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S E C R E T PARAMARIBO 1806

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E.O. 12356: DECL: 08/08/89  
TAGS: ASEC, PINS, NS  
SUBJ: ANONYMOUS LETTER PURPORTS TO DESCRIBE PLANNED COUP:  
COMMENTARY

REF: PARAMARIBO 1805

1. SECRET - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. SUMMARY: ANONYMOUS LETTER DISCOVERED AT CHANCERY 0650  
MONDAY AUGUST 8TH EXPRESSES NEED CONFER WITH AMBASSADOR  
ABOUT PLAN FOR FUTURE COUP DESCRIBED AT SOME LENGTH. LETTER  
MAKES NO THREATS AGAINST EMBASSY OR AMERICANS. CONTENTS  
SUGGEST KINSHIP WITH ANONYMOUS MAY 17TH LETTER  
REPORTED EARLIER.

(WE DO NOT HOLD COPY OF OUR CABLE).  
ACTION PLANNED BY EMBASSY: NONE. ACTION REQUESTED BY  
DEPARTMENT: NONE.

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3. TEXT OF LETTER IS GIVEN IN PARAMARIBO 1805. THIS  
COMMENTARY COVERS FIRST EXTERNALS OF THE LETTER AND THEN  
CONTENTS OF LETTER.

4. EXTERNALS. 0650 MONDAY AUGUST 8TH CONSULAR OFFICER  
FOUND ENVELOPE LYING ON FLOOR INSIDE FRONT DOOR OF  
CHANCERY. COMMENT: SOMEONE MUST HAVE PUSHED ENVELOPE  
THROUGH SMALL SPACE BETWEEN SLIDING DOOR PANELS AT  
SOME UNDETERMINED TIME BETWEEN COB 1530 FRIDAY AUGUST 5  
AND 0650 MONDAY AUGUST 8TH. ENVELOPE WAS ONLY ITEM SO

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DELIVERED OVER WEEKEND. ENVELOPE WAS THEN DELIVERED TO AMBASSADOR ROUTINELY THROUGH MAIL ROOM. AMBASSADOR RECEIVED AND OPENED ENVELOPE SHORTLY BEFORE NOON SAME DAY.

5. ENVELOPE WAS MARKED QUOTE

PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL  
THE AMBASSADOR  
AMERICAN EMBASSY  
PARAMARIBO UNQUOTE.

ENVELOPE TEXT WAS HAND PRINTED IN INK AND IN BLOCK LETTERS. INTERIOR OF ENVELOPE HAD WATERMARK QUOTE VACO UNQUOTE--NAME OF WELL KNOWN PARAMARIBO STATIONERY AND OFFICE SUPPLIES RETAILER.

6. LETTER ITSELF COVERS TWO PAGES. TYPE FONT IS ITALIC. TEXT RECEIVED APPEARS TO BE COPY OF TYPED ORIGINAL, REPRODUCED ON PAPER PROBABLY ONE THIRD LONGER THAN ORIGINAL WAS TYPED ON. THERE IS NO SIGNATURE AFTER FINAL, UNDERLINED WORD OF LETTER NAMELY QUOTE CONCERNED UNQUOTE.

7. CONTENTS OF LETTER (GEARED TO TEXT REFTTEL)

(A) ALTHOUGH FIRST SENTENCE SPEAKS OF QUOTE NEED TO SECRET

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CONFER WITH YOU BEFORE WE PUT SAME INTO ACTION UNQUOTE, NO TIME, PLACE OR PERSONS ARE NAMED FOR CONFERENCE.

(B) MATCHUP OF FORTY MEN WITH THEIR PROPOSED TASKS APPEARS IMPERFECT AND UNPROFESSIONAL. NUMBERS OF PERSONS AND TYPES OF WEAPONRY ARE PRIMA FACIE WOEFULLY INADQUATE FOR TASK ENVISAGED. PLAN DESCRIBED WOULD ALMOST CERTAINLY FAIL OF ITS STATED OBJECTIVE.

(C) FINAL FOUR PARAGRAPHS CONTAIN SOME THEMES STRONGLY REMINISCENT OF TEXT OF ANONYMOUS MAY 17TH 1983 LETTER ADDRESSED TO AMBASSADOR (AND TRANSMITTED TO DEPARTMENT). MAY 17TH LETTER FOR EXAMPLE SPEAKS OF QUOTE THE DEATH OF OUR BROTHERS CAUSED BY YOUR INEFFICIENT DONOVAN METHODS UNQUOTE. TODAY'S UNDATED LETTER SAYS QUOTE YOU FOLKS ALONG WITH DONOVAN ALLOWED DAAL AND THE REST TO BE KILLED UNQUOTE. FURTHERMORE TODAY'S LETTER'S REFERENCES TO PREVIOUS LETTERS TO AMBASSADOR, TO A ROY HORB LETTER AND WRITER'S TONE OF EXASPERATION WITH US POLICY SUGGEST POSSIBILITY THAT SAME GROUP MAY BE RESPONSIBLE FOR BOTH MAY 17TH AND TODAY'S TEXTS.

NOTE: TYPE FONTS OF TWO LETTERS ARE, HOWEVER, DIFFERENT.

(D) OSTENSIBLY, TODAY'S LETTER COMES FROM A GROUP ANTIPATHETIC TO BOUTERE, IMPATIENT WITH LACK OF US INTERVENTION AGAINST REGIME--A GROUP BOTH FRUSTRATED AND IRRITATED. UNLIKE MAY 17TH TEXT, HOWEVER, TODAY'S LETTER CONTAINS NO THREATS AGAINST EITHER EMBASSY OR AMERICANS.

8. COUNTRY TEAM MET TWICE  
TO REVIEW AND ASSESS TEXT. CONSENSUS IS THAT LETTER  
PER SE DOES NOT REPRESENT THREAT TO EMBASSY OR AMERICANS.  
IT MAY CONCEIVABLY HAVE BEEN DRAFTED IN NETHERLANDS  
BY DISGRUNTLED SURINAMERS OR OTHERS AND RECENTLY FLOWN  
IN. EMBASSY DOES NOT PLAN TO DISCUSS LETTER WITH GOS.  
ORIGINAL WILL BE POUCHED TO STATE/SY. DUEMLING

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