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RYBQT TYPIC KEYWAY VASLOUCH

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13 DEC 63 180239

C/S COMMENT: STATION CABLED-ALING SERVICES.
C/S COMMENT: VASLOUCH-2 CALL STATION 11.
DEC AT DIFFICULTY WITH MEXICAN CUSTOMS ON
BAGGAGE.

1. STATION OFFICER ACCOMPANIED VASLOUCH-2 AGAIN TO AIRPORT MORNING 13 DEC. AFTER ROUTINE DELAY ADMITTED TO AIR CARGO AREA. DOCTOR'S CASE INSPECTED. THIS TIME TWO BOTTOM STUDS ONLY WERE MISSING. VASLOUCH-2 HAD INSPECTED DAY PREVIOUSLY AND FOUND THREE OF FOUR MISSING. NOTE THAT FIRST INSPECTION WAS IN ANOTHER BUILDING. CONSEQUENTLY BETWEEN TIME VASLOUCH-2 SAW BAG 12 DEC AND 1030 MORNING SOMEONE HAD INSERTED ONE MISSING STUR-5000. VASLOUCH-2 SAYS SHE ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN BUT NOT MISTAKEN CONCERNING ABOVE.

2. DOCTOR'S BAG AND OTHER FIVE PIECES REMOVED FROM CARGO AREA BUT WERE NOT PASSED BY BUILDING DOOR INSPECTOR WHO INSISTED ON OPENING ALL SIX PIECES. VASLOUCH-2 PROTESTED. CHARGE HER LOCAL EMBASSY CONTACTED AND HE SPOKE ON TELEPHONE TO CUSTOMS OFFICIAL TO NO AVAIL. VASLOUCH-2 THEN SAW CHIEF AIRPORT CUSTOMS WHO REITERATED FACT THAT PARCELS WOULD BE INSPECTED

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UNLESS LOCAL EMBASSY OBTAINED FREE ENTRY. STATED REASON WAS
BAGGAGE ARRIVED "DESTINATION MEXICO" RATHER THAN "IN TRANSIT".
CUSTOMS CHIEF REFUSED RECONSIDER EVEN AFTER OFFER OF BRIBE BY
VASELOUCH-2.

3. BY THIS TIME PRACTICALLY EVERY CARCO AND CUSTOMS OFFICIAL
AIRPORT AWARE OF SITUATION AND OF ASSISTANCE BEING GIVEN
VASELOUCH-2 BY STATION OFFICER WHOSE NUMBER FACE WAS CROWING
LESS AND LESS [REDACTED]

4. PARCELS WERE RETURNED AIR CARCO STORAGE AREA. ALL
INCLUDING DOCTOR'S BAG WERE FIRMLY PACKED. VASELOUCH-3 THEN
TURNED OVER PAPERS TO LOCAL EMBASSY WHICH WILL OBTAIN FREE
ENTRY AND KEEP ALL PARCELS MEXI. VASELOUCH-1 WILL TRAVEL MEXI SOON
AFTER 7 JAN TO RECOVER THEM. CONSEQUENTLY STATION WILL NOT HAVE
ACCESS TO DOCTOR'S BAG UNTIL THAT DATE.

5. VASELOUCH-2 TALKED TO VASELOUCH-1 AFTERNOON 12 DEC.
LATTER INSISTED SHE RETURN PERUVEN FLIGHT 13 DEC AS PER
EMPLOYERS WERE PROTESTING TARDY ARRIVAL.

THIS COMBINED WITH VASELOUCH-2 FEAR THAT DOCTOR'S BAG HAS BEEN
TAMPERED WITH MADE IT IMPOSSIBLE PERSUADE HER REMAIN MEXI LONGER.
SHE PLANS DEPART 13 DEC IF FLIGHT LEAVES. IT NOW CONFIRMED AS
DELAYED AND MAY NOT DEPART UNTIL 14 DEC.

6. LAST FIRM STATION CONTACT WITH VASELOUCH-2 IS AT 1400
LOCAL 13 DECEMBER. CANNOT PROMISE ANY INSTRUCTIONS OR GUIDANCE
FROM HQS WILL REACH HER VIA STATION AFTER THAT HOUR.

7. RECRET THESE DEVELOPMENTS AND FACT THAT RS-48 WILL BE
HELD (IF IT STILL IN DOCTOR'S CASE) FOR SEVERAL WEEKS. UNDER
CIRCUMSTANCES FELT FURTHER STATION INVOLVEMENT AND MORE PRECIPITANT
ACTION CONSTITUTED UNACCEPTABLE SECURITY RISK.

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