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INFO 201 SIG SQN (ON SEAS)

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~~TOP SECRET BINAR~~ (FOR DIRECTOR DSD)

SIGS 0557 FROM SIGS 8. PERSONAL FOR CO 101 WRLS REGT. WARNING ORDER. BORNEO OPERATIONS. ONE. THE DEFENCE COMMITTEE HAS APPROVED THE FOLLOWING. A. THE DESPATCH TO BORNEO OF A SELF CONTAINED AMF TACTICAL SIGINT TROOP OF 1 OFFICER AND 37 OR WITH THE PROVISIO THAT THE TROOP BE DEPLOYED AT LABUAN WITH A SMALL DETACHMENT ONLY AT KUCHING. B. THE RAISING OF THE AMF OVERSEAS SIGINT CEILING OF 80, BY 17 TO A TOTAL OF 97. C. THE DETACHMENT FROM AUSTRALIA FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE MONTH OF ONE OFFICER AND 2 OTHER RANKS TO INSTALL TECHNICAL FACILITIES IN BORNEO. TWO. D SIGS/DMI RECOMMENDATION IS TAT SUCH A TROOP WOULD CONSIST OF FOUR TEAMS CONSISTING OF OC, SUPVRS (2), OPERATORS SIGNALS (16), TA(2), TECH ELEC CIPHER (1), TECH ELEC

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(1), OPERATORS KEYBOARD AND RADIO (4), OPERATORS KEYBOARD AND CIPHER (4), DRIVER (1), COOKS (2) TOTAL 1 OFFR 33 OR. FOLLOWING PROVIDED FROM AUST AND NOT NECESSARILY 101 WRLS REGT, TECH ELEC CIPHER, TECH ELEC, OPERATORS KEYBOARD AND CIPHER AND KEYBOARD AND RADIO, DRIVER AND COOKS. OFFR TO BE PROVIDED BY 101. FOLLOW UP REQUIREMENT OF 3 LINGUISTS AND 1 REPORTER TOTAL 4.

THREE. OTHER FACTORS. A. BRITISH DISPOSITIONS. FOUR TEAMS AT KUCHING. PRESENT PERSONNEL WILL BE SUPPLEMENTED BY TEAM FROM

AMF POSITIONS AT SINGAPORE

WILL BE FILLED BY CIVILIAN OPERATORS FROM GCHQ STATIONS ELSEWHERE.

B. OC 201 SIG SQN. WILL HAVE OPERATIONAL COMMAND OF WHOLE FORCE.

C. EQUIPMENT. BASICALLY AUST EQPT AT LABUAN, BRIT AT KUCHING,

ALL COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT AUST. D. COMMUNICATIONS.

FROM BOTH LABUAN AND KUCHING TO SINGAPORE,

BOTH MANNED BY AUST. E. MOVEMENT. DETAILS YET TO BE FINALLY

RESOLVED BECAUSE OF OTHER FACTORS. FOUR. INFO REQUIRED. A. D SIGS WOULD LIKE TO KNOW. A. IF [REDACTED] CAN BE RETAINED AT SINGAPORE

FOR ADDITIONAL SIX MONTHS IN ORDER TO RAISE TP IN BORNEO. B.

DETAILS OF EXISTING BUILDINGS, AERIAL FIELD, FACILITIES INCL ADM

AVAILABLE AT LABUAN. FIVE. GENERAL. SUGGEST YOU PLACE TMO AND

2 TECHS ON 7 DAYS NOTICE TO MOVE. THEY WILL BE REQUIRED IN

SINGAPORE BEFORE ANY MAIN PARTY. IT IS D SIGS INTENTION THAT ALL

PERSONNEL FOR PARTY SHOULD STAGE AT SINGAPORE INITIALLY. COPIES

OF JIC(SC) MINUTE OF 4 MAY 1964 AND D SIGS/DMI BRIEF TO CGS

OF 5 MAY 64 FOLLOW BY BAG FOR YOUR INFORMATION. A SIGNAL

INSTRUCTION WILL BE ISSUED TO YOU FOR IMPLEMENTATION ONCE

FIRM DETAILS AND REQUIREMENTS ARE KNOWN. NO PUBLICITY WILL BE

GIVEN TO THIS OPERATION. GRATEFUL YOUR VIEWS.

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