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LUYS LIBERTY PRESS CONFERENCE
A. SECDEF CITE 9078 FROM ASD (PA) SGD GOULDING (282051Z JUN 67) (NOTAL)
B. CINCUSNAVEQR 221516Z JUN 67 (NOTAL)
C. COMSIXTHFLT 231125Z JUN 67 (NOTAL)
1. IN VIEW REF A, REQUEST CLARIFICATION OF APPARENT AUTHORIZATION
FOR
PAGZ TWO RUQKC 8435 UNCLAS E F T O
COMMANDING OFFICER USS LIBERTY TO PARTICIPATE IN PRESS CONFERENCE INTERVIEW AT MALTA AT LEAST ONE DAY BUT NOT LATER THAN TWO DAYS AFTER NEWS RELEASE IN WASHINGTON ON LIBERTY COURT OF INQUIRY.
PARA 4 REF B PERTAINS.
2. COMMANDING OFFICER PREFERS TO AVOID PRESS CONFERENCE IF POSSIBLE. AMBASSADORE FELDMAN HAS AGREED TO ATTEND AND PERMIT CONFERENCE IN AMEMB VALLETTA AND WILL ADVISE PRESS REPRESENTATIVES OF DATE AND TIME IF CO CONFERENCE TO BE CONDUCTED.
3# SECDEF RELEASE NOT CURRENTLY HELD BY USS LIBERTY OR AMEXB VALLETTA.
4. IN ANY EVENT PRESS CONFERENCE WILL NOT BE HELD PRIOR TO RECEIPT AND REVIEW OF SECDEF NEW RELEASE, NOR PRIOR TO ARRIVAL CDR COONEY FROM COMSIXTHFLT STAFF, REF C PERTAINS.

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