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FM AMEMBASSY BANGKOK  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 0226  
INFO AMEMBASSY BONN

C O N F I D E N T I A L BANGKOK 61358

EO 12356: DECL: OADR  
TAGS: PARM, LA, CB  
SUBJECT: CBW SAMPLES  
1. (CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.)

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REVIEWED by RHW DATE 11/3/88  
 RELEASE  DECLASSIFY  
 EXCISE  DECLASSIFY in PART  
 DENY  Non-responsive info.  
FOI, EO or PA exemptions \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ TS authority to:  
 CLASSIFY as \_\_\_\_\_, OADR  
 DOWNGRADE TS to  S or  C, OADR

2. A WEST GERMAN JOURNALIST HAS OFFERED TO GIVE TO THE EMBASSY CHEMICAL SAMPLES OBTAINED FROM KAMPUCHEA AND LAOS. IN RETURN FOR THESE SAMPLES THE JOURNALIST WANTS WRITTEN ASSURANCE THAT HE WILL BE GIVEN RESULTS OF THE ANALYSIS WHEN THE USG OBTAINS THEM. HE INTENDS TO PUBLISH THE RESULTS AND, WE PRESUME, THE BACKGROUND TO HIS OBTAINING THE SAMPLES.

3. WE HAVE TOLD THE JOURNALIST THAT WE WILL FORWARD HIS REQUEST TO THE DEPARTMENT AND GIVE HIM AN ANSWER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. WE SUGGEST THAT WE GIVE THE JOURNALIST A NOTE WHICH READS AS FOLLOWS: THIS NOTE IS TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF ALLEGED CBW SAMPLES. THE SAMPLES WILL BE ANALYZED AND THE RESULTS OF THAT ANALYSIS PROVIDED TO YOU.

4. WE SUGGEST THAT IF THE DEPARTMENT APPROVES, NOTIFICATION OF THE RESULTS OF THE ANALYSIS BE SENT TO EMBASSY BONN (WITH WHOM THE JOURNALIST HAS BEEN IN CONTACT) FOR DISSEMINATION TO THE JOURNALIST.  
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CONTACT) FOR DISSEMINATION TO THE JOURNALIST.

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5. PLEASE PROVIDE GUIDANCE BY IMMEDIATE CABLE.

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