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1. DEVELOPMENTS REPORTED REF APPEAR HAVE GOOD POTENTIAL FOR OPS AGAINST FREEMEN TARGETS. HOWEVER, PRIOR OPERATIONAL USE, PARTICULARLY IF REQUIRES INTERNAL ACCESS INVOLVED, MUST ADEQUATELY TEST THEIR RELIABILITY, DETERMINE THEIR ACCESS, AND REVIEW SECURITY ASPECTS.
2. REQUEST BIO DATA AND MEXI AND NRID TRACES ON LIALT-3, LIALT-4 AND LIALT-5 BE FORWARDED HQS ASAP. LIALT-3 SHOULD BE DEBRIEFED IN DETAIL ON HIS NEXT TRIP TO YUCATAN AREA. IN ADDITION TO BIO DATA, DETERMINE LOCATION L-3 FREEMEN HOME BASE AND AREAS OF FREQUENT TO WHICH HAS INTERNAL ACCESS. ALSO OBTAIN FURTHER INFO RE LIALT-4 AND LIALT-5.
3. PER REF PARA 6 PREFER LEVI INTELL COLLECTION RIGHTS ON LIALT-3 INSTEAD OF ASSIGNING SUGGESTED OPS TASKS UNTIL HIS ROBA PAPER COMPLETED. SOURCE BY SEPARATE MESSAGE.
4. PLS CLARIFY NATURE PITCH MADE TO LIALT-3 BY SIMON [redacted] AND LIALT-2. IN WHOSE NAME AND/OR FOR WHAT ORG AND PURPOSE WAS PITCH MADE? SIMILARLY IF WHAT CONTEXT AND FOR WHOM AND WHAT WILL L-3 DATA BE FOR?

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TO L-4 AND L-5?

5. RE RADIO GRAB REQUESTED IN REF PARA 5 B AND C, REQUEST CLARIFICATION FOLLOWS:

- A. SPECIFICALLY HOW WILL HEATH KIT RECEIVERS BE USED?
- B. SPECIFICALLY WHAT KIND OF CHATTER GOES ON BETWEEN LIALT CAPTAINS AT SEA?
- C. WHAT IS SPECIFIC NATURE OF TRAFFIC BETWEEN LIALT-1 AT EL CUTO AND LIALT-2 AT EDLEIX? WHAT IS SIGNIFICANT IN THIS TRAFFIC FOR LIALT CAPTAINS TO HEAR?
- D. DISTANCE BETWEEN EL CUTO AND EDLEIX APPEARS TO BE ABOUT 35 MILES. WHAT IS MAXIMUM RANGE THAT COMMO FROM THESE POINTS MUST REACH TO BE OVERHEARD BY LIALT CAPTAINS? ART-13 WITH 150 WATT OUTPUT HAS RANGE WHICH MAY BE WELL BEYOND YOUR ROUTE INCREASING LIKELIHOOD PICKUP BY PERUMAN BASED MONITORING FACILITIES. WOULD 50 WATT SURPLUS NAVY TRANSMITTER-RECEIVERS MEET YOUR ROUTE? FYI: THIS CURRENTLY USED ON WAVE VESSELS OPERATING AT CONSIDERABLE DISTANCES FROM BASE PORT.
- E. IF TRAFFIC OF OPS NATURE TO BE INTRODUCED INTO COMMO LINE BETWEEN LIALT-1 AND LIALT-2, HOW DOES WRID PROPOSE TO

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6. DO REFERENCES IN REF PARA 5 C TO "LIBALT CAPTAINS" GRAB PERMIER SKIPPERS SUCH AS LIBALT-3, 4 AND 5 OR DOES IT REFER ONLY TO BOATS OPERATED BY LIBALT-1 AND 2? HOW AND WHERE DO LIBALT-1 AND 2 MAKE CONTACT WITH LIBALTS-3, 4, AND 5? DO THEY HAVE PREARRANGED RENDEZVOUS POINTS?

7. RECOGNIZE CONTROL OF COMSO WITH PERMIER BOATS AND PERSONNEL BE DIFFICULT BUT WE MUST HAVE REASONABLE ASSURANCE USE OF COMSO GRAB WILL NOT JEOPARDIZE OPR BY REVEALING TO OPPOSITION THAT COMSO AMONG THEIR FISHING BOATS INCONSISTENT WITH ESTABLISHED COMSO PATTERN NOW IN EFFECT YUCATAN AREA.

**8. RE OTHER SECURITY MATTERS**

A. REF PARA 3 B INDICATES IS THERE OR NOT LETTER EXFILTRATIONS NOT CONTROLLED. PLS CONTINUE OBTAIN DETAILS LETTER EXFILTRATIONS WITH IDENTITIES AND BIO DATA ALL PERSONS INVOLVED.

B. ARE STOOLIES MENTIONED BY LIBALT 3 WORKING ON HIS BOAT OR ARE THEY IN HOME PORT AREA? PLS OBTAIN NAMES, BIO DATA, THESE STOOLIES. ARE LIBALT 4 AND 5 LIKELY TO HAVE STOOLIES ON THEIR

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9. PLS REVIEW ALL LIAISONS THOROUGHLY ON FISHING CONTROLS IN EFFECT RE ALL FLEETS VISIBLY BOAT ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING CONTROLS EXERCISED FROM TIME AND POINT OF DEPARTURE OF BOATS FROM HOME BASE PORT TO RETURN TO BASE PORT. ALSO INCLUDE ANY CONTROLS IN EFFECT ON THEIR MOVEMENTS INTO AND OUT OF THEIR HOME AREAS OF LAND BASES.

9. RE REF PARA 5 A, HAVE CONSIDERED VARIOUS OPS AND CONTAINMENT DEVICES AND WILL HAVE AVAILABLE FOR USE AS REQUESTED WHEN OPS DEVELOPED MORE FULLY.

10. PLS CABLE SUMMARY REPLIES TO ABOVE AND DETAILS OF INTER-RELATIONSHIP EXISTING BETWEEN VARIOUS LIAISONS, LITRAK-1, ARCAK AND GONZALEZ.

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RE COMMENT: \*Reported contact with Cuban fishing boat captains through LIAISON 1 and 2; requested radio gear, aerial catcher, and comments re Cuban ops using Cuban fishing boats.

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