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C O N F I D E N T I A L SAO PAULO 1090

SUBJECT: KIDNAPPING

REF: SAO PAULO'S 1088

1. HAVE JUST RETURNED FROM RESIDENCE OF WILLIAM BARNARD, LOCAL HEAD OF SWIFT, WHERE PATRICK DOLAN'S MOTHER, FATHER AND SISTER ARE STOICALLY SITTING OUT THEIR EXTREMELY SAD VIGIL. ALTHOUGH DIFFERING IN A FEW DETAILS, FACTS ARE ESSENTIALLY AS GIVEN REFTEL. INSTRUCTION MESSAGES FROM KIDNAPPERS TOGETHER WITH MESSAGES FROM SON WERE LEFT IN MEN'S ROOMS OF TWO RESTAURANTS OR BARS. LAST CALL FROM KIDNAPPERS (TWO VOICES ARE INVOLVED, USUALLY SPEAKING ENGLISH WITH SLIGHT ACCENT BUT SOMETIMES PORTUGUESE) WAS YESTERDAY (MONDAY) MORNING.

2. DOLAN SAID HE HAD NOW AGREED WITH NAVAL INTELLIGENCE (CEN-IMAR) TO TELL KIDNAPPERS ON NEXT CONTACT THAT IT WOULD TAKE HIM TWO HOURS GET ADDITIONAL MONEY, IN ORDER GIVE AUTHORITIES TIME TO ARRANGE TO TAIL DOLAN. DOLAN, NOW BESIDE HIMSELF WITH ANXIETY BECAUSE OF UNCERTAINTY AND PROOF KIDNAPPERS WERE BEHAVING "DISHONORABLY," BELIEVES HE SHOULD COOPERATE WITH OR SEEK HELP OF AUTHORITIES.

3. LOCAL AP CHIEF ISSAC FLORES HAD BEEN TRYING TO GET ME. I MENTIONED THIS TO DOLANS AND THEY PLEADED WITH ME TO TRY PERSUADE FLORES TO NOT FILE ANY STORY. I THEREUPON TALKED TO FLORES FROM BARNARD'S. HE WAS INDEED ABOUT TO FILE AND WAS ONLY SEEKING FURTHER INFORMATION FROM ME. I SPOKE TO HIM

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ALONG LINES DOLANS WANTED AND DOLAN HIMSELF TOOK PHONE AND PLEADED WITH FLORES SAYING HIS SON'S LIFE WAS INVOLVED. IN RETURN DOLAN PROMISED EXCLUSIVE STORY FOR FLORES WHEN MATTER RESOLVED. FLORES APPARENTLY AGREED BUT WANTED BE KEPT INFORMED.

4. I AGAIN ASKED DOLAN WHETHER HE THOUGHT KIDNAPPERS WERE "TERRORISTS." HE SAID HE HAD NO REASON TO THINK SO BUT SIMPLY DID NOT KNOW. HE REMARKED CENIMAR OFFICIALS HAD INDICATED THEY MIGHT WELL BE SUBVERSIVES.

5. I CAN THINK OF NOTHING TO DO IN THIS SITUATION BUT OF COURSE OFFERED DO ANYTHING POSSIBLE. MRS. DOLAN SAID: "PLEASE PRAY."
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