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1. (SWN) SIGNIFICANCE: A PROBABLE ETHIOPIAN INFANTRY BATTALION WAS LEAVING BY CONVOY FROM ASMARA BIVOUAC AREA WEST, POSSIBLY ENROUTE TO TIGRAY PROVINCE.
2. (SWN) REMARKS: TWO CONVOYS TOTALING 32 TRUCKS AND 17 TRAILERS, CARRYING A PROBABLE ETHIOPIAN INFANTRY BATTALION, WERE LEAVING ASMARA [REDACTED] HEADING SOUTH ON A ROAD WHICH LEADS INTO TIGRAY PROVINCE. ONE CONVOY OF 17 TRUCKS AND TWO TRAILERS WAS ON A ROAD ADJACENT TO ASMARA BIVOUAC AREA WEST WHERE A PROBABLE ETHIOPIAN INFANTRY BATTALION WAS ENCAMPED [REDACTED] THIS ENCAMPMENT WAS HERE [REDACTED] AND CONSISTED OF APPROXIMATELY 150 TWO-MAN TENTS AND 12 MEDIUM-SIZED TENTS. THIS CONVOY WAS HEADING EAST TOWARD A CONNECTING ROAD WHERE A SECOND CONVOY (NOT ON GRAPHIC) OF 15 TRUCKS AND 15 TRAILERS WAS ON THE ROAD HEADING SOUTH. THIS ROAD GOES SOUTH FROM ASMARA INTO TIGRAY PROVINCE WHERE ETHIOPIAN FORCES HAVE BEEN FIGHTING THE TPLF (TIGRAY PEOPLE'S LIBERATION FRONT). THE GROUND ORDER OF BATTLE REMAINING AT ASMARA BIVOUAC AREA WEST INCLUDES TWO TANK COMPANIES, ONE MECHANIZED INFANTRY COMPANY (BTR-60 APC-EQUIPPED), TWO SIX-GUN ANTIAIRCRAFT ARTILLERY BATTERIES, AND TWO FIELD ARTILLERY BATTERIES (ONE FIVE-GUN AND ONE FOUR-GUN BATTERY). [REDACTED]
3. (S) [REDACTED] COORDINATES 15-17-02N 038-58-09E

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