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TEXT

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PASS: (U) (b)(3):10 USC 424,(b)(3):50 USC 403-1(i)

COUNTRY: (U) CHINA (CH).

SUBJECT: IIR (b)(3):10 USC 424 APPREHENSION ABOUT BOMBS ON
- CAAC FLIGHTS (U)

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SUMMARY: (c) SOME HONG KONG TRAVELERS BOUND FOR CHINA
HAVE EXPRESSED FEAR ABOUT "COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARIES" PLACING
BOMBS ON CAAC FLIGHTS. (b)(1),(b)(3):50 MAINTAINS THAT OFFICIALS
IN BEIJING MAY SHARE THAT FEAR.

TEXT: 1. (c) (b)(1),1.4 (c) NOTED
THAT THEY HAD CHANGED THEIR FLIGHTS TO CHINA FROM CAAC
TO CATHAY PACIFIC. THAT ACTION IN ITSELF IS NOT UNUSUAL.
THEIR REASON WAS -- THEY FEAR SO-CALLED CHINESE "COUNTER-
REVOLUTIONARIES" MAY TRY TO PLACE A BOMB ON CAAC AIR-
CRAFT. THEY REASONED THAT IF SOMEONE BOMBED A TRAIN,
THEY MIGHT ALSO PLACE A BOMB ON AN AIRCRAFT. (b)(1),1.4 (c)
(b)(1),1.4 (c) ACTUALLY TOOK A FERRY FROM GUANGZHOU BACK
TO KONG KONG TO AVOID TAKING A CAAC FLIGHT.

2. (c) WHILE RECOUNTING THIS EXPRESSION OF FEAR TO
(b)(1),1.4 (c) STATED THAT EVEN CHINESE SECURITY
PERSONNEL IN BEIJING DO NOT SEEM TO HAVE DISMISSED

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SUCH A POSSIBILITY. HE NOTED THAT WHEN HE RETURNED FROM BEIJING LAST WEEKEND, AIRPORT SECURITY WAS TIGHT. ADDITIONALLY, CAAC OFFICIALS DECIDED NOT TO USE THE USUAL LUGGAGE CONTAINERS TO LOAD LUGGAGE ON THE AIRCRAFT. THERE WAS NO SHORTAGE OF CONTAINERS WHICH COULD BE SEEN FROM THE AIRCRAFT WINDOW. [REDACTED] OBSERVED, HOWEVER, THAT ALL LUGGAGE ON HIS AIRCRAFT WAS LOADED INDIVIDUALLY BY HAND WHILE THE PASSENGERS WATCHED FROM THE AIRCRAFT. HE NOTED A SIMILAR PROCEDURE BEING USED AT AN ADJACENT AIRCRAFT.

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3. [REDACTED] OFFERED ANOTHER EXPLANATION. WHILE ATTENDING TO BUSINESS IN SHENZHEN THIS WEEK, ASSOCIATES THERE INDICATED THAT CHINESE GUARDS ARE PAYING PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO ALL CONTAINERIZED SHIPMENTS. IN ONE INSTANCE, THEY WENT THROUGH THREE SMALL CONTAINERS OF DUCK FEATHERS. THE REASON - THEY THINK STUDENTS MAY BE SMUGGLED OUT OF CHINA IN CONTAINERS. ADDITIONALLY, GUARDS FROM NORTH CHINA HAVE BEEN BROUGHT TO THE SHENZHEN AREA TO REPLACE LOCAL GUARDS WHOM AUTHORITIES APPARENTLY THINK COULD BE BRIBED INTO LETTING FUGITIVES CROSS THE BORDER. SHENZHEN RESIDENTS ALSO REPORTED LATE NIGHT SEARCHES OF THEIR QUARTERS BY POLICE WHO WERE LOOKING FOR PEOPLE, NOT THINGS (E.G., SMUGGLED GOODS).

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COMMENTS: (U) EACH DAY EVERYONE SEEMS TO HAVE A NEW HORROR STORY ABOUT CHINA. THEY ARE BECOMING ALMOST AS NUMEROUS AS CAAC STORIES. ALTHOUGH MANY OF THEM SEEM TOTALLY UNREALISTIC, THE FACT THAT THEY CONTINUE TO CIRCULATE AND ARE BELIEVED CREATES A PSYCHOLOGICAL EXPECTATION OF THINGS TO COME THAT IS NO QQQQQQQQQQU)

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