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B. MAYAGUEZ SITUATION

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(b)(3)-50 USC 403
(b)(3)-18 USC 798
(b)(3)-P.L. 86-36

Guidance on the matter was contained in a 15 May message between unidentified KC entities. The probable KC operational entity was directed to let the Americans "take the ship and leave" and to "let the Americans go." It was further reported that the KC had observed U.S. Marines aboard the mership MAYAGUEZ and that the KC would permit the American crew and some Thai nationals to "return to the ship." The KC would observe American actions and would defend themselves to avoid being captured by the Americans. (2[redacted]1005-75[redacted]150833Z)

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