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PM - COL. LEONARD
DOD/ISA/EAP - COL. WISE (DRAFT)
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TO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK PRIORITY

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E.O. 12356 DECL: OADR
TAGS: MOPS, PARM, AORG, TH, US
SUBJECT: CBW TEAM -- BEGINNING OPERATION

REF: BANGKOK 55666

1. (C) - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. THE DEPARTMENT'S CENTRAL COORDINATING OFFICE FOR CBW MATTERS WORLDWIDE IS PM/TMP. THAI DESK WORKS CLOSELY WITH PM ON THE ISSUE AS IT RELATES TO SOUTHEAST ASIA. DOD'S OFFICES FOR CBW MATTERS ARE OSD/ISP/MN AND OJCS/J5. OSD/ISA (EAP) WORKS CLOSELY WITH BOTH ISP AND J5 ON SOUTHEAST ASIA MATTERS AND HAS, IN FACT, PRIMARY DOD RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SETTING UP JOINT STATE-DEFENSE TEAM. WE EXPECT SHORTLY TO HAVE A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH DOD WHICH WILL DEFINE THE MISSION, FUNCTIONS, COMPOSITION, REPORTING AND COMMUNICATIONS CHANNELS, AND SUPPORT ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE TEAM.

3. CABLE TRAFFIC CONCERNING ADMINISTRATIVE AND MANAGEMENT
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MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE CBW TEAM SHOULD BE ADDRESSED

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GENERALLY AS FOLLOWS:

ACTION: SECSTATE (SLUGGED FOR PM/TMP - COL. LEONARD,

EA/TB, AND INR/PMA -- FURTHER DISTRIBUTION WITHIN STATE WILL BE MADE HERE);

-- SECDEF (SLUGGED FOR ISA-EAP AND ISP)

INFO: OJCS (SLUGGED FOR J5);

-- USCINCPAC (SLUGGED FOR J5)

ALL TRAFFIC SHOULD BE TAGGED "MOPS" AND OTHER TAGS USED AS APPROPRIATE.

4. THE TEAM'S CABLE TRAFFIC CONCERNING SUBSTANTIVE INFORMATION ON THE USE OF CHEMICAL AND TOXIN AGENT WEAPONS IN SOUTH-EAST ASIA SHOULD BE SENT TO THE ADDRESSEES WHO NOW RECEIVE DAO REPORTING ON THAT SUBJECT. FOR STATE ADDRESSEES THE SLUGS SUGGESTED ABOVE SHOULD BE USED.

5. DIVISION OF RESPONSIBILITY BETWEEN THE JOINT STATE-DEFENSE TEAM AND THE DAO HAS BEEN DISCUSSED AT LENGTH HERE. DEPARTMENT AND DOD SHARE THE GOAL OF KEEPING DAO RESOURCES ENGAGED IN THE COLLECTION EFFORT. THE PARTICULARS OF THE CBW TEAM-DAO RELATIONSHIP WILL BE INCLUDED IN OUR MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH DOD, A COPY OF WHICH WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE TEAM. SHULTZ

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