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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : GUATEMALA

ACTION: DCI (1)

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TO: OPIM SLINC

INFO: OPIM DIR

CITE: SGUAT

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REF DIR 05857 (OUT 56010 ) PARA 5.

1. IT IS MY CONSIDERED OPINION THAT INCREASED PRESSURE ON ARMY MAY INDUCE MASS DEFECTION. IF CALLIGER'S FORCES ARE INSUFFICIENT TO TAKE HANK, IT WOULD BE WISE TO AVOID COMBAT AND TO TIRE OUT THE WSBURNT FORCES WHICH UNUSED TO FIELD SERVICE. CUTTING COMMUNICATIONS AND SUPPLY LINES, SABOTAGE, AND GUERRILLA ATTACKS WOULD RAISE HAVOC. I DO NOT BELIEVE THEY COULD STAND IT.

2. INFORMATION OBTAINED BY SW LLOW FROM C

3. INDICATES THAT ARMY UNITS ARE RESTIVE, FEARFUL, AND WITHOUT THE WILL TO FIGHT.

3. C TOLD A SWALLOW INFORMANT THAT HE AND A GROUP OF OFFICERS ARE PREPARING TO ATTEMPT SEIZE CONTROL OF ARMY.

4. SWALLOW REPORTS THAT WSBURNT ARMY IS TERRIFIED OF STRAFING AND HE DOUBTS WHETHER IT CAN RESIST MORE OF SAME.

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5. MAXIMUM USE OF AIR POWER SHOULD PROVE OF INCALCULABLE  
VALUE IN FORCING ARMY TO TAKE ANTI GOVERNMENT TURN. PARAS 2,  
3 AND 4 C-2.

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