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DIRECTOR

GUAT

LINCOLN

PRIORITY

21 JUNE 1954

TO: DIR

CITE: SLING

PBSUCCESS/RIBAT

REF: GUAT 941

1. URGE ACTION ALONG LINES PARA 2 AND 3 REF. FIRMLY BELIEVE EFFECT WOULD
BE ENORMOUS. ALSO IN VIEW MORE AGGRESSIVE PLANS FOR ADAM MOVE JUSTIFIED ON BASIS
PROTECTION FROM AIR ACTION AS WELL AS AGAINST POSSIBLE RESULTING DISORDERS WITH
ANTI-U.S. OVERTONES.

2. IMPACT WILL BE ACCENTUATED BY PROBABLE LOCAL INTERPRETATION THAT U.S.
MAKING MOVE BASED ON KNOWLEDGE THAT CITY ABOUT TO GET FULL TREATMENT.

3. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION SHOULD EMPHASIZE THAT REQUIRED BY EVIDENCE
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GUAT PLANE RAISES ADDED WORRIES AS TO POTENTIAL DANGER OF SPREAD CONFLICT
BEYOND PRESENT SOLELY CIVIL UPRISING.

END OF MESSAGE

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