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FROM: ⁰³ [redacted]

27, 10

1. HAVE JUST RECEIVED FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM [redacted]
 "INFO RE MRS. SLOBODA DEPARTURE FOR MOSCOW TO DATE IS ONLY FROM HIGHLY
 SENSITIVE SOURCE WHICH MUST NOT BE ENDANGERED. [redacted] ^{27, 10} WILL CABLE
 OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE WHEN OTHER INFO OBTAINED FROM LESS SENSITIVE SOURCE
 WHICH CAN BE USED TO ATTEMPT NEGATE ANY SOVIET PROP PLAY. ESSENTIAL NO
 ACTION BE TAKEN BY LONDON EMBASSY TO INTERCEDE ON BEHALF TWO SLOBODA
 CHILDREN WHO AMERICAN CITIZENS UNTIL SUCH INFO AVAILABLE."

2. APPEARS TO ME EMBASSY COULD INTERCEDE ON BEHALF CHILDREN WHO
 AMERICAN CITIZENS PROVIDED SUCH ACTION NOT BASED ON STATEMENT THAT
 MRS. SLOBODA INTENTION JOIN HUSBAND IN MOSCOW KNOWN BUT THAT IT APPEARS
 PROBABLE FROM HER PREVIOUS NONCOOPERATIVE ATTITUDE, AND AMERICAN GOVERNMENT
 MUST SAFEGUARD RIGHTS AMERICAN CITIZENS WHO MINORS.

3. IN ORDER KEEP [redacted] ^{27, 10} ADVISED RE USAREUR AND DA INTENTIONS
 WOULD APPRECIATE IF YOU COULD LET ME KNOW PRESENT STATUS.

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