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SUBJECT: BRIEFING OF CDR. BARTELS

1. CDR. MALCOLM G. BARTELS, USN, WAS BRIEFED RX-3 ON 4 OCT ABOARD HIS SHIP WHITE SAND-22 AT ANCHOR OFF BALLAST POINT, SAN DIEGO. BARTELS WAS VERY COOPERATIVE AND INDICATED HE WOULD DO ALL POSSIBLE TO MAINTAIN SECURITY OF MISSION AND HOLD DOWN SPECULATION AMONG HIS CREW. BARTELS WAS GIVEN NAME OF [ ] AS HIS CONTACT AND INFORMED OF HIS TRUE AFFILIATION.

2. BARTELS ADVISED THAT HE IS ALSO THE PILOT FOR THE TRIESTE AND HE STATED THAT THE RECOVERY ATTEMPT, ASSUMING RV IS LOCATED, WOULD BE MADE AT NIGHT AND THAT THE RV WOULD BE COVERED WITH A BLACK SHROUD PRIOR TO TRANSFER FROM THE TRIESTE TO THE HOLE OF THE WHITE SAND. BARTELS ADDED THAT PRIOR TO THIS BRIEFING HE HAD ALREADY

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CIRCULATED A STORY TO HIS CREW THAT THIS PARTICULAR  
 RECOVERY WAS RELATED TO A SCRIPPS OCEANOGRAPHIC PACKAGE  
 AND THE REASON FOR THE SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS WAS THAT  
 THE PACKAGE IS LIGHT SENSITIVE.

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