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SS MAYAGUEZ/KOH TANG AFTER ACTION REPORT

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VERBAL ORDERS RELATING TO RESCUE OF THE SS MAYAGUEZ AND ITS CREW

FROM SECDEF

14 May

0005 Telecon OSD and OJCS: Authority given to sink four boats at island and also another patrol boat which previously fled island and now moored at another island.

1645 NSC Meeting to JCS: Directed forces to begin operations to board MAYAGUEZ and make a helicopter assault on Kaoh Tang Island, but excluded air attacks on the mainland of Cambodia.

1654 SECDEF to ACJCS: Approved ultimatum to be used in connection with the operation.

1710 NSC Meeting to JCS: Directed cyclic strike operations from the USS CORAL SEA against targets in the Kompong Som Complex with first time-on target specified at 2045. Details of operational authorities and principal targets were included.

2344 SECDEF to CJCS: Third wave from CORAL SEA should strike as planned.

15 May

0010 SECDEF on recommendation of CJCS: Devote efforts to extracting Marines without further casualties.

0038 SECDEF on recommendation of CJCS: Fourth wave from CORAL SEA should not be sent against mainland targets.

0050 SECDEF on recommendation of the CJCS: Directed cessation of all offensive operations and to completely disengage all forces.

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FROM JCS
14 May
0004 EDT to CINCPAC:

- JCS approved attack on small boats near island and ship, use caution around ship and carefully observe for presence of Americans on boats.

0048 to CINCPAC:

- ACJCS debriefed CINCPAC and major subordinate commanders on the NSC meeting and provided planning guidance for military operations to recover the ship and crew.

a. At first light 15 May, US Forces will be prepared to secure Koh Tang Island and simultaneously board the MAYAGUEZ.

b. Decision will be forthcoming whether to put Marines aboard the HOLT or have the crew of the HOLT handle it.

c. Helicopter cycles will be maximized.

d. Plan limited use of Guam-based B-52s and their related tankers for strikes against Kompong Som. Priority of targets will be the harbor area and military shipping.

e. Plan for TACAIR using CORAL SEA assets on multiple targets, particularly patrol boats not suitable for attack by B-52s.

f. Plan to use US air assets based in Thailand; however, Thailand-based assets will not be used to strike Cambodia proper.

g. Deny Cambodian naval vessels the entry into or exit from the areas around the island and in the vicinity of the ship.

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h. The primary objective is to get into the area as quickly as possible, and extract the Americans, recover the ship and withdraw US Forces promptly. Above all, the operation must be professionally conducted.

0143 to CINCPAC:

- JCS provided planning guidance on use of CORAL SEA as helo/fixed wing platform if carrier close enough to participate in operations.

1652 to CINCPAC:

- White House relayed original execution order calling for boarding of ship and helo assault of Koh Tang Island but excluded attacks on the Mainland by either B-52s and naval TACAIR from the CORAL SEA.

1710 to CINCPAC:

- Commence cycling strike from CORAL SEA against Kompong Som target complex to coincide with seizure time of ship. First flight to be armed recce against aircraft and military watercraft. Subsequent flights to use precision guided munitions against targets of military significance in Kompong Som complex.

1735 to CINCPAC:

- In view of indications that the MAYAGUEZ appeared to be making preparations to get underway, instructions were passed that the ship was not to be allowed to move.

1935 to CINCPAC:

- Continuous post strike recce coverage after every mission.
VERBAL ORDERS FROM JCS (Continued)

14 May (continued)

2029 to CINCPAC:
- Do not release Navy TACAIR for strikes on Kompong Som Harbor.

2032 to CINCPAC:
- Island landing and boarding of ship may continue.

2034 to CINCPAC:
- Use all possible communications to divert and cancel CORAL SEA TACAIR. May operate in accordance with Thailand based ROE.

2044 to CINCPAC:
- JCS directed cessation of all cyclic strike operations from CORAL SEA immediately.

2048 to CINCPAC:
- Correction to previous order: First wave of TACAIR from CORAL SEA to strike Mainland targets. BDA is to be made and reported to NMCC.

2052
- NMCC passed on that General Scowcroft directed operations proceed with all CORAL SEA assets as planned.

2202
- DDO indicated White House directed information be provided as to estimate of next insertion of Marines.
VERBAL ORDERS FROM JCS (Continued)

14 May (continued)

2235 to CINCPAC:
- Direct HOLT to send Marines to island as soon as possible.

2344 to CINCPAC:
- Allow CORAL SEA strike currently inbound to proceed to POL depot. All subsequent CORAL SEA efforts to be close air support missions in support of ground security forces on island.

15 May

0007 EDT to CINCPAC:
- Request situation island - Situation as below:
  USMC - no imminent danger, opposition forced back,
  Jolly Green fully resisting (mortars) MG/minefields -
  USMC ashore consolidating.

0012 to CINCPAC:
- Concentrate efforts on withdrawal of Marines from the island.

0020 to CINCPAC:
- Informed CINCPAC that there was no commitment to keep the Marines on the island or to capture it. Also, that there was interest in keeping pressure on the mainland and asked for an opinion regarding useful targets remaining in the Kompong Som complex.

0039 to CINCPAC/CINCPACFLT/USSAG/7AF (GEN BROWN to ADM GAYLER):
- Stand B-52s down - Use TACAIR for Marines on island -
  Question needs of Marine C.O. for reinforcements. Use TACAIR as needed.

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VERBAL ORDERS FROM JCS (Continued)

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0049 to CINCPAC:

- Directed CINCPAC to devote total effort to extracting Marines from the island without additional casualties if possible. Informed him that no further consideration was being given to additional strikes on the Mainland.

0158 to CINCPAC:

- Discussing ADM Gayler/Weisner exchange — agree on chopper use. Directed to "paste the place."

0326 to CINCPAC:

- When is extraction from Koh Tang due to start?

0408 to CINCPAC:

- On extraction of K-23 personnel, assume support will be SPECTRE gunships plus WILSON, plus CORAL SEA gunboats. Is that correct? Answer: Yes.

0610 to CINCPAC:

- Any info on TACAIR? Answer: 2 OV-10 for FAC, A7, F-4, AC-130.

0733 Conference Call CINCPAC/BLUE CHIP/JCS:

- Can't get GSF out tonight, going to talk to ground commander, COL Johnson, to make plans. Will keep SPECTRE overhead all night. Should have large reinforcements of Marine and helo from HANCOCK. Keep SPECTRE overhead all night. Might consider using boats tonight under cover of darkness.

- FROM CHAIRMAN: Present concept is to bring Marines and helos from HANCOCK to CORAL SEA and plan for tomorrow.
VERBAL ORDERS FROM JCS (Continued)

15 May (continued)

0748 to CINCPAC:
- Directed CINCPAC to discuss with USSAG/7AF the advisability of continuing the liftout during the night by boat or helicopters under cover of darkness as compared to major helicopter reinforcements and troop reinforcements if necessary in the morning.

0748-0915 - Continuous monitoring, discussion, and coordination until the extraction was completed.

1002 FROM NMCC to CINCPAC:
- Break down the conference circuit.

NOTE: The above orders were taken from logs and interviews. During the course of the planning and execution of the operation many specific details were discussed among the principals without the conversations being recorded. Many of the ideas which later were a part of the operation, such as including the EOD team with the SS MAYAGUEZ boarding party, were evolved in just such a manner.
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FROM CINCPAC

13 May

2308 EDT to USSAG:

- Ordered acceleration of information on count of boats around island.

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0132 EDT to USSAG:

- Confirms telecon between CINCPAC and JCS. Reiterated: need to get Marines on USS HOLT; take island by helo assault; maybe B-52 strikes against harbor/airfield, Kompong Som and Ream; should happen within next 18 hours; work with SAC Liaison; need for constant recce from now till execution; no boats in or out of island - can sink to sterilize area; minimize reliance on Thailand-based TACAIR; B-52s will come from Guam.

0238 (Admiral Gayler at JCS) to CINCPAC:

- Make transfers of Marines to USS HOLT at first light. CINC will get OK at Washington end.

0246 to ALCON:

- No execution today (1346 GOLF). Plan for first light tomorrow; put Marines aboard USS HOLT at first light.

0327 (Admiral Gayler at JCS) to CINCPAC J3:

- USS HOLT should be loading 50 calibers aboard; should be making up firebase location; also fabricating shields; put ASROCs in secure area; incoming helos should have flak jackets for sailors on USS HOLT; see no alternate except for Marines to go from helos while they hover, rapel down rope; don't hurry so much; be sure we have RCS on choppers (all acknowledged by USSAG/PACFLT in follow-on conversation.)
VERBAL ORDERS FROM CINCPAC (Continued)

14 May (continued)

0400 to USSAG:

- Request update RF-4C coverage, soonest today, of
  Ream, airfield and port facility; Sihanoukville,
  from JCS; USSAG/Fleet acknowledged. JCS noted decision
  will be made this afternoon in Washington (now 1000 DC
  time) this afternoon we will be advised.

0544 to USSAG:

- (In response to USSAG report RF-4Cs did not get airborne
  due to nonavailability of aircraft and they plan coverage
  for first light tomorrow); Hold off on missions until
  we say OK.

0940 to USSAG:

- What is status of plan (not yet received) due at 1300Z.

1110 TO USSAG, PACFLT, PACAF on conference line:

- Following points made: Regarding any targeting done,
  replacing B-52 strikes, should stay with only military
  targets; on Swedish ship, P-3s should pursue looking
  for it--recce area--see what we can do. Will help
  internationalize situation. Noted that fleet not to
  interfere with primary mission, per JCS comment.

1831 to COMUSSAG:

- Keep the info coming. MAYAGUEZ is not to be permitted
  to depart.

1858 TO USSAG:

- SITREPS from the USS HOLT are to be read over the
  secure conference when received.

1905 to USSAG:

- Give landing times of helos as soon as they land.
  Provide count of TACAIR over target.

1910 to USSAG:

- Directed put BLU-82s on launch alert.
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1920 to USSAG:
- Directs launch BLU-82s and hold.

1936 to USSAG:
- Directs USS WILSON to render fire support.

1938 to USSAG:
- Authorizes ground commander to use BLU-82s if he desires.

1947 to USSAG:
- Directs KNIFE 43, 42 to land on island.

2002 to USSAG:
- Directs use USS WILSON for fire support.

2058 TO USSAG:
- Proceed with strikes as planned. Still need position ID on Merships as Cambodian before hitting. Have authority to use CORAL SEA TACAIR to support GSF. Can preempt Cambodia strikes if required.

2100 to USSAG:
- Request latest info from GSF.

2106 to USSAG:
- We just got a report that KNIFE 31 in the water with 10 survivors. Tell GSF commander not to hazard his force. Do not take offensive actions without waiting for reinforcements.

2124 to ACJCS:
- Need to get word out that we seized ship vice it was surrendered (ACJCS noted White House had done that).
VERBAL ORDERS FROM CINCPAC (Continued)

14 May (continued)

2130 to USSAG (in response to question):
- Mission of GSF on island is to secure island and make search.

2204 to CJCS:
- Contemplate insertion (buildup) of force into night hours. Plan to get some Marines from MAYAGUEZ/HOLT to help GSF (CJCS concurred).

2213 to USSAG:
- GSF under heavy fire; provide fire support from the WILSON.

2223 to PACFLT:
- Investigate possibility of using CORAL SEA ASW choppers to move Marines from MAYAGUEZ to beach; reinforcing the beach has priority.

2232 to USSAG;
- Move MACTHAI tugs (about 60 miles away) down to MAYAGUEZ.

2332 to USSAG:
- Authorized to hold up the helo flow. Pull back the GSF, so can provide suppressive TACAIR support.

2342 to CJCS:
- If needed, will use CORAL SEA TACAIR to support GSF. CJCS acknowledges this is within CINCPAC authority/JCS guidance.

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0010 EDT to USSAG:
- Like to put in heavy air strikes before bringing in more GSF.
"VERBAL ORDERS FROM CINCPAC (Continued)

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0012 to USSAG:
- Get the Marines in position for extraction. Suppress (resistance) with fire.

0046 to USSAG:
- Present intent to move CORAL SEA closer to island, use deck as shuttle for extraction. CORAL SEA now 85-90 NM south of island. GSF commander not able to join up. Needs 100 more men - cannot secure LZ.

0052 to USSAG:
- Insure GSF commander understands we want to extract him now. Ask if he has secure LZ to put reinforcements on ground.

0054 to USSAG:
- Passed on CJCS concern about evacuating casualties from chopper on beach.

0130 to USSAG:
- Strike barge/boat (between Koh Tang and Mainland)

0146 to USSAG:
- Get TACAN reading on CORAL SEA.

0150 to Fleet:
- Can you move CORAL SEA closer? Send "BINGO" aircraft to U-Tapao.

0153 to USSAG:
- Expend TACAIR ordnance.

0155 to USSAG:
- Directs helos are priority one for cyclic air operations from CORAL SEA. Insure helos are unimpeded.

0235 to USSAG:
- Keep helos in area of the operation for extraction purposes.
VERBAL ORDERS FROM CINCPAC (Continued)

15 May (continued)

0400 to USSAG:

- Continue to muster maximum helos. Continue to move CORAL SEA closer. Evaluate situation with view of extraction tonight. Maximum TACAIR support.

0412 to Fleet:

- Want CORAL SEA close ASAP. Request estimate when within 10 NM (estimate 1015Z).

0514 to USSAG:

- After consultation with Fleet, extract crew with boat from HOLT/WILSON about an hour from now.

0520 to USSAG:

- Cautioned not to precede downed chopper operation too much with GSF extraction, lest forces have not enough protection.

0522 to USSAG:

- Recapped concept: Two ships go in as close as possible. Send in boats. Marines swim/push wounded few feet to boats. Use fire support as needed. Assume 4 big choppers and 2 ASW (confirmed by USSAG).

0528 to USSAG:

- Keep 2 OV 10s up and over area.
VERBAL ORDERS FROM CINCPAC (Continued)

15 May (continued)

0532 to USSAG:
- Go at 1730G (1030Z) with helo evacuation; soonest with GSF.

0543 to PACFLT:
- Have HANCOCK test long-range tanks tonight in case needed tomorrow.

0546 to Fleet:
- Reaffirm with "skippers," they are to go as close as possible.

0554 to Fleet:
- Expedite (closing of USS HOLT) as fast as possible.

0607 to USSAG:
- Hold operation until both ships (WILSON/HOLT) ready to go--but in daylight. Move to beach with fire as necessary. Give me the time. If it gets too hot, authorized to move off and we'll try it under cover of darkness.

0609 to CJCS:
- Recapped decisions made; chopper evacuation at 1030Z; other operation in daylight; both ships in use; alternative is to wait for daylight tomorrow. I have directed execution--in about 20 minutes. CJCS acknowledged.

0625 to USSAG:
- Authorized to expend one (1) BLU-82 on island. Insure caution. Stay clear of Marines and choppers.

0634 to USSAG:
- Plan BLU drop in large part of island. Be sure clear of LZ and Marines.
VERBAL ORDERS FROM CINCPAC (Continued)

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0638 to USSAG:
- Proceed with pickup of downed helicopter crew ASAP.

0640 to USSAG:
- In reading message from USS WILSON on "possible" evacuation, it is directed, they have the go - WILSON seems to be in doubt.

0658 to Fleet:
- Be prepared to launch maximum HANCOCK helos with Marine complement, to arrive at first light.

0747 to USSAG:
- Be sure to get GSF commander's view on coming out by boat tonight--as compared to bringing them out in daylight tomorrow with major reinforcements.

0750
- CINCPAC concurred with COMUSSAG request (GSF commander recommendation) to continue operation tonight by helo (primarily) and/or boat, as long as feasible.

0837 to USSAG:
- Report confirmation of all personnel out.

0925 to JCS:
- Debrief of CAPT Davies states he is "relatively certain" no more Marines on island. I (CINCPAC) will wind down.

0926 to ALCON:
- Magnificent performance by all hands, under difficult circumstances. Well done.
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WRITTEN ORDERS RELATING TO THE RESCUE OF THE SS MAYAGEUZ AND ITS CREW

FROM JCS

1. JCS 140455Z May 75 to CINCPAC:
   (140055 EDT)
   - Confirms authority passed by voice 140406Z to sink small craft identified in vicinity of Koh Tang.

2. JCS 140523Z May 75 to CINCPAC:
   (140123Z EDT)
   - Suggests EOD team capability accompany boarding forces.

3. JCS 140645Z May 75 to CINCPAC/CINCSAC/COMUSSAG/7AF/COMSEVENTHFLT/
   CINCPACAF/CINCPACFLT
   (140245 EDT)
   - Direct planning for potential execution early 15 May to seize the MAYAGUEZ, occupy Koh Tang Island, conduct B-52 strikes against mainland targets, and sink all Cambodian small craft in the target areas.

4. JCS 042000Z May 75 to CINCPAC:
   (141600 EDT)
   - Request reconnaissance assets on board CVAs be placed in highest state of readiness.

5. JCS 142059Z May 75 to CINCPAC:
   (141659 EDT)
   - Planning message concerning possible ultimatum which might be given to Cambodians.

6. JCS 142142Z May 75 to CINCPAC:
   (141742 EDT)
   - Directs US Marines aboard USS HOLT to seize and secure SS MAYAGUEZ; directs Marine helicopter assault on Koh Tang Island; authorizes use of TACAIR and naval gunfire support for operations directed above; directs withdrawal of Marines from island as soon as possible upon completion of mission.

7. JCS 142203Z May 75 to CINCPAC:
   (141803 EDT)
   - Directs execution of cyclic operation from CORAL SEA against targets in Kompong Som complex.

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8. JCS 142321Z May 75 to CINCSAC:
   (141921 EDT)
   - Message confirms telecon placing B-52s on 1-hour alert effective. 142155Z May.

9. JCS 142344Z May 75 to CINCPAC:
   (141944 EDT)
   - Approved PACFLT request to overfly Cambodian Islands and Kompong Som area.

10. JCS 150044Z May 75 to CINCPAC:
    (142044 EDT)
    - Cease strike operations against Kompong Som complex. (Rescinds previous direction - see item 7.)

11. JCS 150118Z May 75 to CINCPAC:
    (142118 EDT)
    - Rescinds previous direction to cease strikes against Kompong Som complex (see item 10). Directs operations proceed as previously approved against Kompong Som (see item 7).

12. JCS 150204Z May 75 to all Military Activities:
    (142204 EDT)
    - Directs minimize on all communications to Southeast Asia.

13. JCS 150455Z May 75 to CINPAC/CINCSAC:
    (150055 EDT)
    - Directs terminate all offensive operations; disengage and withdraw/report when accomplished. CINCSAC resume normal readiness.
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SUBJ CONFIRMATION OF AUTHORITY (U)

THIS CONFIRMS AUTHORITY PASSED BY SECURE VOICE FROM JCS TO
CPAC AT 142406Z MAY 1973 TO ATTACK AND SINK SMALL CRAFT
IDENTIFIED IN VICINITY OF KOU TANG AND THE ONE CRAFT WHICH
PREVIOUSLY DEPARTED KOU TANG FOR KAOLO HAI ISLANDS - GDS 63

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SUBJ: PLANNING FOR MAYAGUEZ BOARDING (C)

\(\text{\it\footnotesize NOTE: THERE IS POSSIBILITY THAT MAYAGUEZ COULD BE BOCKY TRAPPED AT TIME OF BOARDING. SUGGEST YOUR PLANNING AND PREPARATION CONSIDER ECC TEAM CAPABILITIES TO ACCOMPANY BOARDING FORCES.}\)

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JCS SENTS FOR ADMIRAL GAYLER, GENERAL DOUGHERTY, GENERAL WILSON, ADMIRAL WEISNER, LGEN BURNS, AND VADM STEELE FROM GENERAL JONES.

SUBJ: MAYAGUEZ/KOH TANG PLANNING DIRECTIVE (S)

1. SUMMARY: HIGHER AUTHORITY HAS DIRECTED THAT ALL NECESSARY PREPARATIONS BE MADE FOR POTENTIAL EXECUTION EARLY ON THE 15TH TO SEIZE THE MAYAGUEZ, OCCUPY KOH TANG ISLAND, CONDUCT B-52 STRIKES AGAINST THE PORT OF KOMPONG SOM AND REAM AIRFIELD, AND SINK ALL CAMBODIAN SMALL CRAFT IN TARGET AREAS.

2. FOR CINCPAC: PLAN FOR AND WHEN DIRECTED EXECUTE THE FOLLOWING OPERATIONS:

A. USS HAROLD E. HOLT SEIZE SS MAYAGUEZ USING SHIPS COMPANY AND/OR AUGMENTING MARINES NOW AT UTAPAC.

B. OCCUPY KOH TANG ISLAND WITH MARINE FORCES NOW AT UTAPAC SUPPORTED BY AIR FORCE HELD ASSETS AND TACAIR AND NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT AS AVAILABLE AND REQUIRED.

C. SINK ALL CAMBODIAN SMALL CRAFT IN THE TARGET AREAS OF KOH TANG.

D. PAULO WAI, KOMPONG SOM, AND REAM.

3. FOR CINCIN, CONDUCT CONVENTIONAL B-52 STRIKES AGAINST THE PORT OF KOMPONG SOM AND REAM AIRFIELD FROM GUAM REPEAT FROM GUAM;

4. FOR ALL: THESE OPERATIONS ARE CURRENTLY PROJECTED FOR SUNRISE TARGET AREAS, ON 15 MAY, B-52 TACTICS MAY BE UP TO 3 HOURS LATER, PLAN SUPPORTING OPERATIONS AS REQUIRED, ALSO PLAN ON POSSIBLE USE OF USS CORAL SEA AIRCRAFT;

5. MEANWHILE DELAY BY SINKING EGRESS AND INGRESS OF ALL CAMBODIAN
SHIPS AND SMALL CRAFT FROM OR TO KOK IANG ISLAND AREA
6. SECURITY IS OF ABSOLUTE PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE. LIMIT ACCESS TO
THESE INTENTIONS AND PLANNING ACTIONS TO MINIMUM PERSONNEL
NECESSARY.
7. FYI, FINAL DECISION RELATIVE TO EXECUTION EXPECTED MIDAFTEMNOON
TOMORROW WASHINGTON TIME; END FYI.
8. REQUIRE YOUR PLANS PRIOR 1409Z EDIT.
9. THERE IS TO BE NO UNAUTHORIZED PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS MATTER;
ANY NEWS MEDIA OR PUBLIC QUERIES ARE TO BE ACCEPTED WITH A QUOTE
ASD(PA) VIA THE PA WATCH OFFICER IN THE HMCC. ASD(PA) WILL
COORDINATE AND PROVIDE FURTHER PUBLIC AFFAIRS GUIDANCE AS
APPROPRIATE.
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2. (G) REQUEST RECONNAISSANCE ASSETS, PROCESSING FACILITY AND PERSONNEL ON BOARD CVAS IN/enlouyz GULF OF THAILAND 52 PLACED IN SAFF HIGH STATE OF READINESS AS LAND-BASED FORCES. REPORT RESULTS OF ANY RECONNAISSANCE FLIGHTS RELATIVE TO 53 MAYAGUEZ OPERATIONS BY FLASH IP13. G05-83.

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FOR PLANNING PURPOSES, FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF ULTIMATUM WHICH MAY BE DIRECTED TO SOE IN CONJUNCTION WITH OPERATIONS TO RECOVER THE HAYAGUZ AND LAND AND KCH YANG ISLAND. IT IS VISUALIZED THAT THIS TEXT WOULD BE SIMULTANEOUSLY INTRODUCED INTO THE CAMBODIAN COMMUNICATIONS NET AND ANNOUNCED VIA BULLHORN UPON COMPLETION OF ACTION AGAINST KCH YANG, AND PROCLAIMED TO POPULUS TAKEN CAPTIVE. TEXT FOLLOWS:

AMERICAN FORCES HAVE RETAKEN OUR SHIP, THE HAYAGUZ, AND LANDED ON KCH YANG ISLAND. WE DEMAND THE RELEASE OF THE CIVILIAN CREWMEMBERS UNHARMED. IF THEY ARE NOT RETURNED BY TEN O'CLOCK THIS MORNING.
MILITARY TARGETS TO INCLUDE THOSE ON MAINLAND CAMBODIA WILL BE ATTACKED. WE ARE MONITORING INTERNATIONAL DISTRESS FREQUENCIES FOR YOUR RESPONSE. (NOTE: LAST SENTENCE USED ONLY WITH CAMBODIAN COMMUNICATIONS Hit.)

Above text may be changed and you will be notified ASAP of approved text. If used, ultimatum should be broadcast in English, French, and Cambodian.

If decision is made to use ultimatum, JCS will follow with execute order on 023 00

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SUZI KAIJP SEIZURE OF MAYAQUEZ (U)
REF: JCS 1169/143049Z MAY 75 (NOTAL) WHICH DIRECTS PLANNING
ACTIONS TO SEIZE AND SECURE THE SS MAYAQUEZ/CREW.
11 ★ THIS IS AN EXECUTE MESSAGE TO EFFECT RECOVERY OF MAYAQUEZ
AND CREW.
21 ★ FOR CINC PAC!
A: CONDUCT ASSAULT BY MARINES ABOARD USS H E HOLT
TO SEIZE AND SECURE SS MAYAQUEZ IAW REF. SAIL TO MAYAQUEZ TO SEA
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, USE OF RCAI: SUPPRESSIVE NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT

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AND TACAIR FROM CORAL SEA AND USAF THAILAND BASED FORCES AUTHORIZED AS DEEMED APPROPRIATE.
B. COMMENCE MARINE HELICOPTER ASSAULT ON KAOH TANG ISLAND IAW, REF! USE OF NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT AND TACAIR FROM CORAL SEA AND USAF THAILAND BASED FORCES AUTHORIZED AGAINST KAOH TANG ISLAND.
C. USN SHIPS AND TACAIR FROM CORAL SEA AND USAF THAILAND BASED FORCES AUTHORIZED TO ENGAGE AND DESTROY ALL CAMBODIAN CRAFT THAT INTERVENE IN THE OPERATIONS.
D. KITAHAN MARINE ASSAULT FORCE FROM KAOH TANG ISLAND AS SOON AS FEASIBLE UPON COMPLETION OF SEARCH FOR/REMOVAL OF MAYAGÜEZ CREW.
E. CEASE OPERATIONS AND WITHDRAW ALL FORCES FROM THE OPERATIONS AS SOON AS FEASIBLE AND UPON COMPLETION OF MISSION.
F. INITIATE REPORTS IAW JCS PUB 5 AS FOLLOWS:
1. SITREP EVERY SIX HOURS COMMENCING FIRST STRIKE; INCLUDE ADDITIONAL PLANNING ACTIONS,
2. ALL SORTIES REPORT USING OPREP4 UPON COMPLETION EACH MISSION;
3. USE OPREP4 FOR INCIDENT REPORTING AS APPROPRIATE.
G, (5) FOR CINCPAC PROVIDE AIR REFUELING SUPPORT AS REQUESTED IN COORDINATION WITH CINCPAC.
4, (5) NO OTHER REPEAT NO OTHER OPERATIONS CONTAINED IN REF PLANNING MESSAGE HAVE BEEN APPROVED FOR EXECUTION.
5, (U) DIMLAUTH ALCON', KEEP JCS INFORMED.
6. (U) THERE IS TO BE NO UNAUTHORIZED PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS MATTER. ANY NEWS MEDIA OR PUBLIC QUERIES ARE TO BE ACCREDITED WITH A QUOTE NO COMMENT UNQUOTE AND BE CALLED IMMEDIATELY TO THE ATTENTION OF ASUP/PA VIA THE PA WATCH OFFICER IN THE LCC. ASUP/PA WILL COORDINATE AND PROVIDE FURTHER PUBLIC AFFAIRS GUIDANCE AS APPROPRIATE. GDS 63.
THIS IS AN EXECUTE MESSAGE.

2. COMMENCE CYCLIC STRIKE OPERATIONS FROM CORAL SEA AGAINST TARGETS IN THE KOMPUNG SOM COMPLEX WITH FIRST TIME ON TARGET AT 053245Z MAY 75 WHICH COINCIDES WITH ESTIMATED TIME OF CAPTURE OF MAYAGUEZ.

3. FIRST EVENT SHOULD BE ARMED RECONNAISSANCE WITH PRINCIPAL
TARGETS AS AIRCRAFT AND MILITARY WATERCRAFT. AVOID MERSHIPS IN
KOMPONG SOM UNTIL IDENTIFICATION HAS BEEN CLEARLY ESTABLISHED AS:
CAMBODIAN

A. (U) SUBSEQUENT FLIGHTS SHOULD MAKE MAX USE OF PRECISION GUIDED
MUNITIONS TO ATTACK TARGETS OF MILITARY SIGNIFICANCE IN THE KOM-
PONG SOM COMPLEX.

B. (U) DIKLAUTH ALCON, KEEP JCS INFORMED.

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SUBJ: B-52 AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS (U)

REF: CINC PAC 141322Z MAY 75 WHICH PROMULGATED B-52 OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT OF RECAPTURE OF SS HAYAGUEZ.

THIS MESSAGE CONFIRMS PHONCON. PLACE B-52 AIRCRAFT TASKED IN REP ON ONE (1) HOUR ALERT EFFECTIVE 142133Z MAY 75.

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TO: JCS

SUBJ: TACAIR RECONNAISSANCE (U)

REF: A. CINCPACFLT 141017Z MAY 75
B. CINCPAC 142110Z MAY 75

1. (SC) CINCPACFLT 141017Z MAY 75 REQUESTED PERMISSION TO CONDUCT NAVY TACTICAL PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE MISSIONS OF SELECTED CAMODIAN ISLANDS AND KOMPONG SOM AREA. CINCPAC 142110Z MAY 75 CONCLUDED REF A, EXCLUDING KOMPONG SOM AREA, AND REQUESTED JCS APPROVAL FOR OVERFLIGHT OF KOMPONG SOM.

2. (SC) APPROVAL TO OVERFLY TARGETS OF REF A, INCLUDING KOMPONG SOM AREA, WITH ALL TACTICAL RECONNAISSANCE ACTIVITIES TO PROVIDE TACTICAL INFORMATION AND ADEQUATE DOCUMENTATION OF NAVY/JUSC OPERATIONS TO CONFIRMED, REQUEST COVERAGE OF ANY STRIKES AND REPORT RESULTS BY FLASH IPIN WITH SELECTED PRINTS TO WASHINGTON VIA COMPASS LINK.

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REF JCS 1426932 MAY 75 WHICH DIRECTED CORAL SEA STRIKES AGAINST
TARGETS IN KOMPONG SOM COMPLEX.

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REFS A JCS 1989/1427232 MAY 75

B JCS 2129/1588244 MAY 75

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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TO: CINC PAC
FROM: CINC PAC
SUBJECT: MINIMIZE WORLDWIDE

I. By the request of JCS impose minimize worldwide on records/voice/data communications destined for Southeast Asia (Thailand, Laos, Philippines area) and SEVENTH FLEET AFLOAT.

2. Commanders are requested to apply strict controls on all traffic destined for the above PACON commands.

MINIMIZE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UNTIL CANCELLED BY JCS.
SUB:  KEKRER SEIZURE OF MAYAGUZ (U)

1. LS  FOR ALL IMMEDIATELY CEASE ALL OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS AGAINST KEKRER REPUBLIC RELATED TO SEIZURE OF MAYAGUZ, DISENGAGE AND WITHDRAW ALL FORCES FROM AREA AS SOON AS POSSIBLY CONSISTENT WITH SAFETY/SSELF DEFENSE, REPORT WHEN DISENGAGEMENT COMPLETED AND ALL FORCES CLEAR OF TERRITORIAL WATERS.
FOR CINCSAC, RESUME NORMAL READINESS POSTURE.
WRITTEN ORDERS RELATING TO THE RESCUE OF THE SS MAYAGUEZ AND ITS CREW

FROM CINCPAC

1. CINCPAC 140325Z May 75 to COMUSSAG/7AF: (132325Z EDT)
   - Amends previous photo tasking.

2. CINCPAC 140625Z May 75 to CINCPACFLT: (140225 EDT)
   - Directs CINCPACFLT to take JCS suggestion for appropriate action. (See JCS item 2)

3. CINCPAC 140750Z May 75 to COMUSSAG/7AF: (140350 EDT)
   - Directs COMUSSAG/7AF to take such action as required to prohibit boat traffic into or out of Koh Tang Island areas and provide plan for; boarding MAYAGUEZ, helo landing assault, sink all Cambodian small craft, B-52 strike, full coverage recce, use of BLU-82.

4. CINCPAC 140814Z May 75 to COMUSSAG NKP: (140414 EDT)
   - Request for additional info on TACAIR tasking and arrival time of 40 Marines and MSC crew for embarking USS HOLT.

5. CINCPAC 140837Z May 75 to COMUSSAG/7AF: (140437 EDT)
   - Requests photo coverage of Sihanoukville/Kompong Som naval facility/airfield and Ream Airfield.

6. CINCPAC 141722Z May 75 to COMUSSAG/7AF: (141322Z EDT)
   - Directs COMUSSAG to maintain recon forces on short notice alert status.

7. CINCPAC 142109Z May 75 to COMUSSAG/7AF/CINCPACFLT/CINCPACAF: (141709 EDT)
   - MAYAGUEZ Koh Tang planning.

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WRITTEN ORDERS FROM CINCPAC (CONTINUED)

8. CINCPAC 142110Z May 75 to JCS/CINCPACFLT:
   (141710 EDT)
   - Authorizes photo recce of Poulo Wai, Koh Tang and Hon Pan Jang islands. Requests authority to conduct Navy tactical photo recce of Kompong Som area.

9. CINCPAC 142112Z May 75 to JCS and COMUSSAG/7AF:
   (141712 EDT)
   - Approved USSAG/7AF plan subject to certain modifications.

10. CINCPAC 142152Z May 75 to USSAG/7AF:
    (141752 EDT)
    - Directs execution of landing at Koh Tang and boarding of MAYAGUEZ at 142045Z.

11. CINCPAC 142310Z May 75 to USSAG/7AF/CINCPACFLT/CINCPACAF:
    (141910 EDT)
    - Directs execution of landing on Koh Tang Island and seizure of MAYAGUEZ as directed by CINCPAC and specified by JCS.

12. CINCPAC 151330Z May 75 to COMUSSAG/7AF, CINCPACFLT,CINCPACAF:
    (150930 EDT)
    - Request data in addition that required by JCS. (See JCS Item 12)

13. CINCPAC 151337Z May 75 to JCS/COMUSSAG/7AF/CINCPACFLT:
    (150937 EDT)
    - Rescinds authority to conduct TACAIR recce and surveillance operations in support of recovery of MAYAGUEZ.

14. CINCPAC 151523Z May 75 to COMUSSAG/7AF, CINCPACFLT,CINCPACAF:
    (151123 EDT)
    - Requests info previously requested be sent flash and indicate if incomplete. (See item 13)

15. CINCPAC 151700Z May 75 to COMUSSAG/7AF/CINCPACFLT/CINCPACAF:
    (151300 EDT)
    - Requests additional data (see items 12 and 14)
WRITTEN ORDERS FROM CINCPAC (CONTINUED)

16. CINCPAC 152143Z May 75 to various addressees:
   (151743 EDT)
   - Forwards public affairs guidance for MAYAGUEZ operation.

17. CINCPAC 152330Z May 75 to USSAG/7AF/CINCPACFLT/CINCPACAP:
   (151930 EDT)
   - Confirms telecon to terminate all operations in support of recovery MAYAGUEZ.
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Coverage of KAC TANG ISLAND (U)

A: CINCPAC HONOLULU HI 132345Z MAY 75

B: JCS WASH DC 140141 MAY 75 (NTotal)

1. (J) PHOTO TASKING REF A AMENDED AS FOLLOWS PROVIDE DAILY PHOTO

Coverage of KACH TANG ISLAND (12°16'N, 123°29'E) USING BEST POSSIBLE

Scale, REPORT RESULTS VIA FLASH IP19. FORWARD SELECTED PRINTS TO

CINCPAC AND WASHINGTON VIA COMPASS LINK. MAINTAIN DAILY PHOTO

Coverage until directed otherwise by CINCPAC. REF B PERTAINS.

2. (J) REMAINING PROVISIONS REF A, INCLUDING MINIMUM ALTITUDE

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PLANNING FOR MAYAGUEZ BOARDING (3)
1. JCS 1257/142523Z MAY 75
1. (U) TAKE REF A FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION; DRL/AUTH ALCOE AS REQUIRED
2. (U) ADVISE CINCPAC INFO ALCOE ANY PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED IN PROVIDING EOD TEAM CAPABILITIES TO ACCOMPANY BOARDING PARTY

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FOR YOUR EYES ONLY

US NAVY COMMUNICATIONS OPERATIONS (U)
1. JCS 1100/4D03952 MAY 75 (TOTAL)
2. CINCPACFLY 11003971 MAY 75 (TOTAL)
3. TAKE SUCH ACTION AS REQUIRED TO PREVENT BLOOD TRAFFIC INTO OR OUT OF NEW YASS ISLAND AREA. AUTHORITY GRANTED TO SINK SUCH BLOOD TRAFFIC AS NECESSARY.
4. PROVIDE DETAILED PLANS BY 141920Z MAY 75 TO CINCPAC.
5. INFO ALCOM, FOR THE FOLLOWING AGENCY: RNRS A AND B GERMANY
6. DISTRIBUTE AS REQUIRED.

CSS HAYABUSA OPERATIONS (U)
A. CSS HAYABUSA OFFICERS PERSONNEL TO CONSTITUTE HAYABUSA
BOARDING PARTY AND SHARK IN HAROLD K HOLT. DO NOT ENGAGE BEFORE FIRST LIGHT.

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WITH CONCURRENCE OF
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B. HELICOPTER LANDING ASSAULT WITH USMC GORP TO DIEZ AND OCCUPY KON YANG ISLAND.
C. SINK ALL CAMBODIAN SMALL CRAFT IN THE TARGET AREAS OF KON YANG, PAULO WAI, KOMPONG SOK AND REAM.
D. IN COORDINATION WITH GAGAVON, B-52 STRIKES AGAINST KAMPONG SOK HARBOUR AND KAMPONG SOK AIRFIELD. I GUAM BASED B-52s AND YAK-9s WILL BE UTILIZED IN ABOVE PLANNING.
E. FULL COVERAGE OF THE AREA OF OPERATIONS (CINCPAC 180340Z MAY 75 AND CINCPAC 140000Z MAY 75 PERTAIN).
F. USE OF BLU 62 TO CLEAR KON YANG ISLAND LZs FOR ASSAULT TROOPS.
G. IN PLANNING FOR ABOVE ACTIONS PLACE HANGKUM EMPHASIS ON USE OF CORAL SEA FOR CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AND HANGKUM RELIANCE ON AVAILABILITY OF THAI BASED STRATEGIC/TAC AIR.

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RUHM3A/MMT7/THREE THREE

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RUHM3MA/MMT7/HENRY B WILSON

17 140814 17 MAY 75

SUBJECT

J3/J3 SENDS

NORTHWESTERN DIVISION (U)

A. CINCPAC 17 J3/13 MAY 75 (TOTAL)

B. CINCPACFLT 1408142 MAY 75

1. (S) IN ADDITION INFORM FORD REF A PROVIDE TACTICAL TASKING AND ARRIVAL TIME OF các KHI5NEKAT EQUIPPED MARINES, END TEAM AND NAVY ASC NUCLEAR OKE FOR EVACUATION HOLT ROAD, REF B, DILAUT.

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CSA KASY DC
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Z1438378 MAY 75
FM CINCPAC HONOLULU HI
TO RUPRA/COM/SSAG 3KP APRT TH
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RUEKJCS/VIA WASHINGTON DC
RUEFHCA/CPSAF WASHINGTON DC
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RUCSAD/CINCPACOFF CON E OFFUTT AFB NE
RUHAAA/CINCPACAF HICKAM AFB HI
RKHMPRA/CINCPACFLT MAKALAPA HI
RKHIAAA/CUR J3 AF CLARK AFB RP
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RUWOSRA/432 TRU UDORN AFDL TH
RUNOSRA/432 TRU UDORN AFDL TH
RUHGA/CINCPACSEVENTHFLT
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PHOTO COVERAGE

1. 5) HIGHEST PRIORITY REQUIREMENT EXISTS FOR PHOTO COVERAGE FOLLOWING TARGETS:
A. SIHANGKIVILLE/KAMPONG SOM NAVAL FACILITY AND AIRFIELD
B. SIHANGKIVILLE MUNICIPAL POLICE FACILITY AND AIRFIELD
2. 5) NECESSARY POSSIBLE SCARE CONSISTENT MINIMUM ATTITUDE
REDIRECTED. IMMEDIATE REQUIREMENT IMMEDIATE OPERATIONAL PLANNING
3. 5) NAVAL CRAFT, NAA. SIGNIFICANT MILITARY ACTIVITY
AIRFIELD. REQUEST FLASH IPTR AND VOICE REPORT VIA TELECON TO
CINCPAC DDI
4. 5) CINCPAC ASSESSMENT MEDITATION MORTAL MODERATE INTELLIGENCE

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HIGH POLITICAL SENSITIVITY! HIGH!

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PHOTO RECON REQUEST (U)
A. 1CS WASH DC 1210944Z MAY 75 (NOTAL)
B. CINCPAC 122137Z MAY 75 (NOTAL)
C. CINCPAC HONOLULU HI 132348Z MAY 75 (NOTAL)
D. CINCPAC HONOLULU HI 142325Z MAY 75 (NOTAL)
E. CINCPAC HONOLULU HI 142337Z MAY 75

1. (U) REF C THROUGH F REQUESTED RF-4C PHOTO COVERAGE SELECTED OBJECTIVES CAMBODIA.
2. (U) AUTHORITY REF BRAVO rescinded. RFRF C, D, AND E REMAIN IN EFFECT. ADDITIONALLY, MAINTAIN RECONNAISSANCE FORCES IN ALERT STATUS TO RESPOND TO TASKING ON SHORT NOTICE UNTIL FURTHER ADVISED.
3. (U) FACE VALUE MSNS 5ST1Es THROUGH 5B11As, PREVIOUSLY ALLOCATED

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RF-4C MSNS IN SUPPORT ONGOING SEASTA OPNS, REMAIN VALID. MINIMUM
ALTITUDE SIX THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FEET, PRESCRIBED REFS C AND D,
REMAINS IN EFFECT UNLESS SPECIFICALLY CHANGED BY CINCPAC.
CONTINUE FLASH IPIR REPORTING (TO INCLUDE DETAILED NARRATIVE), AND
FLASH COMPASS LINK SIGNIFICANT RESULTS ASAP. ADDITIONALLY, CONTINUE
FLASH VOICE REPORTS MSN HIGHLIGHTS DIRECT CINCPAC DUTY DIRECTOR FOR
INTELLIGENCE ON SECURE PHONE NUMBERS 6215/6218 FOR IMMEDIATE PASSING
TO 1ES/DIA.

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AUTHORITY: REF B, OPERATE NO CLOSER THAN TWELVE NAUTICAL MILES TO CAMBODIAN MAINLAND (ISLANDS EXCLUDED REPEAT EXCLUDED) AS AUTHORIZED REF C; MINIMUM ALTITUDE OVER OBJECTIVE AREA SIX THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FEET; MISSION ASSESSMENT: MILITARY RISK MODERATE, INTEL: GAIN HIGH, POLITICAL SENSITIVITY HIGH;

BY REQUEST FOR PHOTO RECCE MISSIONS KOMPONG SOM AREA NOT REPEAT NOT APPROVED, PENDING AUTHORITY FROM JCS;

C; DILSMAUTH COMMISSIONS FOR COORDINATION TO PREVENT MUTUAL INTERFERENCE;

D; REQUEST RECONNAISSANCE ASSETS, PROCESSING FACILITY AND PERSONNEL ON BOARD CARRIERS IN ENROUTE GULF OF THAILAND BE PlACED UNDER FURTHER ADVISED REF D PERTAINS;

E; F believers, REPORTING AND DISTRIBUTION INSTRUCTIONS FOLLOW BY SEPMSG;

2; (S) FOR JCS! REQUEST AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT NAVY TACTICAL PHOTO RECCE MISSIONS KOMPONG SOM AREA IN SUPPORT CURRENT AND PLANNED OPERATIONS; THIS CONFIRMS REF E;
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LTG HYSUMER, AND BG WHITE

(02)
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DE RUHOGA #2118 13421111
ZNY TTTTT
Z 142112Z MAY 75
FM CINCPAC HONOLULU HI
TO HUEJCS/JCS WASHINGTON DC
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INFO RUHVAAA/CINCPACAF HICKAM AFH HI
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RWHBRA/CINCPACFLT MAKALAPA HI

BT
J31/J3 SENDS
MAYAGUEZ/KOH TANG PLANNING (5)
A. USSAG/7AF 141730Z MAY 75
1. (SS) REF A APPROVED SUBJECT TO FOLLOWING MODIFICATIONS:
   A. PARA 1D(2): CHANGE TO READ AS FOLLOWS: "USMC, MSC AND
      EOD TEAM WILL BOARD MAYAGUEZ FROM USS HAROLD E HOLT".
   B. PARA 1G(9): MODIFY FIRST SENTENCE TO READ: "USAF
      STRATEGIC AIR B-52D AIR STRIKES AS DIRECTED BY JCS ARE
      AUTHORIZED..."
   C. PARA 1G(2)(A)3: MODIFY TO READ AS FOLLOWS: "B-52 STRIKES
      AS DIRECTED BY JCS ARE AUTHORIZED..."

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REF IS 59564
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J3 HARD COPY DELIVERY TO COL ATKINSON BY TUBE
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RUMGAA/COMSEVENT/FLT
RUMGDA/COMPDES RN TWO THREE
ZEN/GFMPAC CAMP SMITH HI

ET

J31/J3 SENDS

MAYAGUZ/KOH TANG OPS
A: TELCON JCS VADM TRAIN AND CINCPAC MG WANG
1: EXECUTE LANDING AT KCH TANG ISLAND AND BOARDING MAYAGUZ
AT 142345Z MAY 75 REF PERTAINS

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J31/J3 SENDS
KHMER SEIZURE OF MAYAGUEZ (U)
A. CINCPAC 142152Z MAY 75 (PASEP)
B. JCS 1936/142142Z MAY 75 (PASEP)
1. (U) THIS IS AN EXECUTE MESSAGE.
2. CONDUCT ASSAULT LANDING OPERATIONS AT KOK TANG ISLAND AND
EFFECT SEIZURE OF SS MAYAGUEZ AS DIRECTED REF A AND SPECIFIED BY
REF B.
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TO RUKRGA/USAG/7AF MAKHON PHANOM ARRINT3H
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INFO RHC JCS JCS WASHINGTON DC
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ZEN/CGFMPPAC CAMP SMITH HI
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RUGHCPBA/CTF SEVEN SEVEN
RHMPMAA/COMDESRON TWO THREE
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RHMPXAA/USS HAROLD E HOLT
RHMPXAA/COMUSNACT KAI BANGKOK TH
RUMTBK/AMEMB RANGKO TH
RHMMIAA/13AF CLARK AB RP

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KHHER SEIZURE OF MAYAVEGUEZ (U)
A. JCS 2396/650454Z MAY 75
1. TAKE REF FOR ACTION
2. IN ADDITION TO REPORTS REQUIRED PARA 1, REF A, INCLUDE FOLLOWING IN FINAL SITE REP TO BE SUBMITTED CINCPAC INFO ALCON ASAP AFTER COMPLETION OPERATIONS:
A. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES (ALL CATEGORIES)
B. LOSSES OF ACFT (ALL TYPES/ALL CAUSES)
C. TOTAL HELO SORTIES

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TOTAL TACAIR SORTIES FROM THAILAND AND TARGETS
TOTAL TACAIR SORTIES FROM CORAL SEA AND TARGETS
PERSONNEL RESCUED/RECOVERED/TREATMENT/CONDITION
PERSONNEL NOT RECOVERED, IF ANY
TOTAL SUPPORT SORTIES, I.E., SPECTRE, ABCCC, 8AR
CONDITION OF SS MAYAGUEZ
BATTLE DAMAGE ASSESSMENT
Adequacy of Communications
GSF REPORT ON INSERTION/EXTRACTION OPERATIONS
AIR REFUELING SUPPORT
OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION
ADV DISR NMCC
TRANS/1513137Z/1514127Z/08124TOR1351359
DE RUHQ#2316 1351346
ZNY 3553Z
Z 15153Z MAY 75
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RHHAAT/13AF CLARK AFH RP
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RUMO/S/431TRW UDORN AFLO TH
RUMOGA/ COMSEVENHFLLT
RUMJNA/5AF YOKOTA AB JA

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7 J3141/J3 SENDS RECONNAISSANCE OPERATIONS (U)
A. CINCPAC 1221594 MAY 75 (TOTAL)
B. CINCPAC 1325342 MAY 75
C. CINCPAC 1403321 MAY 75
D. CINCPAC 1403321 MAY 75 (TOTAL)
E. CINCPAC 1417225 MAY 75 (TOTAL)
F. CINCPAC 1530487 MAY 75 (TOTAL)
G. CINCPAC 1312227 MAY 75 (TOTAL)

FOR COMUSSAG AND CINCPACFLT: AUTHORITIES TO CONDUCT TACAIR RECCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS CAMBODIA AND GULF OF
**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF**

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**7 151523Z MAY 75**

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**TO RUMGRA/19ASAG/7AF NAKHON PHANOM APRT**

**RHMPBR/CINCPACFLT MAHALAPA HI**

**RUVAA/A/CINCPACAF HICKAM AFB HI**

**INFO RUEJ/KJCS/JCS WASHINGTON DC**

**RUEHC/RESTATE WASHINGTON DC**

**ZEN/CIF/FPAC CAMP SMITH HI**

**RUGDOA/COMSEVENTHLT**

**RUMFPA/CTF SEVEN SIX**

**RUMGPA/CTF SEVEN SEVEN**

**RHMPBAA/COMDESRON TWO THREE**

**RHPSAA/US CORAL SEA**

**RHMPAA/US HAROLD E HOLT**

**RHMPAA/A/COMUSMACTHAI BANGKOK TH**

**RUMTBK/AMEMB BANGKOK TH**

**RH Miaa/13AF CLARK AB RP**

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**RE: C. R. E. /J3333/000 SENDS**

**KHMFR SEIZURE OF MAYAGUEZ (U)**

**A, CINCPAC 151330Z MAY 75**

1. PAR 2, RFF A REQUESTED INFO ASAP FOLLOWING OPERATION, REQUEST THAT AVAILABLE INFO BE SENT IMMEDIATELY VIA FLASH PRECEDENCE, INDICATE IF INFO INCOMPLETE, FOLLOW WITH COMPLETE INFO ASAP.

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THAT IN DIRECT SUPPORT OPERATIONS TO RECOVER MATAQUEZ AND CREW ARE RECOMMENDED (REFS A THROUGH E PERTAIN)!
PRIOR STANDOFF, ENSURE BDA PHOTO COVERAGE ALL TACAIR STRIKES. SUBSEQUENT BDA RECON, REF J RECOMMENDED. REMAINING FACE VALOR MISSIONS ON INDEFINITE DELAY. RECON FORCES RELEASED ALERT STATUS THIS TIME.
2. FOR JCS! RECOMMEND RESUME OLYMPIC TORCH SCHEDULE OF ONE PER DAY BEGINNING 152330Z MAY 75! (REF G PERTAINS).
ADV DISTR NMCC
TRANSIT/1517AZ/1517AZ/00108TOR13517AZ
ZNY SS535
Z 1517AZ MAY 75
FM CINCPAC HONOLULU HI
TO RUHQGA/USAG/7AF NAKHON PHANOM APRT AVM
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RUMTOK/AHEMB BANGKOK TH
RMMIAAA/13AF CLARK AB RP
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Khmer Seizure of Hayaguez (U)
A. JCS 2396/150455Z MAY 75
B. CINCPAC 151332Z MAY 75
C. CINCPAC 151232Z MAY 75

1. (U) IN ADDITION TO INFO PROVIDED BY REFS INCLUDE:
   A. TOTAL NUMBER OF MARINES INSERTED ON ISLAND/SHIP
   B. METHOD USED FOR EVACUATION SHIP/HOLO
   C. TIMING OF MAJOR ACTIONS TO INCLUDE BUT NOT LIMITED TO FIRST STRIKE. FIRST HELO ON BEACH, FIRST HELO ON HOLT, TIME MAYAGUEZ

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FILE 13517AZ 61749

SECRET 00108TOR
CREW RECOVERED, TIME EVACUATION STARTED, TIME OPERATION COMPLETED.

This INFO REQ IN D.C. NTL 1519ARZ, 005-83.

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RUEKJCS/JCS WASHINGTON DC
RUEKJCS/ASO PA WASHINGTON DC
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RUMHGOA/CINCPACREPPHIL SUBIC BAY RP
RUMHSAA/CINCPACREP GUAM/TIPU
RUMHIA/PATROCK FOUR
RUMWIA/CTG SEVEN TWO PT TWO
RUMWIA/CTG SEVEN TWO PT THREE
RUMZSCC/CTG SEVEN FIVE PT ONE
RUMTRK/AMEMB BANGKOK TH
RUMJMA/AMEMB MANILA RP
RUMZSCT/CTG SEVEN NINE PT NINE
RUMPSAA/USS CORAL SEA

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A. MAYAGUEZ OPERATIONS — PUBLIC AFFAIRS
B. CINC PAC 1502592 MAY 75
C. REF A IS CANCELLED.
D. FOLLOWING PUBLIC AFFAIRS GUIDANCE PERTAINS TO SS MAYAGUEZ OPERATIONS:
A. ALL RELEASES WILL BE FORWARD TO CINCPAC FOR FINAL RELEASE AUTHORIZATION.
B. QUOTATIONS BY MILITARY PERSONNEL IN PRESS RELEASES WILL BE STRICTLY LIMITED TO MATTERS WITHIN THE COGNIZANCE AND PERSONAL EXPERIENCE OF THE INDIVIDUAL.
C. HOST COUNTRY SENSITIVITIES WILL BE STRICTLY OBSERVED. PROPOSED RELEASES DEALING WITH U.S. FORCES OPERATING FROM OVERSEAS BASES WILL BE COORDINATED WITH THE HOST COUNTRY U.S. EMBASSY THROUGH THE 3MHR EXCEPT THOSE DEALING WITH THAILAND WHICH WILL BE COORDINATED WITH AMEMB BANGKOK THROUGH CINCPAC PA LNO BANGKOK.
D. INFORMATION MAY BE DRAWN FROM ASD/PA BRIEFINGS.
E. FOLLOWING GUIDANCE APPLIES TO ALL RELEASES, INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL.
F. MILITARY PERSONNEL WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE MAYAGUEZ OPERATIONS ARE AUTHORIZED TO HAVE MEDIA INTERVIEWS WITHIN THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES:
A. MILITARY PERSONNEL WILL STRICTLY LIMIT THEIR COMMENTS TO MATTERS WITHIN THEIR COGNIZANCE AND PERSONAL EXPERIENCES.
B. MILITARY PERSONNEL WILL BE CAUTIONED TO REFRAIN FROM ANY DISCUSSION OF THEIR OPINIONS OF POLITICAL IMPACT OF THE OPERATION.
C. HOST COUNTRY SENSITIVITIES WILL BE OBSERVED. REQUESTS

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FOR INTERVIEWS WILL BE COORDINATED WITH LOCAL MILITARY PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER WHO WILL BE PRESENT DURING INTERVIEWS. INTERVIEWS IN THAILAND WILL BE COORDINATED WITH CINCPAC PA LNO BANGKOK, D. PROVIDE INFORMATION TO CINCPAC (BY MESSAGE OR PHONE) ON SIGNIFICANT INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED.

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