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TO : Director

DATE: 23 January 1968

FROM : NSA SIGINT Command Center

SUBJECT: USS PUEBLO Capture Aftermath to 1330 EST

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OPERATIONAL:

The ENTERPRISE, [redacted] and the nuclear frigate TRUXTON are in the Tsushima Strait, with ETA at a point 37-00N, 131-00E at 240900Z. They are to be met there by the destroyers HIGBEE, O'BANNON, COLLETT, and OSBORN. (NFOIN by phone: SECRET NOFORN)

A map plot is attached.

The two civilians earlier noted aboard the PUEBLO have been identified as oceanographers employed at the Naval Oceanographic Office, Washington.

SIGINT:

The latest SIGINT is 3/O/KCJ/R03-68, being follow-up Nr. 1 to the SPOT, reporting SIGINT REFLECTIONS OF NORTH KOREAN CAPTURE OF USS PUEBLO, and published as at 231341Z. Reported was sub-chaser 035's intention of firing on the PUEBLO, having halted her "escape"... "US personnel" were noted "throwing articles into the water and destroying articles with fire."

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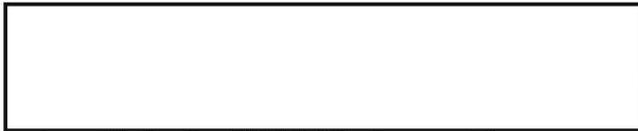
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