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and [redacted] summoned to [redacted]

[redacted] received instructions

[redacted] contacted Copp. "Everything appears under control. Will now be better by 0945 hours." Gave contact instructions and formed [redacted] standing by.

[redacted] Only requirement was to assist in verifying phone numbers of PM and FM. "A very senior official will call them.

Copp called. Advised that previous FM had approved an E1-A1 charter flight before going [redacted] But had not signed paper. Now busy morning of 22 November with [redacted] Foreign Ministry was refusing to issue flight clearances until after FM signed paper. Plane's d window 20 minutes away. Copp asked [redacted]

[redacted] pointed out negotiation with Foreign Ministry best handled by [redacted] Charge. Copp said [redacted] would recommend same to Washington. I noted same in cable to [redacted] headquarters but was advised not to involve Charge. [redacted]

[redacted] Called Copp and updated him on foregoing. He said Washington agreed to bring in Charge. Copp said plane missed [redacted] window but was standing by.

Copp called. said plane airborne and reaches go no go point circa 1725. [redacted] MFA after study opposed clearance and would recommend same to FM. [redacted] talked yesterday with [redacted] who said Emba did not concur. [redacted] at time was correct but additional information now available. [redacted]

[redacted] Copp called. told him of above. He called White House with request for auth. to involve [redacted] Dewey called and said bring in [redacted] as proposed. I did so.

[redacted] called [redacted] and validated [redacted] to get FM out of cabinet meeting.

[redacted] called FM several times during [redacted] 10 minutes. standing by waiting for FM to [redacted] respond. Copp informed. He said plane decided to [redacted] Asked Copp what next. He is standing by for instructions. [redacted]

Foreign Ministry still had made no decision. Copp said NSC is now considering [redacted] the mission. [redacted]

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