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E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR

TAGS: PTER, LE, US

SUBJECT: AMERICAN HOSTAGES IN LEBANON

REFS: (A) STATE 342425 (NOTAL),

-- (B) BARTHOLOMEW/OPSCENTER TELCON 11/07/85

1. ~~SECRET~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. IN RESPONSE TO REFTEL, WE HAVE OBTAINED FROM THE AP BUREAU CHIEF THE FULL TEXT OF THE STATEMENT READ BY AN ANONYMOUS CALLER CLAIMING TO REPRESENT "ISLAMIC JIHAD."

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ACCORDING TO AP, THE CALLER HAD TELEPHONED THE AGENCY FRANCE PRESS (AFP) IN WEST BEIRUT. AFP SAID THE CALLER DECLINED TO ANSWER QUESTIONS AFTER READING THE STATEMENT. AFP ALSO BELIEVES THAT IT RECOGNIZED THE VOICE AS THAT OF A PREVIOUS CALLER CLAIMING TO REPRESENT "ISLAMIC JIHAD."

3. FOLLOWING TEXT HAS ALREADY BEEN TRANSMITTED TO OPSCENTER SENIOR WATCH OFFICER VIA TACSAT TELCON (REF. B):

QUOTE I SHALL READ FOR YOU A STATEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE AMERICAN HOSTAGES ONLY. IN THE NAME OF GOD, THE MERCIFUL, THE COMPASSIONATE. AFTER THE NEGOTIATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN CONDUCTED INDIRECTLY BETWEEN US AND AMERICA, THE ENEMY OF ISLAM, AND THE ARRIVAL OF THESE NEGOTIATIONS TO A DEADEND, WE HAVE DECIDED THE FOLLOWING:

(1) THE EXECUTION OF THE AMERICAN HOSTAGES BY FIRING SQUAD.

(2) WAIT FOR A CALL FROM US AT ONE O'CLOCK IN CONNECTION WITH THE STATUS OF THE CORPSES OF THE AMERICAN HOSTAGES.

(3) LASTLY, WE WISH TO TELL AMERICA THAT THE SAD END OF THE AMERICAN HOSTAGES WILL NOT BE THE LAST. WE SHALL SHAKE THE EARTH UNDER AMERICA'S FEET AND THE FEET OF ITS AGENTS. UNQUOTE.

4. WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN FURTHER INFORMATION THROUGH THE LEBANESE ARMY INTELLIGENCE SERVICE AND FROM OTHER SOURCES. WE WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR THE SITUATION CLOSELY. BARTHOLOMEW

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1. ~~SECRET~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. FOLLOWING AP TICKER ITEM RECEIVED IN DEPARTMENT: "A. ANONYMOUS CALLER CLAIMING TO SPEAK FOR ISLAMIC JIHAD, OR ISLAMIC HOLY WAR, SAID THURSDAY THE SHIITE MOSLEM GROUP WILL KILL ALL THE AMERICAN HOSTAGES IT HOLDS IN LEBANON BY FIRING SQUAD. THE CALLER, SPEAKING IN ARABIC, TOLD A WESTERN NEWS AGENCY IN BEIRUT THE DECISION WAS TAKEN BECAUSE 'INDIRECT NEGOTIATIONS' WITH THE UNITED STATES TO 'SECURE THE HOSTAGES' RELEASE HAD REACHED A DEAD END. 'WAIT FOR ANOTHER CALL FROM US AT 1 P.M. (1100 GMT) IN CONNECTION WITH THE STATUS OF THE CORPSES OF THE AMERICAN HOSTAGES,' THE CALLER SAID."

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3. PLEASE PROVIDE OP CENTER WITH ANY AVAILABLE
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2. IN NOVEMBER 7 TELCON [REDACTED] TOLD ME
THAT HE HAD "HAD SOMEONE CALLED" TO CHECK THE VERACITY OF

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THE COMMUNIQUE THREATENING THE EXECUTION OF THE AMERICAN HOSTAGES (REFTELS). HE SAID THAT HE BEEN TOLD, "NO, IT'S A LIE".

3. [REDACTED] SAID THAT HE HAS ALSO MADE OTHER INQUIRIES AND WILL GET BACK TO ME AS SOON AS HE HAS ANYTHING ELSE TO REPORT, BUT PROBABLY NOT UNTIL AFTER 1600 HOURS LOCAL.

4. I THANKED [REDACTED] AND ASKED HIM TO DO EVERYTHING HE COULD, GIVEN THE GRAVITY WITH WHICH WE WOULD REGARD ANY HARM TO THE HOSTAGES.

5. COMMENT. AS DEPARTMENT KNOWS, [REDACTED] DOES HAVE CERTAIN ACCESS AND GOOD SOURCES. HOWEVER, HE HIMSELF WANTED TO CHECK FURTHER TO SEE IF HIS INITIAL INFORMATION WAS CORRECT. BARTHOLOMEW
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