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E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR
TAGS: CASC, CI (WEISFEILER, BORIS)
SUBJECT: W/W:CASE OF BORIS WEISFEILER

REFS: (A) STATE 271602
- (B) SANTIAGO 5370
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1. (C) AS INDICATED IN SANTIAGO 5370, THE AMBASSADOR TOLD DEL VALLE THAT THE EMBASSY WOULD BE SENDING A NOTE TO THE MINISTRY WITH SPECIFIC QUESTIONS REGARDING THE WEISFEILER CASE. NO SUBSTANTIVE COMMENTS WERE MADE BY DEL VALLE AT THAT TIME.

2. (LOU) THE TEXT OF THE NOTE FILED BY THE EMBASSY ON AUGUST 27, 1986, IS AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE
NOTE NO 072

THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHILE AND WISHES TO EXPRESS ITS APPRECIATION FOR HAVING PROVIDED THE EMBASSY WITH A COPY OF THE MINISTRY'S FILE ON THE MISSING AMERICAN CITIZEN BORIS WEISFEILER. HOWEVER, IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THERE ARE SOME

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CONTRADICTIONS IN CERTAIN ELEMENTS OF THE DOCUMENTATION CONTAINED IN THE WEISFEILER FILE THAT THE MINISTRY PROVIDED THE EMBASSY. THEREFORE, THE EMBASSY WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST MINISTRY ASSISTANCE IN CLARIFYING THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

- XX UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES WAS WEISFEILER'S BACKPACK FOUND: BY WHOM, WHERE AND WHEN? (THE THREE REPORTS IN THE FILE GIVE DIFFERENT NAMES, LOCATIONS AND DATES TO ACCOUNT FOR THESE CIRCUMSTANCES.)

- XX WHO SAW THE FOOTPRINTS PRESUMABLY LEFT BY WEISFEILER IN THE AREA? WHERE WERE THEY SEEN AND AT WHAT TIME OF DAY? (NONE OF THE REPORTS IDENTIFIES CLEARLY WHEN THE FOOTPRINTS WERE FIRST DETECTED NOR BY WHOM.)

- XX AT THE TIME THE BACKPACK WAS FOUND, WHAT DOCUMENTATION DID IT CONTAIN THAT WOULD ENABLE THE AUTHORITIES TO IDENTIFY ITS OWNER AS BORIS WEISFEILER? (THE FIRST CARABINERO REPORT SPECIFIES HOW ITS OWNER WAS IDENTIFIED, BUT THE OTHER TWO DO NOT. THE THREE REPORTS DO NOT SPECIFY IN DETAIL WHAT THE REMAINDER OF THE CONTENTS OF THE BACKPACK WERE.)

- XX AT WHAT TIME DID WEISFEILER ARRIVE AT THE HOTEL ALCAZAR IN LOS ANGELES AND AT WHAT TIME DID HE DEPART FROM THAT HOTEL? HOW WAS THIS INFORMATION OBTAINED? (THE INVESTIGACIONES REPORT MENTIONS WEISFEILER'S STAY AT THE HOTEL, BUT THE TWO CARABINERO REPORTS DO NOT.)

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- XX WHY DID THE POLICE NEVER REPORT TO THE JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES THE FACT THAT WEISFEILER WAS MISSING? IS NOT THE FAILURE TO DO SO CONTRARY TO CHILEAN LAW? (WE NOTE THAT THERE IS NO RECORD IN THE FILE THAT THE CARABINEROS FILED A REPORT WITH THE JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES THAT WEISFEILER WAS

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MISSING.)

XX THE EMBASSY HAS NOTED IN THE FILE THAT THE
MINISTRY QUERIED THE CHILEAN CONSULATE IN
WASHINGTON, D.C. ABOUT THIS CASE. IT WOULD BE
HELPFUL TO UNDERSTAND WHY THE EMBASSY NEVER
RECEIVED ANY INFORMATION FROM THE MINISTRY UNTIL
IT MADE ITS OWN INQUIRY.

THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TAKES THIS
OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO THE MINISTRY THE ASSURANCE OF ITS
HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
SANTIAGO, AUGUST 26, 1986

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3. (LOU). A COPY OF THE NOTE WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOU
UNDER SEPARATE COVER. WE WILL REPORT TO YOU THE MINISTRY'
RESPONSE. JONES

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