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FROM NAVAT.

BEIJING MILITARY SITUATION - AM 09 JUN.

1. THERE HAVE BEEN A SERIES OF ARRESTS IN THE EARLY HOURS IN THIS AREA OF CITY AND PROBABLY IN OTHER PARTS ALSO. METHOD IS TROOP CORDON WITH ARMED POLICE (PSB NOT PAP) AND PLAIN CLOTHES SECURITY MEN ENTERING HUTONGS TO MAKE ARRESTS.

2. THE POPULATION ARE MORE FEARFUL THAN DEFIANT AND RELUCTANT NOW TO STAND AND DISCUSS THE SITUATION IN THE STREETS.

3. THE STREETS IN MOST PARTS OF THE CITY ARE NOW PASSABLE AFTER THE ARMY DRAGGED THE BURNT OUT ARMY VEHS TO THE SIDE OF THE ROAD AND DISMANTLED THE BARRICADES. NAVAL UNITS (INC ARMED GUARDS) HAVE ALSO TAKEN PART IN THIS OPERATION.

4. BUSES NOW RUN ALONG MAIN ROAD THROUGH NORTH OF TAM. NORMAL TRAFFIC ALONG ROAD SOUTH OF TAM. ROADS ON EAST AND WEST OF TAM CLOSED AS ARE ROADS AROUND GHP.

5. VISUAL SIGHTINGS OF ARMOUR IN TAM PLUS SIGHTINGS OF ARMOUR MOVING TO/FROM TAM INDICATE TANK REGIMENT CONTINUES TO BE BASED THERE.

6. SEVERAL SMALL RESUPPLY CONVOYS LEFT TAM VIA JGMW FLYOVER. SOME ESCORTED BY ARMOUR SOME NOT. ASSESS ALL RETURNED TO BASE. SIGHTING TODAY OF FORAGING FLOUR FROM LOCAL SHOP.

7. 2 VEHS LPN V-28 (12 ARMY) SIGHTED VICINITY TAM.

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8. LARGE NO OF TPS AND VEHS SIGHTED IN SPORTS STADIUM (ADJACENT WORKERS STADIUM JUST NORTH OF EMBASSY). TRYING TO GET LPN TOMORROW.

9. GROUP OV VEHS LPN V-52 (U/I POSS IND DIV LAST SEEN S OF BEIJING) SIGHTED OUTSIDE KENTUCKY FRIED CHICKEN (KFC) SOUTH SIDE OF TAM.

10. REF MILSUM 08 JUN PARA 6. PROBABLY ZHANG GONG DIR POL DEPT BEIJING MR.

11. REF MILSUM 8 JUN PARA ONE. FURTHER INVESTIGATION REVEALS FLOORS 3 TO 9 OF BLOCK ONE OF JGMW DIPLOMATIC COMPOUND RAKED BY AUTOMATIC FIRE. SEVERAL FLATS HIT INCL. AUSTRALIAN FLAT WITH 24 BULLET HOLES. JUST BEFORE CURFEW LIFTED RELIABLE EYEWITNESS SAW CHINESE MAN BEING HUSTLED FROM JGMW BY PLAIN CLOTHES CHINESE MEN. IT MAY BE THAT HE WAS CONNECTED WITH THE SNIPER INCIDENT OR A FUGITIVE THAT HAD TAKEN SHELTER.

12. STILL NO EVIDENCE OF PLA FIGHTING PLA OR OF ANY GP ARMY MOVING TO OPPOSE TPS IN BEIJING.

13. RUMOURS TODAY THAT TROOPS WILL ENTER UNIVERISTY CAMPUSES. RELIABLE WITNESS HEARD OFFICIAL WARNING AND STAY CALM INSTRUCTION BROADCAST OVER LOUDSPEAKERS.

14. 091800 LOCAL TROOPS SIGHTED CORDONING CHINESE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES (JUST WEST OF JGMW FLYOVER). ASSUME SEARCH AND ARRESTS TAKING PLACE.

15. CGS GEN CHI HAOTIAN. NOTE WHOLE OF OPERATIONAL SERVICE 1949-73 IN 27 ARMY (THE YANG FAMILY LINKS GET DEEPER) HOWEVER LPN -02 (27 ARMY) HAS ONLY BEEN SIGHTED ON THREE SEPARATE VEHS (INCL ONE AMBULANCE) SINCE 19 MAY 1989.

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