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REFS: A. [redacted] 21-26 5297 (IN 82296)*

B. DIR 55038**

1. REGRET DELAY INVOLVED IN ASCERTAINING STATUS OF PATENT APPLICATION IN WHICH [redacted] OUR ASSET INTERESTED, BUT ANSWER ONLY RECEIVED HERE 21 OCTOBER. PLS INFORM [redacted] THE ASSET THAT APPLICATION IS NOW WITH PATENT EXAMINER WHO WILL EVENTUALLY RECOMMEND TO HIGHER AUTHORITY IN PATENT OFFICE EITHER APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL FOR PATENTABILITY. THIS IS PROCESS USUALLY CONSUMING SEVERAL MONTHS OR EVEN LONGER. QUICK DECISIONS GENERALLY OCCUR ONLY IN CASES WHERE PATENTABILITY OBVIOUSLY NOT POSSIBLE.

2. FO[redacted] 16-26 INFO ONLY; NOT TO BE PASSED TO [redacted] THE ASSET [redacted] CONTACT IN PATENT OFFICE CANDIDLY INFORMED US THAT THIS APPLICATION DOES NOT APPEAR BE FEASIBLE AND IS PROBABLY NOT PATENTABLE. HOWEVER, PATENT EXAMINER NOW HAS UNDER STUDY AND DECISION MIGHT SOON BE FORTHCOMING. TO PROTECT SOURCE ABOVE INFO, [redacted] 16-26 SHOULD INFORM [redacted] THE ASSET OF INFO CONTAINED PARA ONE ONLY.

END OF MESSAGE

WH COMMENTS: *Ref A attached.
**Was interim answer to ref A advising station that enquiry initiated.

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