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CONSUL CURTIS C CUTTER WAS VICTIM OF ATTEMPTED KIDNAPPING BY LOCAL TERRORISTS 12 MIDNIGHT APRIL 4 CUTTER MANAGED TO ESCAPE BUT WAS SHOT, TAKEN TO HOSPITAL AND BULLET REMOVED, PRESENTLY RECOVERING WITH NO COMPLICATIONS EXPECTED. CUTTER WAS ACCOMPANIED BY WIFE AND FRIEND AT TIME OF ATTEMPT. OBVIOUSLY WAS INTENDED KIDNAPPING AND NOT ASSASSINATION FROM EVIDENCE OBTAINED FROM VEHICLE USED BY TERRORISTS AND LATER ABANDONED. SECURITY PRECAUTIONS FOR OFFICIAL AMERICANS IN AREA STRENGTHENED. AMBASSADOR ELBRICK ADVISED BY TELEPHONE TWO AM APRIL FIVE. WILL KEEP DEPT ADVISED. LANE.

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