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FOLLOWING MESSAGE SENT TO COMAF FIVE COMAL ONE THREE CINC SWPA FOR INFO RELAYED FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

REPORTS REACHING THIS HEADQUARTERS INDICATE THAT AIR FORCES HAVE BEEN MAKING THEIR OWN GUERRILLA CONTACTS FOR THE RESCUE OF PERSONNEL.

NOT ALL GUERRILLAS ARE LOYAL TO THE CONSTITUTED PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT. IT IS EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS, BOTH TO RESCUING AND RESCUED PERSONNEL, AND TO THE SUCCESS OF THE SAFE AND LEGITIMATE GUERRILLA ORGANIZATIONS, FOR UNAUTHORIZED CONTACTS TO BE MADE.

GHQ IS THE CONTROL CENTER OF ALL GUERRILLA ACTIVITIES. THIS CENTER IS ORGANIZED TO INSURE THAT AREAS AND GUERRILLA ORGANIZATIONS ARE SAFE, THAT REPEATED CONTACTS OR RESCUE OPERATIONS IN A PARTICULAR LOCALITY REMAIN SAFE, AND TO COLLECT INTELLIGENCE ON ENEMY ACTIVITIES. THE ENEMY IS CAPABLE OF ASSUMING OVERNIGHT CONTROL OF ANY POINT NOW HELD BY FRIENDLY GUERRILLAS.

RESCUE OPERATIONS OF PERSONNEL AFTER REACHING THE HANDS OF GUERRILLAS FORCES IN THE PHILIPPINES WILL BE CONDUCTED ONLY AFTER COORDINATION WITH THIS HEADQUARTERS. RESCUE CONTACTS WITH GUERRILLA AUTHORITIES WILL BE MADE ONLY BY SPECIFIC AUTHORIZATION OF GHQ THROUGH THIS HEADQUARTERS



