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NON-RESPONSIVE PORTIONS
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1. (C) POST'S INTEREST IN PUBLICIZING THE DEPARTMENT'S
REWARDS PROGRAM FOR TERRORISM INFORMATION AND THE REWARDS
FOR ESCOBAR UNDER BOTH THIS PROGRAM AND THE U.S.G
COUNTER-NARCOTICS PROGRAM IS APPRECIATED. [Redacted]

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2. (U) PRESS GUIDANCE FOLLOWS:

REWARD OF UP TO \$2.5 MILLION

THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS ANNOUNCED
REWARDS TOTALING UP TO \$2.5 MILLION FOR INFORMATION
LEADING TO THE ARREST OF PABLO ESCOBAR GAVIRIA.

THIS AMOUNT IS THE SUM OF AN UP TO \$2 MILLION REWARD
UNDER THE DEPARTMENT'S REWARDS PROGRAM FOR TERRORISM
INFORMATION AND A SUPPLEMENTAL \$500,000 UNDER THE
U.S.G.'S COUNTER-NARCOTICS PROGRAM.

REVIEW AUTHORITY: James Cooper, Senior
Reviewer

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ON AUGUST 13, 1992, PABLO ESCOBAR GAVIRIA WAS INDICTED BY A GRAND JURY IN CONNECTION WITH THE 1989 BOMBING OF AN AVIANCA (COLOMBIAN) AIRLINES FLIGHT--A CRIME IN WHICH TWO AMERICAN CITIZENS WERE KILLED AND WHICH HAS BEEN DETERMINED TO BE AN ACT OF TERRORISM UNDER U.S. LAW. ADDITIONALLY, DURING THE PERIOD 1984 TO 1990, ESCOBAR HAD BEEN INDICTED FOR NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING VIOLATIONS BY SEVERAL JURISDICTIONS IN THE UNITED STATES.

UNDER THE REWARDS PROGRAM FOR TERRORISM INFORMATION, A STANDING U.S. GOVERNMENT REWARD OF UP TO \$2 MILLION IS AVAILABLE TO THOSE WHO HAVE INFORMATION CONCERNING TERRORISM DIRECTED AGAINST AMERICANS OR AMERICAN PROPERTY OVERSEAS. U.S. ASSOCIATIONS REPRESENTING AIRLINES AND PILOTS OFFER UP TO \$2 MILLION MORE WHEN U.S. AIR CARRIERS ARE TARGETED.

IN THE PAST TWO YEARS, REWARDS TOTALING OVER TWO MILLION DOLLARS HAVE BEEN PAID UNDER THIS PROGRAM FOR VITAL INFORMATION, LIVES HAVE BEEN SAVED, AND PARTICIPANTS IN DANGER AS A RESULT OF THE INFORMATION THEY PROVIDED HAVE BEEN RELOCATED UNDER THE PROGRAM TO PLACES OF SAFETY. THE U.S. ASSOCIATIONS REPRESENTING AIRLINES AND PILOTS ALSO HAVE PAID ADDITIONAL "MATCHING" REWARDS UNDER THIS PROGRAM.

THOSE WITH INFORMATION ARE ENCOURAGED TO COME FORWARD TO HELP SAVE INNOCENT LIVES BY WARNING OF PLANNED ACTS OF TERRORISM OR PROVIDING INFORMATION WHICH BRINGS A TERRORIST TO JUSTICE. IDENTITY PROTECTION IS AFFORDED BY

THE U.S.G. AND INDIVIDUALS FURNISHING INFORMATION MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR RELOCATION TO THE UNITED STATES.

PERSONS IN HONDURAS WITH INFORMATION ON ESCOBAR'S WHEREABOUTS ARE URGED TO CONTACT THE NATIONAL POLICE. ANYONE WISHING TO PROVIDE SUCH INFORMATION MAY ALSO WRITE TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

PROGRAM DIRECTOR

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