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USS LIBERTY CLASSIFIED MATERIAL ACCOUNTABILITY (U)

1. TASK GROUP 100.4 AND USS LIBERTY REPORT THAT OVER 165 LARGE CANVAS BAGS OF ASSORTED OIL AND WATER SOAKED PAPER AND PAPER-LIKE MATERIAL HAVE BEEN RECOVERED FROM DAMAGED RSCHOPS DET SPACES ON BOARD USS LIBERTY. THIS MATERIAL HAS BEEN PLACED UNDER GUARD.

2. THE RPS HOLDINGS OF USS LIBERTY NUMBERED APPROXIMATELY 1000 ITEMS, MUCH OF WHICH HAS NOT BEEN ACCOUNTED FOR. AN UNKNOWN AMOUNT OF SIGINT PAPERS RANGING FROM BOUND DOCUMENTS TO WORKING PAPERS WERE ON BOARD,

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BUT CANNOT BE ACCOUNTED FOR. AS REPORTED IN EARLIER TRAFFIC FROM USS LIBERTY SOME OF THIS MATERIAL WASHED OUT THROUGH THE HOLE IN THE SIDE CAUSED BY THE BLAST, SOME WAS DESTROYED BY THE BLAST, AND THE REMAINDER IS IN CANVAS BAGS.

3. ESPECIALLY CRITICAL ARE THE RPS HOLDINGS SINCE USS LIBERTY HAD EXTENSIVE RESERVE-ON-BOARD KEYING MATERIALS WHICH MAY REQUIRE REPLACEMENT NAVY WIDE AND DOD WIDE.

4. IT IS PROPOSED THAT A JOINT SURVEY TEAM FORM NAVSECGRU, NSA, AND NIC MEET USS LIBERTY TO MAKE A SAMPLING OF THE RESIDUE TO DETERMINE WHETHER A SORTING OPERATION IS POSSIBLE AND TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FURTHER ACTIONS OR DISPOSITION OF MATERIAL. NAVSECGRU REPRESENTATION WILL INCLUDE COMSEC AND SIGINT OPERATIONS PERSONNEL. REQUEST DIRNSA PROVIDE ONE COMSEC AND ONE SIGINT OPERATIONS REP ALSO. NIC IS REQUESTED TO PROVIDE ONE SPECIAL INTELLIGENCE CLEARED REP. CINCLANTFLT IS INVITED TO PROVIDE REP ALSO, IF DESIRED.

5. USS LIBERTY'S ETA NORFOLK IS 29 JULY.

6. CDR D.F. YODER IS DISIGNATED AS OP-94 ACTION OFFICER AND SURVEY COODINATOOR. GP-1

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