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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM GEORGE BROWN

DEA HEADQUARTERS TOLD ME YESTERDAY THAT GENERAL MATALLANA HAD LEARNED ABOUT ANOTHER CI (COOPERATING INDIVIDUAL) ENTRY INTO COLOMBIA THAT HAD NOT BEEN CLEARED WITH DAS, IN ADDITION TO THE ONES PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. THIS, SAYS DEA, UPSET HIM MORE THAN DEA'S PARTICIPATION IN THE SHOOTOUT AT NARE. THIS CI, WORKING FOR THE MIAMI OFFICE, FLEW A PLANE INTO COLOMBIA, LANDED (PRESUMABLY DID SOME KIND OF BUSINESS), THEN TOOK OFF AND RETURNED TO THE U.S. THERE WAS NO INCIDENT DURING THE VISIT, BUT GENERAL MATALLANA SUBSEQUENTLY (ABOUT THE TIME OF OR AFTER THE GUNFIGHT) FOUND OUT ABOUT THE UNCLEARED OPERATION. THIS INFORMATION CAME TO DEA HEADQUARTERS FROM CARACAS REGIONAL OFFICE BY PHONE. KISSINGER

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