWN.
- KENRICH RADIX, AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE TO USA, HAS VERIFIED POINTS ABOVE.
- BISHOP HAS COPIES OF TWO LETTERS SENT BY A FRANK

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MARGRI (PHONETIC) TO FRANCIS REDHEAD, FORMER GRENADIAN
AMBASSADOR TO USA. LETTERS PREDATED MARCH 13 COUP AND
AT LEAST ONE ARRIVED IN NEW YORK TWO DAYS AFTER COUP.
LETTERS, BISHOP SAID, SHOWED HISTORY OF RELATIONSHIP

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BETWEEN GAIRY AND UNDERWORLD FIGURES WHO WERE GENERALLY
DISENCHANTED BY PREVIOUS BUSINESS ARRANGEMENTS WITH GAIRY.
THEY WERE, HOWEVER, WILLING GIVE GAIRY ANOTHER CHANCE.
--- BISHOP WILL MAKE FORMAL REQUEST TO UK, CANADA, AND
USA FOR ARMS AND AMMUNITION TO DEFEND ISLAND AGAINST
ANTICIPATED INVASION BY GAIRY'S FORCES.

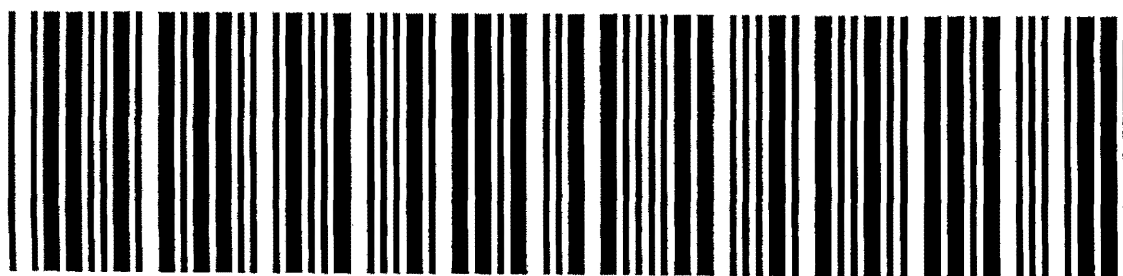
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2. (C) COMMENT: SO FAR WE HAVE RECEIVED NO FORMAL REQUEST
FOR ARMS. ON APRIL 5, HOWEVER, UNISON WHITEMAN, PROVISIONAL
GOVERNMENT'S MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE, TOURISM AND FISHERIES,
TOLD POLITICAL OFFICER DONALD CAMP THAT GRENADA'S NEW GOVERNMENT
WOULD CONSIDER IT A FRIENDLY ACT IF USG WOULD KEEP CAREFUL
TRACK OF WHAT GAIRY IS DOING. WHITEMAN SAID WITH SOME EXASPE-
RATION THAT REPORTS SAYING GAIRY IS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
ARE NOT ENOUGH. HE REPEATED THAT US COOPERATION IN THIS REGARD
WOULD BE CONSIDERED IMPORTANT SIGNAL BY HIS GOVERNMENT.
CAMP CONFINED HIMSELF TO SAYING HE WOULD PASS WHITEMAN'S CONCERN
TO AMBASSADOR. WHETHER OR NOT BISHOP'S FEAR OF GAIRY INVASTION
IS GENUINE OR MERELY
A GIMMICK TO RALLY COUNTRY, IT IS CLEAR THAT POPULAR
INSECURITY ABOUT GAIRY'S WHEREABOUTS WILL SLOW DOWN REGIME'S
EFFORTS, ESPECIALLY IN CRITICAL ECONOMIC SPHERE.
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TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ, TD
SUBJ: (C) DONALDSON'S VIEWS ON GRENADA EVENTS.

REFERENCE: PORT OF SPAIN'S 0994

1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. LATE YESTERDAY AFTERNOON I WENT TO SEE FOREIGN MINIS-
TER DONALDSON TO INFORM HIM OF THE SOON-TO-BE RELEASED USG
STATEMENT ON GRENADA, AND TO TELL HIM (PER MY TELECON WITH
ASHLEY HEWITT) OF TENTATIVE PLANS TO HAVE OUR AMBASSADOR
IN BRIDGETOWN CALL ON BISHOP, PROBABLY ON FRIDAY. DONALD-
SON WAS IN A TALKATIVE MOOD AND EXPRESSED SOME THOUGHTS
THAT VERY LIKELY REVEAL THE ERIC WILLIAMS PERCEPTION OF
EVENTS IN GRENADA AND BEYOND.
3. THE GOTT PROBABLY WILL ISSUE A STATEMENT ON GRENADA
SOMETIME THIS WEEKEND. ACCORDING TO DONALDSON, IT WILL BE
INNOCUOUS BUT WILL RESPOND TO THAT ELEMENT OF THE LOCAL
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PUBLIC WHICH KEEPS ASKING WHAT THE GOVERNMENT IS DOING.
IN SPEAKING OF THE GOTT'S PROCEDURE IN THE RECOGNITION
QUESTION, HE DESCRIBED AS "ABSOLUTELY CORRECT" PRESIDENT
CLARKE'S COMMENTS (REFTEL) IN WHICH CLARKE CHARACTERIZED

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GOVERNMENT'S FAILURE TO RECOGNIZE FORMALLY THE BISHOP REGIME NOT AS A SIGN OF VACILLATION OR WEAKNESS BUT AS EVIDENCE OF A CLEAR, CONSISTENT, AND PRINCIPLED POLICY THAT HAS BEEN STEADFASTLY FOLLOWED.

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4. TURNING TO THE MEETING IN BRIDGETOWN LAST WEEK, DONALDSON SAID THAT THE CARICOM GOVERNMENTS SHOULD NOT HAVE BEEN SO QUICK TO ASSEMBLE AND AGONIZE OVER THE RECOGNITION OF THE BISHOP GOVERNMENT WHEN THAT WAS A FOREGONE CONCLUSION. HAD THEY WAITED A SHORT TIME, THEIR ATTENTION MORE LIKELY WOULD HAVE BEEN DIRECTED TOWARD CONSIDERATION OF THE LONGER TERM IMPLICATIONS OF THE COUP. THE MORE CRITICAL QUESTIONS TO BE ADDRESSED, IN HIS JUDGMENT, WERE THE ORIGIN OF THE SUPPLIES OF ARMS AND THE TRAINING AREAS OPERATING IN SOME OF THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES FOR THOSE WHO WOULD ENGAGE IN ARMED CHALLENGES TO GOVERNMENTS.

5. HE WENT ON TO SAY THAT THE QUESTION OF SECURITY HAS NOW BECOME AN OVERRIDING CONSIDERATION OF THE AREA. "EASTERN CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES ARE SPLIT RIGHT DOWN THE MIDDLE OVER THE THREAT TO CONSTITUTIONALLY-FORMED GOVERNMENTS" THAT HAS BEEN INTRODUCED BY THE GRENADA AFFAIR. ALREADY, HE SAID, SMALLER STATES ARE SEEKING SECURITY GUARANTEES, AND HE MENTIONED CUBA, VENEZUELA, AND BRAZIL AS THE TYPE OF COUNTRIES LIKELY TO RESPOND. WHEN I EXPRESSED SURPRISE THAT HE WOULD PUT THE LATTER TWO COUNTRIES IN A CATEGORY WITH CUBA, HE REFUSED TO COMMENT FURTHER AND SAID HE WAS JUST OFFERING HIS OPINION.

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6. DONALDSON SAID THAT FROM WHAT THE TRINIDADIAN GOVERNMENT KNOWS OF BISHOP AND SOME OF HIS NJM FOLLOWERS, THE PEOPLE OF GRENADA HAVE GAINED VERY LITTLE IN THIS EXCHANGE. THE GOTT SEES BISHOP AS BEING THE OTHER SIDE OF THE COIN FROM GAIRY (A GAIRY OF THE LEFT). IT IS HIS JUDGMENT THAT MUCH OF THE SUPPORT EXPRESSED FOR THE NEW GOVERNMENT BY ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS WITHIN GRENADA WAS THE RESULT OF APPLIED OR THREATENED DURESS. MOREOVER, BISHOP HAS MADE STATEMENTS AND PLEDGES THAT HE CANNOT POSSIBLY DELIVER ON-- EITHER BECAUSE OF LACK OF RESOURCES OR POLITICAL LIMITATIONS. HE DID NOT ELABORATE.

7. HE SAID THAT HE WELCOMED OUR INFORMING THE GOTT OF OUR NEXT STEPS, WHICH THE BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION HERE HAS NOT DONE (HE ADDED THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WAS KEPT INFORMED OF UK

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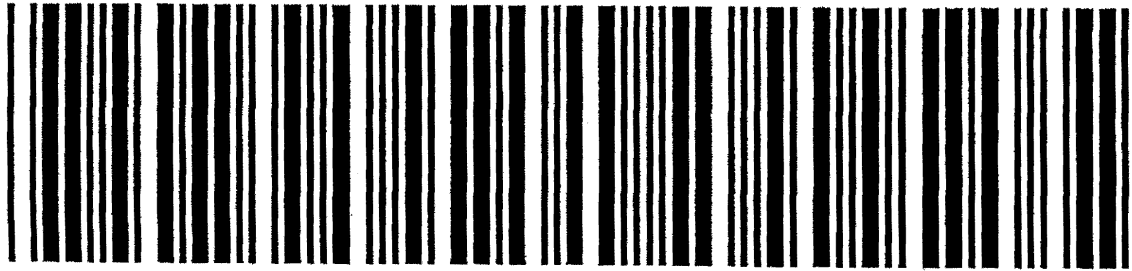
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8. COMMENT: THE FACT THAT DONALDSON RAISED THE MATTER OF SECURITY IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN PROBABLY REFLECTS THE INTEREST IF NOT THE CONCERN OF ERIC WILLIAMS. TO EXPECT, HOWEVER, THAT WILLIAMS WILL BECOME ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN LEADING OR CONTRIBUTING TO ANY MULTILATERAL DISCUSSIONS OF THIS ISSUE IS UNLIKELY. WHAT IS MORE PROBABLE IS THAT HE WILL PUT FORWARD HIS VIEWS UNILATERALLY, EITHER DIRECTLY IN A SPEECH OR THROUGH DONALDSON. AFTER THE GOTT STATEMENT ON GRENADA IS RELEASED, I PROPOSE TO SEE DONALDSON AGAIN TO DO SOME MORE PROBING. FOX

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E.O. 12065 N/A

TAGS: PINT, PINS, GJ

SUBJECT: GRENADA: RECOGNITION STATEMENT

1. HERewith THE TEXT OF THE STATEMENT WE PROPOSE TO MAKE AT THE NOON BRIEFING TODAY, MARCH 22, ANNOUNCING CONTINUA-TION OF RELATIONS WITH GRENADA.

QTE. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES HAS BEEN WATCH-ING THE SITUATION IN GRENADA CLOSELY SINCE THE CHANGE OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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GOVERNMENT THERE ON MARCH 13. WE HAVE NOTED THAT THE NEW GOVERNMENT IS IN FULL CONTROL OF THE COUNTRY AND ALSO ITS DECLARATION THAT IT INTENDS TO HONOR ALL OF GRENADA'S INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS. IN PARTICULAR, WE HAVE NOTED

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THE GOVERNMENT'S REPEATED STATEMENTS THAT IT INTENDS TO HOLD FREE ELECTIONS. WE HAVE ALSO NOTED THE COMMUNIQUE'S ISSUED BY THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF THE CARIBBEAN COMMON MARKET COUNTRIES MEETING JOINTLY LAST WEEK AT BRIDGETOWN BARBADOS, TO CONSIDER EVENTS IN GRENADA. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT AND ENDORSE THE VIEWS EXPRESSED IN THESE COMMUNIQUE'S, WHICH STRESS THE NEED FOR PROMPT RETURN TO CONSTITUTIONAL NORMS; THE NECESSITY TO RESPECT THE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES OF SELF-DETERMINATION AND NON-INTERVENTION; AND THE DESIRABILITY OF EARLY, FREE ELECTIONS.

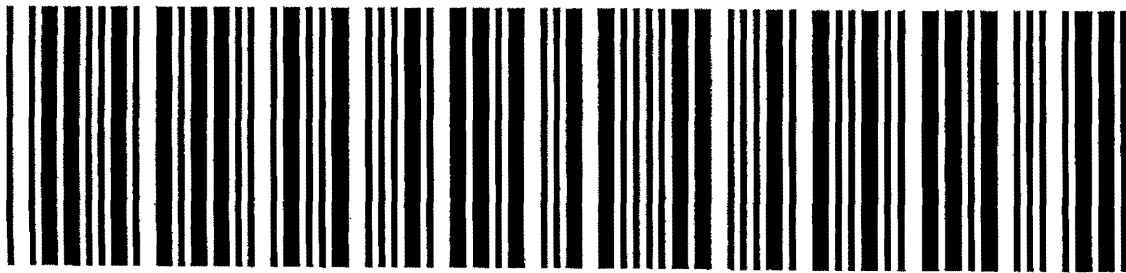
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WE HAVE ALSO RECEIVED ASSURANCES FROM THE NEW GOVERNMENT THAT IT WILL HONOR AND SUPPORT INTERNATIONALLY ACCEPTED STANDARDS ON HUMAN RIGHTS. GIVEN THE DECLARATIONS AND ASSURANCES OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT AND ITS DE FACTO CONTROL OF THE COUNTRY, WE HAVE DECIDED TO CONTINUE THE FRIENDLY AND COOPERATIVE RELATIONS OUR TWO COUNTRIES HAVE ENJOYED SINCE GRENADA'S INDEPENDENCE IN 1974. OUR AMBASSADOR AT BRIDGETOWN PLANS TO TRAVEL TO GRENADA THIS EVENING IN ORDER TO CALL ON THE GOVERNOR GENERAL, TO WHOM HE IS ACCREDITED, AND TO MEET WITH THE PRIME MINISTER. END QUOTE. VANCE

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1. (C-ENTIRE TEXT)
2. UPON RECEIPT REFTTEL AMBASSADOR SOUGHT APPOINTMENT WITH PRIME MINISTER BURNHAM TO DISCUSS GRENADA. APPOINTMENT WAS CONFIRMED FOR APRIL 5; HOWEVER, AT NOON ON THAT DAY THE FOREIGN MINISTER CALLED TO SAY THAT HE WOULD RECEIVE THE AMBASSADOR IN VIEW OF A SLIGHT INDISPOSITION WHICH PRIME MINISTER HAD DEVELOPED.
3. IN HIS MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER JACKSON, AMBASSADOR MADE AN OPENING STATEMENT WHICH INCORPORATED ESSENTIAL POINTS OF PARA 3 REFTTEL. HE PARTICULARLY EMPHASIZED FACT THAT USG HAD MOVED TO NORMALIZE RELATIONS WITH THE NEW

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REGIME IN GRENADA, FOLLOWING THE LEAD OF GUYANA, JAMAICA AND BARBADOS, PRIMARILY BECAUSE THE NEW GOVERNMENT APPEARED COMMITTED TO REESTABLISHING CONSTITUTIONALITY AND EARLY FREE ELECTIONS. SINCE

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THAT TIME WE WERE CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT APPEARED TO BE A RETREAT FROM THAT INITIAL POSITION. WE WERE THEREFORE INTERESTED IN OBTAINING FROM THE GOG ITS BEST READING AS TO WHERE THE NEW REGIME IN ST. GEORGE'S APPEARED TO BE HEADING AND PARTICULARLY WHAT ITS PLANS FOR THE FUTURE MIGHT BE. WE WERE ALSO DISTURBED THAT THE NEW GRENADAN REGIME'S FAILURE TO SATISFY THE WIAS' PRE-CONDITIONS TO RECOGNITION MIGHT PUT AN UNACCEPTABLE STAIN ON CARICOM UNITY.

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4. JACKSON RESPONDED BY REHEARSING FOR THE AMBASSADOR THE INITIAL MEETING OF CARICOM REPRESENTATIVES ON BARBADOS ON MARCH 14 AND 15, STRESSING THE EFFORTS WHICH HAD BEEN MADE AT THAT TIME TO FIND A CONSTITUTIONAL FORMULA, ACCEPTABLE TO THE GRENADAN REGIME AND TO THE WIAS, WHICH WOULD ENABLE THE GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA TO BE ACCEPTED INTO THE CARICOM FAMILY, THUS PRESERVING THE HARMONY OF THE ORGANIZATION. FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS THIS EFFORT HAD FAILED. HE EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT THE PRE-CONDITIONS WHICH HAD BEEN THROWN UP BY THE WIAS HAD HAD THE EFFECT OF ANTAGONIZING THE NEW REGIME IN ST. GEORGE'S. THERE WAS A RISK THAT POSITIONS WERE BECOMING "FROZEN" AND, IN HIS VIEW, THIS WOULD BE AN UNFORTUNATE DEVELOPMENT.

5. AS FAR AS GUYANA IS CONCERNED THE GOG IS ATTEMPTING TO BE OF ASSISTANCE TO PRIME MINISTER BISHOP AND HIS COLLABORATORS IN AN EFFORT TO GET THEM OVER THE INITIAL DIFFICULTIES OF ORGANIZING THEIR COUNTRY. TO

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ASSIST GUYANA WOULD BE SENDING ON REQUEST A FIVE-MAN TEAM OF TECHNICIANS, WITHIN THE NEXT 48 HOURS, TO GIVE THE NEW GRENADAN GOVERNMENT EXPERT ADVICE IN THE AREAS OF FINANCE, PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, AND OTHER SECTORS. THE GROUP WOULD INCLUDE TEAM LEADER CECIL DOUGLAS, WHO IS PERMANENT SECRETARY IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE MINISTRY, HAROLD WILKINSON, PERMANENT SECRETARY IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE, AND MORMAN MCLEAN, HEAD OF THE GUYANESE NATIONAL SERVICE. THIS TEAM WOULD PROVIDE COUNSELING AND IDENTIFY OTHER AREAS IN WHICH THE GOG MIGHT BE HELPFUL TO THE NEW REGIME.

6. SEPARATE AND APART FROM THIS JACKSON SAID THAT THE GOG WAS TRYING TO ORGANIZE ANOTHER MEETING OF CARICOM MINISTERS LATE IN THE WEEK OF APRIL 8 IN AN ATTEMPT

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TO REPAIR THE BREACH BETWEEN GRENADA AND THE LDCS WITHIN CARICOM. THIS MEETING IS STILL IN THE EMBRYO STAGE BUT JACKSON IS HOPEFUL THAT IT CAN TAKE PLACE. HE SAID THAT ONE CAN NEVER BE SURE THAT TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO WOULD ATTEND BUT HE SEEMED OPTIMISTIC THAT THE OTHER MEMBERS OF CARICOM WOULD SEND REPRESENTATIVES OF AN APPROPRIATE RANK TO SUCH A CONCLAVE. (WE HAVE HEARD THROUGH OTHER SOURCES THAT THIS MEETING MAY TAKE PLACE IN BARBADOS ON APRIL 13 FOLLOWING PRIME MINISTER BURNHAM'S SCHEDULED SUMMIT MEETING WITH PRIMIN ARRON OF SURINAME.)

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7. JACKSON THEN VOLUNTEERED THE OBSERVATION THAT IT WAS UNFORTUNATE THAT SOME CONSTITUTIONAL FORMULA COULD NOT HAVE BEEN FOUND IN THE FIRST FEW DAYS AFTER THE COUP AGAINST GRENADA. HE IS CONVINCED THAT SOME OF THE LEADERS OF ECCM GOVERNMENTS PRESSED TOO HARD ON THE QUESTION OF PRE-CONDITIONS TO RECOGNITION AND THAT THIS HAD IRRITATED PROUD AND INEXPERIENCED LEADERS OF THE NEW REGIME IN ST. GEORGE'S. (HE CITED VERE BIRD OF ANTIGUA AS ONE OF THE MOST HARDLINING OF

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THE ECCM LEADERS IN THIS EFFORT.) IN HIS VIEW GRENADA'S NEW LEADERS ARE STILL VERY APPREHENSIVE THAT AT SOME FUTURE TIME ERIC GAIRY WILL TAKE REVENGE ON THEM FOR THEIR COUP AND THAT THIS FEAR CONTRIBUTED TO THEIR APPREHENSIONS IN THE DAYS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THEIR TAKE-OVER. HE BELIEVES IT WAS PARTICULARLY UNFORTUNATE THAT THE SHIPMENT OF ECCM

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WAS TEMPORARILY HELD UP BY THE WIAS AND THAT THIS DID NOTHING BUT HEIGHTEN THE SUSPICIONS OF BISHOP AND HIS COLLEAGUES. EQUALLY UNFORTUNATE WAS THE THREAT ON THE PART OF THE ASSOCIATED STATES TO WITHDRAW THEIR JUDGES FROM GRENADA. SUCH A THREAT IN HIS VIEW, REINFORCED THE BELIEF WITHIN THE GRENADAN REGIME THAT THE WIAS WERE IMPLACABLY HOSTILE AND COMPLICATED ENORMOUSLY THE CONSTITUTIONAL PROBLEM. FURTHERMORE, IT RAISED THE SPECTER OF GAIRY COLLABORATORS BEING TRIED BEFORE ILLEGAL COURTS.

8. DESPITE ALL THIS, JACKSON REMAINS OPTIMISTIC THAT SOME SORT OF A FORMULA WILL BE WORKED OUT WHICH WILL PERMIT GRENADA'S EVENTUAL ACCEPTANCE BY ALL THE CARICOM MEMBER STATES. IN THIS CONNECTION HE FEELS THAT THE COMMONWEALTH SECRETARY GENERAL SHRIDATH (SONNY) RAMPHAL, WHO VISITED GRENADA ON MARCH 31 AFTER A STOP IN GUYANA, CAN PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE (SEE GEORGETOWN 1463).

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9. THE MAIN THRUST OF JACKSON'S REMARKS SEEM TO ADD UP TO THE FOLLOWING: THE GRENADA COUP HAS CREATED IMPORTANT DIFFICULTIES FOR CARICOM; THE WIAS HAVE TAKEN A MOST RIGID STAND VIS-A-VIS THE NEW REGIME; BISHOP AND HIS COLLABORATORS HAVE REACTED SHARPLY TO THIS PERCEIVED UNFRIENDLINESS ON THE PART OF THE WISA; THE SITUATION IS REACHING THE POINT WHERE IT MIGHT BECOME FROZEN; HOWEVER, THERE IS STILL HOPE THAT GRENADA CAN BE REINTEGRATED INTO CARICOM AND CARICOM UNITY CAN BE PRESERVED BY THE VARIOUS MOVES, INCLUDING THE

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10. BEFORE TERMINATING THE INTERVIEW THE AMBASSADOR REITERATED TO THE FOREIGN MINISTER USG CONCERN ABOUT THE RECENT TREND OF EVENTS, OUR WILLINGNESS AS EXPRESSED BY AMBASSADOR ORTIZ TO ENTER INTO A NORMAL RELATIONSHIP WITH BISHOP AND HIS COLLABORATORS AND PRESUMABLY CONTINUE AN AID RELATIONSHIP WITH GRENADA. FUTHTERMORE HE EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE GOG WOULD CONTINUE TO CONSULT WITH US ABOUT THESE PROBLEMS BECAUSE OF OUR MUTUAL CONCERN FOR THE INTEGRITY OF CARICOM, OUR HOPES FOR REGIONAL INTERGRATION WITHIN THE CARIBBEAN, AND THE SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP WHICH THE BURNHAM GOVERNMENT APPEARED TO HAVE WITH THE NEW GRENADAN GOVERNMENT.

11. COMMENT: IN THIS MEETING WITH FORMIN JACKSON REGISTRATION OF OUR CONCERN WAS ACHIEVED AND THE MESSAGE, UNGARBLED, WAS TRANSMITTED TO THE GOG AND PROBABLY, AT SOME FUTURE TIME, TO BISHOP ET AL ON GRENADA. WE SHOULD NOT EXPECT, HOWEVER, THAT OUR APPREHENSIONS REGARDING ELECTIONS AND CONSITUTIONALITY
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WILL OVERLY CONCERN OR EVEN INTEREST A GOVERNMENT (THE GOG) WHICH ITSELF HAS LONG SINCE ABANDONED ANY COMMITMENT TO FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS AND DEMOCRATIC NICETIES. NEVERTHERLESS, THIS IS OBVIOUSLY A GOOD PLACE TO "PLUG IN" IF WE ARE INTERESTED IN GETTING A CLEAR, UNVARNISHED MESSAGE TO GRENADA'S NEW MASTERS. AS DEPARTMENT WILL HAVE SEEN FROM OTHER CHANNEL REPORTING THE GOG IS DETERMINED TO SETTLE ITSELF FIRMLY INT THE SAME BED WITH THE BISHOP REGIME AND WILL PROVIDE ANY ASSISTANCE THE NEW GOVERNMENT REQUIRES WITHIN REASON. BISHOP AND HIS CONFRERES OFFER TO BURNHAM THE PROSPECT OF A GOVERNMENT IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN WITH WHICH IT CAN FEEL IDEOLOGICALLY COMPATIBLE AND THE ISOLATION BURNHAM FORMERLY FELT, SURROUNDED BY THE LIKES OF ERIC WILLIAMS, JOHN COMPTON, TOM ADAMS, VERE BIRD, ET., IS GONE, LEAVING IN ITS PLACE, THE PROSPECT THAT THE SPORE OF "COOPERATIVE SOCIALISM" OR SOME MUTATION THEREOF MAY TAKE ROOT AND BLOSSOM ELSEWHERE IN YET OTHER LOCALES IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN, NOW THAT THE CRENADAN COUP HAS COME TO PASS.
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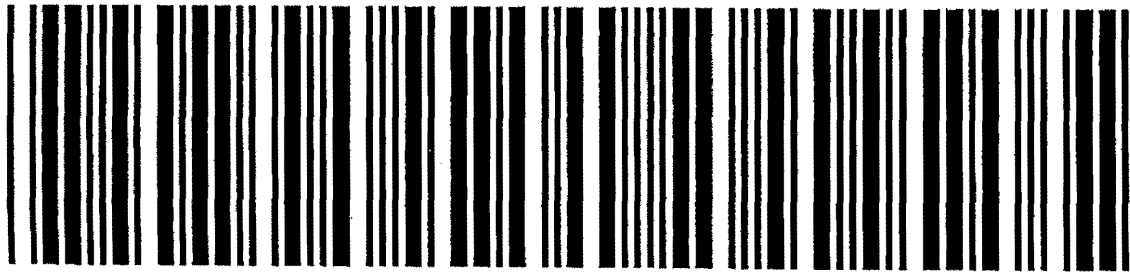
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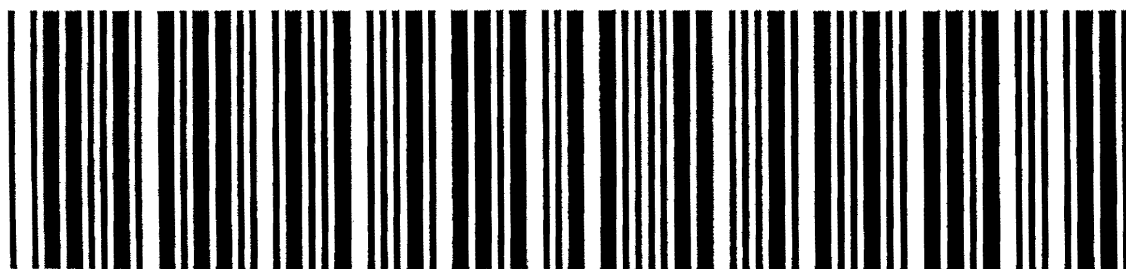
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-- THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS ADVISED THE FBI OF THE POSSIBILITY THAT GAIRY MIGHT ATTEMPT TO GATHER A MERCENARY FORCE TO INVADE GRENADA AND OF THE CONCERNS OF YOUR GOVERNMENT.

-- WE DO NOT YET HAVE HARD FACTS IN THIS REGARD, ONLY UNSUBSTANTIATED ALLEGATIONS.

-- WE ARE AWAITING A DETERMINATION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ON WHAT ACTION MIGHT BE WARRANTED.

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-- WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING FROM YOUR GOVERNMENT ANY INFORMATION BEARING ON POSSIBLE ILLEGAL ACTS ON THE PART OF GAIRY IN THE U.S.

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-- ALTHOUGH MY GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZES YOUR CONCERNS OVER ALLEGATIONS OF A POSSIBLE COUNTER-COUP, IT ALSO BELIEVES THAT IT WOULD NOT BE IN GRENADA'S BEST INTERESTS TO SEEK ASSISTANCE FROM A COUNTRY SUCH AS CUBA TO FORESTALL SUCH AN ATTACK. WE WOULD VIEW WITH DISPLEASURE

ANY TENDENCY ON THE PART OF GRENADA TO DEVELOP CLOSER TIES WITH CUBA.

-- IT SEEMS HIGHLY UNLIKELY TO US THAT CHILE OR ARGENTINA WOULD FIND IT IN THEIR BEST INTERESTS TO ASSIST GAIRY IN LAUNCHING A COUNTER-COUP.

3. PERTINENT CITATIONS FROM THE US CODE PERTAINING TO NEUTRALITY MATTERS, WHICH YOU CAN DRAW ON IN YOUR DISCUSSION WITH BISHOP, BEING SENT SEPTEL. CHRISTOPHER

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GAIRY WAIVED FURTHER SECRET SERVICE PROTECTION WHEN HE
ARRIVED IN SAN DIEGO ON MARCH 20.

-- WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING FROM YOUR GOVERNMENT
ANY INFORMATION BEARING ON POSSIBLE ILLEGAL ACTS ON THE
PART OF GAIRY IN THE U.S.

-- ALTHOUGH MY GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZES YOUR CONCERNS OVER
ALLEGATIONS OF A POSSIBLE COUNTER-COUP, IT ALSO BELIEVES
THAT IT WOULD NOT BE IN GRENADA'S BEST INTERESTS TO
SEEK ASSISTANCE FROM A COUNTRY SUCH AS CUBA TO FORESTALL
SUCH AN ATTACK. WE WOULD VIEW WITH DISPLEASURE

ANY TENDENCY ON THE PART OF GRENADA TO DEVELOP CLOSER TIES
WITH CUBA.

-- IT SEEMS HIGHLY UNLIKELY TO US THAT CHILE OR
ARGENTINA WOULD FIND IT IN THEIR BEST INTERESTS TO ASSIST
GAIRY IN LAUNCHING A COUNTER-COUP.

3. PERTINENT CITATIONS FROM THE US CODE PERTAINING TO
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FOLLOWING REPEAT STATE 087104 ACTION
BRIDGETOWN APRIL 7, QTE:
C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 087104

FOR AMBASSADOR

E.O. 12065: GDS 4/7/85 (KLEINKAUF, THERESE)

TAGS: PGOV, GJ, US

SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA CONCERNS OVER
ALLEGATIONS OF GAIRY INVASION

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2. DEPARTMENT HAS NOTED THE CONCERN OF THE BISHOP GOVERNMENT OVER REPORTS THAT GAIRY MAY BE PLANNING TO LAUNCH AN INVASION TO REGAIN CONTROL OF GRENADA. IN ORDER TO DEMONSTRATE TO THE GOG THAT THE US SHARES THAT CONCERN AND WISHES TO BE SUPPORTIVE OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT, DEPARTMENT REQUESTS THAT YOU TRAVEL TO GRENADA AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY AND SPEAK TO BISHOP ON THIS MATTER. FOLLOWING ARE TALKING POINTS YOU SHOULD USE:

-- MY GOVERNMENT IS AWARE OF YOUR CONCERNS OVER ALLEGATIONS THAT GAIRY MAY LAUNCH AN INVASION TO REGAIN CONTROL OF GRENADA.

-- THE CONDUCT OF ANY ACTIVITIES ON US TERRITORY AIMED AT OVERTHROWING A FRIENDLY GOVERNMENT ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED BY US LAW AND ARE A MATTER OF RAVE CONCERN TO MY GOVERNMENT.

-- NEUTRALITY MATTERS ARE INVESTIGATED BY THE FBI AS RIMINAL VIOLATIONS. THE FBI IS REQUIRED TO INVESTIGATE ALLEGED VIOLATIONS THOROUGHLY TO OBTAIN THE FULL FACTS, THE IDENTITIES OF THE PARTIES CONCERNED, AND OTHER AVAILABLE PERTINENT INFORMATION. SUCH ALLEGATIONS ARE THEN RELAYED TO THE CRIMINAL DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FOR ITS REVIEW. THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE THEN DETERMINES WHAT ACTIONS SHOULD BE TAKEN BY THE FBI TO FURTHER INVESTIGATE THE ALLEGED VIOLATIONS.

-- THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS ADVISED THE FBI OF THE POSSIBILITY THAT GAIRY MIGHT ATTEMPT TO GATHER A MERCENARY FORCE TO INVADE GRENADA AND OF THE CONCERNS OF YOUR GOVERNMENT.

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-- WE DO NOT YET HAVE HARD FACTS N THIS REGARD, ONLY UNSUBSTANTIATED ALLEGATIONS.

-- WE ARE AWAITING A DETERMINATION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ON WHAT ACTION MIGHT BE WARRANTED.

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-- TO THE BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE, GAIRY IS CURRENTLY IN SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA. THAT INFORMATION COMES TO US FROM RELIABLE SOURCES IN THE PRESS.

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-- MY GOVERNMENT WILL ATTEMPT TO KEEP TRACK OF GAIRY'S WHEREABOUTS AND ACTIVITIES, TO THE EXTENT THAT IT IS PROPER AND POSSIBLE TO DO SO. HOWEVER UNTIL THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE DETERMINES THAT SURVEILLANCE OF GAIRY IS WARRANTED BY THE FACTS IN THE CASE, IT MAY BE DIFFICULT TO KNOW WHERE HE IS AT ALL TIMES, PARTICULARLY SINCE HE IS NO LONGER UNDER SECRET SERVICE PROTECTION. GAIRY WAIVED FURTHER SECRET SERVICE PROTECTION WHEN HE ARRIVED IN SAN DIEGO ON MARCH 20.

-- WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING FROM YOUR GOVERNMENT ANY INFORMATION BEARING ON POSSIBLE ILLGAL ACTS ON THE PART OF GAIRY IN THE U.S.

-- ALTHOUGH MY GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZES YOUR CONCERNS OVER ALLEGATIONS OF A POSSIBLE COUNTER-COUP, IT ALSO BELIEVES THAT IT WOULD NOT BE IN GRENADA'S BEST INTERESTS TO SEEK ASSISTANCE FROM A COUNTRY SUCH AS CUBA TO FORESTALL SUCH AN ATTACK. WE WOULD VIEW WITH DISPLEASURE

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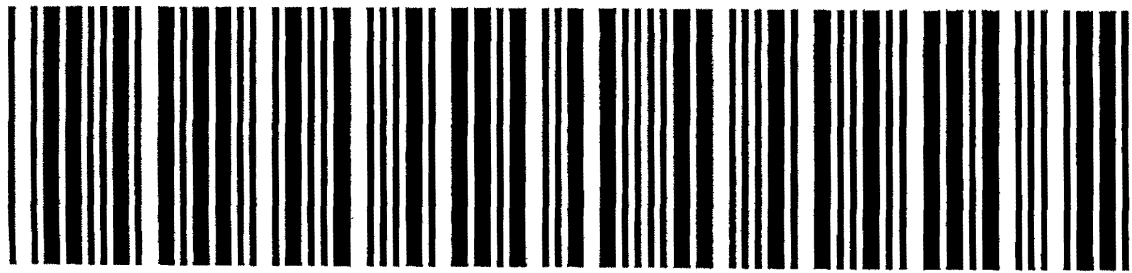
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E.O. 12065:N/A

TAGS: SEDU, TBIO, US, XX

SUBJECT: PARTICIPATION OF FOREIGN MEDICAL SCHOOLS IN THE
GUARANTEED STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM

REF.: STATE 084442

1. DRAWING ON POINTS CONTAINED IN REFTEL, ADDRESSEES ARE
INSTRUCTED TO BRIEF HOST GOVERNMENTS ON HEW'S NEW LOAN
ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS FOR US CITIZEN STUDENTS ATTENDING
FOREIGN MEDICAL SCHOOLS.

2. HEW PLANS TO PUBLISH THE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING
(NPRM) IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER WITHIN NEXT TWO WEEKS. AS
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SOON AS AVAILABLE, DEPARTMENT WILL POUCH COPIES TO ADDRES-
SEES. ON RECEIPT OF NPRM, WE SUGGEST THAT IN ADDITION TO
HOST GOVERNMENTS, EMBASSIES MAY ALSO WISH TO PROVIDE COPIES
TO AFFECTED SCHOOLS.

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3. THOSE SCHOOL AUTHORITIES AND US CITIZEN STUDENTS WISHING TO COMMENT DURING THE THIRTY DAY PERIOD PROVIDED FOR THAT PURPOSE, SHOULD BE TOLD TO ADDRESS COMMENTS TO: MR. JOHN R. PROFFITT, DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF ELIGIBILITY AND AGENCY EVALUATION, BUREAU OF HIGHER AND CONTINUING EDUCATION, U.S. OFFICE OF EDUCATION, ROOM 3030 ROB-3,

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE, 400 MARYLAND AVE., SW, WASHINGTON DC, 20202, PHONE (202)245-9873.

4. SOME SCHOOLS HAVE IN THE PAST BEEN RELUCTANT TO PROVIDE THE NECESSARY DATA ON WHICH HEW CAN DETERMINE WHETHER THERE IS A 95 PERCENT PASS RATE FOR US CITIZEN STUDENTS (PARA 8 REFTTEL). IT MAY BE THAT STUDENTS WILL HAVE TO INITIATE A LOBBYING EFFORT IN ORDER TO ENCOURAGE THE SCHOOLS TO PROVIDE THE REQUIRED INFORMATION TO HEW.

5. FOR MEXICO. HEW INFORMS US THAT THERE ARE BETWEEN 2300 - 2400 US CITIZEN STUDENTS RECEIVING LOANS IN GUADALAJARA, MAKING THAT THE LARGEST, SINGLE CONCENTRATION OF SUCH US CITIZEN STUDENTS. EMBASSY WILL PROBABLY WISH TO COORDINATE ITS ACTION ON THIS MATTER WITH AMCONGEN GUADALAJARA.

6. FOR BRIDGETOWN. YOU SHOULD MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO BRIEF GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA AND ST. GEORGE'S SCHOOL AUTHORITIES AT EARLIEST, APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY. CHRISTOPHER
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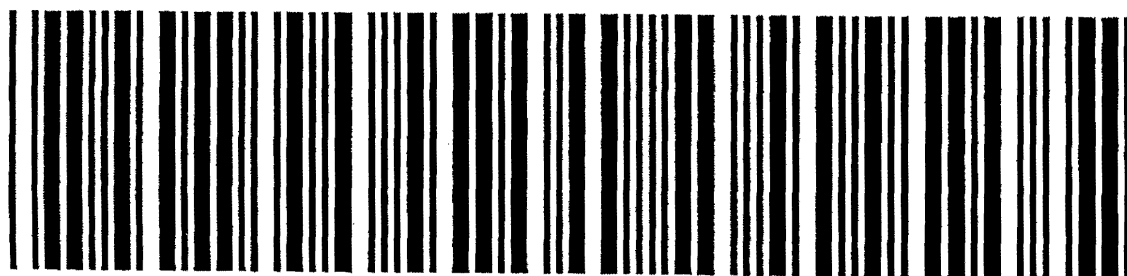
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E.O. 12065: GDS, 4/9/85 (ORTIZ, FRANK V.) OR-M
TAGS: PINT, GJ, CU
SUBJECT: GRENADA TO ASK CUBA FOR ARMS AND AID

REF: A) BRIDGETOWN 1318

1. (C) ENTIRE TEXT.
2. SUBSEQUENT TO PM BISHOPS' REQUEST FOR SUPPLY OF ARMS FROM THE U.S. (REFTEL), HE MADE PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT APRIL 8 THAT HE WOULD MAKE A SIMILAR REQUEST OF THE CUBAN GOVERNMENT. HE EXPLAINED TO RALLY THAT BECAUSE OF URGENCY OF CONCERN THAT DEPOSED PM ERIC GAIRY WOULD RETURN VIA A MERCENARY INVASION, HE WOULD REQUEST ARMS AND EQUIPMENT AS

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WELL AS TRAINING FROM CUBA. HE ADDED THAT IN A FEW DAYS HE EXPECTED FORMAL DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION FROM CUBA AND HOPED THAT TECHNICAL AND MATERIAL ASSISTANCE WOULD FOLLOW. HE ALSO SAID THAT VENEZUELA HAD BEEN APPROACHED FOR ARMS AND

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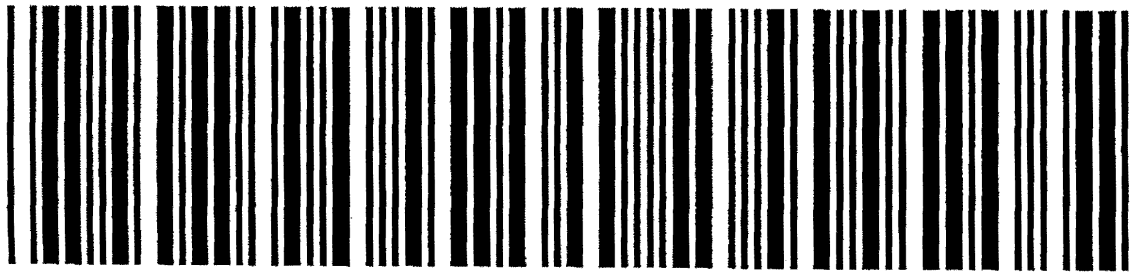
3. (C) HE TOLD THE RALLY THAT "NOT ONLY ARE THE CUBANS OUR CARIBBEAN NEIGHBORS BUT... IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE WORLD ESPECIALLY IN THE AFRICAN LIBERATION STRUGGLES... THE CUBANS HAVE GONE TO THEIR ASSISTANCE AND FOUGHT WITH THEM TO DEFEND THEM."

4. (C) COMMENT: NEW GRENADA GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN STUDIOUSLY QUIET ABOUT RELATIONS WITH CUBA PRIOR TO THIS STATEMENT. WE HAVE ASSUMED THAT THIS WAS RECOGNITION THAT CLOSE TIES WITH CUBA WOULD HINDER EFFORTS TO GAIN ACCEPTANCE OF NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES, COMMONWEALTH, AND U.S.
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TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ
SUBJECT: GRENADA: PM REQUESTS ARMS

1. (C) - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. IN A MEETING WITH EMBOFFS, PRIME MINISTER BISHOP APRIL 7 MADE FORMAL REQUEST FOR SUPPLY OF ARMS FROM U.S. HE WAS NOT SPECIFIC, DESPITE QUESTIONING, AS TO AMOUNT OR TYPE OF WEAPONS REQUIRED BUT DID SAY THAT MOT IMMEDIATE NEED WAS FOR AUTOMATIC AND SEMI-AUTOMATIC RIFLES. SIMILAR REQUEST, HE SAID, HAD BEEN MADE TO BRITISH AND WOULD BE MADE TO CANADIANS. GOG HAD ASKED CARICOM COUNTRIES FOR BOTH ARMS AND TRAINING.

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3. BISHOP SUBSEQUENTLY SAID IN A PRESS INTERVIEW THAT HE HAD MADE AN ARMS REQUEST OF US AND OTHER COUNTRIES.
4. HE WILL UNDOUBTEDLY REITERATE THE REQUEST, IN URGENT

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TERMS, TO AMBASSADOR DURING SCHEDULED MEETING AFTERNOON
OF APRIL 9. RATIONALE FOR REQUEST IS SCRUTINY SITUATION
IN GREANDA; BISHOP GOVERNMENT BELIEVES DEPOSED PM GAIRY
IS ATTEMPTING TO RECRUIT MERCENARY FORCE IN US TO RETAKE
POWER.

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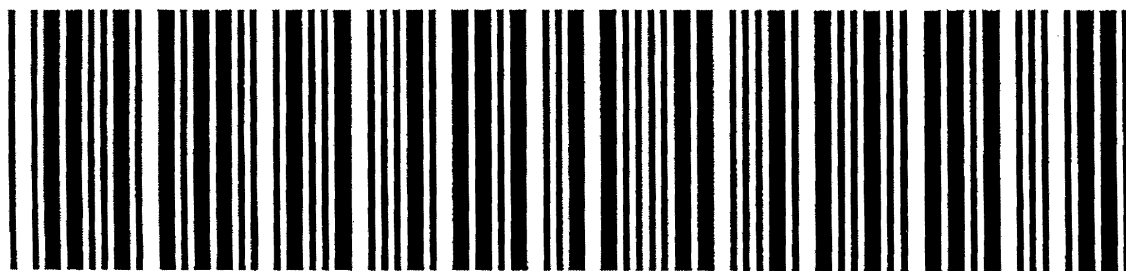
5. SUBSEQUENT TO CONVERSATION OF APRIL 7, PM BISHOP
AT A VICTORY RALLY ON APRIL 8 STATED THAT CUBA WILL
ALSO BE ASKED TO PROVIDE ARMS TO GOG (SEPTEL).

6. COMMENTS: SECURITY IS NOT OVERRIDING CONCERN OF GOG
OFFICIALS AND POPULACE. THIS CONCERN IS LARGELY FUELED
BY THE LACK OF INFORMATION ON EX-PM GAIRY'S ACTIVITIES
IN US. UNLESS DETAILED AND FREQUENT INFORMATION IS MADE AVAILABLE
TO GOG, THEY WILL CONTINUE TO RELY ON REPORTS AND RUMORS
PROVIDED BY UNPROVEN SOURCES IN US AND ELSEWHERE.
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TAGS: PINT, PINS, GJ, CU
SUBJECT: GRENADA: BISHOP SPEECH

REF: BRIDGETOWN 1319 (NOTAL)

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF RELEVANT PORTION OF PRIME MINISTER
BISHOP'S SPEECH APRIL 8 CONCERNING ARMS REQUESTS BEING
MADE TO CUBA AND OTHER COUNTRIES:

QUOTE - THE IMMEDIATE STEPS WE HAVE TAKEN ARE THAT AS A
MATTER OF EXTREME URGENCY WE HAVE SOUGHT THE ASSISTANCE
BY WAY OF ARMS FROM A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES IN THE REGION
AND IN THE WORLD, IN ORDER TO ASSIST US TO BETTER TRAIN
OUR ARMY AND BETTER EQUIP OUR ARMY TO HELP US FIGHT OFF
ANY MERCENARY THREAT THAT MIGHT COME. WE HAVE ALREADY
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APPROACHED THE GOVERNMENT OF THE USA AND THE UK GOVERNMENT
AND WE INTEDTODAY OR TOMORROW TO MAKE THE SAME REQUEST
IN AN OFFICIAL MANNER TO THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT FOR
ASSISTANCE BY WAY OF ARMS. WE HAVE ALSO APPROACHED A

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NUMBER OF CARICOM COUNTRIES, COUNTRIES IN THE REGION AND THOSE WE HAVE NOT YET APPROACHED WE INTEND TO DO SO WITHIN THE NEXT 24 HOURS, FOR ARMS AND TRAINING SO THAT THEY CAN COME IN TO HELP US TO FIGHT OFF THAT MERCENARY ATTACK IF AND WHEN IT COMES. WE ARE NOT ASKING FOR ENOUGH EQUIPMENT TO FIGHT A WAR. WE BELIEVE WITH THE RESOURCES WE NOW HAVE IF WE CAN GET A GOOD FEW EXTRA PEOPLE AND HIGH QUALITY EQUIPMENT, AND IF WE CAN GET SOME BETTER TRAINING FOR THOSE SERIOUS COMRADES IN OUR PRA THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO FIGHT BACK ANY THREAT. WE ALSO BELIEVE THAT URGENCY IS IMPORTANT AND BECASUE OF THIS URGENCY WE HAVE ALSO DECIDED TO APPROACH TWO OTHER COUNTRIES, ONE OF WHOM WE HAVE SPOKEN TO ALREADY AND THEY ARE NOW LOOKING AT OUR REQUEST, AND THAT IS THE GOVERNMENT OF VENEZUELA. WE HAVE ALSO ASKED THEM FOR ASSISTANCE BY WAY OF ARMS, BY WAY OF TRAINING AND BY WAY OF HELPING US WITH COAST GUARD FACILITIES AND FOR DOUBLE SAFETY WE INTEND ALSO TO APPROACH THE GOVERNMENT OF CUBA ITSELF TO ASK THEM TO PROVIDE US WITH ARMS AND EQUIPMENT. WE ARE NOT GOING TO STRAY FROM THAT BECASUE WE RECOGNIZE ONLY TOO CLEARLY THAT NOT ONLY ARE THE CUBANS OUR CARIBBEAN NEIGHBORS, BUT WE UNDERSTAND THAT IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE WORLD, ESPECIALLY THE AFRICAN LIBERATION STRUGGLES, WHEN THE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN THE MOST PRESSED AND DECEIVED THE CUBANS HAVE GONE TO THEIR ASSISTANCE, AND GOUGHT WITH THEM TO DEFEND THEM. WE HAVE SEEN THIS HAPPEN, FOR EXAMPLE, IN ANGOLA WHEN SOUTH AFRICAN TROOPS WERE JUST ONE DAY'S MARCH AWAY FROM THE CAPITAL OF ANGOLA, AND WE FOUND THAT THE CUBANS AT THE REQUEST OF ANGOLA WERE WILLING TO GO IN TO HELP THEM TO DEFEND

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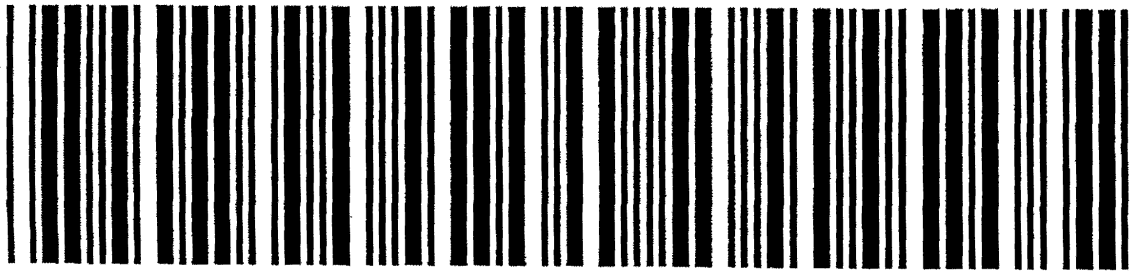
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THEIR SOVEREIGNTY. WE EXPECT THAT WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS, RECOGNITION WILL BE GRANTED TO OUR GOVERNMENT BY THE CUBAN GOVERNMENT, AND WE INTEND THEREAFTER TO ESTABLISH SOME SORT OF RELATIONSHIP, WITH A VIEW TO RECEIVING ECHNICAL AND MATERIAL ASSISTANCE, TO ENSURE THAT WE CAN PROTECT AND DEFEND OUR REVOLUTION AGAINST ALL ENEMIES AND ALL FORCES OF EXTERNAL AGGRESSION. UNQUOTE. ORTIZ

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TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ
SUBJECT: DEVELOPMENTS IN GRENADA

1. (C) ENTIRE TEXT

2. CONSUL LAROCHE HAS REPORTED TO US ON HIS TWO HOUR MEETIN G
WITH NEW JEWEL LEADERS BISHOP, COARD, AND WHITEMAN, UK REP
GAYE AND CANADIAN REP DAVIS ALSO PRESENT. GROUP JOINED FOR
BRIEF PERIOD BY HDUSON AUSTIN WHO APPEARS TO BE NEW COMMANDER
IN CHIEF OF DEFENSE FORCE AND GEORGE LOUISON WHO HAD JUST
RETURNED FROM REPRESENTING NEW GOVERNMENT AT BRIDGETOWN
CARICOM MEETING.

3. LAROCHE DESCRIBED MEETING AS EXTREMELY RELAXED AND FREE-
WHEELING. NEW JEWELERS WERE OPEN TO ANY QUESTIONS. THERE
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WAS NO EVIDENCE OF HOSTILITY TO U.S. AND ON ONLY ONE
POINT MENTIONED BELOW WAS THERE APPARENT ANNOYANCE.

4. RE FOREIGN POLICY BISHOP SAID IT WAS TOO SOON TO

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DEFINING THE NEW GOVERNMENT WILL LOOK ACROSS THE BOARD BUT WILL FOCUS ON REGIONAL ISSUES WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON CARICOM.

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5. RE ECONOMIC DIRECTION BISHOP REFERRED TO NEW JEWEL MANIFESTO OF 1973 AND TO MANIFESTO ISSUED WITH POLITICAL ALLIES IN 1976 AS FRAMEWORK FOR NEW GOVERNMENT'S POLICIES. IMMEDIATE ECONOMIC PROBLEMS WERE DESCRIBED AS BEING HIGH COST OF LIVING AND CREATING JOBS. BISHOP SAID GRENADA WILL LOOK TO U.S., U.K. AND CANADA FOR ASSISTANCE. HE SAID THE THREE PILLARS OF THE ECONOMY WOULD BE FISHING, TOURISM AND FARMING. FOREIGN INVESTORS IN AGRO INDUSTRIES WOULD BE ENCOURAGED, BUT BISHOP TENDED TO DOWNGRADE INDUSTRY.

6. BISHOP SAID THE GOVERNMENTS FIRST PRIORITY IS TO APPOINT A NEW ELECTORAL SUPERVISOR. WITHIN TWO WEEKS THERE WOULD BE A NEW ELECTORAL ENUMERATION-- APPARENTLY THE DRAWING UP OF A LIST OF THOSE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE.

7. COARD THEN REFERRED TO THE UPSETTING CIRCUMSTANCE OF HAVING GAIRY MAKING THREATS FROM U.S. HE NOTED THE U.K. AND CANADA HAD STATED THEY WOULD NOT COME TO GAIRY'S ASSISTANCE. HE WOULD WELCOME A FIRM STATEMENT FROM US. LAROCHE MADE THE STATEMENT AUTHORIZED BY TELEPHONE BUT THERE WAS NO INDICATION IT WAS "FIRM" ENOUGH. IT WAS CLEAR THAT BISHOP ALSO FEELS SOME ANNOYANCE OVER THIS MATTER. HE SAID THEY ARE AWARE

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GAIRY IS TELEPHONING GRENADA FROM THE U.S. SEEKING SUPPORT BUT THEY ARE UNWILLING TO STOP IT.

8. BISHOP SAID DEREK KNIGHT AND HENRY BULLEN IF THEY ARE FOUND WILL BE BROUGHT TO TRIAL.

9. THE NEW JEWEL LEADERS REITERATED THEIR ASSURANCES RE U.S. CITIZENS, THEIR PROPERTY, ETC.

10. COMMENT: BASED ON THIS SECONDHAND REPORT FROM CONSUL LAROCHE IT STRIKES ME THAT BISHOP'S ASSURANCES RE ORIENTATION OF HIS GOVERNMENT ARE LESS SWEEPING AND REASSURING THAN HIS DIRECT STATEMENTS TO ME OF MARCH 13. UNFORTUNATELY I DO NOT NOW HAVE THE 73 MANIFESTO READILY AT HAND TO REVIEW WHAT PRESUMABLY WILL

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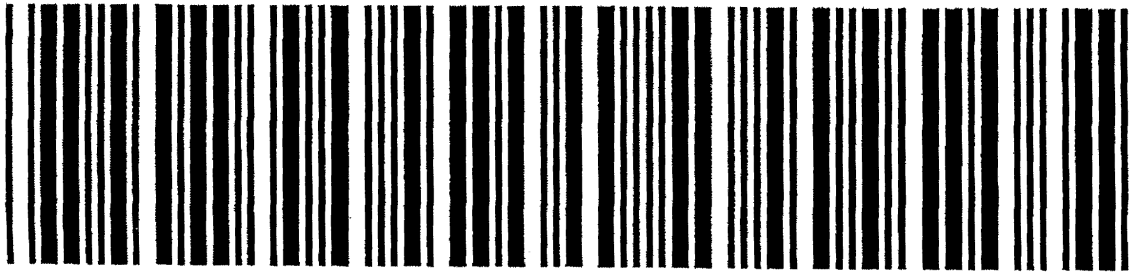
BE THE NEW GOVERNMENT'S DIRECTION. I WOULD BE SURPRISED IF
THE MANIFESTO WERE NOT LONG ON IDEALISM AND RHETORIC AND
SHORT ON PRACTICALITY.
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E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PINT, GJ

SUBJ: GRENADA: GEORGE LOUISON INTERVIEWED

1. GEORGE LOUISON, GRENADIAN APPOINTED BY THE NEW REGIME TO REPRESENT THEM AT CARICOM TALKS, SPOKE TO PRESS AFTER MEETINGS ENDED LATE EVENING MARCH 15. HE STRESSED THAT THE REVOLUTION WAS "IRREVERSIBLE" AND WARNED THAT THERE WOULD BE A TREMENDOUS STRUGGLE IF THERE WERE ANY ATTEMPTS BY OUTSIDE FORCES TO INTERFERE. HE LISTED THREE SUCH OUTSIDE FORCES: ((1)) CHILE-- "WHICH HAS MAINTAINED VERY CLOSE TIES WITH THE GAIRY DICTATORSHIP AND MAY WANT TO INTERVENE" ((2)) THOSE STATES TO WHICH GAIRY HAD ADDRESSED HIS REQUEST FOR ARMS, ALTHOUGH HE POINTEDLY NOTED THAT BRITAIN AND CANADA HAD PUBLICLY TURNED DOWN THE APPEAL AND ((3)) "MERCENARIES, THE MAFIA, AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL

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GANGSTERS" WHICH HE LINKED TO GAIRY.

2. LOUISON REFERRED TO THE NEW GOVERNMENT AS IN FULL COMMAND. HE WAS QUOTED AS SAYING THERE WERE MORE THAN

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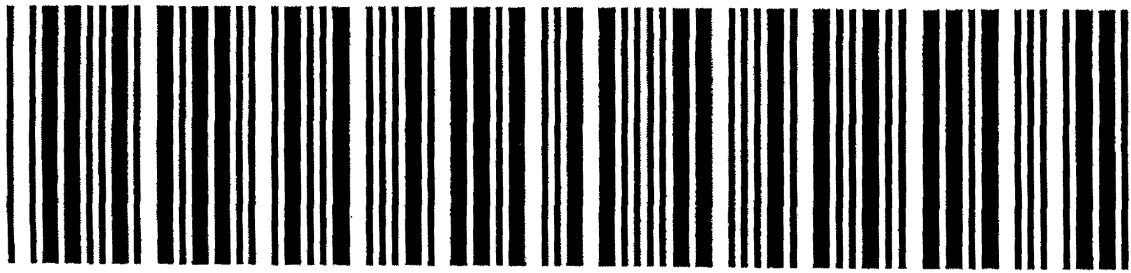
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E. O. 12065: GDS 3/16/85 (ORTIZ, FRANK V.) OR-M

TAGS: PINS, PINZ, GJ

SUBJ: CONVERSATION WITH GOVERNOR-GENERAL SCOON OF GRENADA

1. I HAVE JUST SPOKEN BY TELEPHONE WITH GOVERNOR-GENERAL SCOON OF GRENADA. HE TELLS ME THAT HE HOPES SOON WORKING WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE CONSTITUTION TO ACHIEVE A CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA "SO IT WILL APPEAR AS IF NOTHING HAD HAPPENED."

2. SCOON TELLS ME HE DROVE AROUND THE STREETS OF ST. GEORGE'S AND FOUND PEACE AND TRANQUILLITY. HE IS REASSURED BY THE ABSENCE OF BLOODSHED AND VIOLENCE.

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3. WHEN I ADVISED SCOON THAT I WOULD BE LEAVING ON A NEW ASSIGNMENT, HE ASKED THAT I GO SEE HIM BEFORE MY DEPARTURE. IF INSTRUCTED, I WOULD OF COURSE LIKE TO DO SO.
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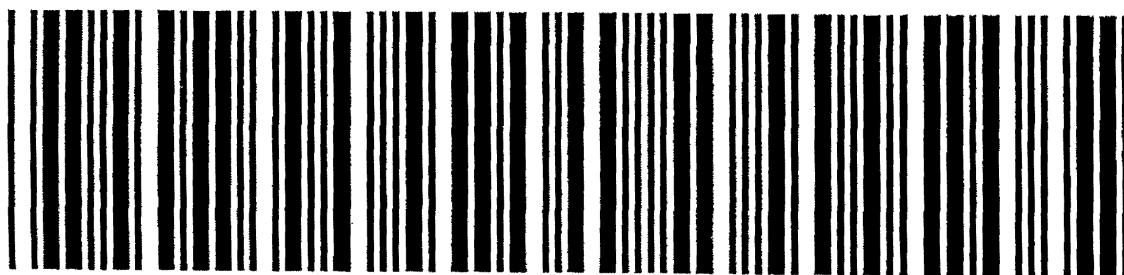
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E.O. 12065: N/A
TAGS: PINT, GJ, TD
SUBJECT: MAURICE BISHOP INTERVIEW WITH T&T TELEVISION

REF: PORT OF SPAIN 920

1. THE EMBASSY HAS OBTAINED A VIDEOTAPE OF COUP LEADER, MAURICE BISHOP'S TELEPHONE INTERVIEW FROM GRENADA WITH T&T TELEVISION, BROADCAST HERE THE EVENING OF 3/15. DESPITE A FEW FUZZY PATCHES IN THE SOUND TRACK WHICH MAKE A PRECISE TRANSCRIPTION IMPOSSIBLE, WE PASS ON THE FOLLOWING POINTS OF INTEREST FROM THE INTERVIEW:

A. TO THE QUESTION OF WHEN GRENADA COULD BE EXPECTED TO RETURN TO A CONSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK AND ELECTIONS HELD, BISHOP RESPONDED "CERTAINLY AS FAR AS WE ARE CONCERNED IN THE SHORTEST PERIOD OF TIME--I WOULD SAY WITHIN SIX MONTHS OR SO--THAT WOULD BE ABOUT RIGHT." HE WENT ON TO SAY THAT THE IMMEDIATE CONCERN WAS TO SET UP THE "PRO-VISIONAL REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT," WHICH WOULD BE "A VERY UNCLASSIFIED

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BROAD-BASED ORGANIZATION, TO BE COMPOSED OF...ALL CLASSES AND STRATA OF SOCIETY." AFTERWARDS, THE "INTENTION IS TO BEGIN THE PROCESS OF PREPARATION FOR FAIR AND FREE ELECTIONS," WHICH WILL REQUIRE A COMPLETE AND THOROUGH

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B. AS TO WHERE THE COUP PARTICIPANTS GOT THEIR ARMS, BISHOP SAID "IN FACT OUR ARMS WERE PROVIDED BY MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY FORCES IN THIS COUNTRY, WHO HAVE BEEN CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT IS HAPPENING AND WHO SAW IT AS BEING A SITUATION WHICH HAD TO BE STOPPED AT ALL COSTS." IT WAS THESE SAME PEOPLE WHO HAD FOREWARNED THE NJM LEADERS OF GAIRY'S PLAN TO SEARCH THEM ON SATURDAY, DETAIN THEM FOR 48 HOURS, AND THEN "SEE WHAT WE CAN PROVOKE WITH A VIEW TO GETTING RID OF THE LEADERSHIP OF OUR PARTY."

C. WHEN ASKED IF SOME OF THEIR ARMS HAD BEEN BROUGHT IN FROM CHILE, BISHOP REPLIED THAT UPON TAKING CONTROL OF THE PRISONS THE REVOLUTIONARIES FOUND TEN CRATES OF SO-CALLED MEDICAL SUPPLIES FROM CHILE STORED THERE, WHICH IN FACT CONTAINED "ARMS AND AMMUNITION, MILITARY EQUIPMENT, MILITARY CLOTHING, BOOTS, THAT SORT OF THING." THUS THE ONLY ARMS FROM CHILE WERE THOSE CAPTURED FROM THE GOVERNMENT DURING THE UPRISING.

D. ASKED IF BISHOP THOUGHT HIS FORCES WERE IN A POSITION TO DEFEND THEIR REVOLUTION AGAINST A COUNTER-COUP, BISHOP RESPONDED THAT "WE ARE CERTAINLY GOING TO TRY" AND THAT "INSIDE OF GRENADA THE PROCESS IS IRREVOCABLE. THERE IS NO FORCE INSIDE OF GRENADA THAT CAN STOP THE POLITICAL PROCESS THAT HAS TAKEN PLACE." THIS IS BECAUSE UNCLASSIFIED

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THOSE ELEMENTS WHICH "COULD HAVE ATTEMPTED TO GET INTO DISRUPTIVE ACTIVITES ARE IN CUSTODY: THE 'MONGOOSE GANG,' THE CRIMINAL ELEMENT, THE POLICE FORCE, AND SUCH LIKE."

E. ASKED WHAT POLITICAL IDEOLOGY HE INTENDED TO ADOPT, BISHOP SAID "EXACTLY THE SAME POLITICAL IDEOLOGY WE HAVE BEEN FOLLOWING ALL ALONG. NAMELY, WE HAVE SAID OPENLY THAT WE ARE SOCIALISTS." ONE COULD OBSERVE FROM WHAT THE NJM HAS BEEN FIGHTING FOR AND DEFENDING OVER THE YEARS "WHAT WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT." HE SAID HIS REGIME WOULD RESTORE TO THE PEOPLE THE "FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS THEY WERE PREVIOUSLY ENTITLED TO. WE ARE GOING TO EXTEND THOSE RIGHTS. INDEED, THE ONLY RIGHT THAT WE ARE GOING TO ABOLISH FOR ANYBODY IS THE RIGHT TO EXPLOIT."

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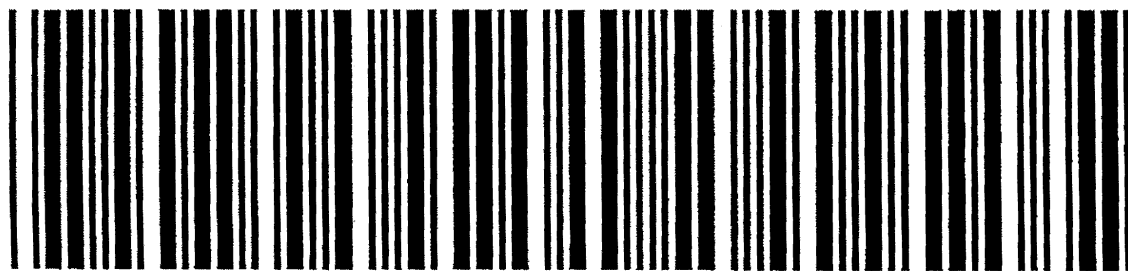
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F. ON THE QUESTION OF THE LOCATION OF THOSE IN "PROTECTIVE
CUSTODY" IN GRENADA, BISHOP SAID SOME ARE IN JAIL, SOME
IN OTHER PLACES. HOWEVER, MOST OF THOSE REMAINING IN
CUSTODY "WILL BE RELEASED, CERTAINLY BY THE WEEKEND." HE
REFERRED TO THE DETENTIONS AS "SOMETHING THAT IS NECESSARY
AT THIS TIME AND THAT WE ARE GOING TO BRING TO AN END AS
SOON AS WE CAN." FOX

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TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ, JM

SUBJECT: PRESS REACTIONS TO GRENADA COUP

1. (U) AS MIGHT BE EXPECTED, THE MEDIA HERE HAVE GIVEN SATURATION COVERAGE TO EVENTS IN GRENADA. THE GOVERNMENT-OWNED NEWSPAPER DAILY NEWS WELCOMED THE COUP IN AN EDITORIAL AS A "BLOW AGAINST CORRUPTION", BUT DID NOT COMMENT ON RECOGNITION. THE INDEPENDENT DAILY GLEANER EXPRESSED "DEEP REGRET" THAT "THE COUP, OR THE MORE PICTURESQUE 'GOLPE' OF LATIN AMERICA, HAS NOW ENTERED THE COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN AS A MEANS BY WHICH TO SELECT AND CHANGE GOVERNMENTS..." THE GLEANER, HOWEVER, ALSO MENTIONED GAIRY'S "CORRUPTION" AND "GOVERNMENTAL TERROR".

2. (U) LEADING DAILY NEWS COLUMNIST RONNIE THWAITES HAILED THE COUP AND CALLED FOR RECOGNITION:

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"FEW IN THE CARIBBEAN WILL REGRET THE OVERTHROW OF GRENADA'S ERIC GAIRY BY THE PEOPLE'S FORCES LED BY THE LEADER OF THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT, MAURICE BISHOP. THE OPTIONS FOR CHANGE BY ANY

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UP TO THIS POINT, THE OPPOSITION FORCES HAD BEEN EXTREMELY CAUTIOUS TO CARRY OUT THEIR ACTIVISM STRICTLY WITHIN THE CONFINES OF A REPRESSIVE LEGAL SYSTEM WHICH OFFERED - NO OPPORTUNITY FOR THEM TO EXPRESS VIEWS CONTRARY TO THE MUMBO-JUMBO OF UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS AND DELUSIONS ABOUT GOD AND COMMUNISTS WHICH CHARACTERISED HER MAJESTY'S KNIGHT, SR ERIC GAIRY..."

"GAIRY, RIGHT WING AND PROIMPERIALIST, HAD ESTABLISHED THE CLOSEST LINKS WITH THE POINCHET GOVERNMENT IN CHILE AND WAS HARBOURING ANY NUMBER OF BANDITS AND THUS FROM NORTH AMERICA IN HIS COUNTRY. OVER THE YEARS, HE HAD BECOME A MOST EFFECTIVE EXPONENT OF THE VIEW THAT THOSE WHO OPPOSED HIM WERE GODLESS COMMUNISTS. HE NEVER ARGUED WITH THEM AT THE LEVEL OF PRINCIPLE. THE LABELLING WAS SUFFICIENT AND THE GRENADIAN PEOPLE WERE HOAXED INTO BELIEVING THAT WHOEVER WAS BRANDED COMMUNIST WAS BAD FOR THEM AND WOULD REMOVE EVEN THAT SMALL MEASURE OF FREEDOM WHICH GAIRY SPARED THEM. MAURICE BISHOP, ON THE OTHER HAND, IS A DEDICATED SOCIALIST, AND HAS A LONG RECORD OF DEDICATED WORK IN THE DEFENCE OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND PERSONAL FREEDOMS IN THE CARIBBEAN. HIS MOVEMENT AND HIMSELF ARE WELL KNOWN IN JAMAICA AND HIS WORK TO RESTORE HUMAN RIGHTS AND POLITICAL FREEDOM TO GRENADA HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED BY GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS OF VARYING POLITICAL COMPLEXIONS HERE..."

"CONSTITUTIONAL ORDER IS NOT AN ABSOLUTE END IN ITSELF. IT MUST BE SEEN TO BRING SOME GOOD AND OFFER SOMETHING OF VALUE TO ORDINARY PEOPLE AT LEAST IN THE LONG RUN. THE GAIRY REGIME HAS STOPPED DOING THIS LONG AGO. I HOPE THAT THE REVOLUTIONARY G
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GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA WILL BE ABLE TO CONSOLIDATE ITS POSITION IN THE SAME RELATIVELY BLOODLESS MANNER THAT THE COUP HAS APPARENTLY BEEN CARRIED OUT. AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, OUR GOVERNMENT SHOULD RECOGNISE THE NEW REGIME AND OFFER IT EVERY ASSISTANCE IN THE COUNCILS OF THE CARIBBEAN AND NON-ALIGNED WORLD."

3. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL: ON MARCH 16 WE WERE MET WITH A LARGE PAGE ONE HEADLINE " JAMAICA TELLS U.S., BRITAIN: 'HANDS OFF GRENADA' ". IT WAS NOT UNTIL THE FOURTH PARAGRAPH THAT THE MAIN SOURCE OF THIS ARTICLE WAS REVEALED AS VISITING WORLD PEACE COUNCIL SECRETARY GENERAL ROMISH CHANDRA, THOUGH A "PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE SOURCE" WAS ALSO CITED. THE ARTICLE ASSERTED THAT JAMAICA AND GUYANA HAD DIPLOMATIC CONTACTS WITH THE US AND UK, TELLING THEM "HANDS OFF" IN GUYANA. COMMENT: WE HAVE REGISTERED A COMPLAINT ABOUT THIS ARTICLE TO THE MFA. SEE SEPTTEL. END CONFIDENTIAL.

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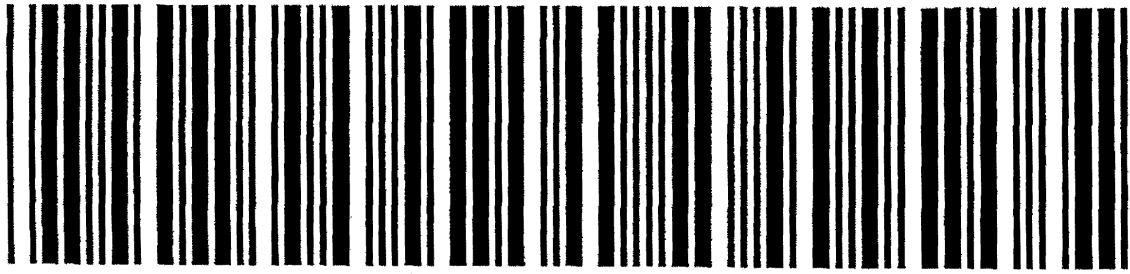
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4. (U) RESUME UNCLASSIFIED: THE MEDIA IN GENERAL, ESPECIALLY RADIO AND TV, HAVE BEEN STRESSING THE CLOSE TIES BETWEEN THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT AND THE JAMAICAN GOVERNMENT, WITH SOME MENTION OF GUYANESE TIES ALSO. THERE HAS BEEN VERY LITTLE MENTION, AND NO COMMENT, OF ANY POSSIBLE NJM-CUBAN LINKS.
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TAGS: PINS, PGOV, UK
SUBJECT: GRENADA GJ

1. FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM UK MINISTER OF STATE
ROWLANDS FOR FCO:

QUOTE: I SPOKE TO HENRY FORDE THIS AFTERNOON. HE
TOLD ME THAT THE MAIN THRUST OF THE CARICOM MINISTERS
MEETING HAD BEEN TO REESTABLISH THE CONSTITUTIONAL
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PROCESSES IN GRENADA. THE IDEA WAS THAT GAIRY'S
VICE-PREMIER, PRUDHOMME, SHOULD TAKE OVER AS PREMIER
IN THE ABSENCE OF GAIRY. HE WOULD THEN APPOINT BISHOP
AS ACTING PRIME MINISTER IN ORDER TO ENABLE HIM CONSTI-

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COURSE DISSOLVE THE ASSEMBLY AND GO ON TO ELECTIONS. THIS LINE WAS UNANIMOUSLY AGREED BY ALL THE CARICOM MINISTERS PRESENT. UNFORTUNATELY, PRUDHOMME HAD NOT SO FAR AGREED TO THIS BUT HENRY FORDE HOPED STILL TO PERSUADE HIM AND TO HEAR FROM GRENADA IN THIS SENSE SOON.

FORDE WAS VERY HAPPY ABOUT THE FRIGATE AND ABOUT THE WAY THAT PUBLICITY WAS BEING HANDLED BY HARRY STANLEY, I.E., IT WAS A ROUTINE MATTER. COMPTON WAS INFORMED AND WAS SIMILARLY HAPPY.

FORDE WAS ALSO PLEASED THAT BISHOP SHOULD BE ASKED TO AGREE TO THE GOVERNOR GENERAL STAYING ON IF HE HAD NOT ALREADY DONE SO.

GIVEN THE WAY THAT THINGS HAD DEVELOPED HE DID NOT AT PRESENT ASK ME TO VISIT BARBADOS ON MY WAY BACK FROM HERE BUT HE WOULD KEEP IN TOUCH WITH ME IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS AND LET ME KNOW IF HIS VIEW CHANGED. HE TOLD ME THAT TOM ADAMS HAD SPOKEN TO THE PRIME MINISTER AND I WELCOMED THIS.

I PRESSED HIM AS TO WHETHER THERE WAS STILL AN INTENTION TO GO FOR ECONOMIC BOYCOTTS, ETC. HE SAID THAT THIS WAS NOT IN HIS MIND AT THE MOMENT.

WOUND UP BY SAYING THAT IF THE CARICOM SOLUTION

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DID NOT WORK WE SHOULD DURING THE NEXT WEEK THINK TOGETHER ABOUT HOW WE COULD MOULD EVENTS IN GRENADA SO AS TO LEAD TO FREE ELECTIONS.

I FOUND HENRY FORDE MUCH MORE RELAXED THAN BEFORE. UNQUOTE SAYRE UNQUOTE VANCE

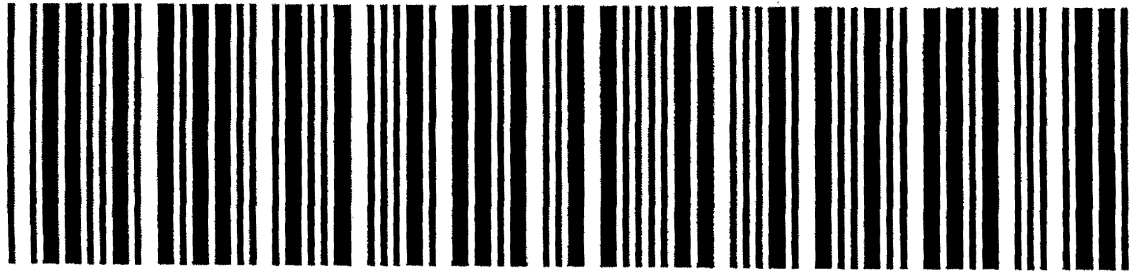
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TAGS: PINT, PINS, GJ
SUBJECT: (U) GRENADA: PRESS INTERVIEW WITH MAURICE BISHOP

1. (U) JUST-PUBLISHED PRESS INTERVIEW WITH GRENADA COUP LEADER MAURICE BISHOP ADDRESSES SOME CONCERNS OF USG AND OFFERS SOME EARLY INSIGHTS INTO POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY OF BISHOP AND OF GRENADA IN THE FUTURE. MOST INTERESTING Q'S AND A'S ARE REPEATED HERE VERBATIM:

REPORTER:WHAT PLANS DO YOU HAVE FOR MR. GAIRY?
BISHOP: WE ARLREADY INDICATED TO THE AMERICAN AMBASSADOR THAT WE ARE GOING TO MAKE A FORMAL REQUEST IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS FOR THE RETURN TO GRENADA OF GAIRY. HE IS DESPERATELY WANTED HERE FOR TRIAL.

WE WANT TO TRY HIM FOR A NUMBER OF SERIOUS CHARGES WHICH HE HAS COMMITTED OVER THE YEARS; MURDER, CONSPIRACY TO MURDER, THE DESTRUCTION OF OUR COUNTRY AMONG OTHERS. WE WANT GAIRY BADLY.

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Q: WHAT PART CAN WE EXPECT THE SOCIALIST IDEOLOGY TO PLAY IN THE FUTURE GRENADA?
BISHOP: OUR DEFINITION OF SOCIALIST IS FULLY REFLECTED IN OUR MANIFESTO AND POLICIES. IT IS ON THE BASIS OF OUR

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PROGRAMME AND POLICIES OVER THE LAST SIX YEARS, (OUR PARTY

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WAS SIX YEARS OLD LAST SUNDAY
BY THE WAY), IT IS ON THAT BASIS THAT WE MOVE FROM DAY TO
DAY; THE STRUGGLES WE FIGHT FOR THE MASSES WHETHER
THEY BE FISHERMEN, VENDORS, YOUTHS WHO ARE FRAMED
IN THE COURTS; IT IS ON THAT BASIS WE WISH TO BE JUDGED.
AND IT IS IN THAT WAY WE WOULD LIKE THE DEFINITION OF WHAT
WE ARE LOOKED AT.

Q: HAS THERE BEEN ANY EXTERNAL ASSISTANCE TO THE NJM
IN THIS REVOLUTION?

BISHOP: IN THIS PARTICULAR REVOLUTION, NO. THE
EXTERNAL ASSISTANCE HAS COME FROM THE CONTINUED HELP
OVER THE YEARS FROM OUR SUPPORT GROUPS IN NORTH
AMERICA, ENGLAND AND SUCH LIKE. IT HAS COME ALSO
IN TERMS OF ASSISTING US IN OUR VARIOUS MEETINGS
ABROAD, WHERE WE HAVE TRIED TO EXPLAIN WHAT IS
HAPPENING IN OUR COUNTRY. BUT THERE HAS BEEN NO
ASSISTANCE IN TERMS OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION OR MONEY
TO PURCHASE THOSE THINGS. NONE AT ALL.

Q: HOW WOULD YOU LABEL THE TYPE OF GOVERNMENT YOU
HAVE IN MIND?

BISHOP: WE QUITE FRANKLY ARE NOT HUNG UP ON LABELS.
WHATEVER LABEL PEOPLE OVERSEAS WISH TO PUT ON IT AFTER
SEEING US FOR A FEW WEEKS, OR BETTER YET, A FEW MONTHS,
OR FEW YEARS, THAT LABEL IS OKAY WITH US.

OUR POSITION IS THAT WE HAVE A PROGRAMME AND A
POLICY AND WE WILL STAND BY IT, FOR IT IS MEANT TO
BRING BENEFITS TO THE WORKING MASSES AND TO RESTORE
RIGHTS.

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THE ONE RIGHT WE WANT TO TAKE AWAY FROM PEOPLE
WHO NOW HAVE IT IS THE RIGHT TO EXPLOIT.
WE WANT TO SEE THAT FINISHED IN OUR COUNTRY. ALL
OTHER RIGHTS WE WILL CONTINUE AND WE WILL TRY TO
ADD A GOOD FEW MORE.

Q: WHAT IS THE MOST IMMEDIATE CHANGE WE CAN EXPECT?

BISHOP: THE MOST OBVIOUS WOULD BE THE INTRODUCTION
OF A GREAT DEAL OF SIMPLICITY IN THE LIFE STYLES OF
THE LEADERSHIP OF THE COUNTRY.

AT THE MOMENT THE COUNTRY IS NOT RUN ON THE BASIS OF PLANS
IT IS RUN ON THE BASIS OF DREAMS; THE MYSTIC WHO RAN THE
COUNTRY FOR THE LAST NUMBER OF YEARS BOASTED ABOUT HIS
TELEPHONE LINE TO GOD. THERE IS GOING TO BE AN END TO THAT
CHARADE.

THIRDLY, THERE IS AN OBVIOUS CHANGE IN THAT WE

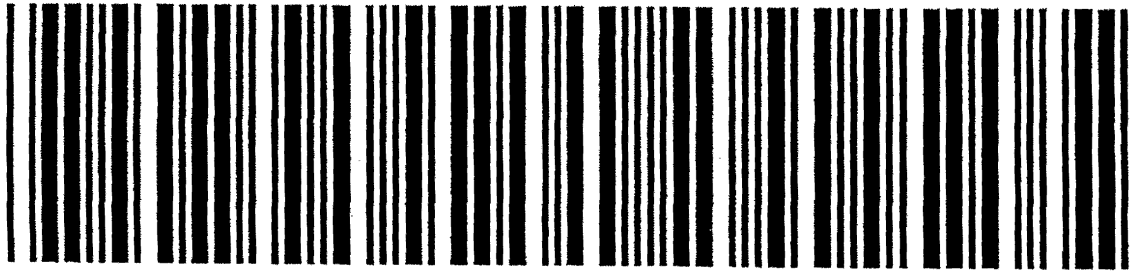
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ARE GOING TO BE ALWAYS TRYING TO ACHIEVE THE MAXIMUM
DEMOCRACY. WE ARE GOING TO TRY TO APPROACH PEOPLE ON THE BASIS
OF CONSENSUS.

2. (C) COMMENT: BISHOP'S RESPONSE DENYING ANY EXTERNAL
ASSISTANCE IN REVOLUTION IS DIFFICULT TO CREDIT IN
LIGHT OF WHAT TREASURY INVESTIGATION HAD UNCOVERED
IN RECENT MONTHS. ALTHOUGH GAIRY HAS BEEN QUOTED
IN INTERNATIONAL PRESS TO EFFECT THAT ARRIVAL OF
TREASURY AGENTS PRECIPITATED COUP, BISHOP HAS MADE NO
REPORTED COMMENTS ON THE SUBJECT, PERHAPS HOPING TO
CONSIDER IT A CLOSED CHAPTER EXCEPT FOR PLIGHT OF HIS
INDICTED COMRADES WARDALLY AND HUMPHREY.
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TAGS: PINT, PINS, GJ

SUBJ: MEMBERS OF PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA NAMED

1. THIS AFTERNOON, MARCH 16, REVOLUTIONARY FORCES IN GRENADA
ANNOUNCED NAMES OF PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT THEY HAVE ESTAB-
LISHED. THERE IS NO INDICATION PORTFOLIOS THEY WILL HOLD.

MR. MAURICE BISHOP
MR. BERNARD COARD
MR. UNISON WHITEMAN
MR. HUDSON AUSTIN
MR. KENRICK RADIX
MRS. PALM BUXO
DR. BERNARD GITTENS
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MR. VINCENT NOEL
MR. GEORGE LOUISON

2. BIODATA PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED ON BISHOP, COARD, WHITEMAN, AND RADIX.

3. BIODATA ON BUXO, GITTENS, AND LOUISON FORTHCOMING. LOUISON REPRESENTED REVOLUTIONARY FORCES AT TALKS WITH CARICOM MINISTERS IN BARBADOS THIS WEEK. AUSTIN IS NOW DESCRIBED AS "ACTING COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF REVOLUTIONARY ARMY." RAMDHANY WAS PRESIDENT OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TWO YEARS AGO.

4. BRIEF BIODATA FOLLOW ON REMAINDER PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT:

A. BAIN, NORRIS-M.P. DOB SEPT 28, 1933. CIVIL SERVANT. GRENADA NATIONAL PARTY. WAS CANDIDATE FOR PEOPLE'S ALLIANCE IN 1976.

B. AMBROSE, SYDNEY - DOB DEC. 7, 1909. CIVIL SERVANT FROM 1927 TO 1969. GRENADA NATIONAL PARTY. CANDIDATE FOR THE PEOPLE'S ALLIANCE IN 1976.

C. NOEL, LLOYD - 44 YEARS OLD. WORKED IN ENGLAND FROM EARLY 1950'S TO 1973 FOR BRITISH CIVIL SERVICE IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS DIVISION. ADMITTED TO BAR IN 1972, RETURNED HO GRENADA IN1973. MEMBER OF NEW LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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JEWEL MOVEMENT BUREAU. HELPED REPRESENT NJM BEFORE DUFFUS COMMISSION OF INQUIRY 1973-74. WAS A PEOPLE'S ALLIANCE CANDIDATE IN 1976.

D. STRACHAN, SELWYN. - MEMBER OF NJM. RAN AGAINST GAIRY IN 1976. REPORTEDLY AN ACCOUNTANTBM

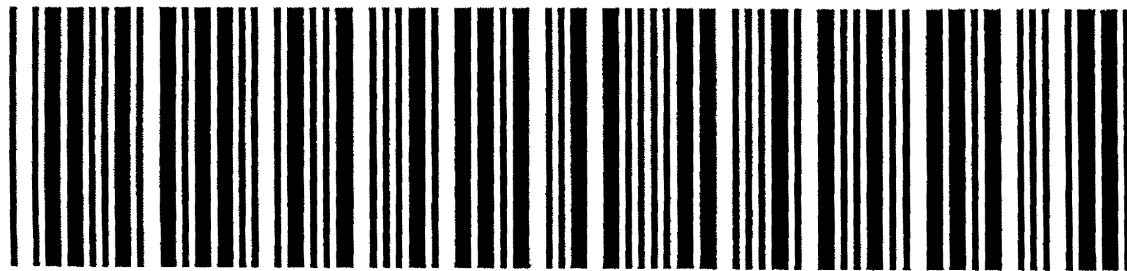
E. NOEL, VINCENT - EARLY THIRTY'S. FIRST VICE PRESIDENT OF TRADE UNION COUNCIL. HEAD OF COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL WORKERS UNION. LED RECENT STRIKE AGAINST BARCPAY'S BANK. ORTIZ

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E.O. 12065: GDS, 3/17/85 (CAMP, DONALD A.) OR-P
TAGS: PINT, PINS, GJ
SUBJECT: GREANDA SPOKESMAN: OUR REVOLUTION IS NOT A MODEL
FOR CARIBBEAN

REF: BRIDGETOWN 957

1. (U) GEORGE LOUISON, GRENADA REPRESENTATIVE TO CARICOM TALKS WHICH ENDED MARCH 15, MADE VARIETY OF STATEMENTS TO BRIDGETOWN PRESS BEFORE HIS RETURN TO GRENADA MARCH 16 (IN ADDTION TO THOSE REPORTED REFTTEL). HE STRESSED THAT "WE DO NOT SEE OUR REVOLUTION AS A BASIS FOR OTHER LEFT WING GROUPS IN THE CARIBBEAN ATTEMPTING THE SAME THING. WE SEE GRENADA AS A VERY SPECIAL AND UNIQUE CASE."

2. (LOU) HE ALSO SAID THAT, BESIDES RETURN OF SIR ERIC GAIRY, GRENADA WOULD ALSO BE REQUESTING EXTRADIOON OF GAIRY CRONIES
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SENATORS DEREK KNIGHT AND HENRY BULLEN, WHO HAD ESCAPED THE COUNTRY. HE MADE NO MENTION OF THEIR CURRENT LOCATION. ON THE SUBJECT OF OTHER MEMBERS OF GAIRY REGIME, HOWEVER, LUISON WAS CONCILIATORY: "WE ARE PREPARED

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TO WORK WITH SOME OF THEM AS CITIZENS OF OUR COUNTRY,
PROVIDED THEY ARE PREPARED TO GO ALONG WITH PROGRAM OF THE
NEW REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT AND ARE NOT INVOLVED IN ACTS
OF SABOTAGE."

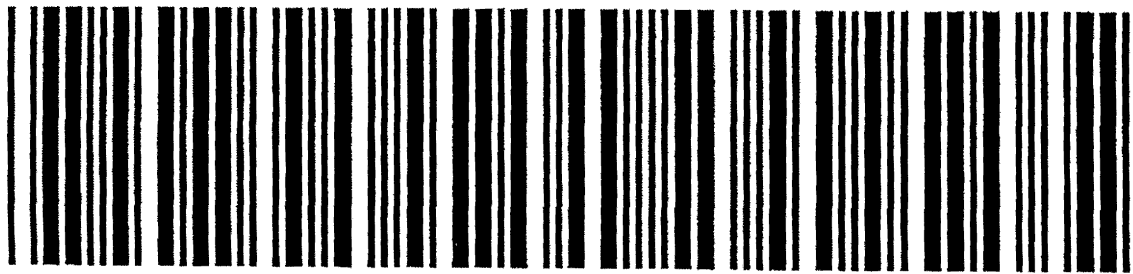
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3. (C) COMMENT: LOUISON'S COMMENTS ARE STRIKING BECASUE
OF THEIR APPARENT MODERATION. THEY ALSO ARE THE MOST
REASSURING NOISES HE COULD MAKE. HE HAS BEEN THE ONE
PUBLIC SPOKESMAN OF THE NEW REGIME WHO HAS BEEN STRIDENT,
ALMOST BELLIGERENT SINCE THE COUP. HOWEVER, CONTEXT
OF HIS COMMENTS MUST BE BORNE IN MIND. HE WAS SPEAKING
TO PRESS AFTER PARTICIPATING IN MEETING OF NERVOUS CARICOM
MINISTERS, WHO WERE SEEKING REASSURANCE THAT GRENADA COUP
WOULD NOT SET PRECEDENT FOR THEIR OWN COUNTRIES.
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TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ
SUBJECT: GRENADA-REACTION BY ASSOCIATED STATES

1. (C) - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. I SPOKE WITH FOREIGN MINISTER FORDE BY TELEPHONE MORNING MARCH 17. HE SAID HE HAD NOTHING NEW TO ADD ON THE RESULTS OF THE CARICOM FOREIGN MINISTERS' MEETING. IT WAS CLEAR HE HAD HIS ENTHUSIASM OVER THE OUTCOME UNDER FIRM CONTROL.
3. FORDE TELLS ME THAT ST. VINCENT HAS CONVOKED A MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATED STATES SET FOR TODAY. THIS WILL BRING ANTIGUA, ST. VINCENT, ST. KITTS AND PERHAPS MONTSERRAT TOGETHER TO CONSULT ON THE GRENADA COUP. ALMOST ALL THESE STATES ARE PARTICULARLY UPSET BY GRENADA DEVELOPMENTS. HOWEVER THEY HAVE THE ADVANTAGE OF HAVING LEGALLY RETAINED THE BRITISH SECURITY SHIELD. THEREFORE THE MEETING IN ST. VINCENT WILL BE OF PARTICULAR IMPORT TO THE UK. THEY WILL HAVE THEIR HANDS FULL KEEPING

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THE ASSOCIATED STATES FROM PRESSING TO APPLY SANCTIONS, ETC., TO GRENADA.
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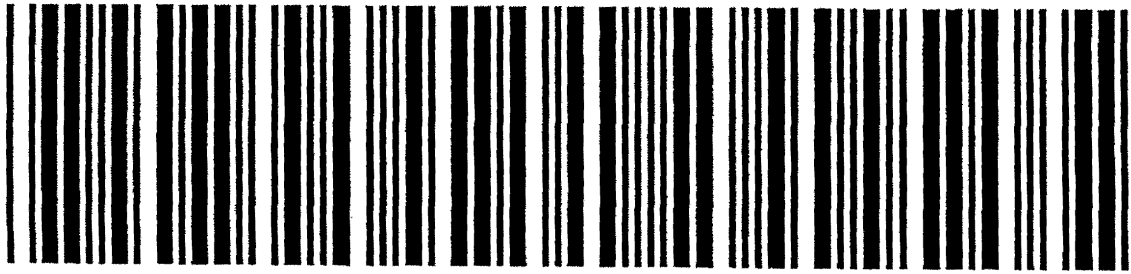
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TAGS: PEPR, PINT, PINS, GJ

SUBJECT: (C) MEETING WITH REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT OFFI-
CIAL KENDRICK RADIX

REFS: A) BRIDGETOWN 974, B) USUN 1113

1. (C-ENTIRE TEXT).

2. MISOFFS BLACKEN AND STRASSER MET WITH GRENADA REVOLU-
TIONARY GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL IN NEW YORK KENDRICK RADIX
(CORRECT SPELLING) MARCH 17, AT LATTER'S REQUEST. MEETING
WAS ARRANGED THROUGH DAVID DINKENS, CITY CLERK OF NEW YORK.
RADIX SAID HE HAD BEEN APPOINTED GRENADIAN AMBASSADOR TO
BOTH THE UN AND THE US ON MARCH 16. HE WAS ACCOMPANIED
BY JOSEPH BURKE, A LAWYER RESIDENT IN NEW YORK WHO LEADS
THE "UNITED GRENADIANS", A LOCAL ORGANIZATION OF GRENADIAN
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EXPATRIATES, AND BENNET ANDREW, A GRENADIAN BUSINESSMAN.

3. RADIX EXPLAINED THAT HE WAS CALLING ON US MISSION AS
WELL AS REPS OF OTHER GOVERNMENTS PARTICULARLY CARIBBEANS

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IN NEW YORK IN ORDER TO INTRODUCE HIS GOVERNMENT AND TO EXPLAIN ITS PURPOSES. HE ASKED THAT THE US NOT BE ALARMED BY THE GRENADIAN SITUATION. GRENADIAN SITUATION WAS "SPECIAL" AND UNLIKE ANYTHING ELSE IN THE CARIBBEAN WITH THE POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF HAITI. RADIX EXPLAINED AT GREAT LENGTH SITUATION IN GRENADA UNDER ERIC GAIRY WHICH LED NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT TO RESORT TO FORCE IN ORDER TO RESOLVE ITS PROBLEMS. HE PARTICULARLY REFERRED TO THE SUPPRESSION OF DISSENT AND DISAPPEARANCES WHICH HAD RECENTLY OCCURRED.

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4. IN DETAILING RIGHTS ABUSES UNDER GAIRY GOVERNMENT, RADIX POINTED TO SCAR UNDER HIS OWN LEFT EYE, WHICH HE SAYS WAS INFLICTED BY GAIRY'S POLICE IN 1975 WHEN NEW JEWEL ATTEMPT-ED TO DISTRIBUTE NEWSPAPER WHICH HAD BEEN BANNED AFTER GOVERNMENT HAD REQUIRED \$20,000 DEPOSIT FOR PAPERS TO OPER-ATE. SIMILARLY, HE NOTED THAT IN 1976 ELECTION CAMPAIGN, THE OPPOSITION WAS PREVENTED FROM USING PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEMS THROUGH DENIAL OF POLICE PERMITS. ALSO DURING 1977 OASGA IN GRENADA, BANNING OF PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS HAD LED TO POLICE VIOLENCE AND THE DEATH OF AN OPPOSITIONIST. HE SAID RIGHTS ABUSES UNDER GAIRY WERE AMPLY DOCUMENTED IN 1974 REPORT BY A PROMINENT JURIST. OF MORE RECENT CONCERN WAS DISAPPEARANCE OF FOUR YOUNG OPPOSITIONISTS LAST YEAR FROM CARRIACOU WHO WENT ON A FISHING TRIP AND WERE NEVER HEARD FROM AGAIN. NO INVESTIGATION WAS CONDUCTED. ALSO, RADIX REFERRED TO DISAPPEARANCE IN DECEMBER OF SENIOR POLICE OFFICIAL IRI BISHOP, WHO WAS CONSIDERED FRIENDLY TO THE OPPOSITION: THE LAST PERSON TO VISIT HIM WAS A SENIOR MEM-BER OF GAIRY'S "MONGOOSE GANG" ALSO BY THE NAME OF BISHOP.

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5. OF PARTICULAR CONCERN TO THE OPPOSITION, SAID RADIX, WAS GAIRY'S "CHILEAN CONNECTION." THIS WAS HIGHLIGHTED BY WELL PUBLICIZED ARRIVAL IN ST. GEORGES OF CHILEAN AIR FORCE C-130 IN AUGUST OF LAST YEAR WHEN NINE CRATES OF SUPPOSED "MEDICAL SUPPLIES" WERE OFF-LOADED. RADIX SAID THAT WHEN THE REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT TOOK OVER THE PRISON THIS WEEK, THESE CRATES WERE DISCOVERED AND CONTAINED WEAPONS.

6. WHEN ASKED PARTICULAR WHICH PRECIPITATED THE NEW JEWEL'S MARCH 13 ACTION, RADIX SAID THAT A FEW DAYS BEFORE GAIRY'S DEPARTURE FOR NEW YORK THE "MONGOOSE GANG" HAD BEEN SUDDEN-LY PUT BACK INTO PUBLIC VIEW AND WERE ON "FULL ALERT." THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT RECEIVED INFORMATION THAT THEY WERE UN-

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ORDER TO LIQUIDATE ITS LEADERS. RADIX SAID "IT WAS EITHER THEM OR US", AND THE DECISION TO STAGE A COUP WAS MADE IN "TWELVE HOURS."

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7. POLITICAL OBJECTIVES OF NEW GOVERNMENT ARE THE RESTORATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL ORDER AND RETURN TO DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES. IT INTENDS TO CONDUCT "FAIR AND FREE ELECTIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE." RADIX SAID CONSTITUTION REMAINED IN EFFECT. ASKED IF ANY CHANGES IN CONSTITUTION WERE CONTEMPLATED, HE EXPLAINED THAT FIRST ELECTIONS WOULD HAVE TO TAKE PLACE AND IF NEWLY ELECTED LEADERS DESIRED CHANGES THIS WAS POSSIBLE, ALTHOUGH NO CONCRETE IDEAS WERE CURRENTLY BEING CONTEMPLATED. RADIX MADE POINT THAT NEW REGIME WAS BROADLY BASED AND COMPRISED OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM BUSINESS, AGRICULTURE, LABOR, PROFESSIONS, ETC.

8. RADIX SAID THE REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT'S ECONOMIC PROGRAM WAS TO REVITALIZE THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR ON WHICH 70 OF GRENADIANS DEPEND FOR A LIVING. HE SAID GRENADA IS EXTREMELY FERTILE AND IT WAS INCREDIBLE THAT A COUNTRY OF 100,000 PEOPLE HAD TO IMPORT \$50 MILLION IN FOODSTUFFS

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EACH YEAR. THE NEW GOVERNMENT WOULD WORK TO REVERSE THE "BRAIN DRAIN" OF TALENTED GRENADIANS SO THAT THEY WILL RETURN TO HELP REBUILD THEIR COUNTRY.

9. MR. RADIX SAID THAT THE NEW GOVERNMENT WOULD GUARANTEE HUMAN RIGHTS. THOUGH HE SAID IT WAS NECESSARY TO TEMPORARILY PUT CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE FORMER GOVERNMENT UNDER "PROTECTIVE CUSTODY," THEIR SITUATION WOULD BE REGULARIZED. THEY WOULD BE EITHER CHARGED WITH SPECIFIC CRIMES OR RELEASED. AN "INVESTIGATORY PROCESS" CONCERNING CRIMINAL ACTIONS WOULD BE CONDUCTED AND THE COURTS UTILIZED. HE SAID THAT MRS. GAIRY WAS NOT REPEAT NOT UNDER DETENTION; SHE WAS IN HER HOME AND FREE TO GO WHEREVER SHE CHOSE.

10. RADIX MADE POINT THAT NEW GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT ALLOW GRENADA TO BECOME A BASE FOR ANY FOREIGN POWER WITHIN OR OUTSIDE THE HEMISPHERE. ITS FOREIGN RELATIONS WOULD BE BASED ON THE PRINCIPLE OF MUTUAL RESPECT. HE HOPED THAT
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THE US WOULD NOT INTERFERE IN THE CURRENT INTERNAL SITUATION IN GRENADA OR GIVE ANY ASSISTANCE TO GAIRY SHOULD HE ATTEMPT TO RETURN TO POWER.

11. RADIX EXPECTED THAT MOST CARIBBEAN NATIONS WOULD SHORTLY EXTEND RECOGNITION TO THE NEW GOVERNMENT WITH THE POSSIBLE EXCEPTION ST. LUCIA, BECAUSE THE PM COMPTON'S STATED DESIRE TO CONCENTRATE ON DOMESTIC MATTERS AND NOT TO GET INVOLVED IN EXTERNAL PROBLEMS.

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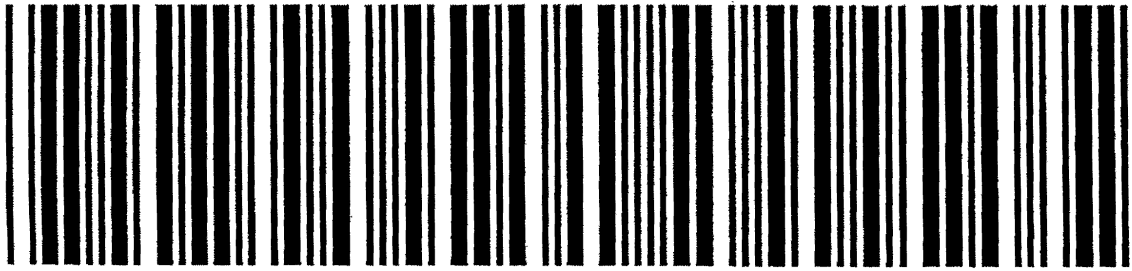
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SUBJECT: URGENT APPEAL BY ADAMSHON GRENADA

1. (C) ENTIRE TEXT
2. THERE FOLLOWS HIGH POINTS OF BARBADOS PM ADAMS' TELEPHONE CALL TO AMBASSADOR AT 1500 HOURS MARCH 17:
3. CARICOM CONSULTATIONS ON GRENADA ARE CONTINUING. ADAMS SPOKE TO PM MANLEY WHO EXPRESSED GREATEST CONCERN OVER BBC REPORT THAT US, UK, AND CANADA WOULD RECOGNIZE NEW GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA SOON. SPEAKING OFFICIALLY, ADAMS STRONGLY ADVISES AMBASSADOR THAT SUCH AN ACTION WOULD BE VERY OFFENSIVE TO CARICOM NATIONS. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD WE MAKE ANY ACT OF RECOGNITION BEFORE A COLLECTIVE POSITION ADOPTED BY CARICOM NATIONS, WHICH WILL PROBABLY BE DECIDED UPON BY TUESDAY NIGHT MARCH 20 FOLLOWING WEST INDIAN ASSOCIATED STATES MEETING IN ANTIGUA.

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4. SPEAKING PERSONALLY ADAMS ASKED FOR EARLIEST INSTRUCTIONS TO AMERICAN EMBASSIES IN KINGSTON, GEORGETOWN, AND BRIDGETOWN BY WHICH GOVERNMENTS THERE COULD BE REASSURED THAT US, UK, AND CANADA WOULD NOT PULL ANY

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5. ALSO SPEAKING PERSONALLY ADAMS SAID THAT BY TUESDAY NIGHT OR WEDNESDAY, JAMAICA, BARBADOS, AND GUYANA WOULD BE ABLE TO ANNOUNCE A JOINT POSITION ON GRENADA.

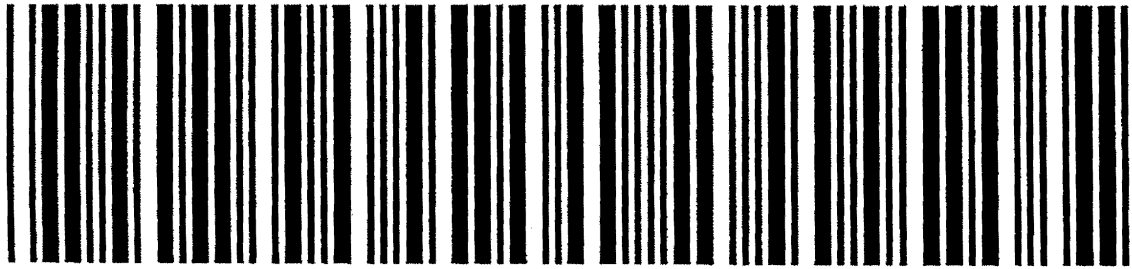
6. ADAMS REPEATED THAT ANY PREMATURE US ACTION WOULD BE HUMILIATING TO CARICOM AND DEEPLY RESENTED. HE HAD REASON TO BELIEVE SOME MEMBERS OF US CONGRESS WOULD ALSO BE UPSET.

7. DEPARTMENT PLEASE ADVISE.
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E.O. 12065 NA
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SUBJECT: GRENADA COUP MEDIA REACTION

1. HERewith MEDIA REACTION TO GRENADA COUP, MARCH 17.
2. ADVOCATE LEAD STORY: PREPARATION FOR ELECTIONS--
NEW CABINET FOR GRENADA NAMED. QUOTE: THE REVOLUTIONARY
COMMAND IN GRENADA TODAY ANNOUNCED A CABINET HEADED BY
MARUICE BISHOP. A STATEMENT DESCRIBED IT AS A PROVIS-
IONAL GOVERNMENT AND SAID ITS FIRST WOULD BE TO PREPARE
FOR NEW ELECTIONS. THE LIST IS: (PREVIOUSLY REPORTED BY
SEPTTEL)... THE ANNOUNCEMENT SAID THAT OTHER PERSONS WILL
BE ADDED 'SOON.'
"IT SAID THAT ONE OF THE FIRST RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE
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PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT WOULD BE TO UNDERTAKE THE PROPER
ENUMERATION OF VOTERS SO THAT FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS CAN
BE HELD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. IT WAS ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT THE
REVOLUTIONARY LEADERSHIP HAD STEPPED UP MEASURES TO

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"IT CALLED ON THE BANKS, EMIGRATION AND OTHER AUTHORITIES DEALING WITH PASSENGERS TO ENSURE THAT PEOPLE DID NOT TRAVEL OUT WITH MORE THAN THE ED\$ 3,000 STIPULATED BY LAW FOR HOLIDAY TRAVEL... SPECIAL PERMISSION WOULD BE GIVEN FOR PEOPLE GOING ABROAD FOR MEDICAL ATTENTION.

"THE COMMISSION TODAY ISSUED ITS FIRST NATIONAL DIRECTIVES... ALL RETAIL PRICES MUST BE FROZEN AT CURRENT LEVELS.

"SPOKESMAN BERNARD COARD (NEW CABINET MEMBER) EXPLAINED THAT THE ACTION HAD TO BE TAKEN IN THE FACE OF WHAT HE CALLED THE INDISCRIMINATE JACKING UP OF PRICES BY SOME MERCHANTS SINCE (THE COUP). THE COMMAND ALSO CALLED ON PRICE CONTROL INSPECTORS TO BE VIGILANT TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE.... A VIGILANTE SYSTEM HAD BEEN SET UP IN IN THE GRENADA TREASURY AS A SAFEGUARD MEASURE AGAINST WHAT WAS TERMED ECONOMIC PLUNDER.

"... THE COMMAND HAD ALSO ORDERED AN EXAMINATION OF THE COUNTRY'S RECORDS TO SEE THE STATE OF THE ECONOMY. IT WAS ONLY ON THE BASIS OF SUCH KNOWLEDGE THAT THE NEW ADMINISTRATION COULD DEVISE A PLAN FOR ECONOMIC RECONSTRUCTION AND PROCEED TO IMPLEMENT IT.

"HE ANNOUNCED ALSO THAT TALKS WERE BEING HELD WITH THE POLICE (FOUR MEMBER CONTROLLING BODY WAS SET UP WEDNESDAY) TO DETERMINE WHAT SORT OF FORCE THE COUNTRY SHOULD HAVE AND HOW IT COULD SERVE THE TRUE INTERESTS OF THE PEOPLE...ONE OF THE OBJECTIVES WAS TO DECIDE ON A SYSTEM OF PROMOTION ON THE BASIS OF ALL MERIT, NOT ALLEGIANCE AS IN THE PAST, AND A PROGRAMME FOR TRAINING. END QUOTE.

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2. ADVOCATE NEWS STORY: FORDE: RECOGNITION OF NEW GRENADA GOV'T NOT CRUCIAL. QUOTE: BARBADOS MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS HENRY FORDE HAS SAID THAT THE SITUATION IN GRENADA WOULD ONLY BE SETTLED FOR THE ENTIRE CARIBBEAN WHEN THE ISLAND HAS RETURNED TO A CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT AFTER FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS... FORDE GAVE A COMMITMENT THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD SUBJECT ITSELF TO FREE AND FAIR ELECTION AND SAID: 'I WOULD WELCOME AN ASSURANCE FROM THE OPPOSITION IN THIS COUNTRY THAT IT DOES NOT SUPPORT THE PEOPLE'S PRESSURE GROUP AND OTHER PEOPLE WHO ARE PRACHING AGAINST THIS FORM OF GOVERNMENT.

"...FORDE SAID HIS GOVERNMENT HOPED THAT THE REVOLUTION IN GRENADA WOULD BE AN ISOLATED CASE IN THE CARIBBEAN. HE SAID RECOGNITION OF THE NEW GRENADA GOVERNMENT WAS NOT FOR BARBADOS A PRE-EMINENT ACT 'OR INDEED THE MOST CRUCIAL AT THIS TIME.'

" 'PRIORITY NUMBER ONE FOR THE BARBADOS GOVERNMENT IS STILL

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TO ENSURE THAT BACK IN THE CARIBBEAN WE GET ALL OF THESE COUNTRIES BACK ON AN EVEN KEEL WITHOUT INTERNAL TURMOIL SO THAT WE WOULD GET STABILITY AND PEOPLE COULD GO FORWARD TO GET BETTER LIVING CONDITIONS.'

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''THE GRENADA SITUATION WILL BE RESOLVED...WHEN WE GET BACK ON FULL CONSTITUTIONAL PATH WITH FARI AND FREE ELECTIONS AND WHOEVER WINS THOSE ELECTIONS MUST THEREFORE BE THE GOVERNMENT AND SUBJECT ITSELF AT REGUALR INTERVALS TO ANOTHER ELECTION,' FORDE SAID.

''...HE DID NOT THINK RECOGNITION WAS THE BIT THING, AND NOTED THAT IN SOME CASES TH SITUATION DOES NOT ARISE FOR A FORMAL ACT OF RECOGNITION; IT MIGHT WELL BE THAT THE HEAD OF STATE REMAINS IN PLACE...IT WAS ALWAYS UNDERSTOOD THAT EACH SOVEREIGN STATE WOULD KEEP ITS OPTIONS OPEN AND THEY MUST DETERMINE WHETHER ORNOT THEY WISH TO HAVE WHAT IS CALLED A FORMAL ACT OF RECOGNITION.

''FOR BARBADOS THE MAIN ACT WAS THAT WE HAD TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THAT THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME...THAT THERE HAS BEEN A CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT BY MEANS OF REVOLUTION RATHER THAN BY MEANS OF THE BALLOT BOX AND WHATEVER WERE THE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT LED TO THIS THE POINT IS THAT WE REALLY WANTED TO UNCLASSIFIED

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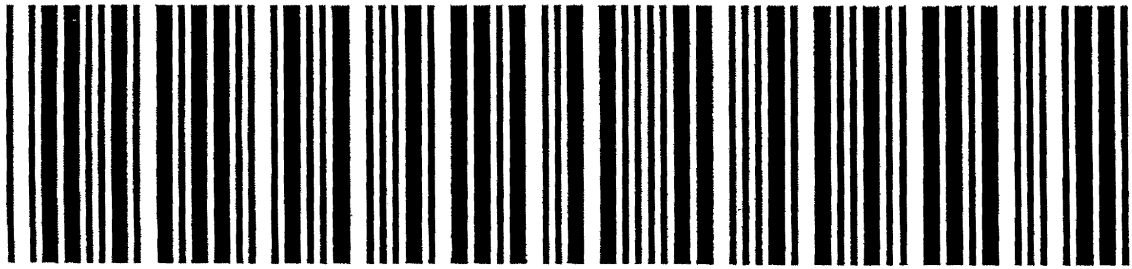
ENSURE THAT CARIBBEAN GOVERNMENTS FOR THE FUTURE PAID RESPECT TOTHE CONSTITUTIONAL PROCESS AND WE SAW IT CRUCIAL TO PAY REGARD TO THIS FACT.' END QUOTE.

3. REPORT ON ADVOCATE-NEWS EDITORIAL 'GRENADA COUP AND ITS IMPLICATIONS' BEING FILED SEPTTEL. ORTIZ

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SUBJECT: BRITISH ASSISTANCE TO GRENADA

REF: BRIDGETOWN 965

1. (C) - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. BRITISH DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL WHO PROVIDED ME WITH INFORMATION RE BRITISH ASSISTANCE TO GRENADA REPORTED REFTEL MADE AN INTERESTING POINT. HE SAID THAT CERTAIN ELEMENTS OF THRE BRITISH LABOR GOVERNMENT, AND HE MENTIONED MINISTER FOR OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT JUDITH HART, WOULD TAKE TO THE NEW JEWEL GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA LIKE MAGPIES TO A CHERRY TREE.
3. IF WE ARE GOING TO ATTEMPT TO CO-OPT THE NEW GOVERNMENT WHICH ALREADY HAS MADE CLEAR THAT IT WILL TURN TO THE U.S., THE U.K. AND CANADA FOR ASSISTANCE, PERHAPS WE COULD QUICKLY START OFF BY HAVING THE BRITISH INCREASE THEIR BILATERAL PROGRAM WITH GRENADA. AFTER CUTTING OFF AID TO

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GRENADA FOR SOME TIME, UK NOW HAS ONLY AN INCOME TAX ADVISER THERE. PERHAPS THE UK COULD SOON BEGIN TALKS ON POSSIBLE FUTURE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE WITH THE NEW JEWEL IN THE NEW AT-MOSPHERE OF MUTAL CONGENIALITY. OUR OWN ASSISTANCE

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IS ALMOST ENTIRELY THROUGH REGIONAL BODIES, ESPECIALLY
THE CARIBBEAN DEVELOPMENT BANK. GIVEN THE ATTITUDE OF
THE OTHER EASTERN CARIBBEAN STATES WHO FORM THE BOARD
OF THE BANK, WE WOULD ENCOUNTER DIFFICULTIES IN INCREASING
ASSISTANCE TO GRENADA WITHOUT CAUSING PROBLEMS FOR OUR-
SELVES ELSEWHERE, EVEN IF WE WISHED TO.

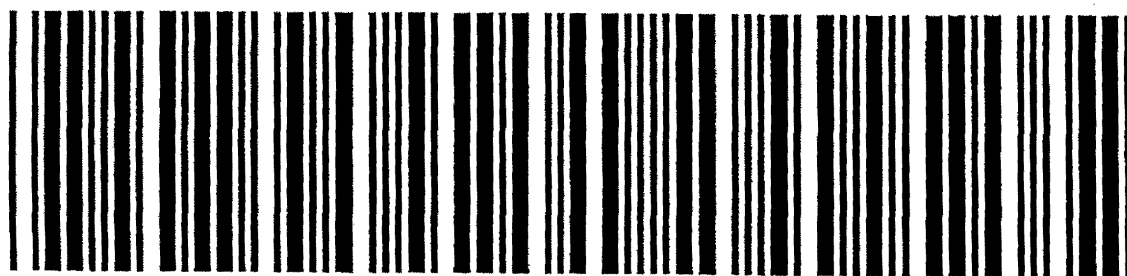
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THE UK.
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E.O. 12065: GDS, 3/17/85 (EDDY, J.J.) OR-M
TAGS: PINT, GJ, PINS
SUBJECT: GRENADA: DEBRIEFING OF HENRY BULLEN

1. (C) - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. HENRY BULLEN, FORMER GOVERNMENT MINISTER AND CLOSE CONFIDANT OF DEPOSED PRIME MINISTER ERIC GAIRY, SPOKE FOR THIRTY MINUTES MARCH 16 WITH EMBOFFS IN THE CONSULAR SECTION OF THE EMBASSY. BULLEN WAS PROCESSING FORTRAVEL TO NEW YORK. BULLEN ESCAPED FROM GRENADA VIA SAINT VINCENT TO BARBADOS FOLLOWING THE COUP ON TUESDAY. SINCE HE LEFT HIS FAMILY BEHIND, HE IS INTENT ON DOING AND SAYING NOTHING TO ENDANGER THEIR WELL-BEING AND HE ASKED THAT HIS REMARKS BE PROTECTED.

3. BULLEN STATED THAT TUESDAY'S COUP CAME AS A COMPLETE SURPRISE TO THE GOVERNMENT, EVEN THOUGH IT HAD EVIDENCE OF GUN SMUGGLING BY LEADERS OF THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT (NJM). BULLEN CLAIMED THAT THE NJM STAGED THE COUP BECAUSE THE POLICE WERE ABOUT TO ARREST BERNARD COARD AND TO CLOSE IN ON OTHER NJM CONSPIRATORS. BULLEN SAID THAT ALL THE NJM LEADERS WOULD PROBABLY HAVE BEEN DETAINED IN THE CASE, EVEN THOUGH HE KNEW OF NO HARD EVIDENCE AGAINST
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MOST OF THEM, INCLUDING BISHOP.

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4. BULLEN REMARKED THAT THE COUP PROCEEDED ACCORDING TO A WELL-LAID PLAN, EVEN THOUGH THERE WAS CONSIDERABLE

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ORIGINAL BANK OF NO MORE THAN 70 OR 80 INSURGENTS. HE SAID THAT HE WAS AWAKENED BEFORE 6 A.M BY ARMED REBELS ABOUT SIXTEEN OR SEVENTEEN YEARS OLD WHO OPENED FIRE ON HIS HOME AND SMASHED HIS AUTOMOBILE. HE REALIZED THAT THE DISTURBANCE HAD A BROADER POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE WHEN HE TURNED ON RADIO GRENADA AND FOUND THAT IT HAD NOT BEGUN BROADCASTING AT THE USUAL TIME. HE HEADED FIRST FOR A POLICE STATION THAT WAS EVENTUALLY TAKEN OVER BY THE INSURGENTS AND THEN WENT UNDERGROUND TO PLAN HIS ESCAPE WITH ANOTHER GOVERNMENT MINISTER, DEREK KNIGHT.

5. BULLEN STRESSED THAT THE NJM COUP SUCCEEDED BECAUSE KEY GOVERNMENT AND SECURITY LEADERS WERE CAPTURED AND COERCED INTO COOPERATION AND BECAUSE LARGE NUMBERS OF UNSOPHISTICATED YOUTH WERE GIVEN ARMS FOR USE AGAINST THE SECURITY FORCES. HE SUGGESTED THAT THOSE GOVERNMENT MINISTERS WHO WERE HEARD ON "RADIO FREE GRENADA" ADVISING GAIRY SUPPORTERS TO YIELD TO THE PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY FORCES DID SO ONLY UNDER SEVERE DURESS, PERHAPS WITH GUNS AT THEIR HEADS. BULLEN SAID THAT THE POLICE FORCE OF ABOUT 400 MEN WAS POORLY EQUIPPED WITH OBSOLETE SMALL ARMS THAT WERE NO MATCH FOR THE SUPERIOR FIREPOWER OF THE REBELS, AND THAT THE CAPTURE OF THE POLICE CHIEF FURTHER DEMORALIZED THEM. BULLEN STATED THAT THE SMALL DEFENSE FORCE (HE WAS UNSURE OF ITS NUMBERS) AT THE TRUE BLUE BARRACKS WAS AN EVEN EASIER MARK BECAUSE OF ITS COMPLETELY UNSATISFACTORY STATE OF READINESS. BULLEN HASTENED TO POINT OUT, HOWEVER, THAT THERE WAS SIGNIFICANT RESISTANCE FROM THE DEFENSE FORCE

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THAT COST A CAPTAIN HIS LIFE, THE FIRST OF THREE FATALITIES THAT DAY.

6. BULLEN DESCRIBED THE NJM AS A RADICAL PARTY WITH LINKS TO CUBA AND LEKTIST GROUPS IN THE ENGLISH-SPEAKING CARIBBEAN. HE SPECIFICALLY REFERRED TO GEORGE LOUISON'S CUBAN CONNECTION AND HIS INAUGURATION LATE LAST YEAR OF THE CUBA-GRENADA FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY. BULLEN DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT BISHOP WILL HONOR THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS AND CONTENDS THAT FAIR ELECTIONS ARE IMPOSSIBLE BECAUSE THE NJM SUPPORTERS HAVE AND WILL USE THEIR NEWLY ACQUIRED ARMS TO INTIMIDATE VOTERS. HE SAID THAT HE ADVOCATES UN-SUPERVISED ELECTIONS, WHICH HE STRONGLY BELIEVES WOULD RETURN GAIRY TO POWER. IN THE MEANTIME, BULLEN SAID THAT GAIRY MUST PLAY A RESPONSIBLE ROLE TO PREVENT

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BLOOSHER UNLEASHED BY HIS SUPPORTERS AND TO PRESERVE
THE CONSTITUTION. HE SAID THAT SENATOR DEREK KNIGHT,
WHO ACCOMPANIED BULLEN TO NEW YORK YESTERDAY, WOULD
TRY TO SEE GAIRY AND TO MAKE SPECIFIC PROPOSALS IN THE
INTEREST OF PEACE. ALTHOUGH BULLEN WOULD NOT ELABORATE,
HE HINTED THAT KNIGHT MIGHT SUGGEST THAT GAIRY RESIGN,
PRESUMABLY TO PAVE THE WAY FOR ELECTIONS.

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7. IN ITS NEWS CONFERENCE YESTERDAY, MAURICE BISHOP'S
REVOLUTIONARY COMMAND NAMED KNIGHT AS A PRIME TARGET
FOR ARREST ON CHARGES OF CORRUPTION AND MURDER. ALTHOUGH
IT MADE NO SPECIFIC CHARGES AGAINST BULLEN, IT CLAIMED
THAT HIS HASTY RETREAT IN KNIGHT'S COMPANY IS SIGNIFICANT.

3. COMMENT: WE HAVE KNOWN BULLEN FOR SOME TIME AND
CONSIDER HIM TO BE MORE RESPONSIBLE THAN KNIGHT, WHO IS
TRAILED BY A REPUTATION FOR RUTHLESSNESS. BULLEN RECENTLY HAD A
FALLING OUT WITH GAIRY AND WAS DEMOTED, ALTHOUGH HE STILL
PROFESSES LOYALTY TO THE OUSTED PRIME MINISTER. HIS
REMARKS TO US WERE REFLECTIVE AND RESTRAINED, DESPITE
THEIR CLEAR BIAS. HE WAS HESITANT IN COMMENTING ON THE
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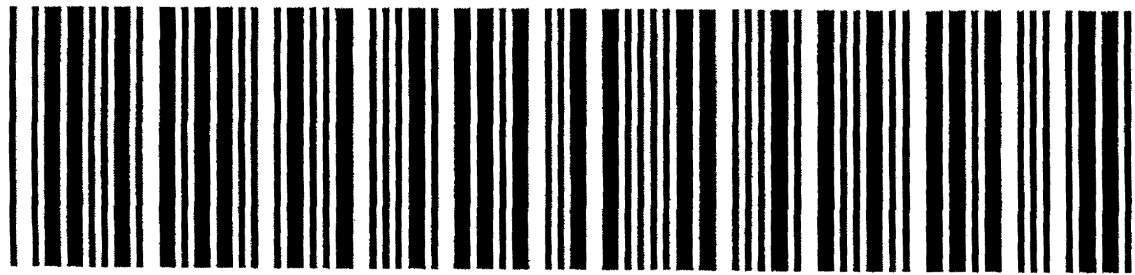
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DETAILS OF THE GUN SMUGGLING AND ON THE POLITICAL
ORIENTATION OF THE NJM, PRESUMABLY SUGGESTING THAT WE
WERE BETTER INFORMED ON THESE ISSUES.
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SUBJ: (EX) PRIME MINISTER GAIRY PROPOSES INDEFINITE
VISIT TO SURINAME

- 1. (LOU - ENTIRE TEXT)
- 2. SUMMARY: EX PRIME MINISTER GAIRY OF GRENADA HAS ASKED PERMISSION TO VISIT SURINAME FOR AN INDEFINITE PERIOD. THE GOS IS INCLINED TO DENY THE REQUEST, BUT IN ORDER TO BACK UP ITS NEGATIVE RESPONSE WISHES TO REVIEW AVAILABLE INFORMATION ON GAIRY'S PRESENT POSITION BOTH IN THE US AND VIS A VIS THE BRITISH AND WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH.

2. FOROFF DIRECTOR DERYCK HEINEMAN PHONED ME AT HOME TODAY AT THE REQUEST OF MINISTER PRESIDENT ARRON TO REPORT THAT ARRON HAD RECEIVED A CALL FROM NEW YORK FROM EX PRIME MINISTER ERIC GAIRY OF GRENADA. GAIRY WISHES TO COME TO SURINAME NEXT
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TUESDAY (MARCH 20) "FOR A PERIOD OF REST."

- 3. HEINEMAN SAID THAT ARRON IS NOT INCLINED TO APPROVE THE VISIT BUT WISHES TO OBTAIN WHATEVER FURTHER INFORMATION THE

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USG CAN PROVIDE BEFORE GIVING HIS FINAL NO. SPECIFICALLY,
ARRON ASKS WHAT THE USG POSITION IS TOWARD GAIRY AT THIS TIME
AND ALSO WHAT GAIRY'S POSITION IS IN THE UNITED STATES. HAS HE
BEEN REQUESTED TO LEAVE OR DOES HE MERELY WISH TO LEAVE. IF
THE LATTER, FOR WHAT REASON AND, FOR THAT MATTER, WHY DID HE
OPT FOR SURINAME WHERE HE HAS NO KNOWN TIES. HE HAS
NEVER PREVIOUSLY VISITED THIS COUNTRY AND HE AND ARRON
NOT ACQUAINTED. THE GOS WONDERS WHETHER GAIRY HAS REQUE
ENTRY INTO OTHER NATIONS IN THIS AREA AND BEEN TURNED DOWN.

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4. ARRON ALSO WISHES ANY INFORMATION THE USG CAN PROVIDE
ON THE COMMONWEALTH AND BRITISH POSITION TOWARD GAIRY, AS UNDER
THE PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THE GOVERNOR
GENERAL OF GRENADA IS FACED WITH THE CONSTITUTIONAL PROBLEM
OF TRYING TO DEAL WITH TWO GOVERNMENTS.

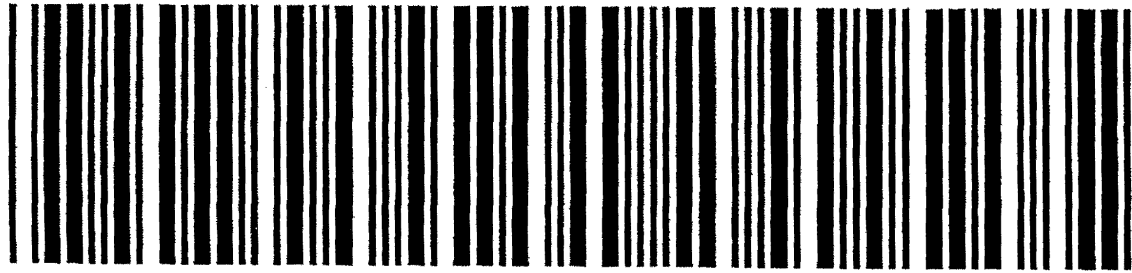
5. ARRON DOES NOT WANT TO BE EMBARRASED BY GAIRY'S
PRESENT IN SURINAME AND SEEMS ALREADY TO HAVE DECIDED TO SAY
NO TO THE REQUEST. ACCORDING TO HEINEMAN, GAIRY IS IN A HILTON
HOTEL IN NEW YORK BUT IS "NOT TAKING CALLS." FYI: SURINAME
AMBASSADOR KARAMAT IS ENROUTE TO PARAMARIBO TO ATTEND THE
ANNUAL COM MEETING HERE AND IS NOT AVAILABLE IN WASHINGTON.

6. REPLY BY COB MONDAY MARCH 19
WOULD BE APPRECIATED. ANY REACTION FROM INFO POSTS WOULD BE HELPFUL.
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TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ
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2. THE JAMAICAN DELEGATE TO THE BRIDGETOWN CARICOM MEETING ON
GRENADA, CARLYLE DUNKLEY, IN AN INTERVIEW ON THE LOCAL RADIO,
MARCH 16, SAID HE WOULD BE REPORTING TO THE CABINET AND THAT SOME
ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING JAMAICAN INTENTIONS TOWARD THE NEW
GRENADIAN GOVERNMENT COULD BE MADE WITHIN 24-48 HOURS. AS EXPECTED,
DUNKLEY AS WELL AS PM MANLEY IN AN ADDRESS TO THE "WORLD PEACE
COUNCIL" YESTERDAY, STRESSED THE CHANGES IN GRENADA WERE INTERNAL,
THE THE GOVERNOR GENERAL WAS NOT DISMISSED AND THE DECLARED
INTENTION OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT WAS TO HOLD "NEW AND FAIR ELECTIONS
AT AN EARLY DATE". MANLEY AGAIN RAISED THE STRAWMAN OF "OUTSIDE
INTERFERENCE" WITHOUT NAMING ANYONE; CONSIDERING HIS AUDIENCE THIS
WAS DE RIGEUR.

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3. THIS MORNING WE TALKED WITH FRANK FRANCIS PERMSEC AT THE
FOREIGN MINISTRY WHO ACCOMPANIED DUNKLEY AND WERE TOLD HE HAD
NOT MUCH TO ADD TO THURSDAY'S COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AT BRIDGETOWN.

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FRANCIS SAID THE PARTICIPANTS HAD LEFT WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THEY WOULD STAY IN CONTACT TO DECIDE WHETHER TO MEET AGAIN. NO DECISION WAS MADE ON RECOGNITION WHICH WOULD NOT NECESSARILY BE COORDINATED AND COULD BE DONE SEPARATELY. THE JAMAICANS HAVE NOT YET MADE A DECISION ON RECOGNIZING ACCORDING TO FRANCIS.

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COMMENT: WE BELIEVE THE GOJ MAY BE AWAITING THE OUTCOME OF THE CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN THE GOVERNOR GENERAL AND BISHOP IN HOPES THEY WILL FIND A SOLUTION THAT WOULD LEGITIMIZE THE NEW ROVERNMENT WITHOUT TOO MUCH DAMAGE TO THE CONSTITUTION. END COMMENT

4. FRANCIS ASKED FOR OUR POSITION AND WE DESCRIBED IT AS INSTRUCTED IN PARA 3 REFTTEL.

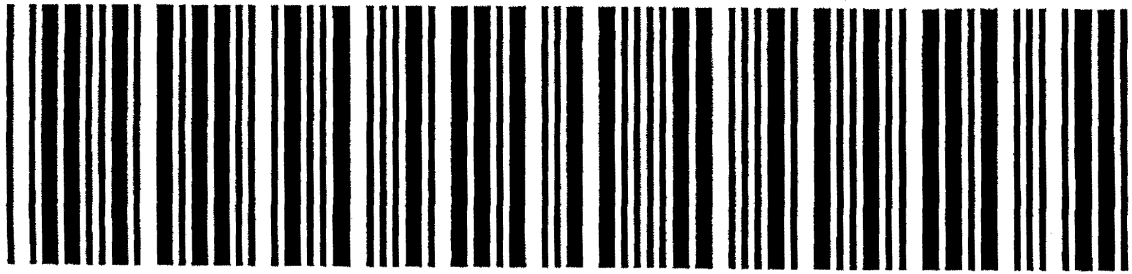
5. THE PRESS AND RADIO HERE REPORT THAT WHILE BRITAIN AND CANADA HAVE TOLD GAIRY "FLATLY" THAT HE WOULD NOT BE GETTING ANY HELP FROM THEM, THE UNITED STATES IS REPORTED TO HAVE "AS MUCH AS SAID THE SAME* BARRING ANY REASONS WHICH WE ARE NOT AWARE OF IT COULD BE HELPFUL IF WE CAN REMOVE THIS DISTICNTION.

6. FRANCIS PROMISED TO LOOK INTO THE POSSIBILITY OF THE GOJ DOING SOMETHING TO CORRECT THE IMPRESSION BEING GIVEN HERE IN SOME OF THE PRESS THAT THE US AND THE UK WERE SOMEHOW READY TO INTERFERE IN GRENADA. HE LEAVES FOR NASSAU TOMORROW.
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E.O. 12065: GDS 3/17/85 (EDDY, JOHN J.) OR-M
TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ
SUBJECT: EFFORTS TOWARD CONSTITUTIONAL RESOLUTION OF GRENADA
QUESTION

1. (C) - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. JOHN PHILIP, DEPUTY BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER, BARBADOS, HAS RECIEVED TELEPHONE CALL FROM GUS COMPTON, HEAD OF SECRETARIAT, WEST INDIES ASSOCIATED STATES, BASED IN ANTIGUA. COMPTON SAID WIAS TRYING TO WORK OUT CONSTITUTIONAL POSITION ON GRENADA.
3. COMPTON ASKED THAT HMG NOT RECOGNIZE NEW GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA AT LEAST UNTIL AFTER WIAS MEETING TO BE HELD IN ANTIGUA TUESDAY, MARCH 20. DEPUT BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER, AFTER CHECKING WITH LONDON ASSURED COMPTON HMG INTENDED TO HOLD OFF UNTIL CARICOM STATES HAD MADE UP THEIR MINDS. LONDON ALSO TOLD PHILIP IT WAS LONG'S IMPRESSION THAT WASHINGTON INTENDED SIMILAR COURSE, THOUGH HMG WAS LESS SURE OF CANADIAN POSITION.

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4. PHILIP SAID HE HAD LEARNED FROM HENRY FORDE, MINISTER EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, BARBADOS, THAT JOHN COMPTON, PRIME MINISTER OF ST. LUCIA, HAD SOUGHT AND RECEIVED TELEPHONIC ASSURANCES

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FROM MANLEY IN JAMAICA THAT MANLEY WOULD HOLD OFF RECOGNITION
AT LEAST UNTIL AFTER WIAS MEETING MARCH 20. MANLEY SAID HE
WOULD TRY TO GET TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO AND GUYANA TO DO SAME.
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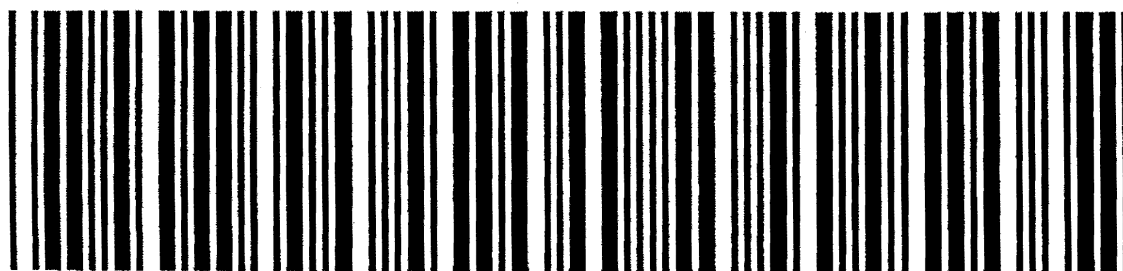
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E.O. 12065: RDS- 3/17/85 (KLEINKAUF, THERESE)

TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ

SUBJECT: RADIX-HEWITT CONVERSATION OF MARCH 16

REF: BRIDGETOWN 974
KLEINKAUF-EDDY TELCON OF 3/16/79

1. (C) ENTIRE TEXT.
2. KENRICK RADIX CALLED DEPARTMENT AFTERNOON OF MARCH 16 AND SPOKE TO ARA/CAR OFFICE DIRECTOR HEWITT FOR ABOUT 20 MINUTES. RADIX EXPLAINED THAT HE WANTED TO DISCUSS THE CONFIDENTIAL

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SUBJECT OF US RECOGNITION FOR NEW GRENADIAN GOVERNMENT. HE SAID HE FELT ALL USUAL PRE-CONDITIONS, E.G. CONTROL, POPULAR SUPPORT, PEACE AND TRANQUILITY, JUSTIFIED US RECOGNITION.

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3. RADIX SAID HE HOPED US WOULD VIEW RECENT EVENTS IN GRENADA AS AN ISOLATED CASE AND NOT AS A SIGN OF REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT WHICH WOULD SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE CARIBBEAN. GRENADA, HE SAID, WAS A SPECIAL CASE AND RECENT TAKE-OVER BY NJM WAS JUSTIFIED BY THE ABUSES, WHICH HE ENUMERATED AT LENGTH, OF THE GAIRY REGIME.

4. AS EVIDENCE OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT S STABILITY, MATURITY, AND SERIOUSNESS OF PURPOSE, RADIX ENUMERATED THE ACTIONS AND PLEDGES MADE BY THE NEW GOVERNMENT:

(A) THE TAKE-OVER WAS RELATIVELY PEACEFUL AND THE COUNTRY HAS RETURNED TO NORMAL;

(B) A US CONSULAR OFFICER HAD BEEN PERMITTED TO TRAVEL TO GRENADA ALMOST IMMEDIATELY TO INSURE THE WELFARE OF AMERICAN CITIZENS;

(C) THE GOVERNOR GENERAL HAS BEEN RETAINED;

(D) THE INTERIM PRIME MINISTER HAS PROMISED AIR AND FREE ELECTIONS;

(E) THE NEW REGIME HAS PROMISED TO UPHOLD BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS AND ALL OF THE FORMER GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN TREATED HUMANELY;

(F) THE NEW GOVERNMENT DID NOT TAKE REVENGE
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AGAINST MEMBERS OF THE GAIRY GOVERNMENT WHEN THEY HAD BOTH OPPORTUNITY AND SUFFICIENT REASON TO DO SO;

(G) THE NEW GOVERNMENT HAS VOWED TO PROTECT THE PROPERTY OF FOREIGNERS ON THE ISLAND AND DOES NOT PLAN ANY FUTURE NATIONALIZATION OR EXPROPRIATION WITHOUT COMPENSATION.

5. RADIX SAID THAT THE PRIMARY CONCERNS OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT WOULD BE TO SOLVE THE ECONOMIC PROBLEMS OF THE COUNTRY AND TO RID IT OF CORRUPTION. HE EXPECTED WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO HEAR THAT THEY PLANNED TO "OLLOW A TANZANIAN-TYPE MODEL. HE SAID THE US SHOULD NOT BE CONCERNED THAT GRENADA WOULD BE USED AS A BASE OF OPERATIONS FOR ANY FOREIGN STATE. WHILE IT WAS TRUE,

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HE SAID, THAT SOME MEMBERS OF THE NJM HAD BEEN TO CUBA, THEY HAD ALSO VISITED THE US AND THE UK. THE NJM FEELS THAT THE US HAS ALWAYS BEEN GRENADA'S CLOSE FRIEND AND NJM LEADERS HAVE BEEN EDUCATED THERE.

6. IN RESPONSE TO RADIX'S REMARKS, HEWITT SAID THAT WE ARE WATCHING THE EVENTS IN GRENADA CLOSELY BECAUSE THE CARIBBEAN IS AN AREA OF GREAT CONCERN TO THE US. HE NOTED THAT WE HAVE BEEN CONSULTING WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTS--CARICOM, THE UK AND CANADA--ON THE QUESTION OF RECOGNITION. WE FEEL THAT CANADA AND THE UK HAVE TRADITIONALLY PLAYED A LARGER ROLE IN THE REGION AND WE WANT TO COORDINATE WITH THEM.

7. HEWITT NOTED SEVERAL CONCERNS ARISING FROM RECENT EVENTS IN GRENADA:

- (A) THE UNCONSTITUTIONAL NATURE OF EVENTS;
- (B) REPORTS OF NJM TIES TO CUBA; AND

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- (C) THE QUESTION OF CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS.

HE ADDED THAT FUTURE STABILITY DEPENDS IN PART ON CONSTITUTIONAL LEGITIMACY AND ADDED THAT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF THE NEW GOVERNMENT COULD SAY WHEN ELECTIONS WOULD BE HELD.

8. RADIX SAID THAT THE NEW GOVERNMENT HAD COMMITTED ITSELF TO EARLY FREE ELECTIONS AND IT WOULD SOON MAKE A STATEMENT ON THE MODALITY OF ELECTIONS. HE SAID THAT THE INTERNATIONAL PRESS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS WOULD BE WELCOME TO OBSERVE THE ELECTIONS. HE SAID HE WOULD CONVEY THE US CONCERNS TO HIS GOVERNMENT AND ASK THAT THEY BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT.

9. IN CONCLUDING THE CONVERSATION HEWITT SAID THAT, SPEAKING PERSONALLY HE WAS ENCOURAGED BY THE COURSE OF EVENTS AND THAT IF THIS TREND CONTINUES WE CAN LOOK FORWARD TO FRIENDLY RELATIONS. HE AND RADIX AGREED TO KEEP IN TOUCH ON AN UNOFFICIAL AND INFORMAL BASIS. RADIX SAID THAT HE WOULD REMAIN IN NEW YORK AS HEAD

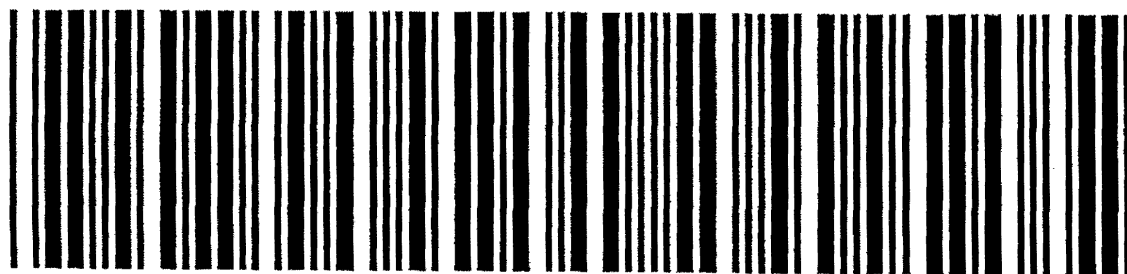
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SUBJECT: PINS, PINT, CS

1. HERewith EDITORIAL FROM ADVOCATE-NEWS (ROBERT
BEST) MAR 17: GRENADA COUP AND ITS IMPLICATION.

2. QUOTE: ... THE REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT...COULD
WELL FIND ITS GREATEST CHALLENGE NOT IN THE STEPS
IT TOOK TO SEIZE POWER, BUT RATHER IN CONTROLLING
THE COURSE OF THE REVOLUTION. IT IS SOMETHING THAT
MUST HAVE GONE THROUGH THE MINDS OF THE CARICOM FOREIGN
MINISTERS WHO MET HERE EARLIER THIS WEEK...

"FOR A START, WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO ERIC GAIRY
WILL EVOKE LITTLE OR NO SYMPATHY. THE APPARENT EASE
WITH WHICH ARMS WERE BROUGHT INTO GRENADA TO OVERTHROW
HIS REGIME PINPOINTS THE VULNERABILITY OF THE SMALL
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TERRITORIES OF THE REGION. IN GAIRY'S CASE THE FACT
THAT HIS REGIME DID SO MUCH OF WHAT WAS WRONG HAS GIVEN
THE REBELS SOME SYMPATHY AND ADMIREERS. BUT WHAT IF SOME
OTHER GROUP OR GROUPS TOOK IT UPON THEMSELVES TO TAKE

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SIMILAR STEPS AGAINST A LEGITIMATELY ELECTED GOVERNMENT
IN THE REGION AND SUCCEEDED?

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"COMMENTATORS MIGHTSEEK TO REASSURE MANY THAT THE CASE OF GRENADA IS NOT COMMON TO THE REGION; THAT THERE WILL BE NO STRING OF GOVERNMENT BEING KNOCKED OVER. BUT THE ONLY FACTOR THAT MAKES GRENADA UNCOMMON IN THEREGION IS THAT ONLY THEY HAD AN ERIC GAIRY. BUT IT NEED NOT TAKE AN ERIC GAIRY FOR REBELS TOTAKE ACTION.

"TRINIDAD HAD NO ERIC GAIRY AND YET WE SEEM TO FORGET HOW CLOSE A REBELLION THERE NEARLY SUCCEEDED SOME NINE YEARS AGO...IFGIVEN CERTAIN FACTORS THAT WERE MORE A MATTER OF CHANCE THAT ANY CALCULATED ACTS, THE FEBRUARY UNPRISING COULD HAVE TURNED OUT DIFFERENTLY. NOW WE HAVE GRENADA AND THE NJM WHICH SHOWS THAT ARMED REVOLT CAN BE CARRIED OUT IN THE ISLANDS WITHOUT ANY GREAT FUSS OR ANY GREAT ARMORY. IT IS SOMETHING THAT MUST WORRY THOSE WHO FORM THE LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENTS IN THE REGION...GUNS DO NOT CEASE TO FUNCTION BECAUSE THEY ARE USED IN AN UNJUST CAUSE.

"THE FACT THAT THERE HAS BEEN LITTLE BLOODSHED IN GRENADA MIGHT BE MORE A REFLECTION OF THE FACT THAT THE PEOPLE BY AND LARGE ARE THEMSELVES FED UP WITH THE GAIRY REGIME AND WOULD NOT CARE TO LAY DOWN THEIRLIVES FOR IT. BUT THE FACT THAT THE REBELS DID NOT RUN INTO ANY GREAT RESISTANCE IS NOT SOMETHING THEY COULD HAVE ANTICIPATED. IF IT WERE SO THEY COULD HAVE STAGED A REVOLUTIONWITHOUT GUNS.

"THIS APART, THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE REGION ARE NOW FACED WITH THE QUESTION OF GIVING RECOGNITION.
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...IT IS ONE THING TO RECOGNIZE A REBEL GOVERNMENT FAR FROM ONES SHORES. THERE IS INEVITABLY AN UNCOMFORTABLE FEELING WHEN IT IS NEXT DOOR...THE BARBADOS GOVERNMENT HAS TAKEN A STAND BY BRITAIN IN 1967 WHEN FACED WITH THE OVERTHROW OF THE SIERRA LEONE GOVERNMENT. THE BRITISH POSITION WAS THAT AS LONG ASCONSTITUTIONALLY THE QUEEN WAS STILL HEAD OF STATE OF SIERRA LEONE, THERE NEED NOT BE ANY FORMAL ACT OF RECOGNITION BY THE BRITISH... IN GRENADA THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL SIR PAUL SCOON IS STILL THE QUEEN'S REPRESENTATIVE. THE NJM IS NOW THE DE FACTO GOVERNMENT; ONCE IT HAS EFFECTIVE CONTROL OF THE COUNTRY NO ONE CAN ARGUE ABOUT ITS STATUS. THE QUESTION OF RECOGNITION IS NOT THEREFORE A BIG ISSUE.

"WHAT WILL MATTER MORE IS THE DIRECTION THE

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REVOLUTION WILL TAKE IN GRENADA. ARE WE GOING TO
HAVE PEOPLE'S TRIALS? AND IF SO WHAT, IF ANY ROLE,
COULD THE WEST INDIES ASSOCIATED SUPREME COURT BE
EXPECTED TO PLAY IN THESE? FURTHERMORE, COULD THIS
COURT FUNCTION EFFECTIVELY IN AN ATMOSPHERE WHERE
PEOPLE HAVE NOT YET PUT DOWN THEIR GUNS? WHEN WILL
THE COUNTRY GET BACK TO THE BALLOT BOX?

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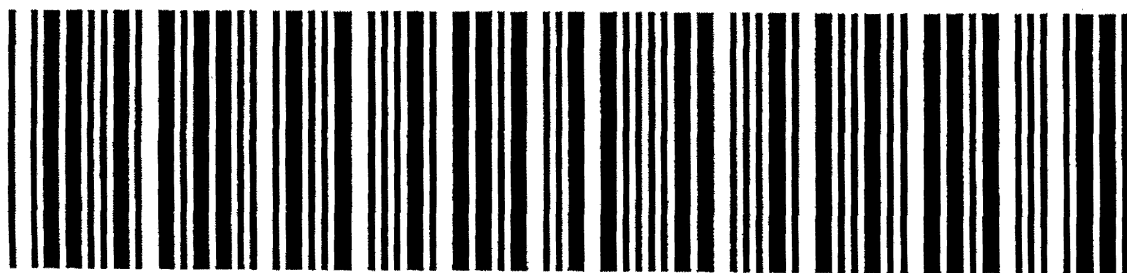
"THESE AND A LOT MORE QUESTIONS WILL HAVE TO BE
ANSWERED AS THE IMPLICATION OF WHAT HAS HAPPENED IN
GRENADA UNFOLD. THE SEVEREST TESTS OF THE REVOLUTION
LIE AHEAD. END QUOTE.

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SUBJECT: CCL MEETING TO DISCUSS GRENADA SITUATION

REF: BRIDGETOWN 958

1. LOU - ENTIRE TEXT
2. CARIBBEAN CONGRESS OF LABOR SOURCE REPORTS THAT JAMAICAN MINISTER OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CARLYLE DUNKLEY, IN HSI MEETING WITH CCL OFFICIALS THIS WEEK (REFTEL), URGED CCL TO QUOTE DO SOMETHING UNQUOTE CONCERNING GRENADA COUP. WHILE WHAT HE WANTED DONE IS UNCERTAIN, IMPRESSION GIVEN WAS THAT CCL SHOULD AT LEAST ISSUE A STATEMENT. CCL PRESIDENT WALCOTT REPORTEDLY TOLD PRESS MARCH 16 THAT CCL WILL HOLD MEETING MARCH 20 OF ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS, AMONG OTHER ITEMS, THE GRENADA SITUATION. COMMITTEE IS COMPOSED OF REPRESENTATVES OF JAMAICAN BITU AND CWU, TRINIDAD TTLC, GUYAN TUC, PLUS CCL PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY.

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3. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING OF COMMITTEE HAD BEEN SET FOR APRIL 3, AN SHIFTING OF DATE FORWARD IS DUE TO GRENADA EVENTS; HOWEVER, CCL IS ATTEMPTING TO MAKE THIS APPEAR AS

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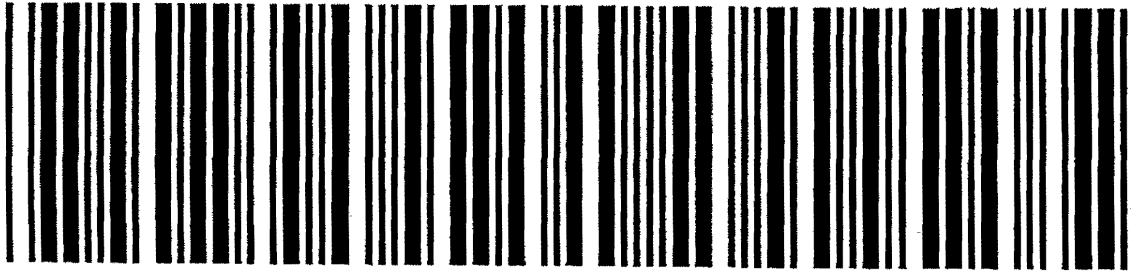
A REGULAR MEETING SO AS TO DOWNPLAY STRESS ON
GRENADA. CCL CAN BE EXPECTED TO URGE CONTINUATION
OF TRADE UNION FREEDOM IN GRENADA, ACD TO PICK UP
ON THEME SET BY RECENT CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY MINISTERS
MEETING; I.E. TO PRESS FOR EARLY, FREE ELECTIONS IN
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TAGS: PARM, PINS, GJ, CA
SUBJECT: GRENADA AND CANADA:RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

1. (C) - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. CHARGE EXCHANGED INFORMATION APRIL 12 WITH DEPUTY
CANDIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER ON GRENADIAN SITUATION. LATTER
SAID JENNIFER HOSTEN-CRAIG, GRENADA'S HIGH COMMISSIONER TO
OTTAWA, VISITED FOREIGN OFFICE IN OTTAWA APRIL 9 IN COMPANY
WITH KENRICK RADIX, GRENADIAN AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE TO USA
AND UNITED NATIONS.
3. DEPUTY HIGH COMMISSIONER SAID THIS APPROACH APPEARED
TO BE THAT ANTICIPATED BY PRIME MINISTER BISHOP WHEN HE
SAID GRENADA WOULD APPROACH CANADA FOR ARMS. YET ON
APRIL 9 GRENADIANS ASKED ONLY THAT CANAIDAN PATROL BOAT
APPEAR IN GRENADAIN WATERS FOR CALMING EFFECT ON POPULACE.
FONOFF GAVE NO ENCOURAGEMENT TO REQUEST.
4. ON ANOTHER SUBJECT, DEPUTY HIGH COMMISSIONER SAID
GRENADA'S PERMANENT SECRETARY FOR FINANCE, LAURISTON

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WILSON, INDICATED APRIL 11 THAT GRENADA WOULD PROBABLY
APPROVE REMITTANCE OF ABOUT US\$500,000 TO HOLIDAY INNS
OF CANADA WHICH OWNS HOLIDAY INNS IN GRENADA, BARBADOS,
ANTIGUA, AND ST. KITTS. REMITTANCE REPRESENTS FIRST

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~~PROJECT IN SEVERAL YEARS OF OPERATIONS AND HAD BEEN~~
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APRIL 18 WITH EXECUTIVE OF CANDIAN HOLIDAY INNS TO
CONCLUDE TRANSACTION.

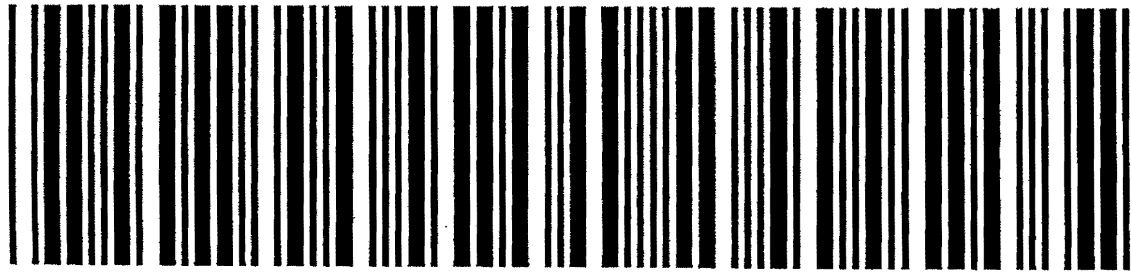
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5. MEANWHILE CANADA WILL PROBABLY MOVE AHEAD IN
DISBURSING FUNDS FOR US\$500,000 FEASIBILITY STUDY ON
DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM IN GRENADA. STUDY INCLUDES
IMPACT OF PLANNED INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT ON HOTEL CON-
STRUCTION, BUT DOES NOT TREAT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
SUBSTANTIVELY, WHICH IF BUILT WOULD BE UNDER CONSORTIUM
OF IBRD, CDB, AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.
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REF: PORT AU PRINCE 1550

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2. THERE HAS BEEN NO OUTWARD MANIFESTATION OF INCREASED
CUBAN INTEREST IN HAITI RECENTLY. IT IS CLEAR, OF COURSE,
THAT, DESPITE SOME APPARENT PROGRESS DURING LAST YEAR ON
MARITIME BOUNDARY DELINEATION AND
REPATRIATION OF HAITIAN REFUGEES FROM CUBA, CASTRO HAS LITTLE

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RESPECT FOR HAITIAN REGIME. THE CUBAN LEADER TOLD MEMBERS
OF CODEL BINGHAM ON JANUARY THAT HE COULD NOT UNDERSTAND
WHY THEY WISHED TO VISIT HAITI SINCE ONLY THING THEY WOULD
LEARN THERE IS "HOW TO STEAL MONEY."

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3. WE ARE DOUBTFUL, HOWEVER, THAT CUBANS WOULD RISK UNDERTAKING ADVENTUROUS MOVE IN CARIBBEAN NOW--PARTICULARLY ONE THAT COULD BE BLAMED ON CUBA. WITH LONG-TERM POSTURE OF US/UK AND SOME WEST INDIAN STATES TOWARD GRENADA STILL IN DOUBT, WITH SANDINISTAS (FSLN) UNDERTAKING NEW OFFENSIVE IN NICARAGUA, AND WITH MANLEY IN MOSCOW, WE DOUBT WHETHER CUBANS WOULD RISK AROUSING FURTHER CONCERNS OF WEST BY SPONSORING INCURSION IN HAITI.

4. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT CUBANS HAVE SOUGHT TO MASK THEIR ASSISTANCE TO NICARAGUAN FSLN AND HAVE LONG DELAYED RECOGNITION OF BISHOP GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA--PRESUMABLY IN BOTH CASES TO AVOID OVERREACTION BY US AND CONSERVATIVE STATES IN REGION. SIMILARLY, WE NOTE THAT CUBANS HAVE TOLD MODERATE MEMBERS OF NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT THAT THEY INTEND, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, TO LIMIT THEIR MILITARY INVOLVEMENT IN AFRICA. ANY EFFORT IN HAITI THAT COULD BE LINKED TO CUBANS WOULD RUN COUNTER TO EFFORTS TO FEND OFF OUTSIDE INTERVENTION AGAINST CUBAN-LEANING FORCES (IN GRENADA AND NICARAGUA) AND CUBAN EFFORTS TO ENCOURAGE BROADEST ATTENDANCE POSSIBLE AT SEPTEMBER HAVANA NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT (NAM) SUMMIT. IT WOULD PRESUMABLY ALSO OFFEND MANY LATIN COUNTRIES AND OTHERS AT A TIME WHEN CUBA IS SEEKING UNSC SEAT.

5. THEREFORE, WE DOUBT THAT CUBANS WILL ENCOURAGE INCURSION INTO HAITI NOW. IF, HOWEVER, WE ARE WRONG, USG PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS OF CONCERN OVER ESTABLISHED CUBAN ROLE WOULD PRESUMABLY BE HELPFUL IN HEIGHTENING REACTION OF MODERATE STATES AGAINST

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CUBAN FOREIGN POLICY BOTH IN UNITED NATIONS, NAM AND IN INDIVIDUAL CRISIS AREAS.

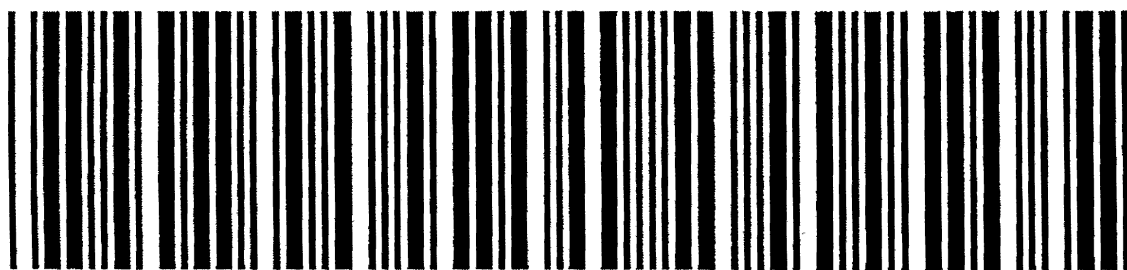
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TAGS: PINT, PINS, GJ, CA
SUBJECT: GRENADA: GAIRY CONFIDANT SEEKING RESIDENT
- STATUS IN CANADA (C)

- 1. (C-ENTIRE TEXT)
- 2. FOLLOWING IS PROVIDED FOR DEPARTMENT'S INFORMATION.
- 3. EMBASSY HAS LEARNED FROM EXTAFF THAT FORMER GRENADIAN SENATOR DEREK KNIGHT (GAIRY CONFIDANT) APPEARED IN MONTREAL ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO AND REQUESTED LANDED IMMIGRANT STATUS. (APPARENTLY HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN STILL IN GRENADA.) CANADIAN IMMIGRATION INFORMED KNIGHT THAT, ACCORDING TO PROCEDURE, HE WOULD HAVE TO APPLY FROM OUTSIDE CANADA AND SUGGESTED CANADIAN CONSULATE IN BOSTON. WHEN KNIGHT RELATED THAT HE PLANNED TO TRAVEL TO U.K. SHORTLY, HE WAS TOLD CONSULAR OFFICES THERE

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COULD SIMILARLY RECEIVE HIS APPLICATION.

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- 4. ACCORDING TO EXTAFF, IT APPEARS KNIGHT'S REQUEST WILL BE ACCEPTED. TO GOC'S KNOWLEDGE, KNIGHT HAS MADE NO

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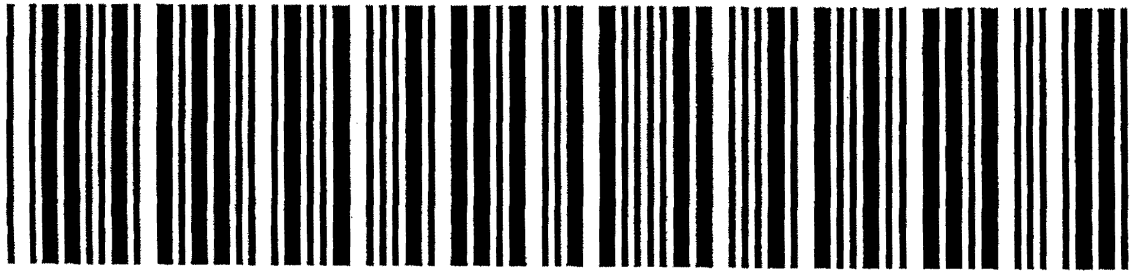
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EFFORT TO DATE TO GET INVOLVED IN ARMS MARKET HERE OR
OTHERWISE FURTHER ANY GAIRY PLOTTING, IF INDEED THERE IS
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E.O. 12065: GDS, 4/12/85 (EDDY, JOHN J.) OR-M
TAGS: PARM, PINT, PINS, GJ, UK
SUBJECT: GRENADA: BRITISH RESPONSE TO REQUEST BY PEOPLE'S
REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT FOR ARMS

1. (C) - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER TOLD CHARGE APRIL 12 THAT BRITISH HAVE OFFERED SEND ONE POLICE AND ONE MILITARY ADVISER TO GRENADA APRIL 18 IN RESPONSE TO BISHOP'S REQUEST FOR SECURITY ASSISTANCE, AND BISHOP HAS ACCEPTED. TWO ADVISERS WILL ASSESS NEED FOR MATERIAL ASSISTANCE AND REPORT TO HMG WITHOUT FURTHER COMMITMENT TO BISHOP AT THIS TIME.
3. BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER SAID PRIME MINISTER COMPTON OF ST. LUCIA, NOW IN LONDON, AHS AGREED THIS IS USEFUL MOVE. CLAUDIUS THOMAS, HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR ST. LUCIA IN LONDON, WHO IS ALSO EASTERN CARIBBEAN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR WIAS STATES (EXCEPT DOMINICA) IN LONDON, HAS ALSO ACCEPTED PLAN AND WILL LOBBY WIAS STATES FOR APPROVAL.

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4. COMMENT: BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER SAID LONDON SHOULD BE INFORMING WASHINGTON DIRECTLY ABOUT THESE PLANS. HE SAID REPORT TO BE PREPARED IN GRENADA WILL PROBABLY TAKE SOME TIME AND DOUBTED VERY MUCH THAT

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BRITISH WOULD SUPPLY ARMS TO PRESENT GRENADA GOVERNMENT.

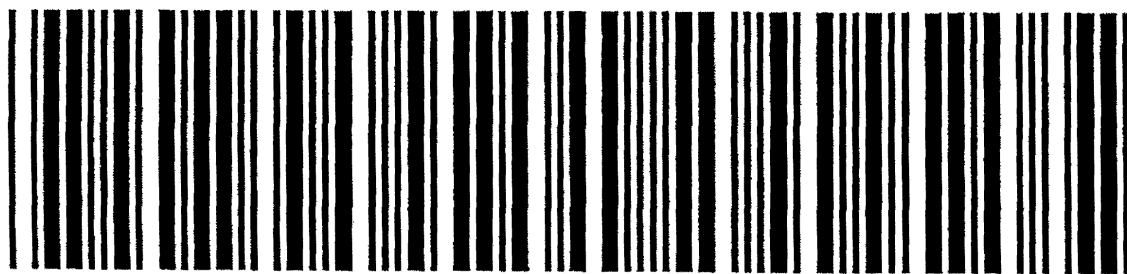
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E.O. 12065: GDS 4/12/85 (KNIGHT, DONALD R.) OR-L
TAGS: ELAB, PINT, PINS, GJ
SUBJECT: GRANDA: CARIBBEAN CONGRESS OF LABOR VISIT

REF: BRIDGETOWN 1057

1. (C) ENTIRE TEXT.
2. SUMMARY: CARIBBEAN CONGRESS OF LABOR (CCL) SPECIAL TEAM VISITED GRENADA APRIL 10-12, AND RECEIVED ASSURANCES FROM REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT CONCERNING TRADE UNION RIGHTS. CCL SECRETARY REPORTS THAT SOME GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS VOICED CONCERN OVER ALLEGED THREATS MADE BY U.S.G. END SUMMARY.
3. SECRETARY OF CCL, BURNS BONDADIE, JUST RETURNED FROM GRENADA, WHERE HE UNDERTOOK SPECIAL CCL TALKS WITH NEW GOVERNMENT. HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY GUYANA TUC PRESIDENT BASIL BLAIR AND JAMAICA NWU HED LLOYD GOODLEIGH. ACCORDING TO BONADIE, TALKS WERE RELAXED AND USEFUL. CCL TEAM RECEIVED ASSURANCES THAT LAWS COVERING TRADE UNIONS WILL BE REVISED TO PROTECT TRADE UNIONISM, AND WILL INCLUDE PROVISIO THAT UNIONS RECEIVE COMPULSORY RECOGNITION FROM

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EMPLOYERS. GOVERNMENT SAID IT WAS GIVING SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO MEMBERSHIP IN INTERNATIONAL LABOR ORGANIZATION. OFFICIALS OF GOVERNMENT ASKED CCL TO USE ITS INFLUENCE ON VARIOUS WIAS GOVERNMENTS TO GET THESE GOVERNMENTS TO TAKE A LESS STRIDENT

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~~STAND WITH NEW GRENADA GOVERNMENT. BONADIE SAID THIS WILL
BE CONSIDERED AT MEETING NEXT WEEK OF CCL GOVERNMENT BODY.~~

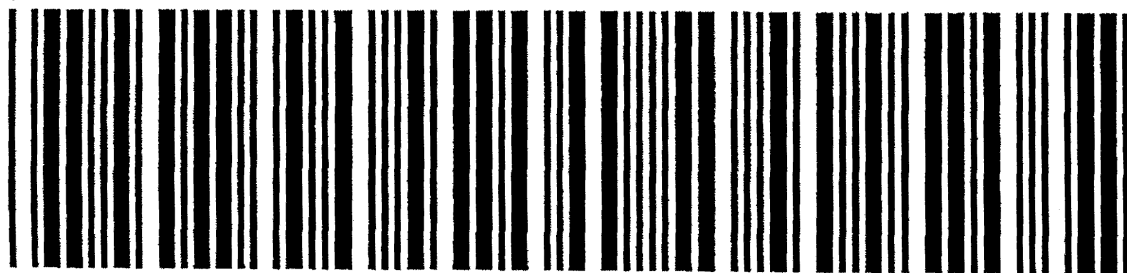
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4. BONADIE ADDED THAT HE HAD HEARD FROM SECONDARY-LEVEL MEMBERS OF NEW GOVERNMENT THAT TOP LEVEL OFFICIALS WERE CONCERNED OVER WHAT THEY SAW AS THREAT LEVELED AT THEM BY AMERICAN AMBASSADOR. IMPRESSION THESE OFFICIALS HAD APPEARS TO BE THAT U.S.G. MAY ATTEMPT TO DISRUPT TOURIST TRADE IF GRENADA SEEKS ASSISTANCE ON SECURITY AND DEFENSE FROM CERTAIN SOURCES. STRESSING THAT HIS INFORMATION WAS SECOND-HAND, BONADIE STATED THAT FEELING AMONG SOME IN GRENADA IS THAT NEW GOVERNMENT WAS THREATENED ON THIS ISSUE.
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E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: CVIS

SUBJ: MISSING GRENADIAN PASSPORTS (FRAUD)

1. ON APRIL 3, THE ACTING COMMISSIONER OF POLICE IN GRENADA INFORMED US THAT EIGHTEEN (18) GRENADIAN PASSPORTS WERE FOUND MISSING FROM THE GRENADA UN MISSION DURING THE TRANSITION TO THE REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT. THE PASSPORTS ARE NUMBERED 012476 THROUGH 012493 INCLUSIVE. THE AUTHORITIES IN GRENADA HAS REQUESTED THIS EMBASSY TO NOTIFY THEM SHOULD ATTEMPTS BE MADE TO USE THESE DOCUMENTS.

2. DEPT MAY WISH TO INFORM ADDITIONAL ADDRESSEES.
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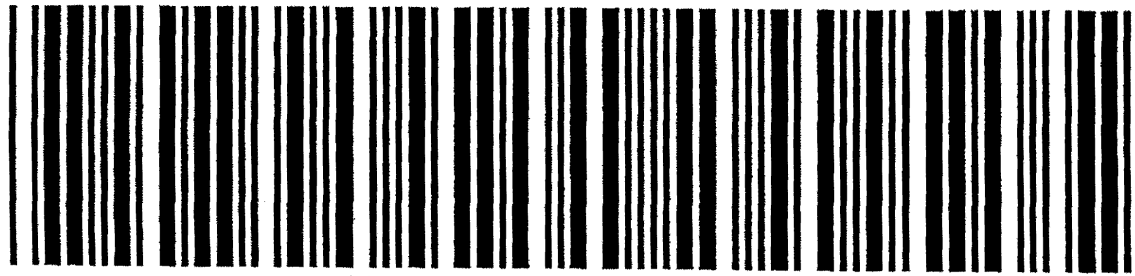
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E.O. 12065: NA
TAGS: PINT, SHUM, GJ
SUBJECT: GRENADA: DETAINEES

EMBASSY HAS HEARD A NUMBER OF REPORTS ABOUT THOSE CURRENTLY
IN DETENTION IN GRENADA FOR THEIR ROLE IN THE DEPOSED GAIRY
GOVERNMENT. LATEST FIGURE WAS 83 PERSONS BEING HELD. A
PREVENTIVE DETENTION TRIBUNAL IS BEING ESTABLISHED TO WHICH
THOSE DETAINED MAY APPEAL FOR RELEASE. ONE LIST OF DETAINEES

THAT HAS APPEARED IS AS OF LATE MARCH. IT IS INCOMPLETE
BUT TRANSMITTED HERE FOR DEPARTMENT'S INFORMATION:

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DEPUT PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND HOUSING.

HUBERT ALEXIS ELECTED MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND
DEPUT SPEAKER.

ALBERT FORSYTHE ELECTED MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND
MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS & WORKS

OLIVER RAEBURN ELECTED MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND
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BASSANTA FLETCHER ELECTED MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND
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GOSLY ALEXANDER SENATOR AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S MINISTRY.

CHRYSLER THOMAS ELECTED MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S MINISTRY.

GEORGE DONOVAN SENATOR AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S MINISTRY RESPONSIBLE FOR HOME AFFAIRS, INFORMATION & FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

RUPERT ST. BERNARD SENATOR AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & HOUSING

NORMAN DESOUSA LABOUR ATTACHE IN THE OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER, LONDON.

ASHTON FRAME FORMER SENATOR AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE.
ALBERT ABRAHAM CIVIL SERVANT AND SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS.

LLOYD ST. LUUIS FORMER MAGISTRATE. ADVISOR TO PRIME MINISTER GAIRY.

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ANTHONY CHERMAN SON OF FORMER CABINET SECRETARY, FRANKLIN CHERMAN (DECEASED). ALLEGED TO BE AN ASSOCIATE OF THE "MONGOOSE GANG."

GEORGE HOSTEN ELECTED MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, LEADER OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS AND MINISTER OF FINANCE, TRADE & INDUSTRY.

JERRY ROMAIN MANAGER OF RADIO GRENADA

OSBERT JAMES ACTING COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

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- FRANCIS JONES SUPERINTENDENT OF PRISONS
- ADONSI FRANCIS ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE
- RAYMOND DESOUSA ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE
- EDMUND GIBERT CIVIL SERVANT AND BISHOP OF THE "BAPTISH CHURCH"
- FITZ ARAHAM MEMBER OF THE GRENADA DEFENCE FORCE TRAINED IN CHILE.
- IAN LACRETTE MEMBER OF THE GRENADA DEFENCE FORCE TRAINED IN CHILE.
- MOSLY BISHO ALIAS "PRAM" - MEMBER OF THE "MONGOOSE GANT"
- WILLIE BISHOP MEMBER OF THE "MONGOOSE"
- ALBERT CLARKE ALIAS "HEADS" MEMBER OF THE "MONGOOSE GANG"

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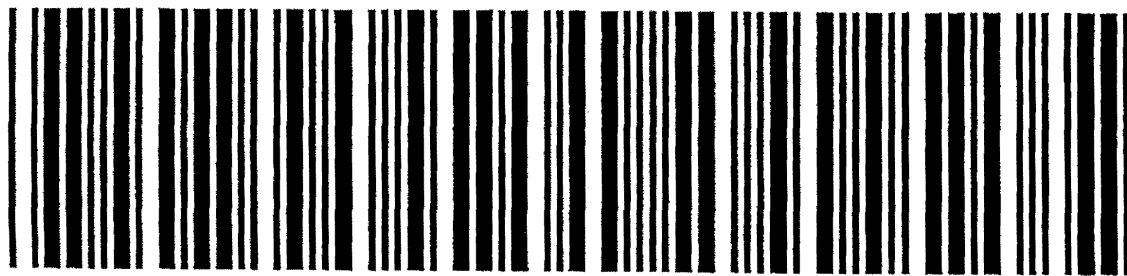
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- "HOOD" MEMBER OF THE "MONGOOSE GANG"
- "SPREEMAN" MEMBER OF THE "MONGOOSE GANG"
- JOHNNY MADRID (?) ALLEGED TO BE PRIME MINISTER GAIRY'S BODYGUARD.
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E.O. 12065: NA
TAGS: ECON, GJ
SUBJECT: GRANADA: OUTLINES OF ECONOMIC POLICY

1. SUMMARY ALTHOUGH NO FORMAL ECONOMIC PRONOUNCEMENT HAS BEEN MADE BY THE REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA, BASED ON OFFICIALS' PUBLIC SPEECHES AND DISCUSSIONS WITH EMBOFFS, EMBASSY EXPECTS AN ECONOMIC POLICY STRESSING MORE CENTRAL CONTROL THAN FORMERLY, BUT WITH CONTINUED RECOGNITION OF NEED FOR FOREIGN PRIVATE INVESTMENT AND TOURISM. WHILE BANKS AND BUSINESSMEN IN GRENADA REMAIN CAUTIOUS OF FUTURE, THEY HAVE BEEN REASSURED BY EARLY GOVERNMENT STATEMENTS.
END SUMMARY

2. DESPITE STRIDENT, IDEOLOGICAL TONE OF 1973 MANIFESTO OF NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT (NJM) (SEPTEL), EARLY INDICATIONS ARE THAT GRENADA'S REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT WILL TAKE A MORE MODERATE LINE IN ITS ATTITUDES TOWARD FOREGIN PRIVATE INVESTMENT AND TOWARD POTENTIAL CHANGES IN THE
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ECONOMIC STRUCTURE OF GRENADA. FINACE MINISTER BERNARD COARD, OFTEN SINGLED OUT BY OBSERVERS AS ONE OF MOST RADICAL OF NEW GOVERNMENT, TOLD THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE APRIL 2 THAT "IT WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR THIS COUNTRY TO

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THAT THERE WER OPPORTUNITIES IN WHAT HE DESCRIBED AS GRENADA'S "MIXED ECONOMY," FOR JOINT VENTURES BETWEEN LOCAL PRIVATE SECTOR, FOREIGN INVESTORS, AND THE GOVERNMENT. ON THE SUBJECT OF FOREIGN INVESTMENT, HE SAID THE GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT PERMIT FOREIGN DOMINATION OF THE ECONOMY BUT WOULD WELCOME FOREIGN INVESTMENT MEETING THREE CRITERIA". "THE BRINGING IN OF NEW TECHNOLOGY SUITABLE TO GRENADA'S NEEDS, THE EMPLOYEMENT OPPORTUNITIES THAT THE INVESTMENT WILL CREATE AND THE CAPITAL GAINS TO THE ECONOMY."

3. COARD ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT THE GOVERNMENT WOULD CHANNEL IMPORTS OF RICE AND BROWN SUGAR THROUGH A NATIONAL IMPORT-IN BOARD. THERE ARE INDICATIONS THIS BOARD MAY ALSO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR IMPORT OF FERTILIZER AND BASIC FOOD-STUFFS. THE 1973 MANIFESTO HAD SUGGESTED THAT THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL IMPORTS INTO THE ISLAND.

4. PRIME MINISTER BISHOP, IN POST-REVOLUTION INTERVIEWS, HAS COMMENTED THAT IT WAS DEPOSED PRIME MINISTER GAIRY WHO HAD ACQUIRED ONE-THIRD OF ARABLE LAND FOR THE GOVERNMENT. BISHOP HAS SAID THIS LAND WILL NOT NOW BE RETURNED TO FORMER OWNERS, THAT MUCH OF IT HAD BEEN NEGLECTED AND WILL NOW BE PUT BACK INTO CULTIVATION THROUGH THE FORMATION OF FOOD FARMS. BISHOP ALSO LISTED OTHER "PILLARS OF ECONOMY" (BESIDES AGRICULTURE) AS AGRO-INDUSTRIES, FISHERIES, AND TOURISM. HE ALSO SAID HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD WELCOME FOREIGN AID, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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"ESPECIALLY IN THE AREA OF NEW TECHNOLOGY."

5. BISHOP AND GOG'S PRESS SPOKESMAN HAVE BOTH SAID THAT THERE WAS NO "IMMEDIATE NEED" TO NATIONALIZE BANKS, AN ACTION PROMISED BY 1973 MANIFESTO.

6. NEW SECRETARY IN MINISTRY OF TOURISM, PALME BUXO, HERSELF A TOURIST HOTEL OWNER, ADDRESSED LOCAL TOUR OPERATORS RECENTLY TO EXPLAIN WHAT GOVERNMENT HAD IN MIND WITH IS SLOGAN "THE NEW TOURISM." REPORTEDLY TOURIST BUSINESSES BREATHED SIGH OF RELIEF TO FIND THAT IMMEDIATE EMPHASIS WAS TO BE ON SELF-SUFFICIENCY IN TOURIST SUPPLIES, I.E., FOOD AND HANDICRAFT SOUVENIRS WERE TO BE ACQUIRED LOCALLY, TO EXTENT POSSIBLE, RATHER THAN IMPORTED.

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7. EMBASSY OFFICER IN GRENADA MET WITH PROMINENT BUSINESS-
MAN IN GOVERNMENT, LYDEN RAMDHANNY, FOR RUNDOWN OF GOVERN-
MENT ECONOMIC POLICY. RAMDHANNY, OWNER OF DEPARTMENT
STORE, RACETRACK, AND CINEMA, DESCRIBED HIMSELF AS A
"CAPITALIST" AND SAID THAT HE CONSIDERED IT HIS JOB TO
KEEP THE GOVERNMENT FROM STRAYING FROM WHAT HE SAID WAS
ITS DEMORATIC SOCIALIST ORIENTATION. HE PERSONALLY
COULD NOT SUPPORT ANYTHING MORE LEFTIST THAN THAT, AND
CERTAINLY NOT A COMMUNIST GOVERNMENT. HE COMMENTED
THAT THE MORE LEFTIST MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT HAD
LEARNED FROM THE SITUATION IN JAMAICA AND GUYANA AND
WANTED TO AVOID SIMILAR PITFALLS. HE INQUIRED HOW
GRENADA COULD INTEREST US BUSINESSMENT IN INVESTING IN
GRENADA. HE SUGGESTED THAT FRIENDLY ATTITUDE OF
GOVERNMENT TOWARD US-OWNED MEDICAL SCHOOL ON ISLAND
WAS AN INDICATION OF HIS GOVERNMENT'S INTEREST IN FOREIGN
INVESTMENT IN GENERAL (AND HE ADDED THAT "EVEN THE MOST
LEFTIST MEMBER OF THE GOVERNMENT" SUPPORTED THEIR
ATTITUDE TOWARD THE FOREIGN-EXCHANGE PRODUCING MEDICAL
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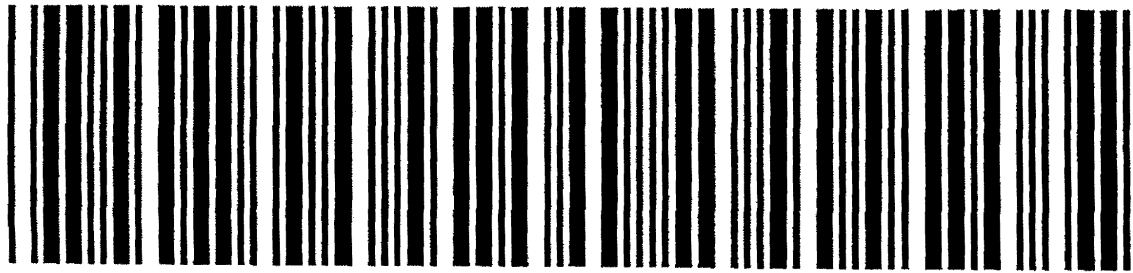
8. BANKERS AND BUSINESSMENT IN GENERAL ARE MAINTAINING
CAUTIOUS ATTITUDE TOWARD NEW GOVERNMENT ALTHOUGH MOST
HAD, LIKE PERMANENT US RESIDENTS ON THE ISLAND, ORIGINALLY
WELCOMED IT BECASUE THEY WERE GLAD TO BE RID OF ERIC
GAIRY. TRADE AND COMMERCE ARE GOING ON AS USUAL.
EMBASSY IS AWARE OF RECENT, POST-REVOLUTION BUSINESS
DEAL INVOLVING THE SIGNING OF FIRST PEPSI-COLA FRANCHISE
FOR ISLAND. ALTHOUGH DEAL INVOLVES NO INVESTMENT BY
PEPSI-COLA, IT IS SIGNIFICANT THAT BANKERS OF GRENADIAN
FRANCHISEE WERE WILLING, EVEN EAGER, TO ADVANCE MONEY
FOR PROJECT.
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SUBJECT: GRENADA

1. FOLLOWING IS THAT PORTION OF TRANSCRIPT OF NOON
BRIEFING OF MARCH 28 CONCERNING GRENADA:

BEGIN QUOTE:

Q. HODDING, STILL IN THAT REGION.

O; THE 22ND YOU SAID THAT THE QUESTION OF RECOGNITION
WITH GRENADA DOES NOT ARISE BECAUSE YOU HAD ASSURANCES
THAT THE NEW GOVERNMENT WOULD HONOR THE CONSTITUTIONAL
PROCESS. THAT CONSTITUTION APPEARS NOW TO HAVE BEEN
SUSPENDED.

DOES THAT NOW RE-RAISE THE QUESTION OF RECOGNITION?

A. I DON'T SEE THAT HAPPENING.

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WE ARE CONCERNED BY THE REPORTS. WE ARE WATCHING THE
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LET ME SAY, ON BACKGROUND, IT IS A LITTLE MORE COMPLI-
CATED THAN JUST THAT. THERE IS THE WHOLE SET OF RE-
LATIONSHIPS BETWEEN GRENADA AND THE COMMONWEALTH.

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CONTINUING ON BACKGROUND, I DON'T KNOW WHETHER MR. GAIRY
HAS FORMALLY RESIGNED YET -- WHICH CARRIES SOME LEGAL
IMPLICATIONS IN ITSELF. END BACKGROUND

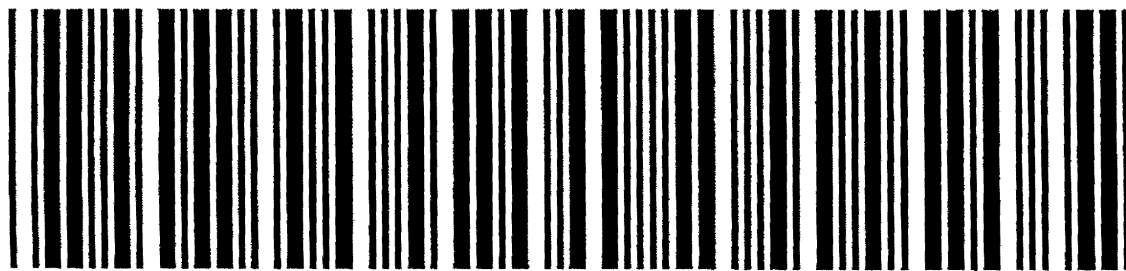
I WOULD NOTE, GOING BACK ON THE RECORD, THAT THAT GOVERN-
MENT SAID THAT IT INTENDED TO HAVE ELECTIONS. I HAVE
NOT SEEN A REPUDIATION OF THAT STATEMENT.

END QUOTE CHRISTOPHER

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1. (C) - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. REFTEL IS REPEATED BELOW FOR INFO DEPARTMENT. LEGAT IN CARACAS HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY BRIDGETOWN TO DTERMINE WHETHER US FUGITIVE ELMER EUGENE ZEEK (ALSO KNOWN AS JOHN CLANCY) IS IN CUSTODY IN GRENADA AND IF FEASIBLE WHETHER GRENADIAN AUTHORITIES WOULD COOPERATE IN RETURNING ZEEK TO USA.
3. AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, NEW REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA HAS TALKED OF EXCHANGING ZEEK FOR GAIRY.
4. WHILE WE WILL BE VERY PLEASED DISCUSS GENERAL GRENADA SITUATION WITH LEGAT ROBERT J. OGLESBY, JR. WHEN HE VISITS BARBADOS NEXT WEEK, WE BELIEVE WE SHOULD TAKE NO

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ACTION REGARDING ZEEK WITHOUT INSTRUCTIONS FROM DEPARTMENT.

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5. TEXT OF CARACAS 2753 FOLLOWS:

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QUOTE - U.S. PRESS REPORTS INDICATE THAT ZEEK HAS BEEN
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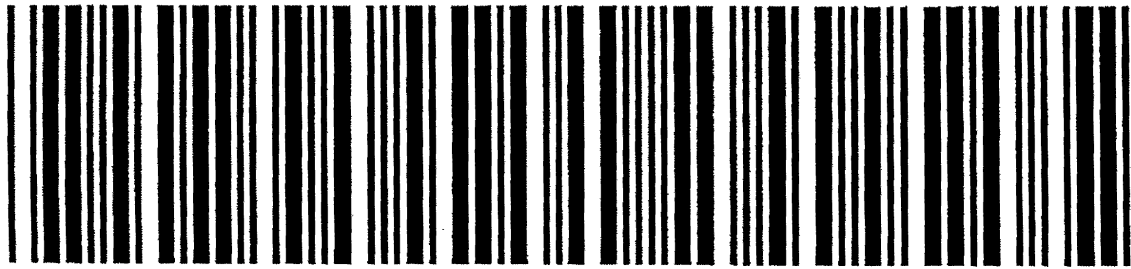
2. PLEASE ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT ZEEK IS
IN CUSTODY. HQ HAS AUTHORIZED PAYMENT OF REASONABLE
EXPENSES TO RETURN ZEEK TO THE UNITED STATES INCLUDING
PAYMENT OF TRAVEL EXPENSES AND PER DIEM FOR GRENADA
ESCORT OFFICER.

3. IF FEASIBLE PLEASE RELAY THE ABOVE INFORMATION TO
GRENADA AUTHORITIES. LEGAL ATTACHE ROBERT J. OGLESBY,
JR. IS AVAILABLE TO ASSIST IN NEGOTIATIONS CONCERNING
ZEEK IF SUCH IS DESIRED. LUERS UNQUOTE.
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E.O. 12065: RDS-3, 3/27/99 (MCAFEE, WILLIAM)

TAGS: PINR, BB

SUBJECT: (U) BIOGRAPHIC DATA ON NEW GRENADIAN GOVERN-
MENT MEMBERS

REF: BRIDGETOWN 0986, BRIDGETOWN 0997

1. (C) THE DEPARTMENT'S FILES CONTAIN NO INFORMATION ON PAMELA BUXO OR SYDNEY AMBROSE AND NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON UNISON WHITEMAN OR VINCENT NOEL. THE ONLY AVAILABLE INFORMATION ON BERNARD GITTENS WAS SENT TO THE POST AND THE DEPARTMENT IN CARACAS 2609. THE BIOGRAPHIC DATA FORM SUBMITTED BY THE POST IN DECEMBER 1977 CONTAINS THE MOST COMPLETE INFORMATION ON KENDRICK RADIX.

2. (S) MAURICE BISHOP DESCRIBES HIMSELF AS A PROGRESSIVE SOCIALIST, ALTHOUGH HE ESCHEWS POLITICAL LABELS. HE AGREES WITH MARXIST SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVED SYSTEMS OF SOCIAL

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ORGANIZATION AND ECONOMIC DISTRIBUTION. BISHOP IS COMMITTED TO A POLICY OF NATIONALIZATION OF ALL LARGE PRIVATE HOLDINGS ON GRENADA. HE HAS STATED THAT THE FIRST STEP IN NATIONALIZATION SHOULD BE THE TAKEOVER OF LARGE PRIVATE

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BISHOP REPORTEDLY DOES NOT WISH TO PENALIZE PRIVATE FIRMS FOR PAST BUSINESS PRACTICES, AND HE BELIEVES THAT FAIR COMPENSATION RATHER THAN OUTRIGHT SEIZURE SHOULD CHARACTERIZE THE NATIONALIZATION PROCESS.

3. (S) BISHOP HAS CLAIMED THAT THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT (NJM) HAS THE FULL BACKING, BOTH IDEOLOGICAL AND FINANCIAL, OF THE SOVIET UNION AND CUBA. HE HAS VISITED CUBA AT LEAST ONCE. HE IS NOT PARTICULARLY FRIENDLY TOWARD THE UNITED STATES. BISHOP VIEWS POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC INTEGRATION AS THE ONLY HOPE FOR SIGNIFICANT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN, BUT HE IS PESSIMISTIC ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF INTEGRATION IN THE NEAR FUTURE. HE DISTRUSTS MOST OF THE CARIBBEAN HEADS OF STATE, AND HE HAS AN INTENSE DISLIKE FOR PATRICK JOHN, PRIME MINISTER OF DOMINICA. BISHOP RESPECTS AND ADMIRES TRINIDAD'S PRIME MINISTER ERIC WILLIAMS.

4. (S) BERNARD COARD, ANOTHER NJM STALWART, BECAME THE GRENADIAN MEMBER OF A STEERING COMMITTEE OF CARIBBEAN LEFTISTS IN SEPTEMBER 1978. THE COMMITTEE PLANS TO DIRECT AND COORDINATE YOUTH ACTIVITY IN THE CARIBBEAN AREA. HIS WIFE PHYLLIS, WHO MAINTAINS EXTENSIVE CONTACTS THROUGHOUT THE CARIBBEAN, WAS DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE TO ORGANIZE WOMEN'S GROUPS AMONG CARIBBEAN EXILES IN NEW YORK AND
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TORONTO IN ORDER TO RAISE FUNDS FOR YOUTH ACTIVITIES.

5. (C) HUDSON AUSTIN IS A FORMER PRISON OFFICIAL IN HIS LATE FORTIES. A TOUGH INDIVIDUAL, HE REPORTEDLY IS FAMILIAR WITH WEAPONS AND PRONE TO VIOLENCE.

6. (U) NORRIS BAIN, A BUSINESSMAN, WAS ELECTED TO THE GRENADA PARLIAMENT IN DECEMBER 1976. HE HOLDS ONE OF THE THREE NJM SEATS IN THAT BODY.

7. (U) LYNDEN JOHN RAMDHANNY WAS BORN ON APRIL 5, 1952. HE HAS BEEN MARRIED SINCE JULY 1976 TO THE FORMER SUSAN ROSAMOND.

8. (C) LLOYD NOEL, AN ATTORNEY WITH ROOTS IN THE WORKING

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APRIL 1976 US EMBASSY OFFICIALS DESCRIBED HIM AS THE STRONGEST OF THE LEADERS OF THE MOVEMENT. NOEL IS THE PRINCIPAL ADVOCATE IN THE NJM OF RESTRUCTURING GRENADA AFTER THE TANZANIAN SOCIALIST MODEL. HE REPORTEDLY RETIRBD FROM ACTIVE POLITICS FOR A SHORT TIME IN 1977, BECAUSE HE FELT THAT HIS MIDDLE CLASS ASSOCIATES IN THE NJM WERE MORE INTERESTED IN POWER THAN IN THE WELFARE OF THE MASSES.

9. (C) SELWYN STRACHAN WAS BORN ON SEPTEMBER 25, 1947 IN ST. GEORGE'S. AS THE SENIOR MEMBER OF THE NJM, HE CONTESTED PRIME MINISTER ERIC GAIRY'S SEAT IN PARLIAMENT IN 1976. STRACHAN WAS ONE OF THE NJM LEADERS WHO RECEIVED SEVERE BEATINGS AT THE HANDS OF GAIRY'S POLICE FORCE IN NOVEMBER 1973.

10. (S) GEORGE LOUISON HEADED THE GRENADIAN DELEGATION TO THE ELEVENTH WORLD YOUTH FESTIVAL, HELD IN CUBA IN JULY 1978. HE SUBSEQUENTLY ORGANIZED THE GRENADA/CUBA FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY IN JANUARY 1979. LOUISON HAS REPORTEDLY SAID THAT THE NJM IS COMMITTED TO SENDING YOUNG

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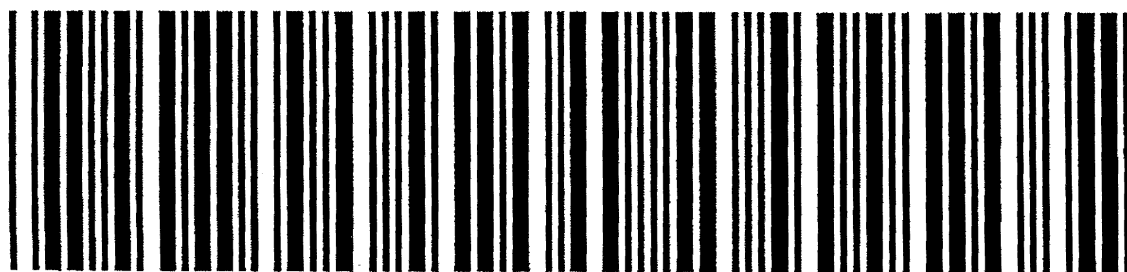
GRENADIANS TO CUBA FOR MILITARY TRAINING.

11. (LOU) BECAUSE THE DEPARTMENT'S FILES HAVE ONLY LIMITED INFORMATION ON INDIVIDUALS IN THE NEW GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA, WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING ANY ADDITIONAL BIOGRAPHIC DATA OR PHOTOGRAPHS THAT BECOME AVAILABLE TO THE POST IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS. CHRISTOPHER

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E.O. 12065 GDS 3/31/85 (HEWITT, ASHLEY C.)

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SUBJECT: RECENT EVENTS IN GRENADA

- 1. (C- ENTIRE TEXT)
- 2. WE HAVE BEEN CONCERNED BY THE RECENT TURN OF EVENTS

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IN GRENADA WHERE THE NEW GOVERNMENT HAS SUSPENDED THE
CONSTITUTION AND IS TALKING OF CONVENING A CONSTITUENT
ASSEMBLY TO WRITE A NEW CONSTITUTION. ELECTIONS, WHICH
THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT (NJM) PROMISED IN ITS EARLY

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DECLARATIONS, MAY FIRST OCCUR IN THE FORM OF A NATIONAL REFERENDUM ON A NEW CONSTITUTION, AND MAY BE DELAYED SIX MONTHS OR MORE. ELECTIONS FOR SELECTING GOVERNING OFFICIALS WOULD PRESUMABLY FOLLOW.

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3. IT IS TRUE THAT THE NEW GOVERNMENT DID NOT SPECIFY A DATE FOR NEW ELECTIONS IN ITS EARLY DECLARATIONS OR IN ITS PRIVATE ASSURANCES TO US. NOR DID IT PROMISE THAT NEW ELECTIONS WOULD BE HELD UNDER THE EXISTING CONSTITUTION. HOWEVER, OUR DECISION TO PROMPTLY ANNOUNCE THE CONTINUATION OF RELATIONS WAS PREDICATED AT LEAST IN PART ON THE PROSPECT OF EARLY AND GENUINELY FREE ELECTIONS.

4. WE WOULD PREFER FOR A FIRST ROUND OF ELECTIONS TO BE HELD UNDER THE EXISTING CONSTITUTION, IN ORDER TO MINIMIZE THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR MANIPULATION THROUGH A REVAMPED SYSTEM AND TO CONFER UNDENIABLE LEGITIMACY TO THE VICTORIOUS PARTY. GIVEN THE METHOD WHEREBY THE NJM CAME TO POWER, WE WOULD PREFER TO SEE WHETHER IT CAN WIN IN A DEMOCRATIC CONTEST BEFORE IT TAKES UPON ITSELF THE TASK OF LEADING GRENADA IN REDRAFTING THE NATION'S CONSTITUTION.

5. NEVERTHELESS, BEFORE PREJUDGING THE NJM'S INTENTIONS, WE ARE PREPARED TO WAIT AND SEE BY WHAT PROCESS IT INTENDS TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION. OUR INTEREST IS THAT INSTITUTIONS PROVIDE AVENUES FOR GENUINELY FREE AND DEMOCRATIC EXPRESSION, AND NOT BE FACADES THAT ALLOW A

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PARTICULAR GROUP, E.G., THE NJM, TO MANIPULATE FROM THE TOP DOWN.

6. OUR MAIN PURPOSE IS TO KEEP GRENADA FROM DRIFTING INTO THE CUBAN ORBIT. WE CONTINUE TO FEEL THAT THIS CAN BEST BE ACCOMPLISHED BY WORKING WITH THE NEW GOVERNMENT, SHOWING UNDERSTANDING FOR ITS EFFORTS TO STRENGTHEN DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS AND PROCESSES, WHILE GIVING FAIR WARNING THAT ATTEMPTS TO ABRIDGE THESE NORMS WILL INEVITABLY HAVE AN ADVERSE IMPACT ON OUR RELATIONS.

7. WE ARE CONCERNED OVER THE POSSIBLE IMPACT OF A NEGATIVE TURN OF EVENTS IN GRENADA ON THE UNITY OF THE WEST INDIES ASSOCIATED STATES (WIAS) AND CARICOM AS A WHOLE. WE UNDERSTAND THE WIAS HAVE ALREADY REFUSED TO

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CONFIDENTIAL THE NEW GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA BECAUSE OF ITS UNCONSTITUTIONAL SEIZURE OF POWER, AND THAT THE HEAD-QUARTERS OF THE WIAS LEGAL AND JUDICIAL SYSTEM HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN FROM GRENADA. ON THE OTHER HAND, WE ARE AWARE OF THE STATEMENT OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT THAT IT INTENDS TO RETAIN THE QUEEN AS THE CHIEF OF STATE AND THE GOVERNOR GENERAL AS HER REPRESENTATIVE, AND THAT IT STRONGLY FAVORS REGIONAL INTEGRATION. WE CANNOT DEMAND THAT GRENADA RETAIN A PRECISE WESTMINSTER PARLIAMENTARY SYSTEM, BUT WE CAN SEEK TO DIMINISH THE DISRUPTIVE RIPPLES OF A REFORM PROCESS BY URGING ADHERENCE TO DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES.

8. ACTION: WE ARE EXPRESSING OUR APPREHENSION OVER THE SUSPENSION OF THE CONSTITUTION AND THE PROBABLE DELAY IN ELECTIONS DIRECTLY TO THE NEW GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA THROUGH ITS AMBASSADOR IN THE U.S. WE ARE ALSO CONSIDERING AN INDIRECT APPROACH THROUGH THE GOVERNMENTS OF JAMAICA AND GUYANA, WHERE THE RULING PARTIES HAVE

HAD LONG AND FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH THE NJM. WE DO
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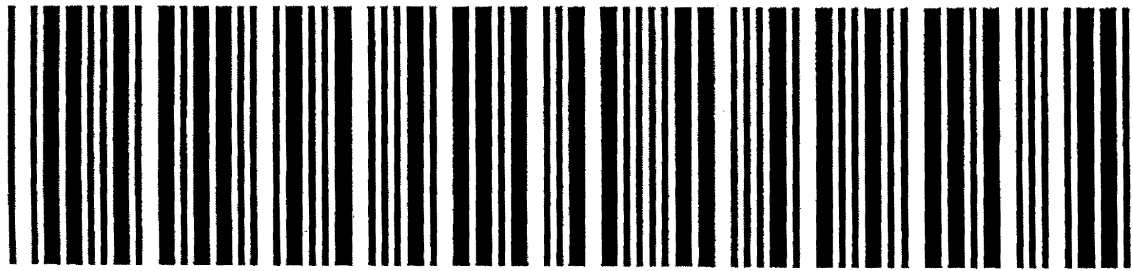
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NOT INTEND TO GET INTO THE NICETIES OF BRITISH CONSTI-TUTIONAL PRACTICE, BUT MERELY TO EXPRESS THE HOPE THAT ANY PROCESS OF REDRAFTING THE CONSTITUTION WILL HONOR DEMOCRATIC NORMS, THAT THE NEW CONSTITUTION ITSELF WILL ALLOW FOR GENUINELY FREE EXPRESSION, AND THAT ELECTIONS FOR OFFICE, WHILE WE EARNESTLY HOPE WILL OCCUR IN THE NOT TOO DISTANT FUTURE, WILL BE OPENLY CONTESTED BY THE SEVERAL POLITICAL PARTIES IN GRENADA. YOU SHOULD CONTACT HOST GOVERNMENT AT AN APPROPRIATE LEVEL, EXPLAIN THE NATURE OF OUR CONCERNS AND ASK ITS VIEWS. IF HOST GOVERNMENT SEEMS RESPONSIVE, YOU MAY SUGGEST THAT IT TOO EXPRESS THESE CONCERNS TO THE GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA.
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E.O. 12065 GDS, (3/31/85) (HEWITT, ASHLEY C.)

TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ

SUBJECT: GRENADA: MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR RADIX

1. (C-ENTIRE TEXT)
2. ARA/CAR COUNTRY DIRECTOR ASHLEY HEWITT MET WITH GRENADIAN AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE KENDRICK RADIX FOR 40 MINUTES ON MARCH 30. RADIX, WHO HAD BEEN ASKED TO COME IN BY THE DEPARTMENT, WAS ACCOMPANIED BY
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MS. DECIMA WILLIAMS, AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE TO THE OAS.
MS. THERESE KLEINKAUF, BARBADOS DESK OFFICER, ALSO
SAT IN ON THE MEETING.

3. HEWITT BEGAN BY SAYING THAT THE U.S. GENUINELY WANTS TO BE HELPFUL TO THE NEW GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA, AND TO RESPECT THE WILL OF THE GRENADIAN PEOPLE, WHAT

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EVER THAT MAY BE. HOWEVER, WE ARE SERIOUSLY CONCERNED

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BY THE RECENT ACTS OF THE GOG IN SUSPENDING THE CONSTITUTION, CALLING FOR A CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY, AND INDICATING THAT ELECTIONS WHEN THEY COME MIGHT BE A REFERENDUM ON A NEW CONSTITUTION RATHER THAN A FREELY CONTESTED PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION WITHIN THE GENERALLY ACCEPTED CONSTITUTIONAL NORMS OF THE REGION.

HE SAID THAT WE WERE WORRIED THAT A RADICAL COURSE ON THE PART OF THE GOG AT THIS SENSITIVE STAGE COULD SERIOUSLY DAMAGE ITS INTERNATIONAL STANDING AND LEGITIMACY. SUCH A COURSE SEEMED LIKELY TO WEAKEN THE TIES BETWEEN GRENADA AND ITS NEIGHBORS, AND COULD ALSO ADVERSELY AFFECT FOREIGN ASSISTANCE, INVESTMENT, AND EVEN TOURISM. HEWITT URGED THAT THE TASK OF CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION BE COMPLETED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE AND THAT THE NEW CONSTITUTION BE FULLY CONSISTENT WITH THE LEGAL AND POLITICAL TRADITIONS OF THE REGION. HE ALSO URGED THAT EARLY, FREE-ELECTIONS UNDER THE NEW CONSTITUTION BE HELD IN ORDER TO DETERMINE AND CLEARLY ESTABLISH THE WILL OF THE GRENADIAN PEOPLE AND ASSURE THE LEGITIMACY AND INTERNATIONAL ACCEPTANCE OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT. HE SAID THAT HE MADE THESE OBSERVATIONS IN THE CANDOR THAT WE BELIEVE SHOULD BE THE HALLMARK OF RELATIONS BETWEEN GOOD FRIENDS.

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4. AMBASSADOR RADIX REPLIED AT CONSIDERABLE LENGTH, SAYING THAT THE OLD CONSTITUTION HAD BEEN SUSPENDED BUT THEN REESTABLISHED WITH THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE AS THE FOUNTAINHEAD OF ITS SOVEREIGNTY. HE POINTED OUT THAT THE REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT HAD REAFFIRMED ALL OF THE LAWS IN FORCE UNDER THE OLD CONSTITUTION. HE PROMISED THAT THE NEW CONSTITUTION WOULD BE FRAMED WITH THE "FULL PARTICIPATION" OF THE GRENADIAN PEOPLE AND APPROVED BY THEM ACCORDING TO DEMOCRATIC NORMS.

5. AMBASSADOR RADIX SAID HE WAS NOT ENTIRELY CLEAR BY WHAT WE MEANT BY THE GENERALLY ACCEPTED CONSTITUTIONAL FORMS OF THE REGION. HE POINTED OUT FIRMLY THAT AFTER ITS OWN REVOLUTION THE U.S. HAD SIGNIFICANTLY ALTERED THE CONSTITUTIONAL FORMS IT HAD INHERITED. HE SAID THAT THE CONSTITUTIONAL FORMS OF THE WESTMINSTER SYSTEM WERE IDENTIFIED WITH COLONIZATION AND EXPLOITATION IN THE MINDS OF MANY GRENADIANS. HOWEVER, HE SAID HE COULD GUARANTEE THAT THE NEW CONSTITUTION AND THE PERFORMANCE OF THE GOVERNMENT UNDER IT WOULD BE FULLY IN ACCORDANCE

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6. A GENERAL DISCUSSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS FOLLOWED INCLUDING THE THREE HUMAN RIGHTS 'BASKETS' WHICH HAVE BEEN STRESSED BY THE ADMINISTRATION: THE INVIOABILITY OF THE PERSON, ECONOMIC RIGHTS; AND POLITICAL RIGHTS INCLUDING THE RIGHT OF INDIVIDUALS TO PARTICIPATE AND BE REPRESENTED IN THEIR OWN

GOVERNMENT. AMBASSADOR RADIX SAID THAT WHILE WE MIGHT DIFFER ON MATTERS OF CONSTITUTIONAL FORM, HE COULD SEE NO DIFFERENCE WHATSOEVER BETWEEN HIS GOVERNMENT AND THE USG ON BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS.

7. WITH REGARD TO THE WARDALLY/HUMPHREY CASE, HEWITT CONFIDENTIAL

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SAID HE HAD MET WITH THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT AND LEARNED THAT JUSTICE HAD CLEAR EVIDENCE THAT SERIOUS CRIMES UNDER US LAW HAD BEEN COMMITTED, AND THEREFORE THERE WAS NO ALTERNATIVE BUT TO PROCEED WITH THE GRAND JURY INVESTIGATION FOR THE TIME BEING. HOWEVER, THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT HAD AGREED NOT TO INDICT OR EVEN TO NAME ANYONE NOT CURRENTLY IN THE US. HE SAID THAT JUSTICE HAD EVIDENCE THAT AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS HAD PLAYED A CENTRAL ROLE IN THE CONSPIRACY BUT HAD AGREED NOT TO INDICT OR NAME HER SO LONG AS SHE ENJOYED DIPLOMATIC IMMUNITY. HEWITT INFORMED AMBASSADOR RADIX THAT A NUMBER OF GRENADIAN CITIZEN RESIDENTS IN THE U.S. MIGHT BE SUBPOENAED, IMMUNIZED, AND ASKED TO TESTIFY AGAINST THE DEFENDANTS. SHOULD THEY REFUSE TO DO SO, THEY COULD BE JAILED FOR CONTEMPT FOR THE LIFE OF THE GRAND JURY, WHICH COULD BE AS MUCH AS A YEAR.

8. HEWITT OBSERVED THAT ONE POSSIBLE SOLUTION WAS FOR WARDALLY/HUMPHREY TO PLEAD GUILTY AND SEEK THE CLEMENCY OF THE COURT. THIS WOULD HAVE TO BE WORKED OUT BETWEEN THE COUNSEL AND THE U.S. ATTORNEY, AND ABSOLUTELY NO REPEAT NO GUARANTEE COULD BE MADE. HOWEVER, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT PENALTY MIGHT BE LIMITED TO A FINE AND A PERIOD OF PROBATION. THE PROBATION WOULD BE ESSENTIALLY MEANINGLESS SINCE NEITHER OF THE DEFENDANTS WOULD HAVE ANY DESIRE OR NEED TO ENGAGE IN SIMILAR ACTIVITIES IN THE FUTURE.

9. RADIX REPLIED THAT HE WAS DISAPPOINTED THAT THE US ATTORNEY FELT IT NECESSARY TO PROCEED BUT, AS A

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LAWYER AND A BARRISTER HIMSELF, HE UNDERSTOOD THE
VIEWPOINT OF THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT. HE SAID HE WOULD
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INFORM HIS GOVERNMENT OF THE POINTS MADE. AMBASSADOR
WILLIAMS SAID THAT SHE FELT IT NECESSARY TO MAKE CLEAR
THAT SHE HAD BEEN IN NO WAY INVOLVED IN THE CONSPIRACY.

10. IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION, HEWITT SAID THAT
FORMER PRIME MINISTER GAIRY WAS CURRENTLY IN CALIFORNIA,
AND THAT WE HAD ASKED THE FBI TO KEEP TRACK OF HIS

ACTIVITIES. HE SAID THAT ANY VIOLATIONS OF US
NEUTRALITY ACTS WOULD BE REGARDED VERY SERIOUSLY.
RADIX SEEMED VERY PLEASED BY THIS INFORMATION.

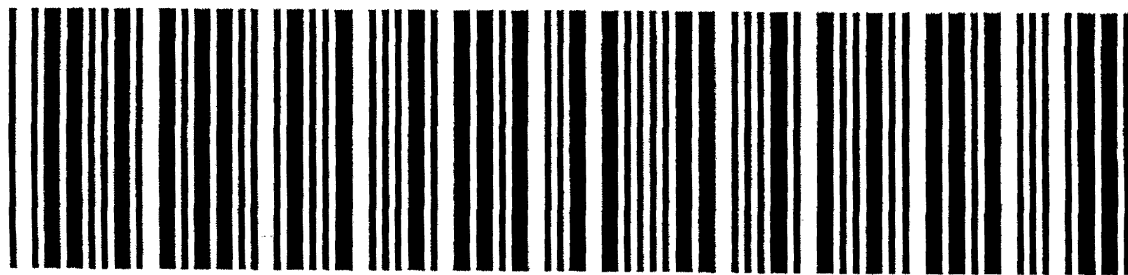
11. RADIX MADE WHAT SEEMED TO BE AN INDIRECT
PLEA FOR U.S. ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE. HEWITT REPEATED
THAT WE GENUINELY WANT TO BE HELPFUL TO THE NEW
GOVERNMENT. HE SAID THAT GRENADA AND THE U.S. HAD
ALWAYS HAD FRIENDLY RELATIONS, AND THAT IN THE FUTURE
AMERICA HOPED TO BE GRENADA'S BEST FRIEND. THIS
RHETORICAL FLOURISH PRODUCED BROAD, WEST INDIAN SMILES
ON THE FACES OF THE TWO AMBASSADORS.

12. COMMENT: THE MESSAGE ON CONSTITUTIONAL AND
POLITICAL ISSUES WAS DELIVERED EVENLY BUT WITH
UNMISTAKABLE CLARITY. RADIX TOOK IT SERIOUSLY,
AT ONE POINT SAYING THAT HIS GOVERNMENT HAD NOT THE
SLIGHTEST DOUBT ABOUT THE AWESOME POWER AND INFLUENCE
OF THE US, BUT HE WAS NOT THE LEAST BIT SHAKEN BY IT.
HIS REPLIES WERE EVEN, CORDIAL, BUT QUITE FIRM. DURING
THE HUMAN RIGHTS DISCUSSION THE ATMOSPHERE WARMED
CONSIDERABLY, AND ON THE WHOLE THE EXCHANGE WAS A
POSITIVE ONE. RADIX WAS CLEARLY DISAPPOINTED THAT
JUSTICE INTENDS TO PROCEED IN THE WARDALLY/HUMPHREY CASE
BUT UNDERSTOOD THE RELATION BETWEEN THAT DECISION AND
OUR INTENTION TO TAKE A FIRM LINE WITH GAIRY. CHRSTOPHER

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TAGS: PINT, PINS, XL
SUBJECT: SECURITY SITUATION IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN

RE: A) 78 BRIDGETOWN 3403;
B) 78 BRIDGETOWN 1982;
C) BRIDGETOWN 0397

1. (C) - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE NEW JEWEL TAKEOVER IN GRENADA, ON OTHER TINY ISLANDS OF THE COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN PEOPLE ARE ASKING THEMSELVES. "COULD IT HAPPEN HERE;" MOST OF THE LEADERS, ALTHOUGH QUICK TO POINT OUT THAT GAIRY WAS UNIQUE, KNOW THAT THEY TOO ARE VULNERABLE. THIS CABLE SKETCHES THE SECURITY SITUATION ON EACH ISLAND, WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON OPPOSITION GROUPS WHICH MUST NOW BE CONSIDERING FORSAKING THE CONSTITUTIONAL ROUTE TO POWER.

3. ANTIGUA: WITH ITS OFTEN-AUTHORITARIAN LEADERSHIP AND BITTERLY POLARIZED POLITICAL SCENE, ANTIGUA PRESENTS ONE

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OF THE BETTER PARALLELS TO GRENADA. THERE EXISTS A NUMERICALLY STRONG OPPOSITION THE CURRENT BIRD GOVERNMENT. WHILE PEOPLE DO NOT "DISAPPEAR" IN ANTIGUA, THE GOVERNMENT HAS TRIED TO GUT THE PARLIAMENTARY

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'AFTER A GENERALLY FAIR TRIAL ON FRAUD CHARGES) AND CAUSING ANOTHER OPPOSITION MEMBER TO FLEE THE COUNTRY. THIS HAS LEFT A BITTER BUTLEADERLESS OPPOSITION PARTY AND A SMALL, VOCIFEROUS AND GROWING RADICAL MOVEMENT, THE ANTIGUA CARIBBEAN LIBERATION MOVEMENT (ACLM). THE ACLM AND ITS LEADER TIM HECTOR ROUSE PARANOIA IN THE BIRD GOVERNMENT OUT OF ALL PROPORTION TO THE MOVEMENT'S SIZE, THIS HAS ONLY BEEN EXACERBATED BY THE GRENADA COUP, AS BORNE OUT BY RECENT EMBASSY CONTACTS WITH ANTIGUAN OFFICIALS. ANTIGUA, UNLIKE GRENADA, HAS A WELL-TRAINED, ALTHOUGH VERY SMALL, DEFENSE FORCE, WHICH COULD BE EXPECTED TO PUT UP A BETTER STRUGGLE THAN GAIRY'S MILITIA, ANTIGUA ALSO HAS A US NAVAL FACILITY AND US AIR FORCE TRACKING STATION, THE VERY EXISTENCE OF WHICH MIGHT GIVE POTENTIAL COUP-PLOTTERS PAUSE. FINALLY, AS AN ASSOCIATED STATE, AND ONE STILL HOLDING BACK SLIGHTLY FROM INDEPENDENCE, ANTIGUA ALSO FALLS UNDER THE UK DEFENSE SHIELD. ALTHOUGH ANTIGUANS PROFESS TO PUT A LITTLE FAITH IN THAT.

4. BARBADOS: BARBADOS HAD A US NAVAL FACILITY, UP TO MARCH 31, 1979. SOME NOW REGRET ITS CLOSURE. FOR THE LEAST CREDIBLE REASONS, BARBADOS BELIEVES ITSELF TO BE ON THE THE MOST VULNERABLE STATES, DESPITE POLITICAL STABILITY, ECONOMIC PROSPERITY, AND CONSERVATIVE, STATUS-QUO POPULACE, BARBADIAN LEADERS BELIEVE THEIR ISLAND IS WAITING TO BE PLUCKED BY THE FIRST ADVENTURER WHO HAPPENS ALONG, BARBADIAN CONMAN/

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ECTREPRENEUR SIDNEY BURNETT-ALLEYNE IS EVERYONE'S FIRST CHOICE FOR VILLAIN BUT HIS PAST ESCAPADES WOULD NOT SEEM TO JUSTIFY THE ALARM. THE OPPOSITION (DEMOCRATIC LABOR PARTY) CANDIDATE HAS A GOOD CHANCE OF WINNING POWER LEGALLY AT THE NEXT ELECTION; THE OPPOSITION GROUPS ARE MERE SPLINTERS. IT IS HARD TO VISUALIZE POPULAR SUPPORT ON BARBADOS FOR ANY NON-CONSTITUTIONAL TAKEOVER. THE GRENADA COUP, NEVERTHELESS, WILL PROVIDE NEEDED IMPETUS FOR THE LONG-AWAITED UPGRADING OF THE BARBADOS REGIMENT TO A DEFENSE FORCE, INCORPORATING AN EXPANDED COAST GUARD. UNDER AN ALREADY- PLANNED IMET PROGRAM FOR FY80, THE US SHOULD BE ABLE TO PROVIDE SOME TRAINING FOR THIS FORCE.

5. DOMINICA: UNLIKE BARBADOS, DOMINICA IS POLITICALLY UNSTABLE, DISORGANIZED, AND IMPECUNIOUS. THE PATRICK

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JOHN GOVERNMENT, WHILE POPULARLY ELECTED, IS NEITHER
RESPECTED NOR PARTICULARLY WELL LIKED BY ITS NEIGHBORS
IN THE CARIBBEAN. THERE IS A CONSERVATIVE OPPOSITION
PARTY AND A DIVIDED LEFT, THERE IS EVIDENCE OF CUBAN
INTEREST IN THE PAST IN DOMINICA. THE LEFT SHOWS
SIGNS OF REAL STRENGTH IN THE NATION'S RURAL AREAS AND
HAS MADE SUBSTANTIAL INROADS INTO THE ISLAND'S CO-
OPERATIVE INSTITUTIONS. IF THE VARIOUS FACTIONS--
MARXIST, SOCIAL DEMOCRAT, AND AGRARIAN REFORMERS--CAN
MAKE COMMON CAUSE, THEY WILL BE A FORMIDABLE FORCE, EITHER
ELECTORALLY OR IN THE STREETS. THE ISLAND'S RUGGED TOPO-
GRAPHY AND LACK OF ROADS WOULD MAKE IT AN IDEAL LOCATION
FOR A GUERRILLA FORCE TO OPERATE. FURTHER, THE ISLAND
LEADERS' PENCHANT FOR OVERSEAS TRAVEL--AS A GROUP--
PERIODICALLY LEAVES DOMINICA LEADERLESS FOR DAYS.
(COMMENT: BARBADOS' MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS FORDE
REMARKED TO AMBASSADOR MARCH 28 THAT HE HAD EXPECTED
GAIRY WOULD ULTIMATELY BE OVERTHROWN BUT THOUGHT DOMINICA
WOULD "GO FIRST,")

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6. ST. KITTS-NEVIS: WITH THE ISLAND OF ANGUILLA NOW ALL BUT WRITTEN OFF, IT IS THE SEPARATISTS ON THE NEARBY ISLAND OF NEVIS THAT CONSTITUTE THE MAJOR THREAT TO THE INTERNAL SECURITY OF THE STATE. AND THEY HAVE NO AMBITION TO OVERTHROW THE GOVERNMENT, ONLY WITHDRAW FROM IT. WITH THE END OF THE PAUL WOUTHWELL REGIME IN SIGHT, POWER IS PASSING TO A YOUNGER GENERATION SYMBOLIZED BY LEE MOORE. IF HE CAN PROVIDE A GOVERNMENT MORE INTUNE WITH THE TIMES, ST. KITTS MAY AVOID THE SEVERE POLITICAL POLARIZATION THAT BEDEVILS THE OTHER ISLANDS.

7. ST. LUCIA: MOST RECENTLY INDEPENDENT ISLAND NATION IN THE REGION, ST. LUCIA IS SLIGHTLY MORE PROSPEROUS THAN THE OTHER LEEWEARD AND WINDWARDS. LARGE-SCALE FOREIGN INVESTMENT BRINGS BOTH REASSURANCES AND PROBLEMS TO ST. LUCIA'S FUTURE. ST. LUCIA IS SOMEWHAT MORE INCLINED TOWARD COOPERATION WITH THE OTHERS. ISLAND LEADERS ARE DISCUSSING A JOINT COASTAL PROTECTION FORCE WITH BARBADOS AND ST. VINCENT, INTENDED PRIMARILY TO ENFORCE FISHERIES AND SMUGGLING LAWS BUT WHICH MIGHT BE EXTENDED TO ENCOMPASS THE ISLANDS' SECURITY CONCERNS. PM COMPTON'S
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OPPOSITION IN PARLIAMENT IS THE ST. LUCIA LABOR PARTY, WHICH ITSELF IS DIVIDED INTO MODERATE AND LEFTIST FACTIONS. WHILE THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION IS A MODERATE, THERE IS SOME INDICATION THE BALANCE IN HIS PARTY IS SWINGING TOWARD THE MORE RADICAL MARIST-ORIENTED LEADERSHIP OF GEORGE ODLUM AND PETER JOSIE. THE OPPOSITION ARE CONSOLIDATING THEIR POWER IN RURAL AREAS AND IN THE LABOR MOVEMENT. HOWEVER, WITH COMPTON A LEADER DEVOTED TO FREE ELECTIONS, THERE IS AS YET NO SIGN HIS OPPOSITION IS READY TO TURN TO REVOLUTION TO ACHIEVE THEIR ENDS. THEY HAVE USED LOCALIZED VIOLENCE, THOUGH, WHEN THEY THOUGH IT PRODUCTIVE.

8. ST. VINCENT: AS THE ISLAND CLOSEST TO GRENADA, WITH WHICH IT SHARES THE GRENADINE DEPENDENCIES, ST. VINCENT HAS BEEN ONE OF THE STATES MOST CONCERNED BY EVENTS IN GRENADA. ITS LEADERSHIP IS ONE OF THE MOST VOCIFEROUS IN ITS DENUNCIATIONS OF THE REVOLUTIONARIES

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THERE. ST. VINCENT WAS EXPECTED TO BE THE NEXT ASSOCIATED STATE TO BREAK ITS FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE TIES TO THE UK BY BECOMING INDEPENDENT. THERE IS NO SIGN YET AS TO WHETHER THE GRENADA COUP WILL CHANGE THOSE PLANS. INTERNALLY, PREMIER MILTON CATO FACES AN AGING PARLIAMENTARY LEADERSHIP AND AT LEAST ONE VIGOROUS RADICAL GROUP. THE RADICALS, THE YOULOU UNITED LIBERATION MOVEMENT (YULIMO), ARE LED BY FIERY UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR RALPH GONSALVES, RESIDENT IN BARBADOS. GONSALVES PUBLICLY IDENTIFIES WITH CUBA. BUT OTHERS ON THE SCENE, INCLUDING MIKE BROWNE OF THE ST. VINCENT UNION OF TEACHERS, ARE USING THE INDEPENDENCE ISSUE, EXCEPTIONALLY SEVERE UNEMPLOYMENT PROBLEMS, AND ALLEGED FRAUD IN DRAWING UP VOTERS' LISTS TO BUILD SUPPORT. ST. VINCENT HAS NO MILITARY BUT DOES HAVE A WELL-ORGANIZED POLICE FORCE (WHICH

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MAY TAKE OVER RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ST. VINCENT PORTION OF THE PROPOSED REGIONAL COASTAL PROTECTION FORCE).

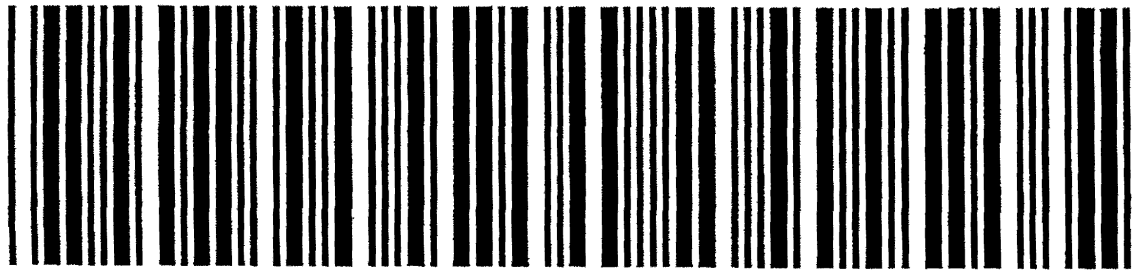
9. ON SOME ISLANDS PARTICULARLY DOMINICA, ST. LUCIA, ANTIGUA, AND NOW BARBADOS THERE ARE PROTRACTED DISPUTES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND CIVIL SERVICE UNIONS PARTICULARLY THE TEACHERS WHICH CAUSE DISRUPTIONS AND LEAD TO CHARGES OF MARXIST INFILTRATION. MOST DISPUTES CONCERN WAGES BUT THERE ARE OTHER ASPECTS AS WELL WHICH CONTRIBUTE TO POLITICAL UNREST AND UNCERTAINTY. ORTIZ

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TAGS: PINT, GJ, TD
SUBJECT: TWO MAURICE BISHOP INTERVIEWS IN THE PRESS

REF: PORT OF SPAIN 1049

1. "SUNDAY GUARDIAN" AND "EXPRESS" OF APRIL 1 EACH CARRY DIFFERENT "EXCLUSIVE" INTERVIEWS WITH MAURICE BISHOP (TEXTS BEING POUCHED TO ARA/CAR). WHILE MOST OF WHAT BISHOP SAID IS THE SAME OR SIMILAR TO HIS REPORTED REMARKS ON OTHER RECENT OCCASIONS, THERE ARE SEVERAL POINTS OF INTEREST IN THE SUNDAY INTERVIEWS.

2. IN BOTH INTERVIEWS HE EMPHATICALLY AND EXPLICITLY DENIED THE "BOMB" ALLEGATION (REFTEL) THAT CUBANS HAD PARTICIPATED ACTIVELY IN THE GRENADA REVOLUTION. (INCIDENTALLY, THE PRESS HERE HAS REPORTED THAT THE "BOMB" HAS BEEN BANNED FROM ENTERING GRENADA SINCE THE CUBAN SOLDIERS STORY WAS PUBLISHED).

3. ON THE TIMING FOR HOLDING ELECTIONS, BISHOP WORDILY DODGED THE QUESTION IN THE "EXPRESS" INTERVIEW BUT TOLD THE "GUARDIAN" THAT "IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO BE MORE PRECISE
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THAN TO SAY WE HOPE TO DO SO WITHIN A YEAR."

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4. IN BOTH INTERVIEWS BISHOP EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT GAIRY WOULD ATTEMPT TO UNDO THE REVOLUTION WITH THE HELP OF

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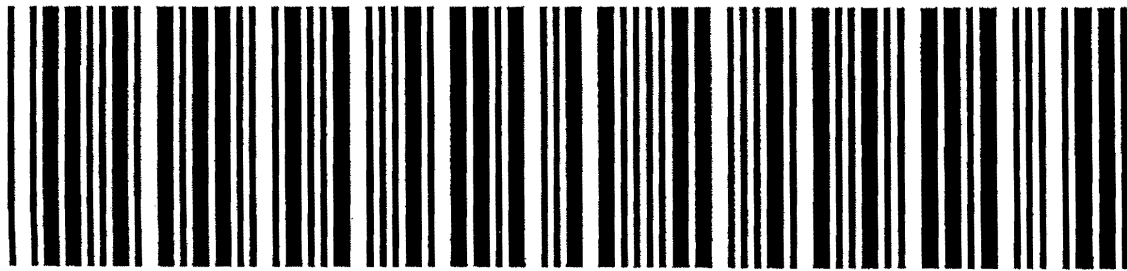
MERCENARIES OR "HIT-MEN." HE CLAIMED TO THE "EXPRESS"
THAT HIS GOVERNMENT HAD DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE OF ATTEMPTS
BY GAIRY TO RECRUIT MERCENARIES TO THIS END. TO THE
"GUARDIAN" HE ADMITTED THAT "THERE WILL BE SOME SORT OF
INTERNAL RESISTANCE FROM PRO-GAIRY PEOPLE" IN GRENADA AND
ASSERTED THAT GAIRY WAS IN TOUCH WITH AND ATTEMPTING TO
INCITE THE CRIMINAL ELEMENTS AMONG THEM.

5. SUMMARIZING HIS REGIME'S CURRENT TOP PRIORITIES TO
"EXPRESS," BISHOP GAVE THEM AS: A) CONSOLIDATING THE
REVOLUTION AGAINST "THE INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL THREAT;"
B) "ENSURING THAT GAIRYISM IS SMASHED IN OUR COUNTRY AND
THAT THE BASIS FOR RESTORATION FOR DEMOCRACY IS IN FACT
MADE;" C. DEALING "WITH PROBLEMS OF GOVERNMENT," THE
CIVIL SERVICE PROBLEMS, ECONOMIC PROBLEMS, ETC.; D.
"BEGINNING TO FIND WAYS AND MEANS OF ENSURING THAT SOME
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL MEASURES THAT WILL HAVE RELEVANCE TO
THE LIVES OF OUR PEOPLE CAN BE EMBARKED ON RIGHT AWAY,"
AS PREVIOUSLY, HE MENTIONED AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND
TOURISM AS AREAS FOR POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT.FOX

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E.O. 12065: NA
TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ
SUBJECT: GRENADA: PROPOSED U.S. STATEMENT AND BARBADOS STATEMENT

REF: STATE 69142

1. ATTEMPTED TO CONTACT PRIME MINISTER ADAMS AND MINISTER EXTERNAL AFFAIRS FORDE, BUT BOTH ARE PRESENTLY ON FLOOR OF HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY FOR BUDGET DEBATES. PASSED GIST OF U.S. STATEMENT TO MEA PERMSEC SYMMONDS, WHO NOTED THAT MINISTER FORDE ISSUED STATEMENT ON GRENADA TO HOUSE. TEXT OF BARBADOS STATEMENT FOLLOWS.
2. MR. SPEAKER, THE GOVERNMENT OF BARBADOS, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE GOVERNMENTS OF JAMAICA, GUYANA AND THE ASSOCIATED STATES OF THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN, TODAY ANNOUNCES DE FACTO RECOGNITION OF THE NEW ADMINISTRATION GRENADA.
3. PRECEDENT DOES NOT STRICTLY DEMAND THAT A FORAML STATEMENT OF RECOGNITION BE MADE AS, ACCORDING TO OUR LATEST INFORMATION AND ADVICE, THE CONSTITUTIONAL POSITION IN GRENADA IS THAT HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN REMAINS THE HEAD OF STATE AND THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL, SIR PAUL SCOON, IS STILL HER REPRE-
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SENTTATIVE THERE.

4. IN THIS CASE, HOWEVER, FORMAL STATEMENT IS BEING MADE TO PUT THE ISSUE BEYOND DOUBT AND MORE ESPECIALLY TO

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5. FOR THE CARIBBEAN, THE LAST WEEK HAS PRESENTED CONSIDERABLE CHALLENGES TO THOSE OF US WHO STILL BELIEVE IN SOME FORM OF CARIBBEAN CO-OPERATION AND UNITY AND WHO FIRMLY HOLD TO THE PRINCIPLE THAT GOVERNMENTS SHOULD BE CHANGED ONLY BY FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS HELD AT REGULAR INTERVALS AS FIXED BY LAW.

6. TOGETHER WITH OUR CARIBBEAN COLLEAGUES, WE HAVE SOUGHT TO OBTAIN FROM THE NEW ADMINISTRATION IN GRENADA CERTAIN ASSURANCES, NAMELY THAT FREE AND FAIR ELECTION WILL BE HELD WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME FRAME, THAT THE ADMINISTRATION WILL OBSERVE THE DUE PROCESSES OF LAW AND AVOID POLITICAL TRIALS AND THAT IT WILL SEEK TO ATTAIN IN THE OBSERVANCE OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOM A STANDARD AS HIGH AS THAT WHICH PREVAILS IN OUR OWN COUNTRY, BARBADOS.

7. THAT IS WHY WE TAKE QUITE SERIOUSLY THE ASSURANCES OF THE NEW ADMINISTRATION IN GRENADA WHEN IT STATES THAT THERE WILL BE AN EARLY RETURN TO CONSTITUTIONAL PRACTICES THROUGH FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS, THAT THERE WILL BE NO HARASSMENT OF POLITICAL OPPONENTS AND THAT FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS AND FREEDOM WILL BE PRESERVED.

8. WE REITERATE OUR CAUTION THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO EXTERNAL INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF GRENADA.

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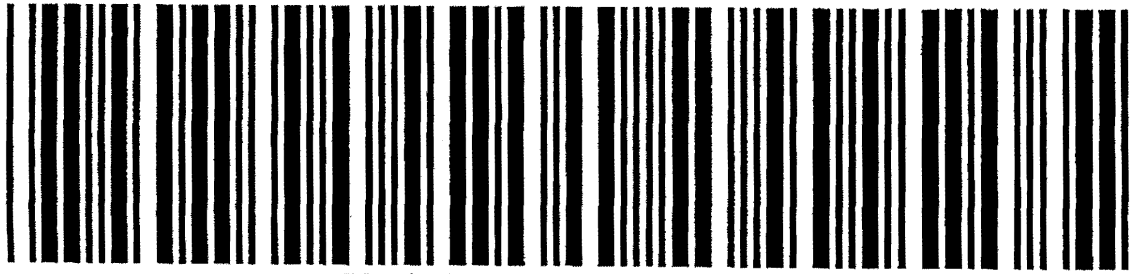
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9. WE WILL CONTINUE TO CONSULT ALL OF OUR COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN COLLEAGUES SO THAT WE MAY CONSTRUCTIVELY TOGETHER ASSIST GRENADA IN ITS SEARCH FOR EARLY STABILITY AND RETURN TO CONSTITUTIONALITY. END TEXT.
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E.O. 12065: NGDS 3/21/85 (BURKE, JOHN R) OR-M
TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ
SUBJ: GUYANA'S RECOGNITION OF GRENADA.

REF: GEORGETOWN 1243.

1. (U) THE FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF GOVERNMENT OF GUYANA'S
PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT RECOGNIZING THE NEW GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA:
"THE GOVERNMENT OF GUYANA TODAY (MARCH 20) EXTENDED
RECOGNITION TO THE NEW GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA HEADED BY
COMRADE MAURICE BISHOP. THIS DECISION WAS TAKEN ON THE
BASIS OF THE CONVICTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COOPERATIVE
REPUBLIC OF GUYANA THAT THE NEW GOVERNMENT IS IN FULL AND
EFFECTIVE CONTROL AND THE UNDERSIRABILITY OF PERMITTING A
VACUUM IN RELATIONSHIPS TO ARISE IN THE CARIBBEAN.

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" EQUALLY IMPORTANT IS THE NEED FOR THE CARICOM
GOVERNMENTS TO MAKE FIRM DECISIONS RATHER THAN TO
WAIT ON GOVERNMENTS OUTSIDE THE REGION TO TAKE THE

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" THE GOVERNMENT OF GUYANA NOTES WITH APPRECIATION THAT THE NEW GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA HAS EXPRESSED ITS INTENTION TO HONOUR ITS OBLIGATIONS TO CARICOM UNDER THE TREATY OF CHAGUARAMAS.

"THE GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA IS SIMULTANEOUSLY ISSUING A STATEMENT OF RECOGNITION."

2. (U) SELWYN STRACHAN AND UNISON WHITEMWN, MEMBERS OF TWO-MAN DELEGATION FROM THE BISHOP GOVERNMENT WHO ARRIVED IN GEORGETOWN MARCH 19 ABOARD A SPECIAL GOG FLIGHT, HAVE RELEASED A STATEMENT PRAISING GUYANA FOR ITS COURAGE IN TAKING THE LEAD IN RECOGNIZING THE NEW GRENADAN GOVERNMENT:

"THE PROVISIONAL REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA NOTES WITH SATISFACTION THE RECOGNITION OF OUR NEW GOVERNMENT BY THE GOVERNMENT OF GUYANA. WE KNOW THAT IT HAS REQUIRED GREAT COURAGE TO TAKE THE LEAD. WE SEE THIS AS A POSITIVE STEP IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF NORMAL AND FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH CARICOM.

"WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE FURTHER STRENGTHENING OF RELATIONS BASED ON THE PRINCIPLE OF MUTAL RESPECT, FRIENDSHIP, EXPANSION OF TRADE, NON-INTERFERENCE AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION."

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3. (C) COMMENT: GOG STATEMENT APPEARS TO INDICATE A CERTAIN IRRITATION OVER WHAT IS PROBABLY VIEWED BY BURNHAM AND HIS MINISTERS AS FOOT-DRAGGING BY THE MORE CONSERVATIVE MEMBERS OF CARICOM. TO SOME EXTENT, THEREFORE, GOG DECISION TO MOVE AHEAD WAS PROBABLY TAKEN TO FORCE THE ISSUE WITHIN CARICOM. IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT THE STATEMENT MAKES NO MENTION OF THE COMMUNIQUES ISSUED AT BRIDGETOWN LAST WEEK NOR ANY REFERENCE TO CONSTITUTIONALITY AND FREE ELECTIONS.

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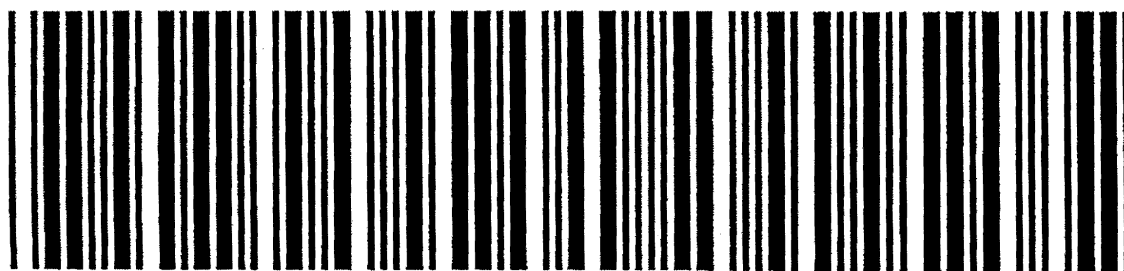
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FOR AMBASSADOR BRASILIA PASS TO ASSIST SECY VAKY

E.O. 12065: GDS 3/21/85 (HEWITT, ASHLEY C.)

TAGS: PINT, PINS, GJ

SUBJECT: RECOGNITION AND YOUR TRIP TO GRENADA

1. (C - ENTIRE TEXT)

2. YOU SHOULD MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO TRAVEL TO GRENADA SOON
AFTER THE UK RECOGNIZES THE NEW GOVERNMENT THERE, WHICH WE
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EXPECT TO OCCUR AT NOON GMT ON MARCH 22. IF THE UK DOES
RECOGNIZE AS EXPECTED, WE PLAN TO MAKE A STATEMENT AT THE
BEGINNING OF THE NOON BRIEFING IN THE DEPARTMENT ON
MARCH 22 ANNOUNCING OUR INTENTION TO CONTINUE RELATIONS

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WHILE IN GOG. WHILE IN GRENADA, YOU SHOULD PLAN TO CALL ON BOTH THE GOVERNOR GENERAL AND THE PRIME MINISTER, AND MAY WISH TO SPEAK WITH OTHER MINISTERS AS WELL. WE ARE PROVIDING THE TEXT OF OUR PLANNED STATEMENT BY SEPTTEL. BELOW ARE TALKING POINTS FOR YOUR MEETINGS IN GRENADA:

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-- MY GOVERNMENT WAS PLEASED TO BE ABLE TO ANNOUNCE CONTINUATION OF RELATIONS WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA ONLY A LITTLE OVER A WEEK AFTER THE CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT ON MARCH 13. WE FELT IT WAS APPROPRIATE TO CONSULT FULLY WITH GRENADA'S CARICOM PARTNERS AND WITH THE UK. THE EARLY ASSURANCES

PROVIDED BY THE NEW GOVERNMENT THAT IT WOULD RESPECT THE LIVES AND PROPERTY OF FOREIGNERS AND CARRY OUT GRENADA'S INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS GREATLY FACILITATED THIS PROCESS.

-- WE WERE SERIOUSLY CONCERNED, AS WERE OTHER GOVERNMENTS, BY THE UNCONSTITUTIONAL NATURE OF THE CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT, AND CONSIDER IT VITALLY IMPORTANT FOR GRENADA'S IMAGE AND FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY THAT FREE ELECTIONS BE HELD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. WE THEREFORE WELCOME THE DECLARATION OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT SOON AFTER ITS INCEPTION THAT IT INTENDS TO HOLD EARLY, FREE ELECTIONS. WE UNDERSTAND THAT PREPARATIONS FOR NEW ELECTIONS WILL BE NECESSARY AND WILL OCCUPY SOME TIME, BUT WOULD HOPE THERE WILL BE NO UNDUE DELAY. THREE MONTHS MIGHT BE REGARDED AS A REASON-

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ABLE PERIOD TO ALLOW FOR PREPARATIONS. A DELAY OF AS MUCH AS SIX MONTHS COULD REAWAKEN CONCERN OVER THE INTENTIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA AND ITS SERIOUSNESS OF PURPOSE. THE PRESENCE OF FOREIGN OBSERVERS BEFORE AND DURING THE ELECTION WOULD ALSO CONTRIBUTE TO THE IMAGE OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT AND STRENGTHEN ITS ACCEPTANCE IN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY. YOU MAY WISH TO CONSIDER INVITING A TEAM OF OBSERVERS FROM THE OAS.

-- REPORTS OVER A PERIOD OF SEVERAL YEARS THAT LEADERS IN THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT (NJM) ARE MARXIST IN IDEOLOGY AND HAVE HAD EXTENSIVE CONTACTS WITH CUBA HAVE CAUSED CONCERN IN SOME CIRCLES. THE STATEMENTS OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT THAT IT WOULD PURSUE AN INDEPENDENT FOREIGN POLICY AND THAT IT WOULD NOT BECOME A BASE FOR ANY FOREIGN POWER HAVE

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CONTRIBUTED TO A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE VIEWS AND POLICIES OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT, AS HAVE ITS ASSURANCES THAT IT WILL PROTECT THE LIVES AND PROPERTY OF FOREIGNERS, HONOR AND SUPPORT INTERNATIONALLY ACCEPTED STANDARDS OF HUMAN RIGHTS, AND ENCOURAGE PRIVATE INVESTMENT WHEN IT APPEARS TO BE IN THE INTERESTS OF GRENADA. WE ARE PREPARED TO ASSESS THE NEW GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA ON THE BASIS OF ITS ACTIONS AND POLICIES.

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-- WE RECOGNIZE THAT THE NEXT YEAR WILL BE A DIFFICULT ONE FOR THE NEW GOVERNMENT. WE ARE PREPARED TO DO WHATEVER WE CAN TO BE HELPFUL WITHIN THE LIMITS OF AVAILABLE RESOURCES. WE DO NOT HAVE BILATERAL ECONOMIC PRVGRAMS IN ANY OF THE WINDWARD AND LEEWARD ISLANDS, BUT PROVIDE CONSIDERABLE ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE CARIBBEAN DEVELOPMENT BANK. WE MAY ALSO FIND OTHER WAYS TO BE HELPFUL, AND WOULD LIKE TO MAINTAIN A CONTINUOUS DIALOGUE DURING THE

WEEKS AND MONTHS TO COME. IN PARTICULAR, WE WOULD HOPE THE GOG WILL PLAY AN ACTIVE ROLE IN THE CARIBBEAN GROUP FOR COOPERATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (CG) WHICH IS CONFIDENTIAL

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SCHEDULED TO HAVE ITS SECOND ANNUAL MEETING IN JUNE. THE SUB-GROUP MEETING OF INTERESTED DONORS WOULD PROVIDE AN EXCELLENT FORUM FOR DESCRIBING THE PROBLEMS FACING THE COUNTRY, HOW THE GOVERNMENT PROPOSES TO DEAL WITH THEM, AND WHAT FOREIGN ASSISTANCE MAY BE NEEDED.

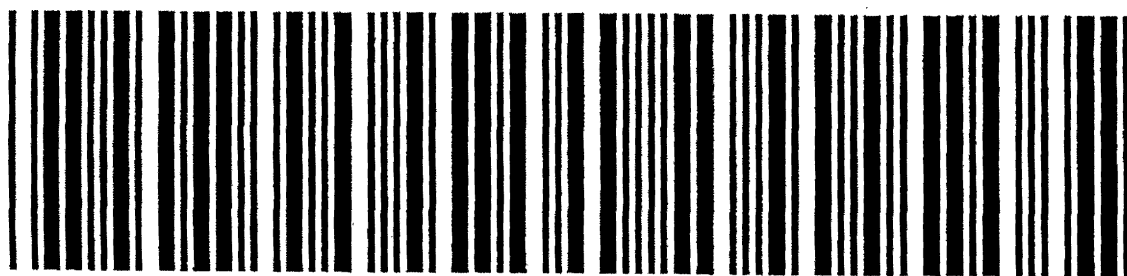
-- WE HOPE TO HAVE AT LEAST ONE OFFICER FROM THE EMBASSY ON THE ISLAND MOST OF THE TIME OVER THE NEXT SEVERAL WEEKS IN ORDER TO FACILITATE THE ABOVE DIALOGUE AND TO DEAL WITH THE CONCERNS OF AMERICAN CITIZENS.

3. EMBASSY BRIDGETOWN'S COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS ARE ENCOURAGED. VANCE

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E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS: PDIP, GJ

SUBJ: BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER TO CALL ON NEW
GRENADA GOVERNMENT

REF: A. BRIDGETOWN 1070, B. BRIDGETOWN 1078

1. (U) BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION HERE HAS SUPPLIED AMBASSADOR
TEXT OF FOLLOWING STATEMENT BEING MADE IN LONDON MARCH 22
BY FCO SPOKESMAN: "WE HAVE INSTRUCTED OUR HIGH COMMISSIONER
IN PORT OF SPAIN TO MAKE AN EARLY CALL ON MR. BISHOP TO
EXPLAIN THAT HIS CALL REFLECTS THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S
DECISION TO RESUME NORMAL RELATIONS WITH GOVERNMENT OF
GRENADA." (COMMENT: UK COVERS GRENADA THROUGH HIGH
COMMISSION IN TRINIDAD, NOT BARBADOS)

2. (LOU) AS REPORTED REFTELS, WEST INDIES ASSOCIATED
STATES (WIAS) COUNCIL OF MINISTERS HAD TAKEN NEGATIVE VIEW
TOWARD NEW REGIME IN GRENADA AND HAD PUBLICLY EXPRESSED
BELIEF THAT "BRITISH HAD A MORAL OBLIGATION TO CONSULT
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THOSE STATES BEFORE ACCORDING SUCH RECOGNITION." HMG
IS MAKING FOLLOWING STATEMENT TO THOSE STATES:

"DESPITE THE DECISION OF WIAS MINISTERS MEETING IN

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ANTIGUA ON MARCH 20 WE DECIDED TO PROCEED FOR THE FOLLOW-

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A. THE NEW REGIME IN GRENADA FULFILLS OUR NORMAL CRITERIA FOR RECOGNITION, THAT IS THE NEW REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT HAS EFFECTIVE CONTROL OF THE ISLAND.

B. THERE IS LITTLE EVIDENCE OF ANY POPULAR DISCONTENT OR RESISTANCE TO THE NEW GOVERNMENT.

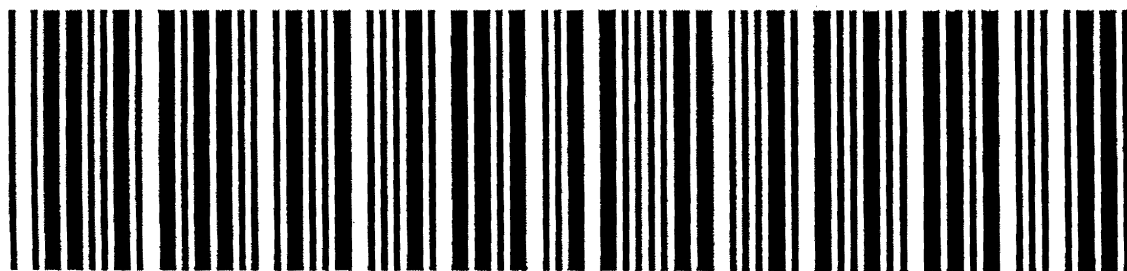
C. WE SHARE THE CONCERN OF WIAS MINISTERS THAT ELECTIONS SHOULD BE HELD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. HOWEVER THESE WOULD TAKE SOME TIME TO ARRANGE AND WE FEEL THAT ANY DELAY WOULD HAVE BEEN HARMFUL TO THE PEOPLE OF GRENADA. IN INTEREST OF ESTABLISHING CLOSE RELATIONS WITH THE NEW GOVERNMENT AND TO ENABLE US TO PROCEED WITH OUR AID PROGRAMS IT WAS FELT BEST TO RESUME NORMAL ARRANGEMENTS ONCE WE HAD A LEAD FROM OUR FRIENDS IN CARICOM."

3. (LOU) EMBASSY COMMENT: WE UNDERSTAND BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER HAS APPOINTMENT WITH PM BISHOP AT 0900 MARCH 23.
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TAGS: PROP, PINT, GJ

SUBJ: GAIRY INTERVIEW

REF: BRIDGETOWN 1058

1. WHEN EFFORTS TO DISCOVER AUTHORSHIP OF PROVOCATIVE INTERVIEW (REFTEL) WERE UNSUCCESSFUL AMBASSADOR SPOKE TO NATION EDITOR HAROLD HOYTE WHO IS FRIENDLY TO EMBASSY. AMBASSADOR ASKED IF NAME OF INTERVIEWER, WHO WAS NOT IDENTIFIED IN PAPER COULD BE PROVIDED AS WE WISHED TO BE SURE WE COULD PROVIDE ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS OF THE TYPE ASKED. HOYTE SAID HE HAD PROMISED INTERVIEWER THAT HE WOULD NOT BE IDENTIFIED. WHEN PRESSED AS TO WHETHER INTERVIEWER WAS BARBADIAN, HOYTE WOULD SAY ONLY "HE IS NOW A BARBADIAN CITIZEN".

2. COMMENT: REFUSAL TO NAME INTERVIEWER STRIKES US NOT ONLY AS CURIOUS IF NOT IRRESPONSIBLE JOURNALISM BUT AS SUPPORT FOR SUSPICIONS THAT ANONYMOUS JOURNALIST HAD MALICIOUS MOTIVES IN RAISING SUGGESTION OF U.S. "HITMEN".

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3. ACTION REQUESTED: INTERVIEWER DESCRIBES ENCOUNTER WITH AND SEARCH BY SECRET SERVICE DURING HIS VISIT TO GAIRY'S HOTEL ROOM MIDDAY MARCH 17. EMBASSY WOULD

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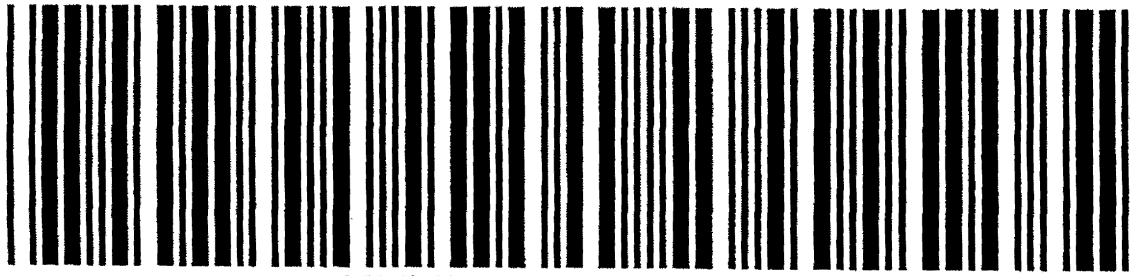
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E.O. 12065GDS 3/21/85 (HEWITT, ASHLEY C.)

TAGS: PINT, PINS, GJ

SUBJECT: MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE RADIX OF GRENADA

1. (C - ENTIRE TEXT).
2. ARA/CAR COUNTRY DIRECTOR HEWITT LUNCHEDED WITH GRENADA'S AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE WHITE HOUSE KENDRICK RADIX ON THE 8TH FLOOR OF CONFIDENTIAL

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THE STATE DEPARTMENT ON MARCH 21. ALSO PRESENT WAS MS. DECIMA WILLIAMS WHO IS GRENADA'S AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE TO THE OAS.

3. RADIX BEGAN BY REPEATING HIS GOVERNMENT'S ASSURANCES THAT THE LIVES AND PROPERTY OF FOREIGNERS IN GRENADA WOULD BE PROTECTED AND RESPECTED; THAT HIS GOVERNMENT

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WOULD HONOR AND SUPPORT INTERNATIONALLY ACCEPTED STANDARDS OF HUMAN RIGHTS; AND THAT FREE ELECTIONS WOULD BE HELD AND WOULD BE OPEN TO THE INSPECTION OF ANYONE WHO WISHED TO OBSERVE THEM. HEWITT NOTED THAT THE UNCONSTITUTIONAL NATURE OF THE RECENT CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA WAS A SOURCE OF GREAT CONCERN BOTH TO THE U.S. AND TO GRENADA'S NEIGHBORS. HE SAID THAT AN EARLY RETURN TO CONSTITUTIONAL LEGITIMACY WAS

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THEREFORE EXTREMELY IMPORTANT FOR GRENADA'S IMAGE AND GOOD NAME. HE INDICATED THAT THREE MONTHS WAS CERTAINLY A REASONABLE PERIOD TO PREPARE FOR NEW ELECTIONS BUT THAT A DELAY OF SIX MONTHS MIGHT RAISE QUESTIONS IN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY ABOUT THE SINCERITY OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT'S INTENTIONS. RADIX REPLIED THAT HIS GOVERNMENT HAD ALREADY IN ITS WEEK IN OFFICE BEGUN TO REGISTER VOTERS IN ORDER TO ASSURE COMPLETE ELECTORAL ROLLS FOR AN ELECTION. HE NOTED THAT GAIRY HAD NOT MAINTAINED THE ROLLS CURRENT FOR A GOOD MANY YEARS. HE SAID HE COULD NOT NAME A DATE WHEN ELECTIONS WOULD TAKE PLACE, BUT THAT THE PROCESS OF COMPLETING THE ELECTORAL ROLLS COULD BE FINISHED IN A MONTH. HE SAID THAT ELECTIONS HAD TOP PRIORITY, AND HIS GOVERNMENT'S EARLY ACTIONS IN BEGINNING TO UPDATE THE ELECTORAL ROLLS SHOULD BE PROOF OF ITS GOOD FAITH. HEWITT NOTED WITH SATIS-

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FACTION THAT THE ELECTIONS WOULD BE OPEN TO OUTSIDE OBSERVERS, BUT SAID IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF HIS GOVERNMENT ACTUALLY INVITED OBSERVERS, PERHAPS FROM THE OAS. RADIX SAID THAT HE WOULD TAKE THIS UP WITH HIS PRINCIPALS.

4. HEWITT OBSERVED THAT THE ALLEGED MARXIST IDEOLOGY AND CONNECTIONS TO CUBA OF SOME MEMBERS OF THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT (NJM) HAD BEEN A CAUSE FOR CONCERN IN SOME CIRCLES, AND COULD ADVERSELY AFFECT THE IMAGE OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT. RADIX SAID THAT HE AND HIS ASSOCIATES WERE SOCIALISTS AND REFORMERS. HE SAID THEIR MAIN CONCERN WAS THE WELFARE OF THE PEOPLE OF GRENADA AND GETTING THE COUNTRY MOVING AGAIN. HE ADMITTED THAT SOME MEMBERS OF THE NJM HAD TRAVELED TO CUBA, BUT POINTED OUT THAT THEY HAD ALSO TRAVELED TO THE U.S., THE U.K., AND CANADA. HE REITERATED THAT HIS GOVERNMENT INTENDED TO PURSUE AN INDEPENDENT FOREIGN POLICY, AND THAT GRENADA WOULD NEVER SERVE AS A BASE FOR ANY FOREIGN POWER. HE SAID THAT HE HOPED

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HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD BE JUDGED BY DEEDS NOT WORDS

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5. RADIX SAID THAT THE TREASURY WAS EMPTY WHEN TAKEN OVER BY HIS GOVERNMENT AND THAT GRENADA WAS GOING TO NEED ALL THE HELP IT COULD GET IN ORDER TO SURVIVE. HE ASKED THAT THE U.S. CONSIDER PROVIDING AS MUCH ASSISTANCE AS POSSIBLE ON A SHORT-TERM BASIS. HEWITT ANSWERED THAT, ONCE THE MATTER OF RELATIONS HAD BEEN SETTLED, WE WOULD LOOK FORWARD TO BEING AS HELPFUL AS WE COULD WITHIN THE LIMITS OF OUR RESOURCES. HE

POINTED OUT THAT WE DO NOT HAVE BILATERAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS IN ANY OF THE WINDWARD AND LEEWARD ISLANDS, BUT THAT WE CHANNEL OUR ASSISTANCE, WHICH IS CONSIDERABLE; THROUGH THE CARIBBEAN

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DEVELOPMENT BANK (CDB). HOWEVER, IT WAS SOMETIMES POSSIBLE TO EARMARK OR DIRECT PORTIONS OF THESE LOANS IF WE SO DESIRED. HE ALSO SAID THAT THE QUICKEST AND SUREST WAY TO STIMULATE RESOURCE FLOWS WAS TO ATTRACT PRIVATE INVESTMENT. RADIX SAID THAT HIS GOVERNMENT GENUINELY WANTED PRIVATE INVESTMENT IN PRODUCTIVE AREAS. HE SAID TOURISM WAS VITAL TO THE ECONOMY, AND THAT GRENADA WOULD LIKE TO STIMULATE SMALL INDUSTRY. ITS MAIN EMPHASIS FOR SOMETIME WAS GOING TO BE ON RATIONALIZATION OF GRENADIAN AGRICULTURE, AND TO THE DEGREE FOREIGN INVESTMENT COULD CONTRIBUTE TO THAT GOAL, IT WAS WELCOME. HOWEVER, HE SAID HIS GOVERNMENT DID NOT INTEND TO PERMIT MORE INVESTMENT IN AREAS IT CONSIDERED UNPRODUCTIVE. HEWITT SUGGESTED THAT, ONCE IT HAD FORMULATED ITS POLICIES, IT MIGHT BE USEFUL IF GRENADA CAME FORWARD WITH A NEW, CLEAR, AND CONCISE INVESTMENT CODE SO THAT FOREIGN INVESTORS WOULD KNOW PRECISELY WHAT TO EXPECT. RADIX THOUGHT THIS WAS A GOOD IDEA AND SAID HE WOULD SUGGEST IT TO HIS GOVERNMENT.

6. HEWITT MENTIONED THE STORY APPEARING IN THE PRESS IN BRIDGETOWN THAT THE TWO U.S. TREASURY AGENTS WERE ACTUALLY HIT MEN BROUGHT IN TO ASSASSINATE THE NJM LEADERSHIP AND SUGGESTED THAT THIS KIND OF PREPOSTEROUS ALLEGATION WAS NOT HELPFUL IN FURTHERING OUR CORDIAL RELATIONS. HE SAID THAT, WHILE HE UNDERSTOOD THE NJM WAS IN NO WAY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE STORY, ANYTHING THE NEW GOVERNMENT COULD DO TO PUT THIS NONSENSE TO REST WOULD BE HELPFUL. RADIX SAID THIS

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STORY WAS FIRST FLOATED LAST WEEK BY GAIRY LOYALISTS

BUT THAT HIS GOVERNMENT PUT NO CREDENCE AT ALL IN

THIS STORY, AND THAT IT WOULD DO WHAT IT COULD TO

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7. RADIX WAS RELAXED AND OBVIOUS Y PLEASD AT HAVING BEEN ASKED TO LUNCH.

HE WAS INTENT ON GETTING ACROSS HIS GOVERNMENT'S PURPOSES AND CONVEYING ITS SINCERITY, AS WELL AS LEARNING AS MUCH AS HE COULD ABOUT U.S. VIEWS AT THIS POINT, BUT THE EXCHANGE WAS A PLEASANT AND CORDIAL ONE. RADIX IS A SMOOTH BUT JOVIAL 37-YEAR OLD BACHELOR WHO SAID HE WAS ONE OF THE FOUNDING MEMBERS OF THE NJM IN 1970. A ROMAN CATHOLIC, HE

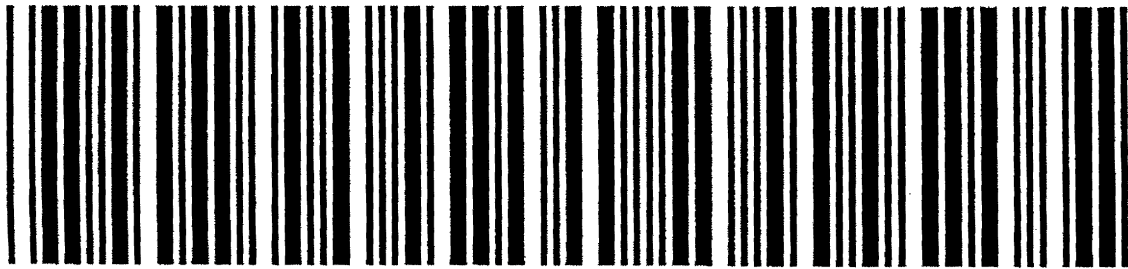
WAS EDUCATED IN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN GRENADA AND TOOK HIS UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF DUBLIN. THEREAFTER HE WAS CALLED TO THE BAR IN LONDON. BEFORE GOING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF DUBLIN, HE WORKED IN ENGLAND FOR SEVERAL YEARS IN THE ELECTRONICS FIELD. AFTER RETURNING TO GRENADA, HE OPENED HIS OWN LAW PRACTICE WHICH, HE SAID, SERVES PRIMARILY FARMERS AND WORKING MEN. THROUGH HIS PRACTICE HE BECAME SENSITIVE TO THE OUTRAGES OF THE GAIRY REGIME AND RESOLVED TO DEVOTE HIMSELF TO ITS DESTRUCTION. RADIX APPEARS TO BE HIGHLY INTELLIGENT, ENERGETIC, INTENSE BUT WITH A SENSE OF HUMOR, SINCERE, SHREWD, AND MORE SOPHISTICATED ABOUT THE WORLD AND THE WAY IT WORKS THAN MIGHT HAVE BEEN EXPECTED.

8. DECIMA WILLIAMS, AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE TO THE OAS, IS YOUNG, AND UNTIL RECENTLY (OR PERHAPS STILL) A UNIVERSITY STUDENT. SHE SEEMS INTELLIGENT BUT IS QUITE QUIET AND LARGELY LISTENED AND TOOK NOTES DURING THE ABOVE EXCHANGE. VANCE

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2. HERewith AN ADDITIONAL TALKING POINT FOR USE WHEN YOU MEET WITH PRIME MINISTER BISHOP MARCH 23:

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QTE -- ONLY THE FIRM COMMITMENT OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT TO FREE ELECTIONS CONTAINED IN ITS EARLY DECLARATIONS AND FREQUENTLY REITERATED SINCE, MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR THE USG TO FORMALLY CONTINUE RELATIONS WITH GRENADA AT THIS EARLY

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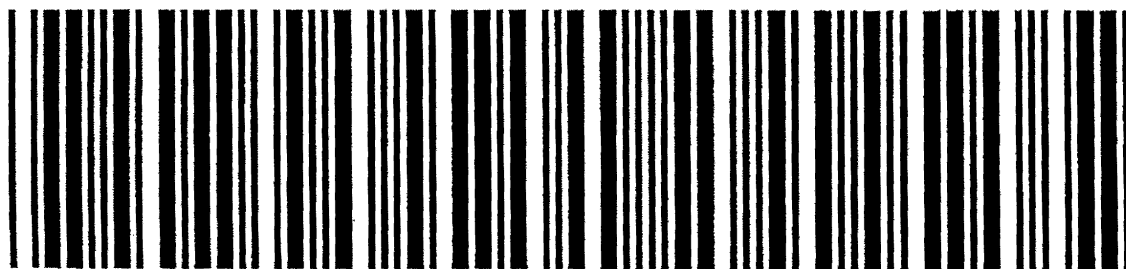
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SUBJ: GRENADA POLICY OPTIONS

REF: A) BRASILIA 2271 B) STATE 63301

1. (C) ENTIRE TEXT.

2. HAVE JUST SEEN MESSAGE FROM ROWLANDS RESPONDING TO
REFTEL B. OUTCOME OF CARICOM FOREIGN MINISTER'S MEETING
WAS ABOUT AS EXPECTED. JAMAICA AND GUYANA WILL SOON PURSUE
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INDEPENDENT COURSES VIS-A-VIS GRENADA. ACCORDING TO
COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AT END OF CONFERENCE THE GRENADIAN
REPRESENTATIVE, "FURTHER RENEWED THE FIRM UNDERTAKING OF THE
REGIME TO HOLD FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS AND GAVE THE

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ASSURANCE THAT STEPS WILL BE TAKEN IMMEDIATELY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MACHINERY NECESSARY FOR THE EARLY IMPLEMENTATION OF THAT OBJECTIVE". THE MINISTERS ACCEPTED THESE ASSURANCES. THEY CERTAINLY READ WELL BUT THEIR EXECUTION MAY RESULT IN ONLY A VERY SKIMPY FIG LEAF.

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3. IT IS ENCOURAGING THAT WE ALL AGREE THAT ANY SANCTIONS AT THIS STAGE WOULD BE COUNTER PRODUCTIVE. AT THE INSISTENCE OF THE GOVERNMENT OF ANTIGUA, WHICH IS PARTICULARLY UPSET BY GRENADIAN EVENTS, THE REGIONAL AIRLINE LIAT WAS NOT FLYING INTO GRENADA YESTERDAY. LIAT HEADQUARTERS IS IN ANTIGUA. THIS RESULTED IN THE STRANDING OF HUNDREDS OF TOARISTS WISHING TO LEAVE AND COULD HAVE FED ONLY TENDENCY TOWARDS PARANOIA IN THE NEW GOVERNMENT. I SPOKE YESTERDAY TO PRIMIN ADAMS ABOUT THIS AND THE ORDERING BACK TO BARBADOS OF A PLANELOAD OF AMERICAN CORRESPONDENTS BY THE BARBADOS GOVERNMENT AFTER THEY WERE AIRBORN. ADAMS SPOKE OF TRANSPORTATION PROBLEMS ARISING FROM THE EMERGENCY MEETING IN BRIDGETOWN. TODAY LIAT IS FLYING, BUT MOST PROBABLY NOT BECAUSE OF ANYTHING WE DID.

4. WE CONFIRM ROWLAND'S COMMENTS ON THE EXISTENCE OF GROUPS ON OTHER ISLANDS WHICH ARE SIMILAR TO THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT. THEY ARE OF VARYING STRENGTH. WE SHALL PROVIDE EN AREA WIDE WRAP-SP SOON BUT FILES CONTAIN OUR PREVIOUS REPORTS. THESE GROUPS ARE UNDOUBTEDLY MUCH HEARTENED BY THE TURN OF EVENTS IN GRENADA. THE QUESTION IS WHAT WILL BE THE UK'S

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RESPONSE TO THIS SITUATION. THE UK'S ROLE IN GRENADA DID MUCH TO ASSURE THE SUCCESS OF THE COUP. FMR ALMOST A YEAR THE UK CUZ OFF ASSISTANCE TO GRENADA. THIS WAS DONE LARGELY AT THE INSISTENCE OF MINISTER FOR OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT, JUDITH HART, BUT I UNDERSTAND WAS SUPPORTED BY ROWLANDS, BECAUSE GAIRY, ALWAYS READY TO PLAY THE INTERNATIONAL STATESMAN, PUBLICLY ALIGNED HIMSELF WITH CHILE. ONLY IN PAST WEEKS DID THE BRITISH DECIDE TO RESUME ASSISTANCE TO GRENADA. ALSO WHEN THE GUN SMUGGLING OPERATION TO GRENADA WAS UNCOVERED IN THE U.S. AND ARRESTS WERE MADE LINKING THE ARMS RUNNERS TO THE NEW JEWEL, THE BRITISH DESPITE A DIRECT PERSONAL REQUEST BY ME ON FEBRUARY 7 WOULD NOT ASSIST US IN INVESTIGATING THE RAMIFICATIONS OF WHAT WAS CLEARLY UNDERWAY (SEE BRIDGETOWN 511).

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BRITISH FOR ASSISTANCE IN INVESTIGATING THE MATTER I UNDERSTAND THEY TOO WERE TURNED DOWN MAKING IT NECESSARY FOR US TO REQUEST THE DESPATCH OF AMERICAN INVESTIGATIVE AGENTS.

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5. IT MAY NOT HURT TO REMIND THE BRITISH OF THE FOREGOING. PERHAPS IT WILL SERVE TO IMPOSE ON THEM A SENSE OF OBLIGATION FOR THE SECURITY RESPONSIBILITIES THEY OBVIOUSLY ARE NOT TOO EAGER TO ASSUME.

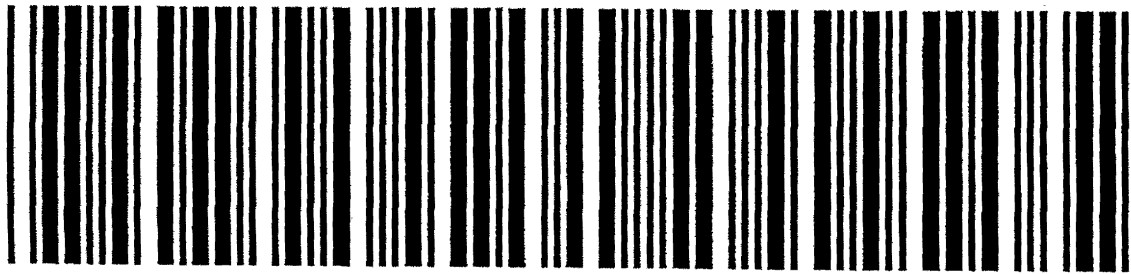
6. ROWLANDS ASSUMES I HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED THAT "NO FORMAL ACT OF RECOGNITION WILL BE REQUIRED BY THE U.S..." WHEN THOSE INSTRUCTIONS COME I WOULD RECOMMEND I BE INSTRUCTED AT A DATE NOT TOO FAR IN THE FUTURE TO GO TO GRENADA FOR FIRST-HAND TALKS WITH BISHOP AND COMPANY.

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- 1. HERewith MEDIA REACTION TO GRENADA COUP MAR 16:
- 2. ADVOCATE LEAD STORY: NJM SPOKESMAN DISAPPOINTED--
COUP MEN LOOK TO RECOGNITION. QUOTE: RECOGNITION OF
THE NEW REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA IS EXPECTED
WITHIN THE NEXT 24 HOURS BY SOME CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES
WHICH LATE LAST NIGHT ENDED A MEETING IN BARBADOS TO
DISCUSS THE COUP.

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NEW REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT, MR. GEORGE LOUISON, WHO PUT THE
CASE FOR RECOGNITION. BUT AT THE END OF THE CONFERENCE HE
ADMITTED DISAPPOINTMENT WITH THE MANNER IN WHICH THE TALKS WERE
CONDUCTED AND SAID THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTERS TRIED

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"HE CONFIDENTLY ADMITTED THAT THE NEW NJM GOVERNMENT WOULD BE RECOGNIZED, PROBABLY, FROM TODAY BY SOME CARIBBEAN GOVERNMENTS. BUT HE POINTED OUT THAT WITH OR WITHOUT RECOGNITION THE REVOLUTION IN GRENADA WAS IRREVERSIBLE. JAMAICAN REPRESENTATIVE DUNKLEY, PUBLIC UTILITIES AND TRADE MINISTER, SAID THAT HE EXPECTED SOME COUNTRIES TO GIVE THEIR RECOGNITION WITHIN THE NEXT 48 HOURS.

"THIS APPEARS NOT TO BE THE VIEW OF THE BARBADOS GOVERNMENT. LAST NIGHT EXTERNAL MINISTER FORDE SAID BARBADOS MAIN PRIORITY WAS TO SEE STABILITY AND A RETURN TO CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. FORDE SAID BARBADOS WILL CONTINUE TO WORK TOWARD THIS OBJECTIVE. HE ALSO SAID HIS GOVERNMENT HOPED THAT THE GRENADIAN EXPERIENCE WOULD BE AN ISOLATED ONE IN THE REGION.

"THE END OF CONFERENCE STATEMENT SAID THE MINISTERS HAD AGREED TO ADVISE THEIR HEADS OF GOVERNMENT OF ALL DISCUSSIONS. THIS IS BELIEVED BY SOURCES TO BE THE FORERUNNER TO RECOGNITION BY JAMAICA AND GUYANA.

"BARBADOS POSITION IS THAT RECOGNITION IS NOT THE FIRST PRIORITY AND THAT RECOGNITION ITSELF DOES NOT MEAN APPROVAL OF THE FORM OF GOVERNMENT. ALL THE OBSTACLES TO RECOGNITION HAD BEEN CLEARED AND THAT DEVELOPMENTS IN GRENADA YESTERDAY HAD GONE FAR IN THAT DIRECTION.

"THIS FACT WAS BROUGHT OUT BY THE END OF CONFERENCE STATEMENT THAT 'MINISTERS WELCOMED NEWS THAT THE

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GOVERNOR-GENERAL HAD PUBLICLY EXPRESSED HIS INTENTION TO ASSIST IN FINDING A CONSTITUTIONAL SOLUTION'.

"BOTH IN THE CONFERENCE STATEMENT AND IN INDIVIDUAL STATEMENTS MINISTERS OPPOSED FOREIGN INTERFERENCE STATING THAT THE MATTER WAS ENTIRELY FOR GRENADA TO SETTLE. THE STATEMENT SAID: 'MR. LOUISON REAFFIRMED THE REGIME'S INTENTION TO ADHERE TO THE EXISTING INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS WITHIN THE FRAME OF THE WEST INDIES (ASSOCIATED STATES) COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AS WELL AS THE CARICOM INTEGRATION MOVEMENT. MR. LOUISON FURTHER SUPPORTED THE PRINCIPLES OF SOVEREIGNTY AND NON-INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF STATES. MR. LOUISON FURTHER RENEWED THE FIRM UNDERTAKING OF THE REGIME TO HOLD FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS AND GAVE THE ASSURANCE THAT STEPS WOULD BE TAKEN IMMEDIATELY

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FOR THE EARLY IMPLEMENTATION OF THAT OBJECTIVE. HE GAVE THE ASSURANCE THAT THERE WOULD BE NO VICTIMIZATION OR HARASSMENT OF POLITICAL OPPONENTS AND THAT THERE WOULD BE RETURN TO CONSTITUTIONALITY. THE MINISTERS ACCEPTED THESE ASSURANCES."

"ALSO ATTENDING WERE ST LUCIA PRIME MINISTER JOHN COMPTON, AND CUYANA FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTER RASHLEIGH JACKSON. MINEX FROM DOMINICA LEO AUSTIN DID NOT ATTEND. END QUOTE.

2. ADVOCATE NEWS STORY: IT'S A MATTER FOR GRENADIANS. QUOTE: OPPOSITION LEADER ERROL BARROW HAS SAID THAT ACCEPTANCE OF THE MAURICE BISHOP REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA IS A MATTER FOR THE PEOPLE OF THAT COUNTRY. HE DEPLORED THE HOLDING OF A MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS IN BARBADOS SAYING THAT 'IT DOES NOT DEPEND ON THE APPROVAL OF THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT, THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT, THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT, OR ANY MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS IN BARBADOS'. 'THE LEGALITY OF A REVOLUTION DEPENDS ON ITS

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SUCCESS.' HE SAID THAT IF THE PEOPLE IN GRENADA DO NOT WISH THE BISHOP GOVERNMENT IT WILL REMOVE THAT GOVERNMENT EITHER BY ELECTIONS OR BY ANOTHER REVOLUTION. 'BUT IT IS A MATTER FOR THE PEOPLE OF GRENADA', HE ADDED...MR. BARROW ALSO SAID THAT EX-PRIME MINISTER GAIRY WAS NOT ONE OF HIS FAVORITE LEADERS. HE SAID THAT (GAIRY GOVERNMENT) DID NOT HAVE MUCH RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS IN THAT COUNTRY. END QUOTE.

3. ADVOCATE NEWS STORY: LIAT STOPS FLIGHTS TO GRENADA. QUOTE: ALL FLIGHTS BY ANTIGUA-BASED LIAT INTO GRENADA HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED INDEFINITELY. THIS ACTION IS BELIEVED IN KEEPING WITH THE STRONG POSITION THE ANTIGUA GOVERNMENT HAS TAKEN AGAINST THE NEW REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT..WORD OF THE CANCELLATION CAME FROM LIAT'S HEAD OFFICES IN ANTIGUA. NO REASONS WERE GIVEN... ANTIGUA WAS UNABLE TO TAKE PART IN THE CARICOM FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING IN BARBADOS BECAUSE IT IS NOT YET INDEPENDENT. END QUOTE.

4. ADVOCATE NEWS STORY: 'NEW REGIME WILL NOT GIVE UP EASILY TO INTERVENTION. QUOTE: (GRENADA REPRESENTATIVE) GEORGE LOUISON PROMISED A TREMENDOUS STRUGGLE

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IF THERE WERE ANY ATTEMPTS BY OUTSIDE FORCES TO INTERFERE WITH THE RECENT COUP THERE. HE SAID THAT THE REVOLUTION WAS IRREVERSIBLE AND THAT THE REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT WAS IN TOTAL COMMAND. (SPEAKING WITH THE PRESS ON INTERVENTION) HE SAID 'WE SEE BASICALLY THREE SOURCES FROM WHICH THAT ACTIVITY COULD COME. FIRST OF ALL THERE IS CHILE, WHICH HAS MANTAINED VERY CLOSE TIES WITH THE GAIRY DICTATORSHIP*..THEN THERE WERE THE COUNTRIES TO WHICH SIR ERIC HAD APPLIED FOR ARMS, HE SAID, ALTHOUGH NOTING THAT BRITAIN AND CANADA HAD TURNED SIR ERIC

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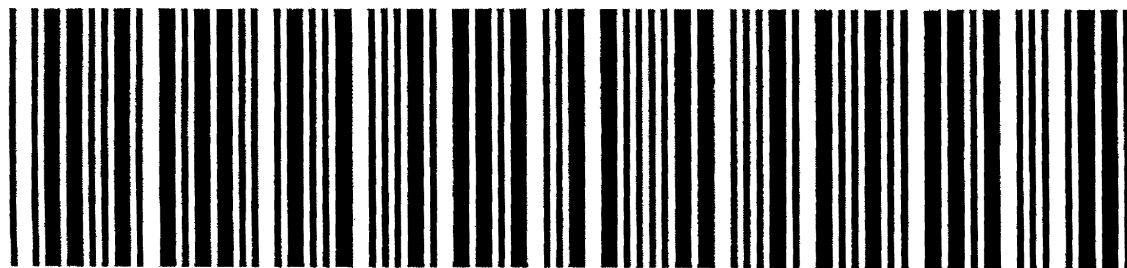
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"THE OTHER THREAT HE SAW COULD COME FROM MERCENARIES; THE MAFIA; AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL GANGSTERS WHOM HE SAID WERE CONNECTED TO THE OUSTED PRIME MINISTER. END QUOTE.

5. EXCLUSIVE MESSAGE TO THE NATION NEWSPAPER FROM SIR ERIC GAIRY WILL BE REPORTED SEPTTEL.
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SUBJECT: GRENADA IN THE OFFICIAL JAMAICAN PRESS

- 1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.
- 2. THE JAMAICA DAILY NEWS, OWNED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA, IN ITS HEADLINE PAGE ONE STORY ON MARCH 16 ENTITLED "HANDS OFF GRENADA" ALLEGES THAT "JAMAICA HAS MADE DIPLOMATIC CONTACT WITH THE BRITISH AND AMERICAN EMBASSIES EXPRESSING THE HOPE THAT THERE WILL BE NO INTERFERENCE BY THESE NATIONS IN THE CURRENT GRENADA SITUATION"

LATER IN THE SAME ARTICLE WORLD PEACE COUNCIL SECRETARY GENERAL, THE WELL KNOWN INDIAN COMMUNIST ROMESH CHANDRA, IS REPORTED AS HAVING TOLD THE PAPER THAT PRIME MINISTERS MANLEY AND FORBES BURNHAM HAD CONTACTED THE BRITISH AND AMERICAN AMBASSADORS TO TELL THEM "HANDS OFF".

- 3. THE DAILY NEWS STORY IS VERY CLEARLY A DISHONEST ATTEMPT TO PUT THE UNITED STATES IN THE FALSE POSITION OF BEING READY TO INTERFERE

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IN GRENADA. WHILE WE COULD NOT REFUTE AN ALLEGATION THAT ALTHOUGH GOVERNMENT OWNED, THE DAILY NEWS STORIES ARE NOT WRITTEN OR APPROVED BY THE GOVERNMENT, THERE IS NO EXCUSE FOR THE GOVERNMENT NOT TO ISSUE A DENIAL OF THE DAILY NEWS ALLEGATIONS AND TO GET US OUT OF

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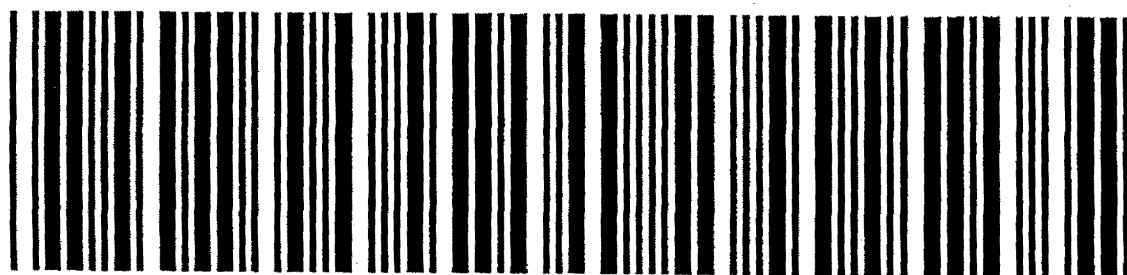
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THE BAD LIGHT IN WHICH THEIR ORGAN HAS PUT US! WE HAVE CONVEYED THIS TO DON BRICE, PERM SEC AT THE FOREIGN OFFICE, WHO PROMISED TO LOOK INTO IT AND SEE WHETHER THE GOVERNMENT COULD MAKE A STATEMENT CORRECTING THE SITUATION. THE BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER WILL MAKE THE SAME PITCH TO FRANK FRANCIS, THE OTHER PERM SEC AT THE FOREIGN OFFICE. THE FOREIGN MINISTER IS OUT OF THE COUNTRY).

4. FOR THE DEPARTMENT'S INFORMATION, FRAANCIS CALLED THE CHARGE LATE ON THE EVENING OF MARCH 13 TO ASK ABOUT THE USG VIEW OF THE COUP IN GRENADA, AND TO SAY HE HOPED OUR RESPONSE TO GAIRY'S REQUEST FOR SUPPORT WOULD NOT "STRIKE A SPARK" IN WASHINGTON. THIS WAS CONVEYED TO ARA/CAR OFFICE DIRECTOR HEWITT BY TELEPHONE. HEWITT GAVE A RUNDOWN OF THE USG REACTION TO THE COUP, WHICH WAS THAT WE ARE IN CLOSE CONSULTATION WITH PEOPLE IN AND OUTSIDE THE AREA WHOSE INTERESTS AND KNOWLEDGE OF THE GRENADIAN SITUATION WERE GREATER THAN OURS, AND THAT WE WERE AWAITING THE OUTCOME OF THE CARICOM FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING.

5. WE WILL CONTINUE TO STAY IN TOUCH WITH THE FOREIGN OFFICE ON THIS AND REPORT RESULTS. MEANWHILE WE RECOMMEND THAT THE DEPARTMENT EXPEDITE AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE SOURCE OF THE ARMS REACHING BISHOP'S PEOPLE IN GREANDA AND IF WARRANTED GIVE ADEQUATE PUBLICITY TO THE RESULTS.
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1. YESTERDAY EVENING A PACKAGE WAS DELIVERED BY HAND TO THE EDITOR OF THE NATION NEWSPAPER, BRIDGETOWN. IN IT WAS AN EXCLUSIVE MESSAGE TO GRENADIANS FROM PRIME MINISTER SIR ERIC GAIRY. THE NATION FRONT-PAGED IT WITH THE HEADLINE "MESSAGE TO MY PEOPLE".

2. FULL TEXT FOLLOWS:

QUOTE: GOD HAS BLESSED US WITH FAITH AND COURAGE.
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MY DEAR PEOPLE OF GRENADA, CARRIACOU AND PETIT MARTINIQUE, WE MUST CONTINUE TO HAVE FAITH IN GOD AND, WITH COURAGE, HAVE CONFIDENCE IN THE WONDROUS WORKS THAT CAN BE WROUGHT BY HIS DIVINE POWER.

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"OUR BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY WITH ITS LOVELY PEOPLE AND FERTILE LANDS HAS BEEN PESTERED OVER THE LAST SIX YEARS BY PEOPLE WHO WISH TO GET CONTROL OF OUR NATION BY THE BULLET RATHER THAN THE BALLOT BOX.

"I AM QUITE CERTAIN THAT MANY PEOPLE WHO WERE IN DOUBT IN THE 1973/74 CRISIS IN GRENADA REGARDING THE MOTIVE AND THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT WOULD GO ARE NOW VERY CLEAR IN THEIR MINDS. THE INTENTION OF THE JEWEL HAS ALWAYS BEEN TO TAKE OUR COUNTRY BY ARMS AND TURN IT FROM A GOD-FEARING DEMOCRATIC, RELIGIOUS, PEACEFUL AND HAPPY PEOPLE ENJOYING ALL POSSIBLE FREEDOMS. YES, AND TURN IT INTO A TERRORIST-REGIMENTED GUN-SLINGING COUNTRY VOID OF ALL THE INHERENT FREEDOMS ALL GRENADIANS HAVE BEEN ACCUSTOMED TO ENJOY.

"IN THE 1973/74 CRISIS THEY LIED TO THE WORLD; THEY LIED TO THEIR PARENTS AND TO OUR CHURCHES. THEY EXPRESSED INNOCENCE; THEY CLAIMED HUMAN RIGHTS; THEY SOUGHT SYMPATHY; THEY SOUGHT HELP, ALL OF WHICH THEY COPIOUSLY RECEIVED WITHOUT HESITATION AND WITH THE GREATEST FOURISH AND EXCITEMENT.

"HOWEVER, LESS THAN TWO YEARS AGO THE DEPUTY LEADER OF THE TERRORIST JEWEL MOVEMENT, KENRICK RADIX MADE AN ASTOUNDING CONFESSION IN WHICH HE ADMITTED THAT THEY HAD TAKEN UP ARMS AGAINST A
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CONSTITUTIONALLY AND DEMOCRATICALLY ELECTED GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE, BY THE PEOPLE, AND FOR THE PEOPLE. A GOVERNMENT THAT RESPECTS LAW AND ORDER, JUSTICE AND FAIR PLAY, THE CHURCH AND OUR ELDERS.

"IN TRYING TO FORTIFY THEMSELVES, THE TERRORISTS HAVE BEEN COMING OVER THE RADIO WITH NOTHING BUT LIES, PLENTY OF THEM.

"OUR TRIP TO NEW YORK WAS PLANNED ABOUT A MONTH AGO AND WE KNEW NOTHING ABOUT THE JEWEL'S PLANNED ATTACK. IN NEW YORK WE HAD A MEETING ARRANGED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS FOR 11 O'CLOCK ON TUESDAY MARCH 13 AMONG OTHERS ON THAT SAME DAY. ON WEDNESDAY WE WERE TO MEET WITH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UNICEF

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At 11 o'clock, in the morning among others on that same day. On Thursday March 15 we were to meet with Mrs. Jean Young, wife of the Ambassador of the United States Andrew Young, she being the chairperson of the US Commission on the International Year of the Child.

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"THE TWOMAIN THRUSTS OF OUR VISIT TO NEW YORK IN OUR CAPACITY AS CHAIRMAN AND DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE GRENADA NATIONAL COMMISSION OF IYC, WERE FIRSTLY TO DISCUSS THE EWELFARE OF GRENADA'S CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH THOSE DISTINGUISHED PERSONS I HAVE JUST MENTIONED WITH A VIEW TO GETTING A PROGRAMME SPONSORED FOR THEM, INVOLVING SCHOLARHSIPS ABROAD AND A MORE ACTIVE AND MEANINGFUL INVOLVEMENT OF GRENADA'S CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN THIS WORLD DECLARATION OF INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE CHILD.

"AND ALSO THE POSSIBILITY OF THE WORLD BODY CONVENING A CONFERENCE IN GRENADA UNDER THE SPONSORSHIP OF UNICEF; SECONDLY AND AS PER USUAL TO TRY TO ENCOURAGE INVESTORS TO GRENADA FOR THE PURPOSE OF UNCLASSIFIED

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GENERATING GREATER ECONOMIC FLOW AND AT THE SAME TIME PROVIDING MORE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR SO MANY YOUNG UNEMPLOYED PEOPLE.

"NOW BY THE FORCE OF CIRCUMSTANCES OUR EFFORTS HERE ARE BEING DIRECTED TO GETTING THE NECESSARY ASSISTANCE TO STOP THE REVOLUTIONIST NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT IN THEIR AMBITION TO CONTROL THE LIVES OF 120,000 PEOPLE BY WEAPONRY RECEIVED FROM THEIR COUNTERPARTS IN WASHINGTON FROM WHERE TWO OF THEM WERE ARRESTED A FEW WEEKS AGO; CARLYLE WARDALLY AND CHESTER HJMPHREY WHO WERE ALLEDGEDLY CAUGHT WITH SO CALLED DRUMS OF PETROLEUM JELLY WHEREAS IN FACT THEY WERE DRUMS OF AMMUNITION.

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"THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT, CLAIMING TO CONTROL THE GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA RECEIVED THREE DRUMS WHICH CAME INTO GRENADA ON SEPTEMBER 6 AND WAS TAKEN OUT OF THE CUSTOMS ON SEPTEMBER 8, LOADED ON A TRUCK AND DROPPED AT THE HOME OF JEWEL LEADER UNISON WHITEMAN.

"TWO OF THE THREE CONTAINERS WERE FOUND OFF THE PAILES BACOLET BEACH. THEY WERE EMPTY. PERMISSION WAS SOUGHT BY THE GOVERNMENT AGENTS RESPONSIBLE FOR PREPARING AND PRESENTING THE CASE OF THE WASHINGTON ARREST WEEKS AGO TO VISIT GRENADA TO TALK WITH THE POLICE AND OTHER PEOPLE ON THAT LEVEL.

"THEY WERE NOT MINISTERS NOR PARLIAMENTARIANS NOR POLITICANS OF ANY SORT AND THEY REQUESTED ABSOLUTELY UNCLASSIFIED

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NO APPOINTMENT WITH ME OR MY MINISTERS AND THEREFORE MY COMING TO NEW YORK HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE ISSUE OR GETTING AWAY FROM THE ISSUE.

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DONOVAN AND THE POLICE OFFICES AHAT HAVE BEEN HELD AS HOSTAGES AND FORCED TO READ THE JEWEL STATEMENTS AS THOUGH THEY WERE GIVING MESSAGES TO OUR PEOPLE ARE MOST CERTAINLY BEING DENIED THEIR HUMAN RIGHTS.

"I ADVISE ALL YOU GOOD PEOPLE OF GRENADA, HOLD FAST; DO NOT SUCCUMB TO WHAT YOU HEAR ON RADIO GRENADA FOR THEY ARE ONLY THOUGHTS AND AMBITIONS OF THE JEWEL REVOLUTIONARIES HOLDING OUR MEN AT GUNPOINT.

"PRAY AT HOME, PRAY PRIVATELY AND SILENTLY. WE SHALL BE COMING SHORTLY WITH ALL THE NECESSARY HELP TO BRING THE JEWEL DOWN TO THEIR SENSES. I HAVE THE FULLEST CONFIDENCE OF THE ENTIRE GRENADA POLICE FORCE AND THE MILITARY FORCE BOTH OF WHICH HAVE HAD EXTREMELY ROUGH TIMES FROM THE JEWEL LEADERS AND MORE PARTICULARLY DURING THE CRISIS OF 73-74.

"LET THE JEWEL NOT FOOL THEMSELVES. GRENADA WILL NEVER, I REPEAT NEVER BE QUIET UNDER A GUNPOINT REVOLUTIONARY SELF-APPOINTED JEWEL GOVERNMENT.

"MY DEAR PEOPLE, HAVE FAITH IN GOD, HAVE COURAGE, HAVE CONFIDENCE IN MY CONTINUED LEADERSHIP, AS HEAD OF THE DULY ELECTED GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA WHICH IS RESPECTED BY EVERY NATION OF THE FREE WORLD. DON'T EVER GIVE UP. WE ARE NOT ALONE IN THE STRUGGLE IN THE CARIBBEAN FOR EVERY GOVERNMENT IN THE CARIBBEAN HAS BEEN UNCLASSIFIED

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GIVEN THEMANDATE TO GOVERN THROUGH THE PROCESS OF FREE DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS.

"YES, WE HAVE FOUGHT LONG AND HARD FOR FREE DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS; AND THOUGH SOME OF US MAY DIE, AND SOME HAVE ACTUALLY DIED IN THE STRUGGLE TO MAINTAIN THE FREEDOM, THOSE OF US WHO SURVIVE WILL CONTINUE TO ENJOY SUCH AND ALL OTHER FREEDOMS; FREEDOM OF WORSHIP; FREEDOM FROM FEAR AND WANT, FREEDOM THAT GIVES US THE RIGHT TO OWN.

"MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL. YOU WILL HEAR MORE OF MY VOICE THROUGH THIS AND OTHER MEDIA. MAY GOD BLESS YOU. END QUOTE. END FULL TEXT. ORTIZ

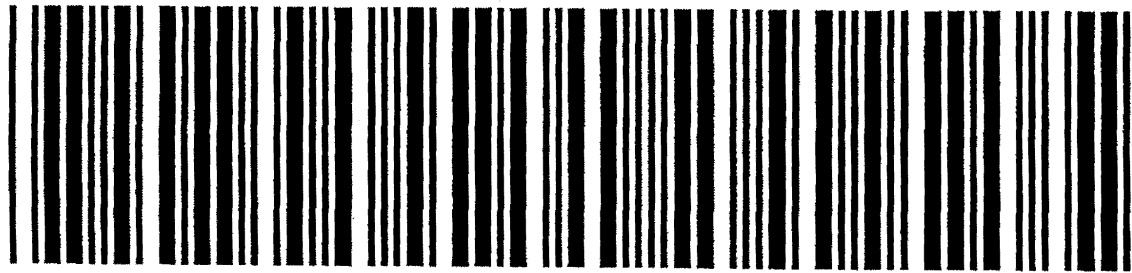
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2. WELL-KNOWN, FRIENDLY GRENADIAN TRADE UNION OFFICIAL HAS BEEN IN CONTACT BY PHONE WITH LEADERS OF CARIBBEAN CONGRESS OF LABOR (CCL) AND LOCAL AIFLD OFFICE. THEY HAVE INFORMED EMBASSY OFFICIAL OF VIEWS EXPRESSED BY THIS LABOR LEADER.
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3. HE DESCRIBES SITUATION IN GRENADA AS CALM AND QUIET ON OUTSIDE, WITH MAJORITY OF PEOPLE FEELING SHOCK OVER SUDDEN SUCCESSFUL CHANGE IN GOVERNMENT. UNTIL SHOCK WEARS OFF, AND

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4. MEMBERS OF FORMER GOVERNMENT ARE STILL IN CUSTODY, AND
BEING MOVED FROM JAIL TO JAIL. ALTHOUGH ELECTIONS HAVE BEEN
PROMISED, THIS SOURCE IS DUBIOUS THAT REVOLUTIONARY
GROUP WILL HOLD SUCH ELECTIONS, AT LEAST NOT UNTIL
THEY CAN BE CERTAIN THEY WILL WIN.

5. OFFICIALS OF NEW GOVERNMENT ARE EXPECTED TO MEET WITH
TRADE UNION GROUPS SOON, AND SOURCE HOPES THIS WILL HELP
CLARIFY GOVERNMENT'S ATTITUDE TOWARDS DEMOCRATIC UNIONS.
HE NOTED THAT HE IS ON RECORD AS OPPOSING IDEOLOGICAL BENT
OF NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT, HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY LABELED BY THE
NJM AS A QUOTE CIA AGENT UNQUOTE, AND APPARENTLY DOES NOT
ANTICIPATE FRIENDLY MEETING.

6. CCL OFFICIAL INFORMS US HE MET MARCH 14 WITH JAMAICAN
MINISTER (CARLYLE DUNKLEY) TO CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY MINISTERS
MEETING IN BARBADOS, ALONG WITH PRESIDENT OF CCL, TO DISCUSS
POSSIBLE CCL COMMUNIQUE ON EVENTS IN GRENADA. GRENADIAN
UNION LEADER REQUESTED THEY HOLD BACK UNTIL THEY ARE
CERTAIN HOW NEW GOVERNMENT IS GOING TO TREAT DEMOCRATIC UNIONS.
CCL INTENDS TO WATCH SITUATION CLOSELY, AND WILL ISSUE
COMMUNIQUE IF THEY SEE ANY THREAT AGAINST CCL AFFILIATE
OR ITS LEADERS.

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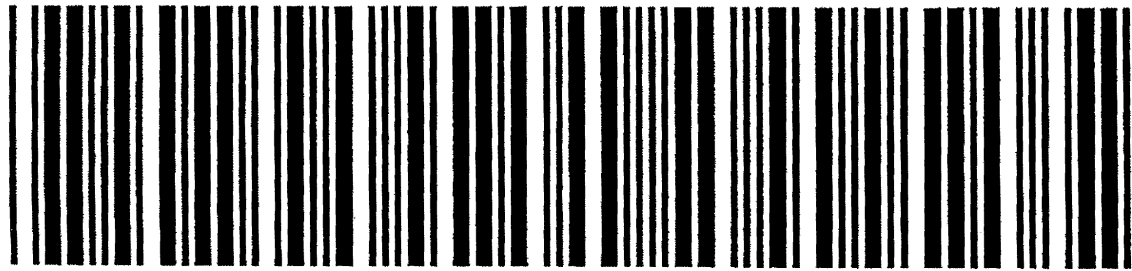
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TAGS: PINS, PINT, CS, GJ, GY
SUBJ: COUP D'ETAT IN GRENADA: GUYANESE REACTION.

1. APPARENTLY SUCCESSFUL COUP D'ETAT IN GRENADA AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT OF PRIME MINISTER ERIC GAIRY IS PRINCIPAL TOPIC OF CONVERSATION IN GUYANA. GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED PRESS (BOTH THE MORNING CHRONICLE AND AFTERNOON CITIZEN) HAVE GIVEN THE STORY BANNER HEADLINES AND THE COLUMNS ARE FULL OF DETAILS, MANY OF WHICH APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN OBTAINED FROM OVERSEAS TELEPHONE CALLS TO BARBADOS AND POSSIBLY GRENADA. THOUGH THERE HAS AS YET BEEN NO EDITORIAL COMMENT, THE STORIES THAT HAVE APPEARED TILT HEAVILY ON THE SIDE OF THE REBELS AND ARE UNSYMPATHETIC TO GAIRY.

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2. IN PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS WITH MANY GUYANESE BOTH IN AND OUT OF GOVERNMENT WE HAVE THE DISTINCT IMPRESSION THAT THE BURNHAM REGIME IS VERY PLEASED WITH THE APPARENT TAKE-OVER OF THE GRENADA GOVERNMENT BY

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MAURICE BISHOP AND THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT. BISHOP,
OF COURSE, IS WELL KNOWN HERE, HAVING TRAVELED TO
GUYANA ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS IN THE PAST AND HAVING
HAD HIGH LEVEL TALKS WITH PRIME MINISTER BURNHAM AS
WELL AS DR. CHEDDI JAGAN DURING THE COURSE OF THESE
VISITS. THE MOST RECENT VISIT OF WHICH WE ARE AWARE
TOOK PLACE IN 1978 AT WHICH TIME BISHOP
VISITED THE "/SECRET" GUYANA DEFENSE FORCE BASE
AT LOO CREEK.

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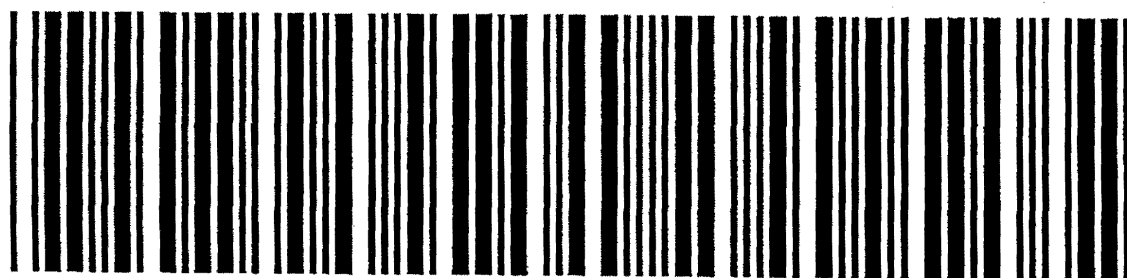
3. MANY OF OUR INTERLOCUTORS HAVE EXPRESSED CONCERN,
HOWEVER, AT THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE COUP IN GRENADA FOR
THE FUTURE OF CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT IN THE
COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN. HERE, AS ELSEWHERE, IN THE
FORMER BRITISH COLONIES, THERE IS AN INGRAINED RESPECT
FOR LEGAL PROCESSES AND NOW THAT A COUP HAS OCCURRED
WITHIN CARICOM, MANY SEEM FEARFUL THAT THE INFECTION
MIGHT SPREAD. ALREADY POSTERS HAVE APPEARED IN
CERTAIN PARTS OF GEORGETOWN CARRYING THE FOLLOWING
DEVIVHGC "THE SHAH IS GONE -- GAIRY IS GONE -- WHO
WILL BE NEXT;" THOUGH, AS STATED ABOVE, THE BURNHAM
GOVERNMENT SEEMS GENERALLY GLEEFUL OVER GAIRY'S
FALL THERE MAY NOW BE A GREATER TENDENCY ON ITS PART
TO GLANCE SOMEWHAT APPREHENSIVELY OVER ITS OWN
SHOULDER FROM TIME TO TIME.

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SUBJ: GRENADA: CARICOM MINISTERS ISSUE STATEMENT

1. SUMMARY. MINISTERS OF CARICOM STATES ENDED THEIR EMERGENCY MEETING ON GRENADA COUP LATE EVENING MARCH 15 AND ISSUED COMMUNIQUE CITING GRENADA REPS' ASSURANCES OF FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS AND A RETURN TO CONSTITUTIONALITY. THE MINISTERS STRESSED THERE SHOULD BE NO OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE IN THE GRENADA SITUATION. ALTHOUGH GRENADA REPRESENTATIVE REPORTEDLY UNHAPPY THAT THERE WAS NO CALL FOR FORMAL RECOGNITION HE AND JAMAICAN REPRESENTATIVE WERE QUOTED AS SAYING THAT INDIVIDUAL ACTS OF RECOGNITION
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FROM CARICOM COUNTRIES WERE EXPECTED IN NEXT COUPLE OF DAYS.
END SUMMARY.

2. CARICOM MINISTERS ISSUED FOLLOWING COMMUNIQUE AT

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"PRIME MINISTER JOHN COMPTON OF ST. LUCA AND MINISTERS OF OTHER INDEPENDENT STATES OF THE COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN MET AGAIN TODAY IN BARGBADOS TO CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS.

"IN A COMMUNIQUE ISSUED YESTERDAY, THE MINISTERS HAD AGREED ON A NUMBER OF STEPS INCLUDING IMMEDIATE AND APPROPRIATE CONSULTATIONS WITH THE REGIME IN GRENADA.

"IN THIS CONNECTION, MR. GEORGE LOUISON, A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE REGIME IN GRENADA, MET WITH THE MINISTERS IN BRIDGETOWN TODAY.

"AT THESE CONSULTATIONS, MR. LOUISON REAFFIRMED THE REGIME'S INTENTION TO ADHERE TO THE EXISTING INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE WEST INDIES (ASSOCIATED STATES) COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AS WELL AS TO THE CARICOM INTEGRATION MOVEMENT.

"MR. LOUISON FURTHER SUPPORTED THE PRINCIPLES OF SOVEREIGNTY AND NON-INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF STATES.

" MR. LOUISON FURTHER RENEWED THE FIRM UNDERTAKINGS OF THE REGIME TO HOLD FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS AND GAVE THE ASSURANCE THAT STEPS WILL BE TAKEN IMMEDIATELY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MACHINERY NECESSARY FOR THE EARLY IMPLEMENTATION OF THAT OBJECTIVE.
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"HE ALSO GAVE THE ASSUREANCE THAT THERE WOULD BE NO VICTIMISATION OR HARASSMENT OF POLITICAL OPPONENTS, AND THERE WOULD BE A RETURN TO CONSTITUTIONALITY. MINISTERS ACCEPTED THESE ASSURANCES.

"MINISTERS WELCOMED THE NEWS THAT THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL HAD NOW PUBLICLY EXPRESSED HIS INTENTION TO ASSIST IN FINDING A CONSTITUTIONAL SOLUTION.

"MINISTERS RE-AFFIRMED THAT THE AFFAIRS OF GRENADA ARE FOR THE PEOPLE OF THAT COUNTRY TO DECIDE AND THAT ACCORDINGLY THERE SHOULD BE NO OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE.

"MINISTERS WILL ADVISE THEIR HEADS OF GOVERNMENT OF

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CONSULTATION TO MONITOR DEVELOPMENTS AND TO ASSIST IN FINDING AN ACCEPTABLE SOLUTION. END TEXT./

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3. GRENADIAN REPRESENTATIVE LOUISON WAS REPORTEDLY DISAPPOINTED THAT THE MEETING DID NOT RECOMMEND RECOGNITION BY THE CARICOM STATES BUT HE SAID HE EXPECTED INDIVIDUAL ACTS OF RECOGNITION SOON. THE JAMAICAN REPRESENTATIVE DUNKLEY REPORTEDLY SAID THAT THE FIRST COUNTRY WILL RECOGNIZE GRENADA WITHIN 24 HOURS, AND OTHERS WILL FOLLOW WITHIN 48.

4. BARBADIAN FOREIGN MINISTER FORDE WAS QUOTED BY PRESS AS SAYING THAT RECOGNITION IS LESS A PRIORITY RIGHT NOW THAN IS STABILITY AND A RETURN TO CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT.

5. COMMENT: AS EXPECTED, OUTCOME OF MEETING WAS RELATIVELY INCONCLUSIVE WITH CARICOM STATES UNWILLING TO AGREE ON A COMMON FORMULA. WHILE THE BISHOP GROUP IN GRENADA DID NOT GET THEIR HOPED-FOR IMMEDIATE RECOGNITION,

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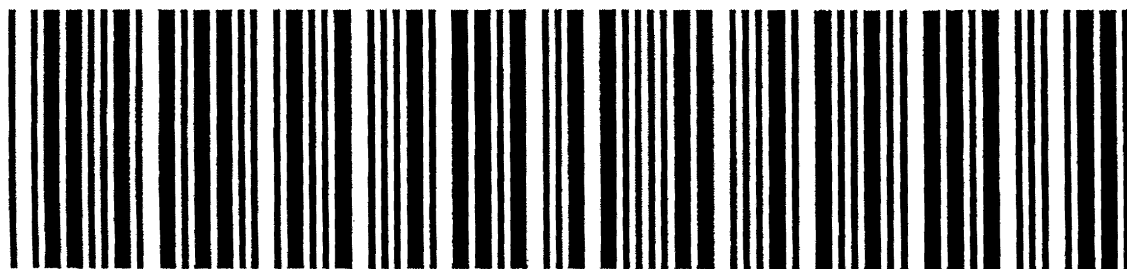
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THEY WERE GIVEN A HEARING. THEY WERE REPORTEDLY PLEASED TOO AT THE COMMUNIQUE'S REFERENCE TO THE IMPORTANCE OF THERE BEING NO OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE. ORTIZ

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SUBJECT: PRESS COVERAGE OF GRENADA

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1. GRENADA STORIES STILL DOMINATE THE LOCAL PRESS. THE ENTIRE FRONT PAGE OF "EXPRESS" FOR 3/16 IS DEVOTED TO GRENADA-RELATED STORIES, WITH THE LEAD ARTICLE HEADLINED "T'DAD SHUNS 'PREMATURE' SUMMIT". QUOTING FROM AN UNNAMED GOTT SOURCE, THE ARTICLE ASSERTS THAT GOTT CONSIDERED IT POINTLESS TO PARTICIPATE IN CARICOM MINISTERS MEETING IN BRIDGETOWN SINCE THERE HAD NOT BEEN SUFFICIENT TIME TO ASSESS DEVELOPMENTS IN GRENADA. UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES THE GOTT DID NOT RPT NOT BELIEVE IT HAD ANY CONTRIBUTION TO MAKE AT THE MEETING. TO OUR KNOWLEDGE THIS IS THE FIRST REPORT OF A GOTT REACTION TO THE GRENADA EVENTS TO APPEAR IN THE LOCAL MEDIA.

2. THE SAME ISSUE OF "EXPRESS" REPORTS ON A TELEPHONE INTERVIEW WITH MAURICE BISHOP OF 3/15 IN WHICH THE COUP UNCLASSIFIED

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LEADER SAID THAT A PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT FOR GRENADA WOULD BE NAMED 3/16 OR OVER THE WEEKEND. BISHOP STATED THAT HE HAD SPOKEN WITH THREE CARIBBEAN HEADS OF GOVERNMENT (NOT NAMED) "WHO EXPRESSED THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF OUR

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SITUATION AND INDICATED THEIR INTENTIONS TO SUPPORT US". BISHOP SAID IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO SAY WHEN ELECTIONS WOULD BE HELD. FYI. IN A TELEPHONE INTERVIEW WITH T&T TELEVISION Aired THE EVENING OF 3/15, BISHOP STATED THAT ELECTIONS SHOULD BE HELD IN THE SHORTEST POSSIBLE TIME, " I WOULD SAY WITHIN SIX MONTHS." END FYI. AS TO HIS GROUP'S POLITICAL IDEOLOGY, BISHOP STATED THAT "WE ARE SOCIALISTS. WE WILL FOLLOW THE SAME POLICY WE HAVE BEEN PUTTING FORWARD OVER THE YEARS".

3. AN ARTICLE BY SUNITY MAHARAJ IN "THE SUN" OF 3/15 REPORTS THAT AT A PRESS CONFERENCE IN TRINIDAD JUST OVER A MONTH AGO MAURICE BISHOP GAVE ERIC GAIRY A "FEW WEEKS" TO END "THE NEW WAVE OF REPRESSION" OR FACE AN "EXPLOSIVE" SITUATION. THE ARTICLE STRESSES THAT BISHOP AND HIS NJM COLLEAGUES HAVE BEEN FREQUENT VISITORS TO T&T, WHERE THEY HAVE HAD CLOSE LINKS WITH LEFTIST TRADE UNION LEADERS SUCH AS MICHAEL ALS OF THE BANK AND GENERAL WORKERS' UNION AND GEORGE WEEKES OF THE OILFIELDS WORKERS.

4. "THE GUARDIAN" OF 3/16, IN ADDITION TO CARRYING SEVERAL CANA ARTICLES ON GRENADA, REPORTS THAT THE CARIBBEAN CONFERENCE OF CHURCHES WILL BE SENDING A TEAM TO THAT COUNTRY TO "ASSESS THE SITUATION." CCC GENERAL SECRETARY, DR. ROY NEEHALL, IS REPORTED AS HAVING CABLED BISHOP EXPRESSING REGRET OVER "THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT" BUT WELCOMING THE PLEDGE THAT FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS WOULD BE RESPECTED. NEEHALL ALSO HOPED THAT THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY WOULD HELP PROVIDE GRENADA UNCLASSIFIED

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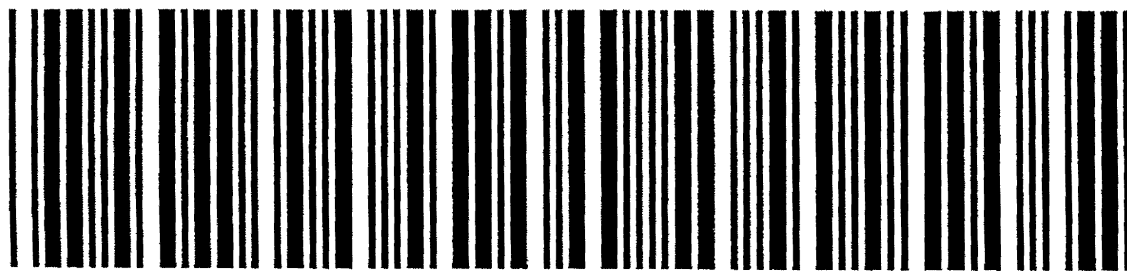
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THE URGENTLY NEEDED MORAL AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO OVERCOME ITS GREAT SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC PROBLEMS. NEEHALL'S CABLE WAS SENT IN RESPONSE TO A COMMUNICATION FROM BISHOP. FOX

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TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ

SUBJ: GRENADA: RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

1. (C) ENTIRE TEXT.
2. I MEET WITH CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSION, ALLAN ROGER, LATER TODAY TO COMPARE NOTES ON GRENADA. ROGER HAD A THREE HOUR INTIMATE DINNER WITH BISHOP AND HIS WIFE AS WELL AS TWO HOURS WITH CHOARD. ROGER HAD HIS ECONOMIC ASSISTANT PEOPLE ACCOMPANY HIM. HE ALSO FOUND NEW GOVERNMENT AVIDLY INTERESTED IN CONTINUING TO RECEIVE ASSISTANCE. HE FOUND CHOARD RELAXED AND PRAGMATIC. WE SHALL REPORT AT GREATER LENGTH LATER.
3. I HAD A LENGTHY RELAXED TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH BISHOP THIS MORNING. I ADVISED HIM THAT FSO KOELEMAY WHO EARLIER I HAD TOLD HIM WOULD BE GOING TO GRENADA FOR A WHILE WAS UNABLE TO COME. I TOLD MR. BISHOP I HOPED SOON WE WOULD HAVE ANOTHER OFFICER IN PLACE WITH WHOM HE WOULD FEEL COMFORTABLE IN DEALING. HE ASKED ME IF I COULD TELL
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HIM WHO IT WOULD BE SINCE HE WANTED TO KNOW BEFOREHAND. I SAID I WAS HOPING TO GET FSO BULLEN FROM CARACAS. BISHOP READILY AGREED. HE SUGGESTED I NOT SEND ANY ONE OVER FROM PEACE CORPS FOR A COUPLE OF WEEKS. HE SAID

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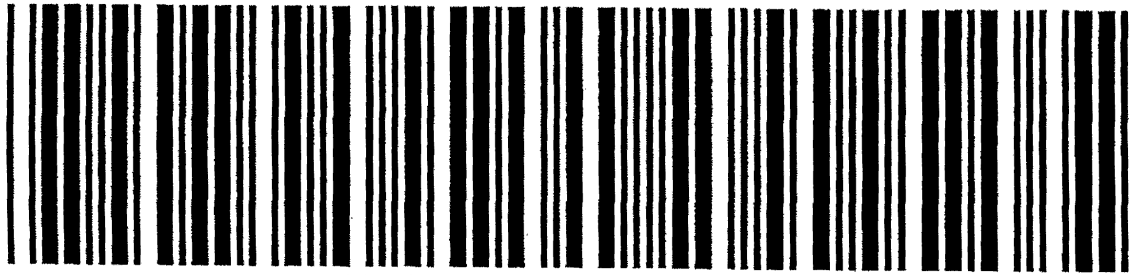
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BISHOP IF HE HAD ANY COMPLAINTS OR PROBLEMS TO CALL
ME ON MY DIRECT NUMBER. HE SAID HE WOULD.
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SUBJ: GRENADA: THE TREVOR MUNROE CONNECTION

1. (C) ENTIRE TEXT.
2. CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER ROGER OBSERVED THAT A COMMON THREAD UNITING THE LEADERSHIP OF THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT IS THE FACT THAT THEY HAD STUDIED OR TAUGHT AT THE MONA (JAMAICA CAMPUS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WEST INDIES, AND, WHILE THERE, HAD HAD CONTACT WITH TREVOR MUNROE. ACCORDING TO HIGH COMMISSIONER ROGER, MUNROE MUST BE CONSIDERED ONE OF THE MOST EFFECTIVE HARD-CORE COMMUNISTS IN THE WEST INDIES. MUNROE IS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE WORKERS PARTY OF JAMAICA.

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3. THE MONA CAMPUS ITSELF IS CASTIGATED BY CONSERVATIVE LEADERS THROUGHOUT THE CARIBBEAN AS A HOTBED OF MARXISM.
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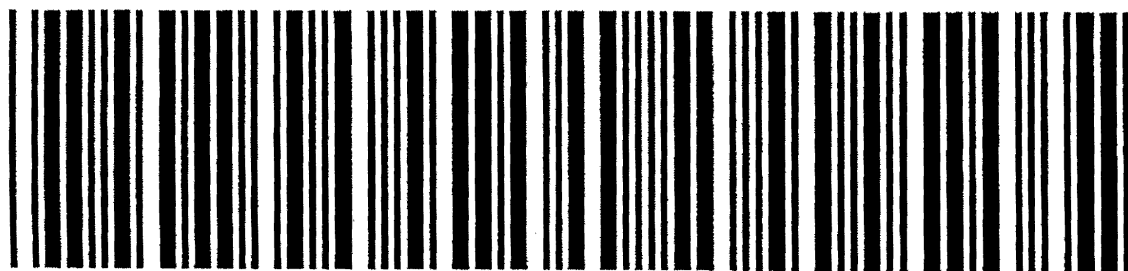
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TAGS: OVIP, PINS, PINT, PGOV

SUBJECT: ARA HIGHLIGHTS MARCH 22-26 (NO. 11)

1. (C) VICE PRESIDENT'S TRIP TO VENEZUELA AND BRAZIL:
ASSISTANT SECRETARY VAKY ACCOMPANIED VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE
ON HIS QUICK VISITS TO VENEZUELA AND BRAZIL MARCH 21-24.
MR. VAKY REPORTS THAT THE TRIP WAS HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL AND
PROVIDED AN OPPORTUNITY FOR SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS OF THE
FULL RANGE OF INTERNATIONAL, REGIONAL AND BILATERAL ISSUES.
THE DISCUSSIONS WERE CARRIED ON IN AN ATMOSPHERE OF GREAT
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CORDIALITY, AND AS A RESULT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT'S
TRIP, US RELATIONS WITH BOTH NEW GOVERNMENTS ARE LAUNCHED
ON A FIRM AND FRIENDLY FOOTING. ON BEHALF OF PRESIDENT
CARTER, VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE EXTENDED INVITATIONS TO

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DATES OF THEIR VISITS TO BE FIXED LATER. PROBABLY PRESIDENT FIGUEREIDO WILL COME LATE THIS SUMMER AND PRESIDENT HERRERA CAMPINS LATER THIS YEAR OR EARLY IN THE NEXT.

2. (U) CENTRAL AMERICAN CONFERENCE: INR'S OFFICE OF EXTERNAL RESEARCH SPONSORED A CONFERENCE ON CENTRAL AMERICA AT THE DEPARTMENT MARCH 19 AND 20. THE MEETING WAS PART OF AN ON-GOING PROGRAM TO ENCOURAGE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AND VIEWS BETWEEN THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMUNITY AND ACADEMIC, BUSINESS AND MEDIA CIRCLES.

DURING THE MEETINGS, JOINTLY CHAIRED BY ARA/CEN DIRECTOR BREWSTER HEMENWAY AND INR PROGRAM OFFICER KEN ROBERTS, PARTICIPANTS DISCUSSED NUMEROUS THEMES INCLUDING RECENT POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS IN CENTRAL AMERICA, THE ROLE OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, ARMS TRANSFERS AND MILITARY ASSISTANCE, CENTRAL AMERICAN ECONOMIC PROBLEMS, DEVELOPMENT ISSUES AND THE NATURE OF US INTERESTS IN THE AREA. OUTSIDE PARTICIPANTS INCLUDED RICHARD MILLET OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, STEVE ROPP OF NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY, COSTA RICAN JOURNALIST ARMANDO VARGAS, WILLIAM CLINE OF THE BROOKINGS INSTITUTION, AND CESAR SERSERES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE. AMONG DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS TAKING PART WERE AMBASSADOR WILLIAM BOWDLER, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY BRANDON GROVE, LUIGI EINAUDI OF ARA/PPC AND RICHARD

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FEINBERG OF THE DEPARTMENT'S POLICY PLANNING STAFF. PAPERS PREPARED FOR THE CONFERENCE ARE AVAILABLE FROM KEN ROBERTS, INR/XR UPON REQUEST.

3. (U) ICA LATIN AMERICAN JOURNALISTS SEMINAR: DAS RALPH GUZMAN TRAVELLED TO TUCSON MARCH 20 TO DISCUSS US LATIN AMERICAN RELATIONS WITH A GROUP OF 11 ICA JOURNALIST GRANTEEES. THE VISITORS WERE FROM ARGENTINA (LA NACION); BARBADOS (CANA); CHILE (LA TERCERA DE LA HORA); COLOMBIA (EL EXPECTADOR); THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (LISTIN DIARIO); GUATEMALA (LA HORA); HONDURAS (EL TIEMPO); MEXICO (EL DIA); PARAGUAY (LA TRIBUNA); PERU (LA MANANA); AND VENEZUELA (NOTITARDE). BRIEF INTRODUCTORY REMARKS WERE FOLLOWED BY A LIVELY DISCUSSION WHICH INCLUDED US-MEXICAN RELATIONS (OIL

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ACTIVITIES ABROAD); AND US HUMAN RIGHTS POLICIES. THE PROGRAM IS PUT TOGETHER BY THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA'S LATIN AMERICA'S STUDY CENTER IN COOPERATION WITH ICA AND INCLUDES EXPOSURE TO A NUMBER OF ARIZONA NEWSPAPERS; VISITS TO VARIOUS US CITIES; AND SEVERAL DAYS IN WASHINGTON DURING WHICH THE JOURNALISTS WILL MEET WITH APPROPRIATE ARA DESK OFFICERS.

4. (C) ARA WEEKLY ISSUE: GRENADA -- MORE TO COME: IN SPITE OF GRENADA'S MICROSCOPIC SIZE AND LIMITED ROLE EVEN IN THE CARIBBEAN, LAST WEEK'S COUP RAISES SOME SERIOUS ISSUES. THE OTHER MICRO-STATES IN THE REGION ALSO HAVE SMALL, RADICAL, DISSIDENT POLITICAL MOVEMENTS. NONE HAVE SECURITY FORCES MUCH BETTER THAN GRENADA. WILL A RIPPLE EFFECT JEOPARDIZE THE STABILITY OF THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN?

THIS CONCERN IS PROBABLY EXAGGERATED, AT LEAST IN THE SHORT RUN. WHILE RADICAL DISSIDENTS ON OTHER ISLANDS
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MIGHT BE STIMULATED BY THE GRENADA COUP, THERE IS NO INDICATION THAT THEY HAVE PREVIOUSLY PREPARED OR ARMED THEMSELVES WITH SUCH A GOAL IN MIND. PERHAPS MORE IMPORTANTLY, THEY ARE LIKELY TO FIND LESS POPULAR SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT. OTHER ISLAND GOVERNMENTS ARE WEAK, INEFFICIENT, AND SOMETIMES CORRUPT -- BUT NONE ARE NEARLY AS REPRESSIVE AND DOWN-RIGHT SCANDALOUS AS WAS THE GOVERNMENT OF PRIME MINISTER GAIRY IN GRENADA.

OTHER QUESTIONS CONCERN CUBA'S ROLE. WAS CUBA INVOLVED IN THE COUP? WILL CUBA NOW MOVE TO ENCOURAGE AND ASSIST THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT (NJM) TO REMAKE GRENADA ALONG CUBAN REVOLUTIONARY LINES? THERE IS LITTLE TO INDICATE THAT CUBA WAS INVOLVED IN PLANNING OR EXECUTING THE COUP, AND THE NJM HAS PROBABLY LOOKED MORE TO JAMAICA AND TANZANIA FOR MODELS THAN TO CUBA.

SINCE THE COUP, NJM LEADERS HAVE INSISTED THEY ARE SOCIALISTS AND HAVE REJECTED THE MARXIST LABEL. THEY HAVE ALSO DEMONSTRATED A PRAGMATIC TURN OF MIND AND APPEAR SINCERE IN THEIR CONCERN FOR THE WELFARE OF THE GRENADIAN PEOPLE. TO POSITION OURSELVES TO BETTER

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COUNTER POSSIBLE CUBAN OVERTURES AND TO SHOW GRENADA'S
NEW LEADERS THAT TIES WITH US ARE POSSIBLE, WE JOINED
WITH OTHER CARIBBEAN AND EUROPEAN COUNTRIES IN
REGULARIZING RELATIONS WITH GRENADA FAIRLY QUICKLY.

OUR CURRENT APPROACH TO THE EXTREME WEAKNESS AND
VULNERABILITY-OF THE CARIBBEAN MICRO-STATES IS BASED ON
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A LONG-TERM EFFORT TO DEAL WITH THE UNDERLYING STRUCTURAL
DEFECTS ON A REGIONAL BASIS. OUR PRINCIPAL INSTRUMENT,
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NOT YET ONE YEAR OLD, IS THE CARIBBEAN GROUP FOR
ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT. EVENTS IN GRENADA
RAISE TWO QUESTIONS:

-- IS OUR SUPPORT FOR THE CARIBBEAN GROUP REALLY ENOUGH
TO MAKE A DENT ON THE STRUCTURAL PROBLEMS HINDERING
ECONOMIC GROWTH?

-- DO WE NEED TO FIND ADDITIONAL WAYS TO ADDRESS SHORT-
RUN PROBLEMS OF POLITICAL AND SOCIAL INSTABILITY AS
WELL?

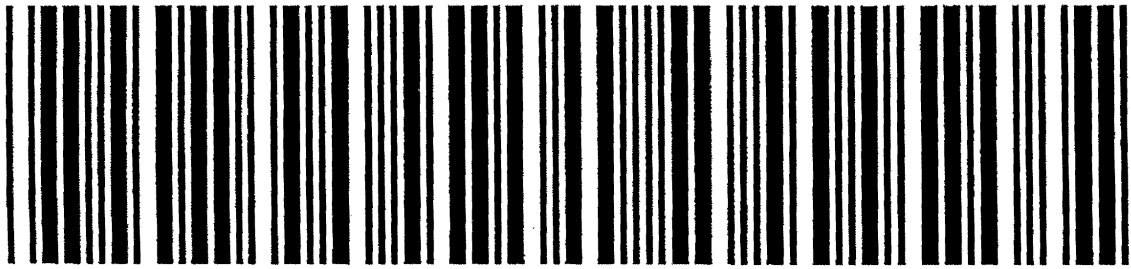
WE ARE ARRANGING TO CONSULT WITH THE UK AND CANADA OVER
WHAT WE AND THEY CAN DO IN THE RELATIVELY NEAR TERM
TO CONTRIBUTE TO INCREASED STABILITY IN THE REGION.

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FOR ARA - ASSISTANT SECRETARY VAKY FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 12065: GDS, 3/29/85 (ORTIZ, FRANK V.) OR-M
TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ
SUBJECT: GRENADA: REPORTED STATEMENT BY THE DEPARTMENT

1. (C) ENTIRE TEXT.
2. THIS MORNING'S RADIO CARRYING REPORT FROM WASHINGTON THAT "U.S. GOVERNMENT IS CLOSELY WATCHING SITUATION IN GRENADA WHERE THE REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT HAS SUSPENDED THE CONSTITUTION." SINCE WE HAVE NO TEXT OF A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT, WE HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING IF THIS IS AN ACCURATE REPORT.
3. WE FEEL REASONABLY CERTAIN THAT THIS REPORT WHETHER OR NOT IT REPORTS THE DEPARTMENT'S VIEWS WILL BE VIEWED BY THE NEW GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA AS SLIGHTLY MENACING IF NOT GRATUITOUS. IT IS A LITTLE HARD TO SEE HOW IT WOULD HELP THE SITUATION HERE. I STRONGLY URGE WE KEEP OUR PUBLIC COMMENTS TO A MINIMUM. IF WE FEEL WE MUST MAKE THEM, WHY NOT ALLOW THE UK, THE CARICOM COUNTRIES AND OTHERS MORE DIRECTLY INVOLVED TO SPEAK OUT FIRST. THE ABOVE ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE DEPARTMENT DID INDEED ISSUE SUCH A STATEMENT.

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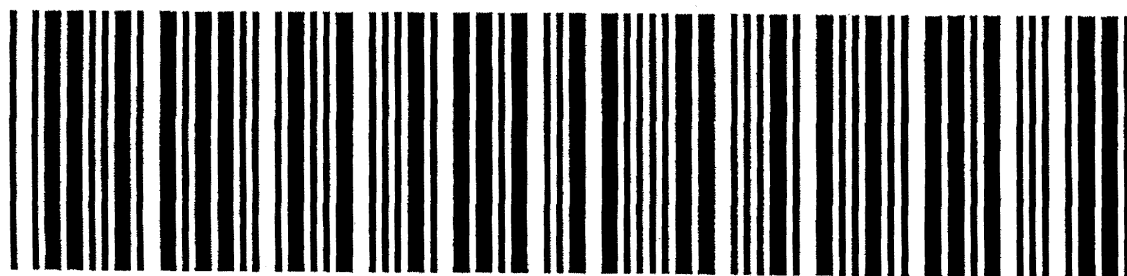
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E.O. 12065: GDS 3/29/85 (EDDY, JOHN J.) OR-M

TAGS: EAID, ECON, PINS, PINT, GJ, BB

SUBJ: MEETING WITH MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
HENRY FORDE

1. THERE FOLLOW HIGHLIGHTS OF AMBASSADOR'S MEETING WITH
MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS FORDE MARCH 28: FORDE:-
--SAID HE IS IN INDIRECT CONTACT WITH NEW JEWEL IN GRENADA.
HE WAS ASSURED BY THEM THAT CUBA HAD NO ROLE IN COUP BUT THERE
WAS ADMISSION OF CUBAN TRAINING. HE ASKED IF WE HAD ANY HARD
INFO ON THIS.

--BELIEVES CHEDDI JAGAN IS FINANCIAL CONDUIT FOR SOVIETS
IN AREA AND STRONGLY BELIEVES JAGAN ASSISTED NEW JEWEL. HE
OFFERED NO EVIDENCE. HE ALSO THINKS JAGAN ASSISTED NEW JEWEL
TRAINING IN GUYANA RATHER THAN BURNHAM.

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--SAID BARBADOS IS STEPPING UP COMMUNICATIONS WITH
BRITISH AND FRENCH
FOR DEVELOPING COAST GUARD PROTECTION

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NEEDS AT US\$15 MILLION TO UPGRADE COAST GUARDS OF BARBADOS, ST LUCIA, AND ST. VINCENT IN CO-OPERATIVE EFFORT.

--SAID BARBADOS MAY CONVERT VACATED U.S. NAVAL FACILITY INTO REGIONAL POLICE TRAINING COLLEGE FOR EASTERN CARIBBEAN. THIS WOULD MEAN RENOVATION COSTS OF US\$300,000 WITH EARLIEST MOVE-IN DATE AUGUST 1979.

--CLAIMED THAT SINCE 1971 BARBADOS HAS SPENT US\$500,000 TRAINING POLICEMEN FROM OTHER ISLANDS OF EASTERN CARIBBEAN. BARBADOS SENDS TRINING OFFICERS TO BERMUDA, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, CAYMEN ISLANDS, ST KITTS-NEVIS AND TRAINS RECRUITS FROM THOSE ISLANDS IN BARBADOS.

-- ASSERTED BARBADOS IS MORE THAN EVER DISPOSED TO BRING DOMINICAN REPUBLIC INTO REGIONAL DELIBERATIONS BECAUSE OF ADDITIONAL SECURITY DIMENSIONS POSED BY GRENADA. FOREIGN MINISTER OF DOMINICAN REPUBLIC CABLED FORDE TO SAY HE MAY VISIT BARBADOS END OF APRIL ON WAY TO VENEZUELA WHERE HE WOULD LIKE FORDE TO JOIN HIM FOR SECURITY TALKS WITH VENEZUELANS.

-- CONSIDERED CARIBBEAN GROUP FOR COOPERATION IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TOO UNWIELDY FOR EFFECTIVENESS. NONTHELESS, ALMOST PARADOXICALLY ENDORSED WIDENING THE NET
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OF REGIONAL SECURITY COOPERATION TO INCLUDE NOT ONLY DOMINICA REPUBLIC AND HAITI BUT COSTA RICA. ALSO EXPRESSED SPECIAL CONCERN ABOUT SECURITY SITUATION IN BAHAMAS AND BERMUDA.

--STATED SONNY RAMPHAL, SECRETARY GENERAL OF COMMON-WEALTH SECRETARIAT, ADVOCATES ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO NEW GRENADA GOVERNMENT NOW WHEN NEW GOVERNMENT NEEDS IT TO PREVENT HOSTILITY AND RADICALIZATION.

--SAID SOUTH AFRICA IS FINANCING GROUPS IN EASTERN CARIBBEAN FOR UNKNOWN ENDS. FORDE VAGUE BUT MENTIONED A TRIP BY DEPORTED BARBADIAN SYDNEY BURNETTE ALLEYNE TO SOUTH AFRICA. ALLEYNE RECENTLY BLUSTERED ABOUT INVADING BARBADOS, THEN

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-- EXPRESSED MODERATE CONCERN ABOUT RISE OF BLACK POWER MOVEMENT IN BARBADOS. INDIAN COMMUNITY IN BARBADOS TOLD FORDE U.S. BLACK MUSLIMS ARE FINANCING LOCAL BLACK POWER ADHERENTS. LIBYA FINANCED SOME BLACK POWER ADVOCATES IN BARBADOS BUT SAUDIS COUNTERED TO SOME EXTENT BY DONATING MONEY FOR MOSQUE IN BARBADOS. FORDE THINKS LOCAL BLACK POWER MILITANTS COMPRISE MOSTLY CRIMINAL ELEMENTS AFTER SHORT-SIGHTED GOALS RATHER THAN IDEOLOGUES, THOUGH THERE ARE SOME IDEOLOGUES WITH "STRANDS" TO CUBA.

--SAID BARBADOS WILL CONSULT WITH BRITISH AND THEN RETURN CONFISCATED AMMUNITION TO GUATEMALA BECAUSA, THOUGH BARBADOS HAS SINCE CLOSED LEGAL LOOPHOLE, GUATEMALANS WON THEIR LOCAL COURT BATTLE FOR *RESCISSION OF CONFISCATION. FORDE THINKS IT IS SEEMLY COMPLY WITH COURT ORDER.

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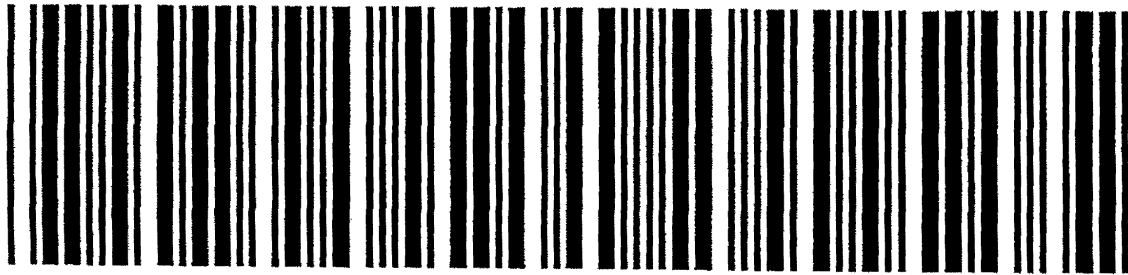
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2. COMMENT: SUM OF FORDE'S DISCOURSE SHOWED SIGNS THAT HE NO LONGER CONSIDERS BARBADOS LITTLE GIBRALTAR OF STABILITY EVERYONE ONCE DID. HE KNOWS THAT ADAMANTINE DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES ALONE CANNOT CONSERVE BARBADOS AGAINST COMMOTION WHICH JUST OCCURRED NEXT DOOR. THIS FEAR MAY BE SALUTARY AND LEAD TO GREATER REGIONAL COOPERATION USG HAS ESPOUSED. ORTIZ

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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY VAKY AND AMBASSADOR LUERS FROM
AMBASSADOR

E.O. 12065: NA
TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ
SUBJECT: GRENADA: TEMPORARY DETAIL OF FSO BULLEN

REF: CARACAS 2887

1. WE ARE ALL AGREED THAT BULLEN IS AN ASSET WE SHOULD USE
IN THE GRENADA SITUATION. WE ARE ALSO AGREED AND HAVE BEEN
FROM THE BEGINNING, THAT THEREARE CERTAIN SPECIAL
CONSIDERATIONS INVOLVED IN USING HIM. WE WERE NEVER IN
DISACCORD THAT HE MUST BE WELL BRIEFED BEFORE HE GOES TO
GRENADA. WHERE WE MAY NOT ENTIRELY BE AGREED IS IN HOW TO
USE HIM.

2. KEEPING AN OFFICER IN GRENADA OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS DOES
NOT SO MUCH RAISE THE PROBLEM OF A SHORTAGE OF AVAILABLE
HANDS. THAT IS A CHRONIC, BUT NOT NECESSARILY UNDESIRABLE,
SITUATION AT THIS SMALL POST. THE MAIN CONSIDERATION IN
MY JUDGMENT IS WHAT WE MUST DO QUICKLY TO ESTABLISH A
WORKING RELATIONSHIPBASED ON SOME TRUST WITH THE NEW
GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA. WE HAVE REPORTED THE SUSPICION
AND PERHAPS LATENT HOSITILITY TOWARD THE U.S. OF THE
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NEW JEWEL AND THEIR PERHAPS GENUINE BUT PARANOID FEAR
THAT A COUNTER COUP IS IN THE PROCESS OF BEING
MOUNTED FROM THE U.S. WE SHOULD REASSURE THEM AND GET
ABOUT OUR BUSINESS OF CONSTRUCTIVELY INFLUENCING

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THE SITUATION THERE. CLEARLY THIS IS EASIER WHEN THEY
ARE DEALING WITH PEOPLE THEY KNOW AND TRUST. I EXPECT
THAT SOON "TECHNICIANS" AND ADVISERS FROM COUNTRIES
INAMICABLE TO US WILL BE ARRIVING IN GRENADA IN
NUMBERS. IF WE NO NOT ESTABLISH A GOOD WORKING
RELATIONSHIP SOON WE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO INFLUENCE THE
COURSE OF EVENTS. THAT IS WHY I WANT BULLEN TO HELP
GET MY OFFICERS LIKE POLITICAL OFFICER CAMP OFF TO A
GOOD START IN GRENADA.

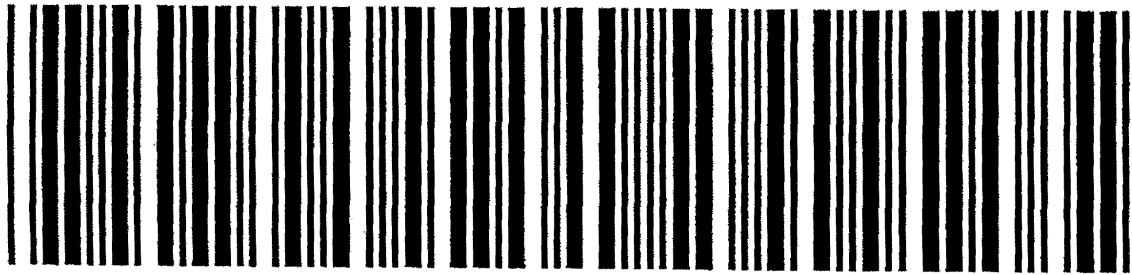
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3. I AM MOST GRATEFUL TO AMBASSADOR LUERS FOR
PERMITTING US TO USE BULLEN AND LOOK FORWARD TO HIS
EARLY ARRIVAL.
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E.O. 12065: GDS 3/30/85 (CAMP, DONALD A.) OR-P

TAGS: PINT, GJ

SUBJ: GRENADA: A CANADIAN PERSPECTIVE

1. (C) - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER ALLAN ROGER BRIEFED AMBASSADOR AND EMBASSY STAFF ON HIS RECENT TRIP TO GRENADA AND HIS INITIAL MEETINGS WITH PM BISHOP AND OTHER NEW JEWEL MEMBERS. ROGER ALSO SPOKE WITH GOVERNOR-GENERAL SCOON, WHO WAS NOT SURE WHAT THE FUTURE HELD FOR HIM--WHETHER A CONTINUED TENURE AS GOVERNOR-GENERAL, PRESIDENCY OF A REPUBLIC, OR A GRADUAL EASE-OUT. SOON HAS STILL NOT HAD A THOROUGH DISCUSSION WITH BISHOP SINCE THE COUP AND IS CONCERNED THAT HE WILL BE ASKED TO ENDORSE DECISIONS WITH WHICH HE IS NOT IN FULL ACCORD. IN SUCH CASES, HE DOES NOT BELIEVE HIS OWN ACTIONS WILL GO BEYOND INDICATING DIS-APPROVAL BY "HESITATION" IN SIGNING SUCH DECISIONS.

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3. SCOON HAS HAD AS STUDENTS MANY OF THE COUP LEADERS AND THUS KNOWS THEM WELL. HE BELIEVES THE CENTRAL DECISION-MAKERS TO BE BISHOP, BERNARD COARD, UNISON

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4. IN DISCUSSION WITH BISHOP, ROGER GAINED SOME INSIGHT INTO THE CAUSE OF THE SUSPENSION OF CONSTITUTION MARCH 25. APPARENTLY THE WEST INDIES ASSOCIATED STATES COUNCIL OF MINISTERS HAD PASSED ASSURANCES THAT GAIRY WOULD RESIGN, LEAVING THE WAY OPEN FOR A CONSTITUTIONAL SOLUTION. DEREK KNIGHT HAD SUPPOSEDLY "DELIVERED" GAIRY'S DECISION AND, FOR HIS EFFORTS, THE WIAS MINISTERS HAD INTERVENED WITH ROGER TO GET KNIGHT ADMITTED TO CANADA. BISHOP, ACCORDING TO HIS ACCOUNT TO ROGER, HAD BELIEVED THE WIAS MINISTERS AND, IN ANTICIPATION, HAD WAVED A BLANK PIECE OF PAPER SUPPOSEDLY CONTAINING THE RESIGNATION AT A MASS RALLY. WHEN THE ACUTAL DOCUMENT NEVER CAME FROM GAIRY IN NEW YORK, BISHOP WAS "FURIOUS", RESOLVED TO HAVE NOTHING FURTHER TO DO WITH A CONSTITUTIONAL SOLUTION, AND MADE THE DECISION TO SUSPEND THE CONSTITUTION. SCOOON HOWEVER BELIEVES IT COULD BE UN-SUSPENDED IF BISHOP FOUND IT USEFUL TO HAVE HIM DISSOLVE THE ASSEMBLY AND HOLD ELECTIONS WITHIN THE REQUISITE THREE MONTHS.

5. IN FURTHER COMMENTS, ROGER SAID HIS IMPRESSION WAS THAT BISHOP'S PLAN FOR VILLAGE COUNCILS SPRANG FROM A DESIRE TO DEMOCRATIZE ALL THE INSTITUTIONS WHICH AFFECT PEOPLE'S LIVES--COOPERATIVES, LABOR UNIONS, ETC.--IN CONTRAST TO THE DAYS WHEN GAIRY MERELY APPOINTED OFFICIALS OF SUCH INSTITUTIONS. ROGER DID NOT BELIEVE THAT SUCH COUNCILS WERE IN ANY WAY TO REPLACE A NATIONAL ASSEMBLY UNDER A NEW CONSTITUTION.

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6. ROGER ASKED BISHOP DIRECTLY ABOUT THE ORIGINS OF THE COUP. BISHOP SAID THERE HAD BEEN NO FOREIGN SUPPORT BUT THAT ARMS HAD COME FROM OUTSIDE. HE ADDED THAT THE WHOLE OPERATION HAD BEEN VERY BOLD THAT IT HAD BEEN "REVOLUTION BY RADIO", I.E., INTIMIDATING THE GAIRY FORCES INTO BELIEVING THAT THEIR COMPATRIOTS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY HAD ALREADY SURRENDERED WHEN IN FACT THE REBELS HAD MINIMAL CONTROL OUTSIDE THE CAPITAL. BISHOP AND HIS FOLLOWERS INITIATED THE COUP EARLY BECAUSE GAIRY HAD LEFT THE COUNTRY AND BECAUSE "THE SOURCE OF ARMS WAS ABOUT TO BE REVEALED".

7. ROGER GAVE HIS IMPRESSION THAT THE CIVIL SERVICE WAS BEING LARGELY RETAINED. EVEN CABINET SECRETARY GLORIA

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FAINE, WHO TRAVELLED TO NEW YORK WITH GAIRY BEFORE THE
COUP, WOULD BE WELCOMED BACK ALTHOUGH PROBABLY IN A
DIFFERENT JOB. THE GRENADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER TO CANADA,
JENIFER HOSTEN-CRAIG, A PROTEGE OF GAIRY'S, IS ALSO BEING
RETAINED IN HER JOB.

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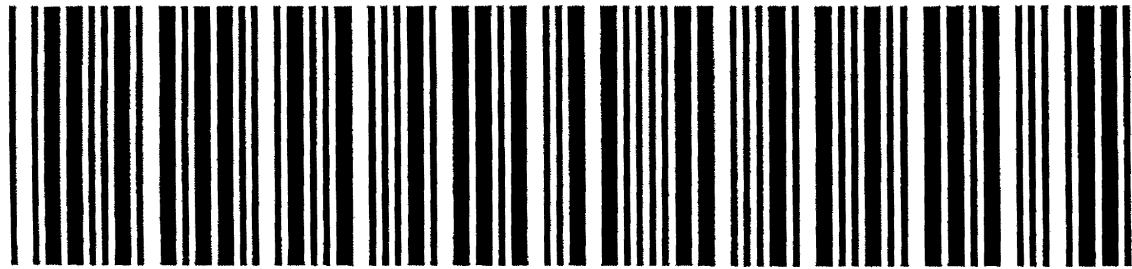
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8. ASIDE FOR ABOVE AND CANDIAN DESCRIPTION OF COARD
AS "MORE A PRAGMATIST THAN AN IDEOLOGUE", ROGER'S
EVALUATION CLOSELY PARALLELS OUR OWN.
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E.O. 12065 3/19/85 (BRIDGES, PETER S.)

TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ

SUBJECT: UN SUPERVISION OF ELECTIONS

REF: A) STATE 63941; B) STATE 63301

1. (C-ENTIRE TEXT).
2. IN DISCUSSION OF PROCEDURES UNDER WHICH ELECTIONS MIGHT BE HELD IN GRENADA IN RESPONSE TO CURRENT POLITICAL CONFIDENTIAL

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SITUATION, REFTELS HAVE SUGGESTED UN SUPERVISION AS A POSSIBILITY. THIS IS INDEED THE CASE, BUT POST SHOULD BE AWARE THAT PAST CASES OF UN SUPERVISION OF ELECTIONS HAVE USUALLY FOLLOWED EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS IN A UN

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POLITICAL BODY, AND HAVE BEEN AUTHORIZED BY THE UN
GENERAL ASSEMBLY. AUTHORIZATION BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL
IS ANOTHER POSSIBILITY. IN SOME CASES, TOO, UN ACTION
HAS FOLLOWED ON ACTION BY A REGIONAL BODY, E.G. OAS OR
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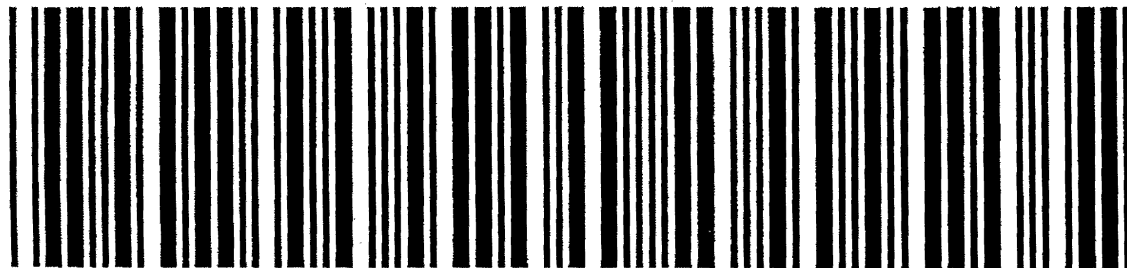
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3. SHOULD ELECTIONS PROVE POSSIBLE AND INTERNATIONAL
SUPERVISION APPEAR DESIRABLE, EMBASSY SHOULD IN FIRST
INSTANCE ENCOURAGE PRINCIPALS TO SEEK SUPERVISION/OBSER-
VATION BY A REGIONAL ORGANIZATION SUCH AS CARICOM OR OAS.
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TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ, AC

SUBJ: GRENADA: GAIRY'S RESIGNATION

1. (C) - ENTRE TEXT.

2. THE FOLLOWING REPORT CAME FROM DEPUTY BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER IN BARBADOS WHO RECEIVED IT IN TURN FROM BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION IN PORT OF SPAIN.

3. AT 12:30 P.M. TODAY, MARCH 20, PRIME MINISTER COMPTON SPOKE FROM ANTIGUA BY TELEPHONE WITH GAIRY IN NEW YORK. GAIRY REPORTEDLY TOLD PM COMPTON HE WOULD ANNOUNCE HIS RESIGNATION THIS EVENING AFTER FIRST TRANSMITTING HIS RESIGNATION THROUGH THE BRITISH TO GOVERNOR SIR PAUL SCOON IN GRENADA. COMPTON URGED GAIRY TO SUBMIT HIS RESIGNATION TO NEAREST BRITISH MISSION. GAIRY THEN ALLEGEDLY SAID HE WAS OFF TO "THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE."

4. COMMENT: THERE IS APPARENTLY SOME CONFUSION IN COMPTON'S MIND
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REGARDING METHOD GAIRY WILL EMPLOY TO INFORM GOVERNOR SCOON AND THEN THE WORLD OF HIS RESIGNATION. GUS COMPTON, HEAD OF SECRETARIAT FOR ASSOCIATED STATES TOLD DCM GAIRY SEEMS TO PREFER DEALING WITH STATE DEPARTMENT BECAUSE

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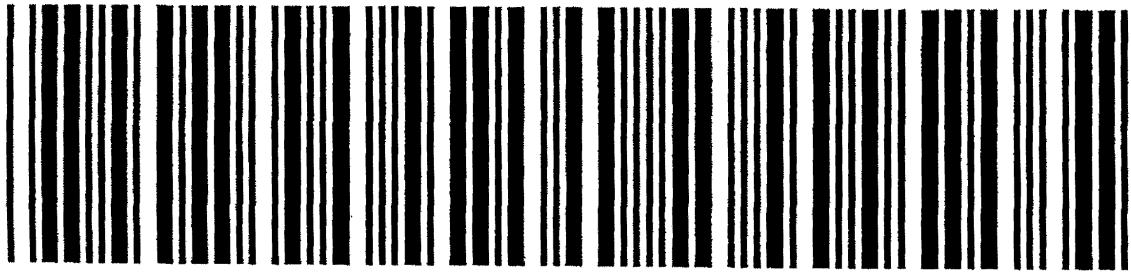
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ANTIGUA MEETING CARE VERY LITTLE WHAT CHANNEL GAIRY
USES SO LONG AS HE RESIGNES QUICKLY. SOME OFFICIALS IN
FACT SUGGESTED TO GAIRY THAT HE SUBMIT HIS RESIGNATION
THROUGH BOTH US AND BRITISH CHANNELS.
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TAGS: BEXP, AFSP, BB, XL

SUBJ: 1979 COMMERCIAL ACTION PROGRAM (CAP) FOR ENGLISH-SPEAKING
EASTERN CARIBBEAN

REF: STATE 174461

1. COMMERCIAL SETTING: UPON REVIEW OF REFTEL, POST HAS
DECIDED THAT A COMMERCIAL ACTION PROGRAM (CAP) WOULD IN
FACT BE A USEFUL MANAGEMENT TOOL EVEN THOUGH MARKET FOR U.S.
GOODS AND SERVICES IN EASTERN CARIBBEAN (EC) IS LIMITED ECONOMI-
CALLY AS WELL AS GEOGRAPHICALLY FRAGMENTED. BARBADOS AND
ISLANDS OF E.C. SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE A
SMALL BUT NONETHELESS GROWING MARKET FOR U.S. GOODS AND SERVICES
DURING 1979. U.S. EXPORTS TO BARBADOS IN 1978 WERE UP BY
ABOUT 10 MILLION DOLLARS OVER 1977. THERE IS ALSO OPTIMISM
THAT THE 79 TOURIST
SEASON IN BARBADOS WILL CONTINUE TO BE EXCELLENT AFTER 1978'S
RECORD OF 316,000 VISITORS, AND OTHER ISLANDS SHOULD DO WELL.
THERE IS CONCERN THAT WORLD SUGAR PRICES COMBINED WILL
RESTRAIN AN OTHERWISE IMPROVING BARBADIAN BALANCE-OF-TRADE
SURPLUS. AGAIN, THIS HOLDS FOR THE OTHER SUGAR-PRODUCING ISLANDS.
IT IS PROBABLE, HOWEVER, THAT FOREIGN EXCHANGE EARNINGS FROM
TOURISM AND OTHER HIDDEN EXCHANGE EARNINGS WILL KEEP THE FOREIGN
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EXCHANGE ACCOUNT AT LEAST HEALTHY ENOUGH TO ALLOW FOR INCREASED
PURCHASES OF U.S. GOODS AND SERVICES IN 1979.

2. PERSONNEL RESOURCES: THE COUNTRY COMMERCIAL ACTION

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2. DCM
3. ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL OFFICER
4. POLITICAL OFFICER
5. U.S. AID REPRESENTATIVE
6. PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER
7. CONSUL
8. PEACE CORPS DIRECTOR
9. AGRICULTURAL ATTACHE (WHEN AVAILABLE; HE IS RESIDENT IN CARACAS)
10. ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL SPECIALIST(FSN)

3. REVIEW OF 1978 COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES: POST DID NOT HAVE A CAP FOR 1978. NONETHELESS, WE HAD AN ACTIVE AND SUCCESSFUL YEAR IN PROMOTING U.S. GOODS AND SERVICES. DURING THE COURSE OF THE YEAR THE POST COMPLETED 69 WTDR'S AND SUBMITTED 23 TO'S. IN ADDITION, WE REPORTED 8 GOVERNMENT TENDERS VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY 20 MILLION DOLLARS. THE EMBASSY ALSO HOSTED A USDA SALES TEAM VISIT IN SUPPORT OF U.S. TRADE PROMOTION OBJECTIVES.

4. CAMPAIGN AND SPECIAL EFFORTS FY-79: CAMPAIGN MANAGER IS THE ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL OFFICER. THE GOVERNMENT OF BARBADOS AND SEVERAL OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE OTHER ISLANDS INCLUDED IN THE EMBASSY'S AREA OF JURISDICTION ARE IN VARYING STAGES OF PLANNING SEVERAL PUBLIC WORKS OR MAJOR PROJECTS. THESE INCLUDE THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE SEWAGE SYSTEM AND THE SEWAGE

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TREATMENT FOR THE CITY OF BRIDGETOWN; POSSIBLE AIRPORT EXPANSION ON THE ISLANDS OF GRENADA (IF POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SITUATION THERE PERMITS) AND ST. VINCENT, AS WELL AS THE CONTINUING URGRADING OF THE AIRPORT IN BARBADOS; ONGOING DEVELOPMENT OF THE PORT FACILITIES IN DOMINICA; AND CONTINUING IMPROVEMENT OF THE PORT FACILITIES IN BRIDGETOWN. THE EMBASSY'S EFFORTS WILL BE DIRECTED TOWARDS MAINTAINING CONTACT WITH THE APPROPRIATE MINISTRIES AND PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR ISSUING TENDERS. IN ADDITION, WE WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH PRIVATE SECTOR EXPERTS SO THAT THE MAJOR PROJECTS DIVISION AT USDOC WILL BE KEPT FULLY INFORMED OF OPPORTUNITIES AS THEY ARISE. THE CAMPAIGN DIRECTOR (ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL OFFICER) WILL ENDEAVOR TO VISIT OR MEET WITH REPS OF THE APPROPRIATE MINISTRIES IN BRIDGETOWN QUARTERLY AND WILL VISIT THE APPROPRIATE

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MINISTRIES IN THE OTHER ISLANDS WITHIN THE EMBASSY'S JURIS-
DICTION FREQUENTLY. THE MISSION WILL MAKE A STRONG EFFORT
TO SUPPORT ANY U.S. COMPANIES THAT MAY BID ON ANY OF
THESE MAJOR INVESTMENT PROJECTS. THIS WILL INCLUDE
REPORTING OF PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS AND BRIEFING
U.S. BUSINESS MEN WHEN THEY VISIT BARBADOS. THE EMBASSY WILL
FOLLOW CLOSELY AND REPORT ON POLICIES RELATED TO FINANCING,
TENDERS, AND OTHER FACTORS WHICH WILL INFLUENCE THE AWARD-
ING OF BIDS. IN ADDITION, THE EMBASSY WILL SUPPORT NEW
FIRMS UNDERTAKING INVESTMENT OR CONTRACTS WITHIN THE
JURISDICTION OF THE EMBASSY THROUGH BRIEFING NEWLY ARRIVED
PERSONNEL AND MAKING THEM AWARE OF THE VARIOUS SERVICES
THE EMBASSY CAN PROVIDE.

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(A) SPECIAL EFFORT 1 - TOURIST INDUSTRY SUPPORT SYSTEM: THE
EMBASSY WILL CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN CLOSE CONTACT WITH REPS OF
THE TOURISM SECTOR OF THE VARIOUS ISLANDS WITHIN ITS JURIS-
DICTION TO FERRET OUT TRADE OPPORTUNITIES IN THE HOTEL AND
FOOD INDUSTRY AS WELL AS IN THE TRANSPORTATION SECTOR. IT
WILL BEGIN MARKET RESEARCH FOR THE CATALOG SHOW FEATURING
HOTEL, RESTAURANT AND INSTITUTION EQUIPMENT TO BE HELD IN
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BRIDGETOWN IN AUGUST 1980. AS THE MARKET STUDY FOR THAT
SHOW IS DUE AT THE BEGINNING OF FY-80, THE BULK OF THE WORK
OF THE STUDY WILL BE COMPLETED DURING THE LAST TWO MONTHS
OF FY79.

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(B) SPECIAL EFFORT 2 - EDUCATION SYSTEMS: SEVERAL OF THE ISLANDS WITHIN THE EMBASSY'S JURISDICTION HAVE EXPRESSED GREAT INTEREST IN IMPROVING THEIR EDUCATIONAL CAPABILITIES. WE BELIEVE THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR MORE ADVANCED SYSTEMS AND TECHNIQUES IN THE FIELD OF MASS EDUCATION WILL OFFER GREATER TRADE OPPORTUNITIES IN THE COMING YEARS. IN 79 MEMBERS OF THE COMMERCIAL ACTION GROUP (CAG) AND PARTICULARLY USAID AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION AGENCY (ICA) WILL EVALUATE AND ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY SPECIFIC EDUCATIONAL AREAS AND MARKETS THAT MIGHT BE PARTICULARLY LUCRATIVE. IT WOULD BE USEFUL IF ONE OR TWO MEMBERS OF THE OCTOBER 79 EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR AND TRADE MISSION SCHEDULED FOR LATIN AMERICA COULD BE SCHEDULED INTO BARBADOS FOR A DAY'S ACTIVITIES; POSSIBLY ONE OTHER ISLAND COULD BE WORKED IN.

(C) SPECIAL EFFORT 3 - TIMBER AND WOODWORKING EQUIPMENT: EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE SALE OF TIMBER AND WOODWORKING EQUIPMENT IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF DOMINICA. AN OFFICER OF THE CAG WILL ATTEMPT TO ASSESS POSSIBLE TRADE OPPORTUNITIES IN THE TIMBER AND WOODWORKING INDUSTRY IN DOMINICA DURING 79. IN ADDITION, WE HOPE USDOC WILL BE ABLE TO DIVERT AT LEAST ONE MEMBER OF THE DECEMBER 79 TIMBER AND WOODWORKING EQUIPMENT TRADE SEMINAR SCHEDULED FOR LATIN AMERICA, TO DOMINICA FOR A ONE DAY PRESENTATION.

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(D) SPECIAL EFFORT 4 - AGRICULTURE. AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION REMAINS THE CORNER STONE OF THE ECONOMY OF THE ISLANDS WITHIN THE EMBASSY'S JURISDICTION. BARBADOS FOR EXAMPLE IS PLANNING A MAJOR PROJECT AIMED TOWARD THE DEVELOPMENT OF ITS SCOTLAND DISTRICT. THE MISSION WILL ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY THOSE AREAS THAT OFFER THE BEST POSSIBILITIES FOR U.S. TRADE PROMOTION WITHIN THIS SECTOR. THE E/C OFFICER WILL VISIT THE MAJOR FOOD PROCESSORS OF BARBADOS DURING 1979 WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE AID AGRICULTURAL OFFICER AND THE PEACE CORPS REP. THE MEMBERS OF CAG WILL ALSO BE ALERT TO, AND REPORT ON, ANY OPPORTUNITY THAT MAY OCCUR FOR THE PROCESSING OF FISH.

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(E) SPECIAL EFFORT 5 - THE E/C OFFICER, FSN ASSISTANT AND THE COMMERCIAL LIBRARY ARE LOCATED IN SEPARATE BUT ADEQUATE, SPARSELY FURNISHED OFFICES. AS EMBASSY PERSONNEL CONTINUE IN 1979 TO INCREASE IN NUMBER, WE WILL BE HARD-PRESSED FOR OFFICE SPACE. THE CAMPAIGN MANAGER WILL, THROUGH MODEST ADDITIONS AND REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING FURNITURE, ATTEMPT TO MAKE HIS OFFICES MORE ATTRACTIVE AND REPRESENTATIONAL. IN THE EVENT THAT WE ARE FORCED TO GIVE UP THE SPACE NOW OCCUPIED BY THE COMMERCIAL LIBRARY, A NEW LOCATION UTILIZING A SMALLER AREA WILL HAVE TO BE FOUND FOR THE COMMERCIAL LIBRARY.

OBJECTIVE: THE ENHANCING OF THE EMBASSY'S IMAGE THROUGH THE CREATION OF A MORE REPRESENTATIONAL APPEARANCE IN A FREQUENTLY VISITED SECTION OF THE EMBASSY CHANCERY AS WELL AS THE MAINTENANCE OF AN EFFECTIVE COMMERCIAL LIBRARY DESPITE SEVERE SPACE CONSTRAINTS.

CAMPAIGN: THE LACK OF MODERN SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM
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HAS HAMPERED BARBADOS' ECONOMIC/SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT. THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK HAS DESIGNED A SEWERAGE PROJECT FOR BRIDGETOWN WHICH IS ESTIMATED TO COST \$39.5 MILLION. THE PROJECT INVOLVES THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SYSTEM OF SANITARY SEWERS, A SEWERAGE TREATMENT PLANT, AN OCEAN OUT-ALL AND AN IN HOUSE CONNECTION. THE CAG WILL CONCENTRATE ON HELPING U.S. FIRMS TO WIN ON CONTRACTS FOR THE SUPPLY OF ENGINEERING SERVICES AND CONSTRUCTION AS WELL AS PLANT MACHINERY.

ACTIONS PLANNED: MAJOR PROJECT REPORTS AND TRADE OPPORTUNITIES TO BE SUBMITTED.

5. COMMENT: THIS COMMERCIAL ACTION PROGRAM IS PURPOSEFULLY AND REALISTICALLY SPARE BUT PROVIDES A SUFFICIENT FRAMEWORK TO GET OUR NEWLY ARRIVED E/C OFFICER UNDERWAY. USDOC WILL DEFINITELY RECEIVE DETAILED REPORTING ON MAJOR PROJECT OPPORTUNITIES ON A CONTINUING BASIS FRO HERE ON.

6. FINANCIAL RESOURCES SCHEDULE, FISCAL YEAR 1979 (STATE FUNDS ONLY) IS AS FOLLOWS:

FY1977	FY1978	1979 (REQ.)
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2. COMMERCIAL TRAVEL	600	1,053	3,576
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OTHER (SPECIFY):

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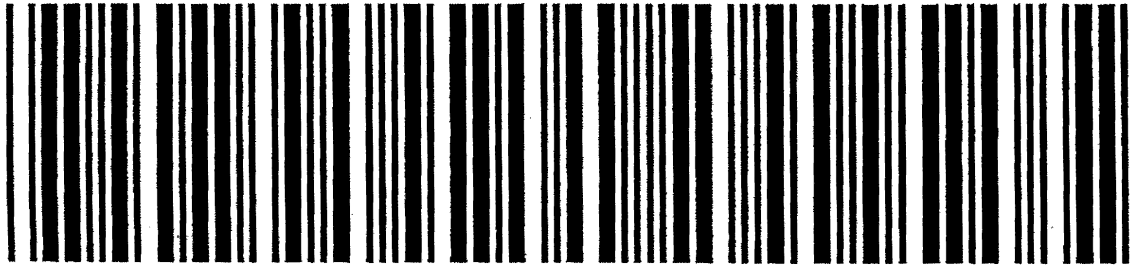
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GRAND TOTAL	1,450	2,603	4,820

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TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ, XM

SUBJ: GRENADA--REASSURING THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN

REF: STATE 65765

1. (C) ENTIRE TEXT.
2. A PUBLIC STATEMENT ALONG THE LINES CONTEMPLATED IN REFTTEL PROBABLY WOULD BE USEFUL AT LEAST IN THE SHORT TERM. HOWEVER, IT WOULD NOT BE ALL THAT USEFUL IN MEETING A LARGER AND LONGER TERM PROBLEM WE NOW FACE IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN.
3. ALMOST EVERY ISLAND NATION IN THIS AREA CONTAINS WITHIN IT DISAFFECTED AND RADICAL GROUPS OF VARYING STRENGTHS AKIN TO THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT. THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN GOVERNMENTS ARE ACUTELY AWARE THAT AT ANY TIME A FEW DETERMINED AND ARMED

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MEN COULD OVERTHROW ALMOST ANY GOVERNMENT
IN THE REGION INCLUDING THAT OF BARBADOS. SOME
GOVERNMENTS SUCH AS IN DOMINICA COULD VERY WELL FALL
SOON OF THEIR OWN INCOMPETENT WEIGHT. THE BRITISH THUS

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FOR OBVIOUSLY HAVE NOT SUCCEEDED IN ADEQUATELY MEETING THE SECURITY CONCERNS OF THOSE GOVERNMENTS WHICH WERE UNTIL RECENTLY THE UK'S LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY. NOR HAS THE UK BEEN ABLE TO CREATE EFFECTIVE DETERRENTS TO THE ACTIVITIES OF RADICAL GROUPS WHICH NOW WILL BE EMBOLDENED TO STRIKE DOWN ELECTED GOVERNMENTS CONFRONTING GRAVE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PROBLEMS.

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4. GIVEN THIS SITUATION OF GREAT UNEASE AS WELL AS OUR OWN POLICY IMPERATIVES WE PROPOSE A JOINT POSITION BY THE U.S., U.K., AND CANADA AIMED AT HAVING CALMING AND DETERRENT EFFECTS IN THE ISLAND STATES OF THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN. A PUBLIC TRILATERAL FORMULATION OF A KIND OF "CONSTITUTIONIST DOCTRINE" FOR THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN WOULD HAVE SUCH AN EFFECT.

5. THIS AREA IS NOW ALMOST ALONE IN THE HEMISPHERE AS THE NATURAL HABITAT OF DEMOCRATIC FREEDOMS AND OF THE PERSISTENCE OF DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS AS WE CHERISH THEM. WE BELIEVE A FORMULATION OF THE NATURE WE RECOMMEND SHOULD BE SHORT BUT TO THE POINT. IT SHOULD NOT BE ISSUED UNTIL MORE TIME HAS PASSED. (SINCE IT WOULD TAKE DAYS IF NOT WEEKS TO HAMMER OUT THERE IS LITTLE DANGER OF PRECIPITATE ACTION.) IT COULD TAKE THE FORM OF SOMETHING ALONG THE FOLLOWING LINES: QUOTE THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE U.K., US, AND CANADA REAFFIRM THE BONDS OF CENTURIES OF COMMON DEMOCRATIC TRADITIONS WHICH TIE OUR PEOPLES TO THE ISLAND NATIONS OF THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN. THESE NEW NATIONS ARE NOW FULLY INDEPENDENT.

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THEIR SOVEREIGNTY IS RESPECTED AND SUPPORTED BY OUR GOVERNMENTS WITHOUT RESERVATION WHATEVER. IN RECENT WEEKS OUR GOVERNMENTS AND THOSE OF THE COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN WERE DISTURBED BY THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE ALTERATION FOR THE FIRST TIME OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL PROCESSES OF SUCCESSION IN THE COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN. HOWEVER OUR GOVERNMENTS ACKNOWLEDGE THE SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES IN GRENADA WHICH GIVE THE EVENTS THERE A PARTICULAR CAST. THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE UK, US AND CANADA WELCOMED THE COMMON EFFORTS OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN TO ASSURE A PROMPT RETURN TO CONSTITUTIONAL NORMS IN GRENADA.

6. AS A FURTHER INDICATION OF THE SUPPORT OF OUR GOVERNMENTS FOR THE DEMOCRATIC HERITAGE OF THE ISLAND

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NATIONS OF THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN, THE GOVERNMENTS OF
THE U.K., U.S. AND CANADA HEREBY REITERATE THEIR FIRM
SUPPORT FOR CONSTITUTIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROCEDURES.
THEY DECLARE THEY WOULD VIEW WITH CONCERN ANY FUTURE
VIOLENT AND UNCONSTITUTIONAL ALTERATION OF THE
DEMOCRATIC TRADITIONS OF THESE ISLANDS. SHOULD THESE
BE ALTERED BY FORCE OF VIOLENCE THE THREE GOVERNMENTS
WILL IMMEDIATELY CONSULT ON TAKING WHATEVER STEPS MAY
BE NECESSARY TO ASSURE THE PERMANENCE OF DEMOCRATIC
INSTITUTIONS IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN. UNQUOTE

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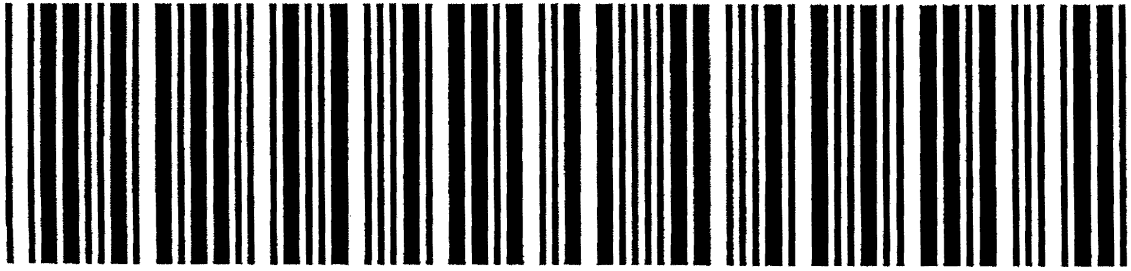
7. I OF COURSE AM AWARE THIS IS A TALL ORDER WHICH WILL
MEET RESISTANCE. MY POINT IS THAT UNTIL OUR MULTI-
LATERAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS TAKE EFFECT A
MEANINGFUL STATEMENT ALONG THESE LINES MAY BE THE ONLY
SHORT-TERM WAY TO DETER A STRING OF FUTURE GRENADA-LIKE
EVENTS.

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TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ

SUBJECT: CONCERNS OVER PRESENCE OF SOVIET SHIP IN GRENADA

REF: BRIDGETOWN 922

1. (C) ENTIRE TEXT
2. FYI: DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED A REPORT THAT AT LEAST ONE OF THE MINISTERS ATTENDING THE CARICOM MEETING MARCH 14-15 WAS EXTREMELY DISTRESSED OVER THE PRESENCE OF A SOVIET SHIP IN GRENADA AT THE

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TIME OF THE COUP AND THAT HE RAISED THIS MATTER AT THE MEETING. SOVIET DESK HAS CONFIRMED THAT THE IVAN FRANCO MENTIONED REFTEL IS A PASSENGER SHIP.

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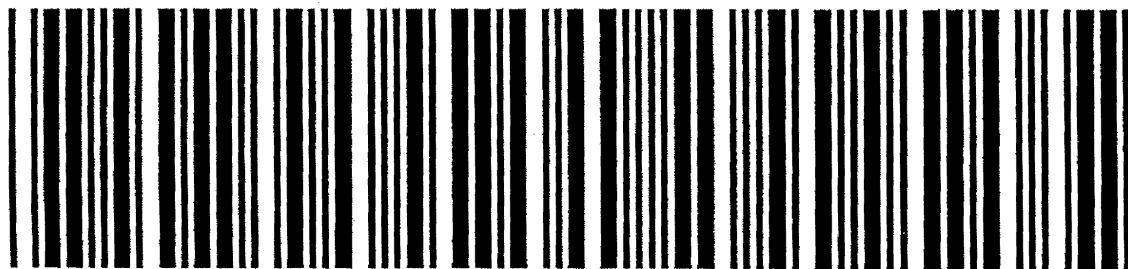
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TAGS: PINT, GJ, GY
SUBJECT: GUYANESE REACTION TO THE COUP IN GRENADA

REF: A. GEORGETOWN 1142 B. GEORGETOWN 1196

1. BEGIN SUMMARY: COVERAGE OF THE COUP IN GRENADA IN THE GOVERNMENT CONTROLLED PRESS HAS FOR THE MOST PART BEEN LIMITED TO FACTUAL COVERAGE OF EVENTS ON THE ISLAND AND OF THE CARICOM DELEGATES MEETING IN BRIDGETOWN. THERE HAS BEEN NO EDITORIAL COMMENT. REACTION OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES IS WIDESPREAD AND MOST OBSERVORS TEND TO THINK THAT THE GRENADA COUP MAY WELL BE ONLY THE FIRST OF A SERIES.
2. MOST STORIES IN THE PRESS HAVE BEEN DATELINED BRIDGETOWN OR ST. GEORGE'S AND REPRINTED STATEMENTS BY THE NEW GOVERNMENT IN GRENADA OR REPORTS OF THE CARICOM DELEGATES MEETINGS IN BRIDGETOWN. MOST OF IT APPEARS IDENTICAL TO THE COVERAGE ALREADY QUOTED BY BRIDGETOWN.

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3. AN EXCEPTION WAS A GOVERNMENT STATEMENT ON MARCH 16, 1979 BY THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR INFORMATION STATING THAT PRIME MINISTER BURNHAM HAD SEPARATE INTERVIEWS WITH THE AMERICAN AMBASSADOR AND THE CANADIAN AND BRITISH HIGH

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COMMISSIONERS AND "OUTLINED THE POSITION OF GUYANA INsofar AS
INTERVENTION WAS CONCERNED." (REF A) "THE PERSONAL HAND (SIC)
TAKEN BY THE PRIME MINISTER HIGHLIGHTS THE GUYANA GOVERNMENT'S
VIEW THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO INTERVENTION AND THAT THE MATTER
IS ONE FOR THE PEOPLE OF GRENADA TO DECIDE

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4. ON SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 1979 THE CHRONICLE HEADLINED "THE PRIME MINISTER RECEIVES FULL REPORT ON GRENADA" AND QUOTED EXTENSIVELY FROM A STATEMENT FROM THE GUYANA INFORMATION SERVICE ISSUED ON MARCH 17. THE REPORT TO THE PRIME MINISTER CAME FROM FOREIGN MINISTER RASHLEIGH JACKSON, WHO HAD ATTENDED THE CARICOM DELEGATES MEETING IN BRIDGETOWN ON MARCH 14 AND 15. INTERESTINGLY THE CHRONICLE REPORT STATES THAT THE BRIDGETOWN MEETING "RESULTED FROM AN INITIATIVE TAKEN BY GUYANA."
(COMMENT: THIS WAS NEW, A CLAIM TO LEADERSHIP WHICH HAD NOT BEEN MADE EITHER PUBLICLY OR PRIVATELY BEFORE. END COMMENT)
THE PURPOSE OF THE BRIDGETOWN MEETING WAS CHARACTERIZED AS "ENSURING THE MAINTENANCE AND STRENGTHENING OF REGIONAL COOPERATION THROUGH CARICOM AND FOR ENHANCING FRIENDLY RELATIONS AMONG THE STATES OF CARICOM IN THE LIGHT OF DEVELOPMENTS IN GRENADA." APPARENTLY TO PRESERVE WHAT UNITY THERE IS IN CARICOM, THE "PRIME MINISTER HAS CONVEYED TO A NUMBER OF HIS CARICOM COLLEAGUES HIS AGREEMENT TO POSTPONE, BY A FEW DAYS, A DEFINITE GUYANA RESPONSE."

5. AS PART OF ITS EFFORTS TO KEEP INFORMED, THE GOVERNMENT SENT A THREE MAN GROUP OF GUYANESE MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES TO GRENADA ON SUNDAY, MARCH 18. THE TEAM WAS COMPRISED OF KESTER ALVES, MINISTER OF STATE AND SPECIAL POLITICAL ASSISTANT
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RESPONSIBLE FOR PUBLIC RELATIONS AND RESEARCH (ALVES IS A FREQUENT CONTRIBUTOR TO THE CHRONICLE WITH ARTICLES EXPLAINING THE GOVERNMENT'S POSITION ON A VARIETY OF SUBJECTS); COURTNEY GIBSON, SENIOR REPORTER FOR THE CHRONICLE AND ANOTHER SUPPORTER OF GOVERNMENT'S VIEWS; AND PRINCE MASON, FEATURED COMMENTATOR ON THE GOVERNMENT OWNED GUYANA BROADCASTING STATION. ALL THREE HABITUALLY SUPPORT THE RULING PNC PARTY LINE.

6. THE MARCH 18 ARTICLE ALSO GIVES A CLUE TO THE GROUNDS THE GOG WILL CITE WHEN IT RECOGNIZES THE NEW GRENADIAN GOVERNMENT, AS EXPECTED. "THE SPOKESMAN OF THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE OBSERVED THAT THE NEW GOVERNMENT WAS EXERCISING EFFECTIVE CONTROL. THIS FORMS, AS INDEED IT MUST, AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE CONSIDERATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GUYANA, AND FOR OTHER STATES IN THE REGION."

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7. BECAUSE OF DISTRIBUTION PROBLEMS POST-COUP EDITIONS OPPOSITION'S PAPER, THE MIRROR, IS NOT AVAILABLE AS YET MARCH 11, 1979 EDITION, I.E., BEFORE THE COUP HAD A FAI ARTICLE ON GRENADA, DECRYING THE "CHILEAN PENETRATION OF GRENADA" SINCE IT "POSES GRAVE THREAT IN CARIBBEAN." NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT BERNARD COARD AND UNISON WHITEMAN WERE QUOTED DURING A VISIT TO CANADA TO "PUBLICIZE THE GROWING THREAT TO HUMAN RIGHTS IN GRENADA." THE ARTICLE RECOUNTS ALLEGATIONS OF RIGGED ELECTIONS IN 1977. THE ARTICLE

STATES "THERE CAN BE NO DOUBT ABOUT GAIRY'S MAIN OBJECTIVE: THE PHYSICAL LIQUIDATION OF THE NJM AND THE TOTAL DESTRUCTION OF DEMOCRACY AND HUMAN RIGHTS IN GRENADA."

8. THE OPINION OF PRIVATE BUT INFORMED INDIVIDUALS HAS NOT BEEN EXTENSIVE BUT MOST HAVE EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT THE GRENADA COUP IS THE FIRST IN A SERIES. THE MINI STATES ARE PERCEIVED AS THE MOST VULNERABLE TO EXTRA LEGAL TAKEOVERS. SURPRISINGLY A FERVENT ANTI-BURNHAMITE POLITICIAN AND A USUALLY PRO-GOVERNMENT UNION LEADER EXPRESSED THE SAME OPINION:
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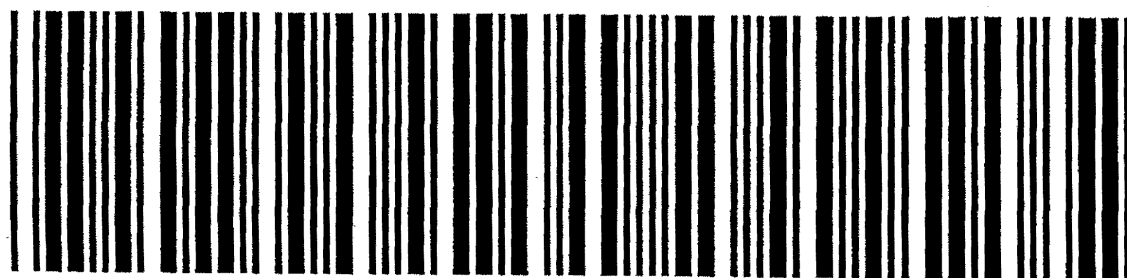
BECAUSE IT CAME TO POWER VIA RIGGED ELECTIONS THE GAIRY GOVERNMENT WAS ILLEGAL. SINCE THE NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT HAD BEEN DENIED THE OPPORTUNITY TO ACHIEVE POWER LEGITIMATELY, IT WAS JUSTIFIED IN RESORTING TO A COUP. THE IMPLICATIONS FOR THE BURNHAM GOVERNMENT ARE OBVIOUS.
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E.O. 12065 GDS 3-19-85 (GROVE, JR., BRANDON)

TAGS: MASS, PINS, PINT, GJ, ;S

SUBJECT: TURN-DOWN OF GAIRY REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE

1. PRIME MINISTER GAIRY OF GRENADA MADE A VERY GENERAL REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT ON MARCH 13 FOR ASSISTANCE IN THE FORM OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT. WHEN PRESSED, HE SAID THAT WHAT HE HAD IN MIND WOULD BE PATROL BOATS, PARACHUTES, AMMUNITION AND PERHAPS A HELICOPTER. HE WAS INFORMED AT THAT TIME THAT THERE PROBABLY WAS NOTHING THAT COULD BE DONE BY WAY OF DIRECT ASSISTANCE BUT THE DEPARTMENT WOULD STUDY HIS REQUEST.

2. ON MARCH 19 DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY GROVE REACHED GAIRY AT HIS HOTEL IN NEW YORK AND SAID THAT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO PROVIDE MILITARY EQUIP-
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MENT. WE HAVE NO FMS AGREEMENT WITH GRENADA, AND THE SELF-STYLED REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN IN CONTROL OF THE ISLAND FROM THE OUTSET OF THE COUP. WE HAVE NO INDICATIONS OF LOCAL OPPOSITION OF ANY KIND

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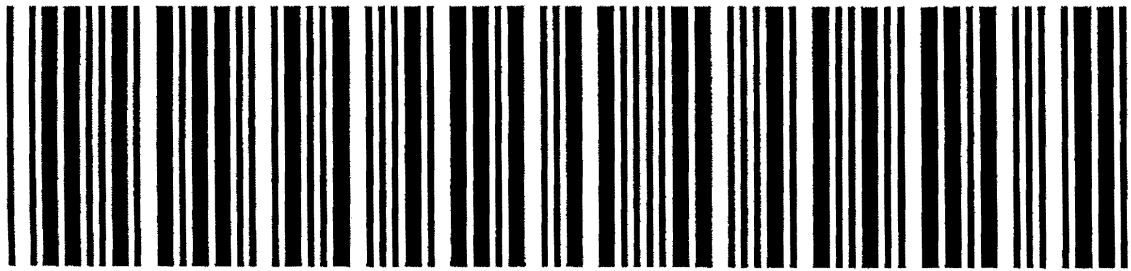
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AND THERE WOULD BE NO APPARENT RECEIVER FOR MILITARY
EQUIPMENT IN ANY EVENT. PRIME MINISTER GAIRY ACCEPTED
THIS WITHOUT FURTHER DISCUSSION. NEWSOM

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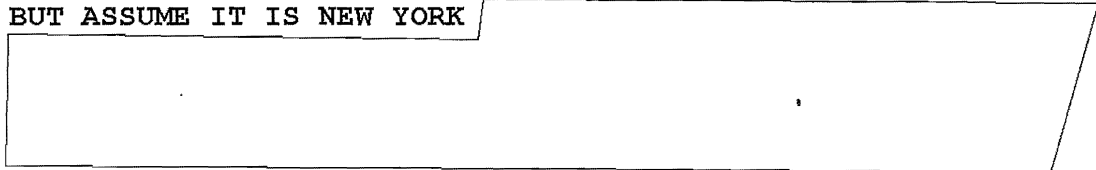
SUBJ: RETURN OF GAIRY ASSOCIATE DEREK KNIGHT TO USA

REF: BRIDGETOWN 1010

1. (C) ENTIRE TEXT.

2. SENATOR DEREK KNIGHT, WHO PER REFTTEL MET IN ANTIGUA TODAY, MARCH 20, WITH REPS OF WEST INDIES ASSOCIATED STATES ON GRENADA CONSTITUTIONALITY ISSUE, PLANS RETURN TO USA TODAY ON FOLLOWING FLIGHT: EA997, ARRIVING SAN JUAN 3:24 P.M.

3. WE WERE NOT GIVEN KNIGHT'S ONWARD DESTINATION BUT ASSUME IT IS NEW YORK



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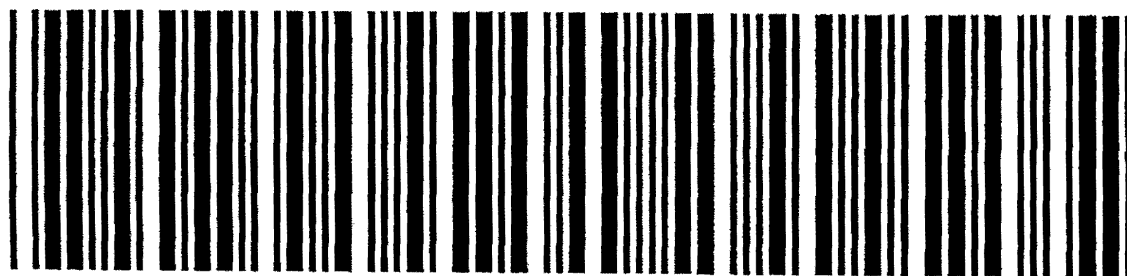
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E.O. 12065: RDS 3/8/85 (KLEINKAUF, THERESE)

TAGS: PINS, OTRA, GJ

SUBJECT: TREASURY INVESTIGATION IN GRENADA

REFS: STATE 56454 AND ORTIZ-KLEINKAUF TELCON OF 3/8/79

- 1. (C) ENTIRE TEXT
- 2. ITINERARY OF TREASURY INVESTIGATORS IS AS FOLLOWS:

DEPART DULLES AIRPORT VIA AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT 621
AT 12:55 PM, SUNDAY, MARCH 11.

ARRIVE ST. CROIX 5:34 PM

DEPART ST. CROIX VIA EASTERN AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. 965.

ARRIVE BRIDGETOWN 8:25 PM.

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PARTY WILL CONSIST OF [REDACTED], SPECIAL AGENT,
BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO AND FIREARMS, OFFICIAL
PASSPORT NUMBER [REDACTED], AND [REDACTED], SPECIAL

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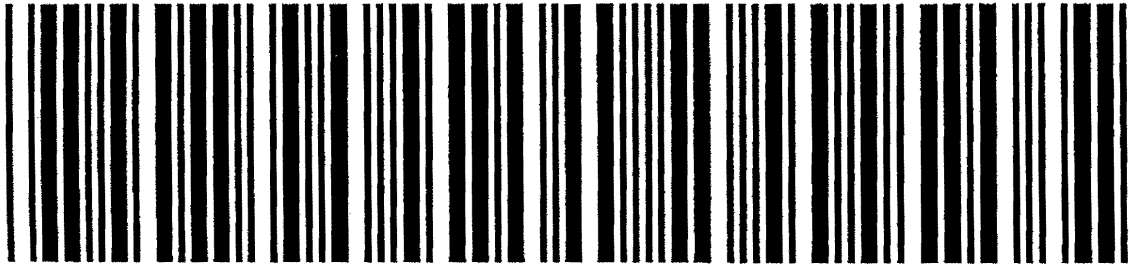
3. ASSISTANT U.S. ATTORNEY ADVISES THAT HE DOES NOT REPEAT NOT WISH FOR GORDON MONROE, U.S. CUSTOMS, VIRGIN ISLANDS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INVESTIGATION AT THIS TIME. US ATTORNEY WILL DISCUSS THIS MATTER WITH DIVISIONS OF TREASURY INVOLVED. CHRISTOPHER

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E.O. 12065: RDS (3/7/85) KLEINKAUF, THERESE

TAGS: PINS, GJ

SUBJECT: TREASURY INVESTIGATION IN GRENADA
REFS: BRIDGETOWN 700
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1. (C) - ENTIRE TEXT
2. TREASURY DEPARTMENT NOW HAS NECESSARY AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH PLANS TO TRAVEL TO GRENADA TO CONDUCT INVESTIGATION AS DISCUSSED IN PREVIOUS CORRESPONDENCE. POST IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT GOG TO OBTAIN THEIR CONCURRENCE AND ASSISTANCE ON BEHALF OF TREASURY.
3. AGENTS OF BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO AND FIREARMS AND US CUSTOMS WILL PARTICIPATE IN INVESTIGATION. THEY WOULD LIKE TO TRAVEL TO GRENADA AS EARLY AS NEXT WEEK.

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DEPARTMENT UNDERSTANDS GAIRY WILL BE IN NEW YORK FROM MARCH 12 THROUGH 16. THIS MAY BE APPROPRIATE TIME FOR AGENTS TO BEGIN INVESTIGATION. PRIMARY ITEMS OF INTEREST TO INVESTIGATORS WILL BE LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE TOLL

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RECORDS, BANK RECORDS, AND CUSTOMS RECORDS PERTAINING TO SHIPMENT OF BARRELS IN SEPTEMBER 1978 AND ANY PREVIOUS SHIPMENTS OF A SIMILAR NATURE. INVESTIGATORS WILL ALSO

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BE INTERESTED IN INTERVIEWING POTENTIAL WITNESSES FOR UP-COMING TRIAL.

4. INVESTIGATORS WILL TRAVEL FIRST TO BARBADOS FOR BRIEFINGS AT EMBASSY PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FOR GRENADA AND PLAN TO STOP IN BARBADOS ON RETURN TO ADVISE AMBASSADOR OF THEIR FINDINGS. EMBASSY MAY WISH TO CONSIDER SENDING AN OFFICER TO GRENADA WITH THE INVESTIGATORS TO FACILITATE THE INVESTIGATION IN ITS INITIAL STAGES AND ALSO TO IMPRESS ON GOG OFFICIAL NATURE OF INVESTIGATION.

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5. INVESTIGATIVE TEAM WILL CONSIST OF [REDACTED] SPECIAL AGENT, BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO AND FIREARMS, US TREASURY, AND [REDACTED] SPECIAL AGENT, US CUSTOMS. BOTH AGENTS WILL BE TRAVELLING ON OFFICIAL PASSPORTS. THEY WILL NOT REPEAT NOT BE CARRYING WEAPONS. A THIRD MEMBER OF THE INVESTIGATIVE TEAM MAY BE NAMED AT A LATER DATE. ASSISTANT US ATTORNEY WILL NOT REPEAT NOT ACCOMPANY THE INVESTIGATORS.

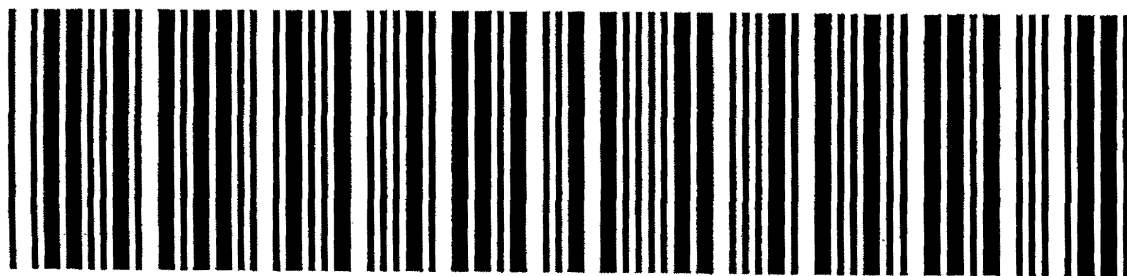
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6. POST REQUESTED TO ADVISE DEPARTMENT SOONEST OF APPROPRIATE DATES FOR VISIT AND TO ARRANGE HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS ACCORDINGLY. CHRISTOPHER

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E.O. 12065: GDS 3/13/85 (ORTIZ, FRANK V.) OR-M

TAGS:PINS, PINT, GJ

SUBJ: BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON LEADERS OF GRENADA REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT

1. (C) ENTIRE TEXT.
2. PRINCIPAL LEADER OF NEW REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT WHICH CLAIMS IT HAS TAKEN POWER IN GRENADA IS MAURICE RUPERT BISHOP, A NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT AND HEAD OF THE OPPOSITION. STATE BIOGRAPHIC DATA FORM DATED DECEMBER 2, 1977, GIVES BEST DESCRIPTION OF HIS POLITICAL IDEOLOGY, NOTING THAT HE IS MARXIST IN TERMS OF ECONOMICS AND IN TERMS OF CONFRONTATIONAL POLITICS BASED ON CLASS. HE IS 34 YEARS OLD, EDUCATED IN GRENADA AND LONDON (IN LAW).

3. BERNARD COARD, ONLY OTHER IDENTIFIED MEMBER OF REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT, IS ALSO 34 YEARS OLD. HE ATTENDED
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BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY IN THE U.S., WHERE HE OBTAINED A B.A. IN ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE, AND SUSSEX UNIVERSITY IN ENGLAND, WHERE HE EARNED AN M.A. HE WAS A TEACHER BEFORE ENTERING PARLIAMENT IN 1976. MARRIED WITH TWO

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CHILDREN, HE WAS ALSO AN OPPOSITION DELEGATE TO THE LONDON CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE IN GRENADA. COARD HAS REPORTEDLY VISITED CUBA AND JAMAICA AS A MEMBER OF NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT DELEGATIONS SEEKING SUPPORT AGAINST THE GAIRY GOVERNMENT. A [REDACTED] REPORT IN SEPTEMBER 1978 DESCRIBED HIM AS A MILITANT MARXIST: ORTIZ

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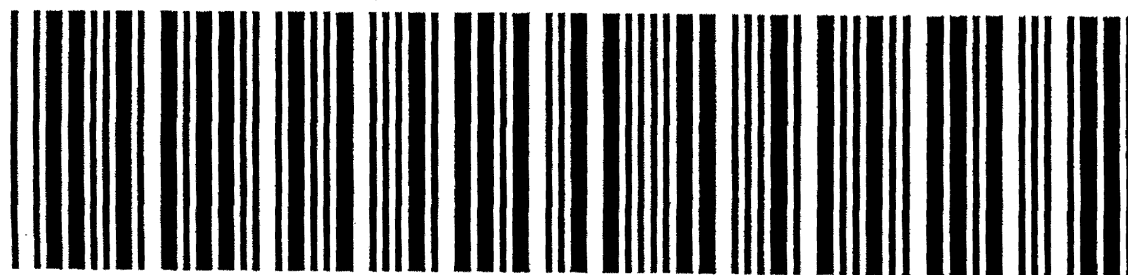
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1. (CL ENTIRE TEXT)
2. AS INSTRUCTED BY TELEPHONE, I CONVEYED TO PRIME MINISTER ADAMS THE OFFICIAL AND FORMAL U.S. POSITION IN SUPPORT OF EARLY AND PREFERABLY SUPERVISED ELECTIONS IN GRENADA. ADAMS WAS OBVIOUSLY GRATIFIED. HE ASKED ME IF THE U.S. WOULD CONSIDER ELECTIONS SUPERVISED BY THE CARICOM COUNTRIES TO BE SATISFACTORY. I TOLD HIM I HAD NO SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS ON THAT POINT, BUT THAT I WAS SURE WHAT WE WANTED WERE DEMONSTRABLY FAIR ELECTIONS AS LITTLE OPEN TO CONTEST AS POSSIBLE.

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EM ADAMS THEN TURNED TO THE ROLE OF THE GOVERNOR GENERAL. SINCE BARBADOS HAS RECEIVED ASSURANCES THAT SCOON WILL REMAIN AS CHIEF OF STATE THE QUESTION ARISES AS TO

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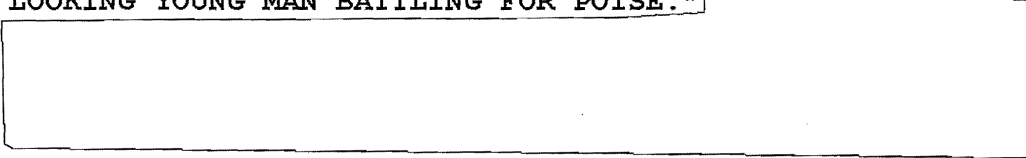
AS OF NOW ADAMS BELIEVES SCOON'S PERMANENCE GREATLY

FACILITATES THE CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTION.

I TOLD ADAMS WE WERE ENGAGED IN THE SAME EXERCISE.

4. ADAMS SAID THE CARICOM MEETING WAS DELAYED IN STARTING OWING TO TRANSPORTATION DIFFICULTIES. HE SAID HE WOULD BE BACK TO ME LATER IN THE DAY.

5. THE MINISTERS FINALLY RESUMED THEIR TALKS AT ABOUT 1400 LOCAL TIME. EMBASSY OFFICER ON THE SCENE (THE PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER) DESCRIBED THE GRENADIAN REPRESENTATIVE, GEORGE LOUISON, AS A "TERRIFIED LOOKING YOUNG MAN BATTLING FOR POISE."



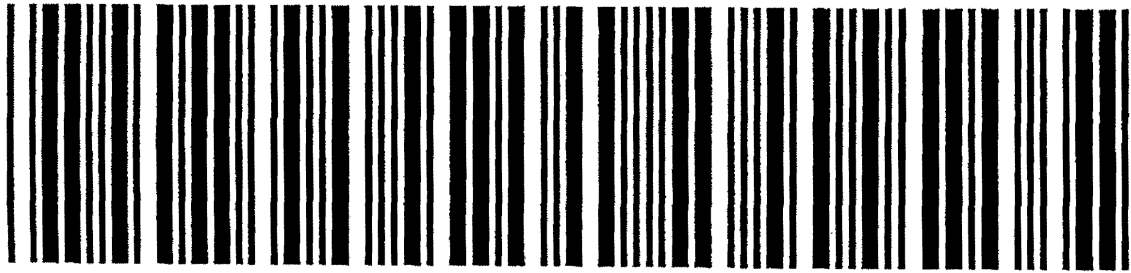
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TAGS: PINT, PINS, GJ
SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF GAIRY ASSOCIATE DEREK KNIGHT

REF: A) BRIDGETOWN 0981;
B) BRIDGETOWN 0950

1. (C) ENTIRE TEXT.

2. PRIME MINISTER COMPTON OF ST. LCIA TELEPHONED
AMBASSADOR TO STATE THAT REPRESENTATIVES OF SOME COUNTRIES
FROM EASTERN CARIBBEAN COMMON MARKET (ECCM) WHO ARE TO
MEET IN ANTIGUA TUESDAY, MARCH 20, DESIRE PRESENCE OF
SNEATOR DEREK KNIGHT WHO IS NOW IN THE U.S. KNIGHT FLED
GRENADA AFTER COUP AND ISWANTED BY NEW REVOLUTIONARY
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FROM ST.VINCENT AS FIRST REPORTED.

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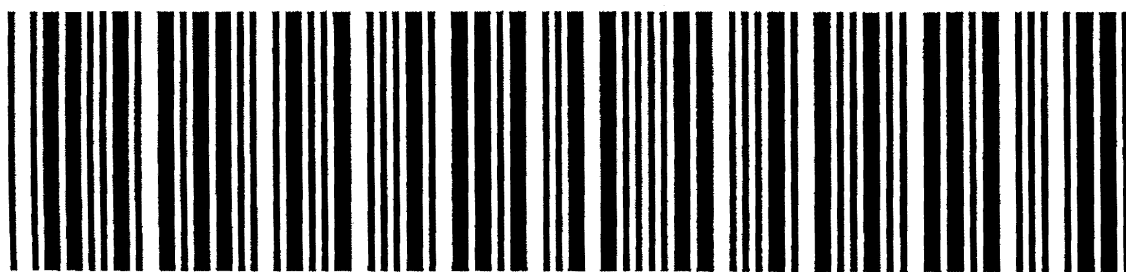
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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

1) ON APRIL 7, 1979, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE IN THE UNITED STATES WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED SUBJECTS ATTEMPTING TO SOLICIT INFORMATION CONCERNING [REDACTED]. INFORMATION DESIRED IS TO DETERMINE OWNERS [REDACTED]

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2) [REDACTED]

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3) [REDACTED] HAS INTRODUCED [REDACTED] AS BEING "FAMILY." [REDACTED] ALSO HAS

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INDICATED THAT IT MAY BE DESIRABLE TO HAVE [REDACTED] "PERMANENTLY
ELIMINATED." BOTH [REDACTED] PLAN TO TRAVEL TO GRENADA
MIDDLE OR LATER PART OF THIS WEEK.

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4) FBI FILES CONTAIN NUMEROUS ANTI-RACKETEERING REFERENCES
ON [REDACTED]

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5. FILES OF LEGAT, CARACAS, SHOW THAT IN 1972 ONE [REDACTED]
WAS CHARACTERIZED AS A [REDACTED] SUPPORTER OF FORMER
GRENADA PRIME MINISTER ERIC GAIRY.

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[REDACTED]

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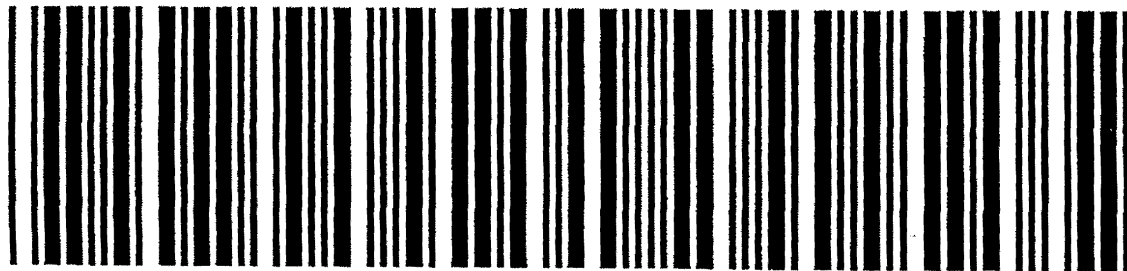
6) IN VIEW OF THE THREAT CONTAINED IN PARA 3, IF DEEMED FEASIBLE
AND DESIRABLE, PLEASE PASS THIS INFORMATION TO GOVERNMENT OF
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CARACAS FOR LEGATT

E.O. 12065: GDS, 4/12/85 (EDDY, JOHN J.) OR-M
TAGS: PINS, PINT, GJ
SUBJECT: POSSIBLE TRAVEL BY UNDERWORLD FIGURES TO GRENADA

REF: A) BRIDGETOWN 1386
B) CARACAS 3355 (NOTAL)

- 1. (C) - ENTIRE TEXT.
- 2. REF. A REPEATS REF. B TO DEPT.

3. AT RISK OF EXAGGERATING OUR BELIEF IN MURPHY'S LAW,
WE ARE STRUCK BY INOPPORTUNE TIMING OF PROPOSED TRAVEL
BY UNDESIRABLES [REDACTED] THIS WEEK TO
GRENADA (REFTELS). PEOPLES REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT HAS
WARNED POPULACE ABOUT POSSIBLE ARRIVAL OF HITMEN OR
MERCENARIES SENT BY GAIRY TO HINDER OR REVERSE REVOLUTION.

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4. MOTIVATION OF [REDACTED] SEEMS UNRELATED TO
REVOLUTION (REFTELS) BUT RATHER INVOLVES AN OLD FEUD
DIRECTED AT ONE [REDACTED] SOMEHOW
CONCERNED WITH LABOR MATTERS.
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5. SINCE ACCORDING REF B [REDACTED] MAY HAVE
ALREADY ARRIVED IN GRENADA, CHARGE ASKED CONSUL
RICHARD LAROCHE NOW IN GRENADA TO INFORM VINCENT NOEL,

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POSSIBLE ARRIVAL OF [REDACTED], AS WELL AS THEIR INTENDED MARK. LAROCHE INSTRUCTED EMPHASIZE THAT SO FAR AS EMBASSY AWARE [REDACTED] HAVE NO RPT NO CONNECTION WITH GAIRY. LAROCHE WILL UNDERLINE OUR GOOD FAITH IN PASSING THIS INFORMATION ON AND REQUEST NO PUBLICITY.

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6. FOR LEGATT CARACAS: PLEASE INFO DEPARTMENT ON ALL CASES RELATED TO GRENADA BECAUSE OF SENSITIVE SITUATION THERE.
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