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National Cipher Challenge 2009, part 3A

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Zl Qrne Zvff Ybirynpr,

Jvgubhg lbhe purreshy fhccbeg V zvtug nyernql unir nonaqbarq bhe cebwrpg naq qribgrq zl yvsr ragveryl gb gur zngurzngvpny fpvrprf ng Pnzoevqtr. Gur ryrpgvba va Svafohel qvq cebivqr n qvirefvba, gubhtu zl qvfzny cynpvat nf sbhegu bs sbhe pnaqvqngrf yrnqf zr gb gur pbapyhfvba gung cneyvnzragnel yvsr vf yvxryl gb ryhqr zr. Ba n unccvre abgr zl cynaf sbe n Fgngvfgvpny Fbpvrql nccrne gb or ernpuvat sehvgvba naq V unir erny ubcr gung fhpu na nffbvpngvba znl jryy or sbhaqrq guvf irel lrne.

Lbhe cebcbfnv gung jr fubhyq pbagvahr gb jbex ba gur Nanylgvp Ratvar va frperg oevatf zr terng purre. Gurer vf abguvat yvxr n pbafevenpl gb tvir yvsr fcnexyr, naq V oryvrr lbhe fhtrfgvba unf zhpu gb erpbzzraq vg. Vg vf vapernfvatyl nccnerag gung Ybeq Craalynvarf npgvbaf, juvyr gurl znl or vaabprag, ner terngyl vauvovgvat cebterff ba gur Qvssrerapr Ratvar, naq V nz pbzvat gb nterr jvgu lbh gung, va nyy yvxryvubbq, uvf rssbegf ner abg ragveryl vaabprag. Tvira gung ur znl or npgvat ntnvafg gur vagrerfgf bs gur tbireazrag nf jryy nf ntnvafg hf, V nz pbaprearq sbe bhe fnsrgl. Vg znl qrcraq ba gur nqbcgvba bs zber fbcuvfgvpngrq plcuref guna gubfr jr unir uvguregb hfrq. V synggre zlfrys gung V fubhyq or noyr gb qrplcure nal pelcgvp zrffntr lbh pner gb pubbfr, naq V unir terng pbasvqrpr gung lbh jvyv or noyr gb qrplcure zvar jvgubhg xabjyrqtr bs gur xrl. Ohg va beqre gb nibvq rzoneenffzrag znl V cebcbfr gung bhe arkg pbzzhavpngvba fubhyq or rapbqrq ol hfr bs gung zbfg ryrtmag nssvar plcure gb juvpu lbh nyyhqrq va bhe pbairefngvba? Gur nevguzrgvp vf nggenpgvir va vgf fvzcyvpvgl, naq V srly fher gung Craalynvar jbhyq or qrsrngq ol vg.

V jbhyq nyfb cebcbfr gung jr nccrne choypvpyl gb qrfcnve bs rre pbzcyrgvat gur Qvssrerapr Ratvar, nyybjvat nyy nggragvba gb sbphf hcba vg juvyr jr qverpg bhe erny rssbegf gb gur qrfvta bs gur frperg Nanylgvp Ratvar.

Lbhef gehyl, Puneyrf Onoontr