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CLASSIFIED FURHTER REFLECTION OF KORCOM NAVAL CAPTURE OF US VESSEL

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1 FOLLOWING,

COMINT AT 0852Z ON 24 JAN 68 HAS DISCLOSED THAT POSSIBLE PRE-

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AROUND THE WONSAN AREA. TWO UNIDENTIFIED PROBABLE HIGH LEVEL NAVAL

PERSONALITIES WENT ON TO DISCLOSE THAT A MESSAGE HAD BEEN RECEIVED

FROM A US SHIP REQUESTING THE RETURN OF THE CAPTURED SHIP. ONE

UNIDENTIFIED PERSONALITY FURTHER DISCLOSED THAT RETURN OF THE SHIP

HAD BEEN THE SUBJECT OF A HEATED DEBATE IN THE US CONGRESS WHICH
HAD DECIDED UPON RETURN OF THE SHIP AT ANY COST. AS A RESULT, AN

AIRCRAFT CARRIER ACCOMPANIED BY 90 SHIPS WOULD BE MOBILIZED BY THE

US TO APPROACH WONSAN PORT. ONE OF THE UNIDENTIFIED PERSONALITIES

MENTIONED THREE MEANS BY WHICH THE US VESSEL MAY BE RETURNED TO THE

8 - MOBILIZATION OF THE AFORE MENTIONED FLEET, THROUGH SOVIET

MEDIATION AND ONE UNDISCLOSED MANNER. ALSO DURING THIS DISCUSSION,

AN UNIDENTIFIED PERSONALITY INDICATED THAT SOME OF THE PROBABLE CREW

MEMBERS OF THE CAPTURED SHIP WOULD BE TAKEN TO HAE JU PORT. NO

REASON WAS GIVEN FOR TRANSPORTING THESE CREW MEMBERS FROM THE EAST

COAST PORT OF WONSAN (BELIEVED TO BE THEIR PRESENT LOCATION) TO

HAE JU ON THE WEST COAST.

COMMENT: APPARENT MOBILIZATION OF ANTI AIRCRAFT DEFENSES AND AIRCRAFT

IS TAKING PLACE PRIOR TO THE EXPECTED ARRIVAL OF THE AIRCRAFT CARRIER

AND 90 OTHER SHIPS. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE CREW MEMBERS ARE BEING

1 MOVED TO HAE JU IN ANTICIPATION OF HOSTILE ACTS WHICH MAY OCCUR WHEN

THE AFOREMENTIONED FLEET ARRIVES OFF THE COAST OF WONSAN.

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