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SUMMARY

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1. (C) THIS MESSAGE REPRESENTS AN INSTALLMENT OF AN IRREGULAR SERIES OF CABLES CONTAINING RUMORS AND INFORMATION THAT HAVE SOMEHOW NOT FOUND A PLACE IN OTHER EMBASSY REPORTING. THIS TELEGRAM IS A SPECIAL ISSUE DEVOTED TO THE NOVEMBER 16-18 VISIT TO LVIV OF FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON. AMONG OUR STORIES ARE:

- DRUNKEN DEBUT (b)(6)
- MRS. KUCHMA SURPRISES ALL WITH HER UKRAINIAN SPEECH;
- OPTING OUT OF PC SITES;
- GOVERNOR HLADIY MANHANDLES HIS WAY INTO A CRYPT;
- SBU RELIVES ITS KGB PAST;
- RULES OF THE GAME FOR THE PRESS;
- STRIPPERS SERVE AT FIRST LADY'S RECEPTION; AND
- WHEELS UP, OR HOW DID THE ALGERIANS GET IN THIS CABLE?

INTRODUCTION

THE FIRST LADY'S VISIT TO LVIV WAS A MARVELOUS SUCCESS. SHE AND MRS. KUCHMA MADE GREAT SPEECHES AT THE OPERA HOUSE, THE CROWDS WERE MORE ENTHUSIASTIC THAN ANYWHERE ELSE IN THE HIS, AND THE SCHEDULE WORKED LIKE A CHARM. BUT NOBODY WANTS TO HEAR THIS DO THEY? EVERYONE WANTS TO KNOW WHAT WENT WRONG, NOT RIGHT. WE KNOW THIS BECAUSE WE ARE SURE THAT OUR LOYAL HARD COPY READERS ARE THE KIND OF PEOPLE WHO SNEAK A PEEK AT THE NATIONAL ENQUIRER IN THE SUPERMARKET CHECKOUT LINE (LOOKING FOR STORIES LIKE: "UFO'S KIDNAP UKRAINIAN REFORMERS-- NO ONE REPORTED MISSING"). THAT IS WHY WE AT KIEV HARD COPY ARE DEDICATING THIS ISSUE TO THOSE ON THE UKRAINIAN SIDE WHO WORKED SO DILIGENTLY TO TURN THIS VISIT INTO AN ABJECT FAILURE, BUT FOR REASONS BEYOND THEIR CONTROL, WERE UNABLE TO ATTAIN THIS OBJECTIVE. THE STORIES OF A FEW OF THESE "HEROES OF THE FORMER SOVIET UNION" ARE CHRONICLED BELOW:

(b)(6) MAKES UNFORGETTABLE DEBUT

2. (G) IN ADDITION TO THE MANY CHALLENGES OF PLANNING A FLOTUS VISIT TO UKRAINE, THE EMBASSY'S GREATEST HURDLE BECAME (b)(6) NEWLY APPOINTED TO (b)(6) (b)(6) MADE A BRIEF APPEARANCE A WEEK BEFORE THE FLOTUS' ARRIVAL, AND RETURNED TWO DAYS BEFORE THE VISIT. DESPITE THE FACT THAT EMBOFFS HAD ALREADY HELD MARATHON MEETINGS WITH CITY AND OBLAST OFFICIALS TO HAMMER OUT THE SCHEDULE, (b)(6) ARRIVED WITH A NEW AND IMPROVED FANTASY SCHEDULE. THE INTERESTING NOTE IS THAT (b)(6) CONSISTENTLY PREFERRED TO DEAL WITH THIS VISIT AFTER CONSUMING LARGE QUANTITIES OF ALCOHOL, SO EMBOFFS WERE CONSTANTLY REMINDING HIM OF THINGS TO WHICH HE HAD ALREADY AGREED, WHILE SIMULTANEOUSLY ATTEMPTING TO INCREASE HIS COFFEE CONSUMPTION. DUE TO (b)(6) IN THE END EVEN THE MEA PROTOCOL REPRESENTATIVE WAS ROLLING HER EYES EVERY TIME (b)(6) PULLED HIMSELF TOGETHER TO SHOW UP AT AN EVENT. THE CROWNING MOMENT FOR MR. (b)(6) OCCURRED WHEN HE BELLIED UP TO THE HOTEL BAR, MINUTES BEFORE THE START OF THE UKRAINIAN HOSTED LUNCH, JUST AS MRS. KUCHMA AND MRS. CLINTON WALKED BY. WHEN WE THOUGHT HE COULD DO NO MORE DAMAGE, (b)(6) THEN CRASHED THE RECEPTION FOR "PROMINENT WOMEN" AND WAS ORDERED OUT BY THE CONTROL OFFICER AS HE WAS ATTEMPTING TO MONOPOLIZE THE PASTRY CART.

...AND ON THE SUBJECT OF ALCOHOL

3. (G) AT THE SYNAGOGUE SITE, SEVERAL PEOPLE WONDERED WHY NO SOUND SYSTEM WAS AVAILABLE FOR THE FIRST LADY'S AND THE RABBI'S REMARKS. IN FACT, WHITE HOUSE AND EMBASSY SITE OFFICERS HAD COORDINATED WITH MUSICIANS TO PROVIDE THE SOUND. UNFORTUNATELY, THE MUSICIANS

ARRIVED AT THE SYNAGOGUE SOMEWHAT LESS THAN SOBER, AND WERE SUMMARILY DISMISSED BY THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICER, ALONG WITH THEIR SOUND SYSTEM.

PRAISE FOR MRS. KUCHMA'S SPEECH: KUDOS FOR MRS. CLINTON

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4. (SBU) UKRAINIAN GUESTS AT THE OPERA HOUSE RECEPTION GUSHED ABOUT MRS. KUCHMA'S SPEECH THAT MORNING. ACTUALLY, IT WASN'T THE CONTENT OF THE TALK WHICH IMPRESSED THEM SO MUCH AS THE FACT THAT THE UKRAINIAN FIRST LADY DELIVERED HER SPEECH IN THE UKRAINIAN LANGUAGE (NOTE: MRS. KUCHMA, A NATIVE RUSSIAN, IS

(b)(6)

ACCORDING TO THE MFA PROTOCOL REPRESENTATIVE, MRS. KUCHMA INSISTED ON DELIVERING THE SPEECH IN UKRAINIAN AND PREPARED HERSELF AND HER REMARKS ACCORDINGLY. ALTHOUGH SHE WAS READING FROM A PREPARED DOCUMENT, EVEN THE POLITICAL SECTION'S ASSISTANT WAS SURPRISED THAT SHE SPOKE WITH AN AUTHENTIC UKRAINIAN ACCENT.

5. (C) WHILE SIPPING DRINKS (SERVED BY THE YOUNG LADIES DESCRIBED IN PARA 12) AT THE RECEPTION AFTERWARDS,

(b)(6)

(b)(6) CITED MRS. KUCHMA'S REMARKS AS A SIGN OF PROGRESS FOR UKRAINIAN NATIONALISM. (b)(6)

ATTRIBUTED "THIS WONDERFUL EVENT" TO MRS. CLINTON, WHOSE VISIT SPURRED MRS. KUCHMA TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL WITH THE UKRAINIAN LANGUAGE. "WE OWE YOUR FIRST LADY A GREAT DEBT FOR THIS," (b)(6) SAID.

STILL WORKING ON THE IDEA OF POLITICAL CORRECTNESS...  
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6. (C) THE EVENING BEFORE MRS. CLINTON'S ARRIVAL, PRESIDENTIAL PROTOCOL OFFICER (b)(6) (SEE PARA 2) INFORMED EMBASSY OFFICERS THAT, FOR SECURITY REASONS, MRS. KUCHMA'S STAFF WAS CONCERNED ABOUT WORKING THE CROWD AFTER REMARKS AT THE MEMORIAL TO THE VICTIMS OF COMMUNIST REPRESSION. (b)(6) OPENLY ACKNOWLEDGED THAT IN LVIV (WHICH SUFFERED GREATLY UNDER THE SOVIETS, IN LARGE PART DUE TO ITS FIERCE UKRAINIAN NATIONALISM) MRS. KUCHMA MAY BE PERCEIVED TO BE ON "THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS ISSUE." ON THE DAY OF MRS. CLINTON'S ARRIVAL, (b)(6) INFORMED EMOFFS THAT MRS. KUCHMA WOULD NOT TAKE PART IN THE CEREMONY, AND

THAT MINISTER OF JUSTICE SUZANNA STANYK (A LVIV NATIVE) WOULD TAKE HER PLACE, BUT WOULD NOT DELIVER REMARKS.

7. (G) MRS. KUCHMA ALSO DECLINED TO TAKE PART IN THE ACTIVITIES AT THE GILAD SYNAGOGUE. (b)(6) EXPLAINED THAT MRS. KUCHMA AND THE PRESIDENTIAL APPARAT WERE CONCERNED ABOUT "INVOLVEMENT IN CHURCH POLITICS." EMBOFFS TRIED TO CONVINC (b)(6) THAT MRS. KUCHMA'S ABSENCE AT THE ONLY JEWISH SITE WOULD BE OBVIOUS AND REFLECT POORLY ON UKRAINIAN-JEWISH RELATIONS.

(b)(6) THEN STATED THAT HER ATTENDANCE WOULD EXACERBATE THE SCHISMS IN THE ORTHODOX CHURCH. N.B. MRS. KUCHMA ACCOMPANIED MRS. CLINTON TO THE GREEK CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL FOR A LENGTHY VISIT WITHOUT RAISING ANY CONCERNS OVER CHURCH POLITICS.

DON'T GET IN HIS WAY; NO SCRIPT FOR THE CRYPT  
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8. (G) DURING PART OF THE VISIT TO THE GREEK CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL, MRS. CLINTON AND MRS. KUCHMA WENT DOWN A SMALL STAIRWAY INTO AN UNDERGROUND CRYPT. BECAUSE THE CRYPT WAS QUITE SMALL, THE EVENT WAS CLEARLY SCRIPTED FOR ONLY MRS. CLINTON, MRS. KUCHMA, AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE CHURCH. HOWEVER, IN AN EFFORT TO STEAMROLL HIS WAY TO THE SIDE OF THE FIRST LADIES, LVIV OBLAST GOVERNOR HLADIY PHYSICALLY CLIMBED OVER AN EMBASSY FSN, PUSHING HIM DOWN TO THE GROUND.

9. (G) THE INCIDENT WITH GOVERNOR HLADIY CULMINATED A DAY OF EVENTS WHERE THE OFFICIAL UKRAINIAN DELEGATION DISPLAYED AN INCREDIBLE ABILITY TO GET IN THE WAY. EVERY TIME AN EVENT CALLED FOR PARTICIPATION BY THE TWO FIRST LADIES EMBOFFS WERE FORCED TO EITHER BLOCK ENTRY TO EVENTS OR FORCEFULLY REMOVE THE UKRAINIAN DELEGATES. SECRET SERVICES OFFICERS COMPLIMENTED EMBOFFS ON THEIR ABILITY TO CONTROL THE CROWD. NEEDLESS TO SAY, EMBOFFS WERE NOT PLEASED TO HAVE TO PLAY THE ROLE OF LINEBACKERS WITH MINISTERS, MAYORS AND GOVERNORS. WE WITNESSED THE POLITICAL TENSION AND ONE-UP-MANSHIP BETWEEN THE MAYOR AND THE GOVERNOR THROUGH THE FIRST LADIES' VISIT. HELPFUL HINT FOR SITE OFFICERS: NEVER

GET IN THE WAY OF A UKRAINIAN GOVERNOR, PARTICULARLY IF HIS SENSE OF PROTOCOL (b)(6)  
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THE MORE THINGS CHANGE, THE MORE THEY STAY THE SAME...

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10. (G) WHILE REVIEWING SECURITY CONCERNS WITH CITY AND OBLAST OFFICIALS, THE STATE SECURITY SERVICE (SBU) ASKED EMBOFFS FOR A LIST OF THE PEOPLE INVITED TO ATTEND THE FIRST LADY'S REMARKS AT THE MEMORIAL TO THE VICTIMS OF COMMUNIST REPRESSION. ACCORDING TO SBU OFFICIALS, THEY WANTED TO ENSURE THAT NO "UNFRIENDLIES" (I.E. DEMONSTRATORS) HAD BEEN INVITED. THIS STRUCK US AS SOMEWHAT IRONIC, TO SAY THE LEAST.. INDEED, WHAT WORSE PLACE COULD THERE BE TO CONSIDER REPRESSING DEMONSTRATORS THAN AT THE MEMORIAL TO THE VICTIMS OF COMMUNIST REPRESSION? AS NOTED ABOVE, MRS. KUCHMA SKIPPED THE EVENT, AND THE AMERICAN CONTINGENT, LEFT TO ITS OWN DEVICES, FOUND IT UNNECESSARY TO REPRESS THOSE UKRAINIANS WHO DID TURN UP.

PRESS POOLS UKRAINIAN STYLE  
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11. (G) COOPERATING WITH THE UKRAINIAN SIDE ON PRESS MATTERS WAS A CHALLENGE. ASIDE FROM DEALING WITH UNCLEAR SIGNALS ABOUT WHO WAS IN CHARGE AND A LACK OF SHARP ORGANIZATION, USIS CAUGHT AN INFORMATIVE GLIMPSE OF HOW THE PRESS STILL WORKS IN UKRAINE. EQUAL OR ROTATING ACCESS TO NEWS AND SHARING OF INFORMATION AS A PRESS POOL HAVEN'T QUITE CAUGHT ON YET. DUE TO SPACE CONSTRAINTS A NUMBER OF SITES WERE LIMITED TO ONLY SMALL GROUPS OF PRESS AT THE WHITE HOUSE'S REQUEST. DESPITE A RECORD NUMBER OF JOURNALISTS (110 ACCREDITED FOR THE VISIT) AND A LARGE NUMBER OF TV COMPANIES DESIRING TO COVER THE EVENTS, NOT EVERYONE GOT A CHANCE AT A SITE. PREFERENCE FOR TV COVERAGE WENT TO UKRAINIAN STATE TELEVISION AND TO A PERSON DESCRIBED AS MRS. KUCHMA'S PERSONAL TV CAMERAMAN. WHEN ASSIGNMENT OF A REPORTER FROM A NEWSPAPER HEADED BY THE WIFE OF A DEPUTY GOVERNOR TO A COVETED POOL SLOT WAS ANNOUNCED TO A GATHERING OF ACCREDITED PRESS, IT WAS MET WITH DERISIVE LAUGHS. IN PRIVATE, OBLAST PRESS OFFICIALS EXPLAINED THE OBVIOUS -- AS GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS THEY NATURALLY GIVE PREFERENCE TO GOVERNMENT PRESS ORGANIZATIONS. AS FOR THE UKRAINIAN JOURNALISTS, MANY DID NOT LIKE THIS PRACTICE BUT WERE NOT AT ALL

SURPRISED. THE IDEA OF ASKING A COLLEAGUE FOR A SKELETON REPORT AFTER THE EVENT (A POOL REPORT, IN ESSENCE) WAS TOTALLY FOREIGN -- COOPERATING WITH COMPETITORS WAS UNTHINKABLE.

STRIPPERS SERVE FIRST LADY  
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12. (G) NOTE: PERSONS HAVING RECENTLY TAKEN THE EEO/DIVERSITY COURSE SHOULD AVERT THEIR EYES FROM THIS PARAGRAPH. END NOTE. EMBOFFS CONTROLLING ACCESS TO THE NOVEMBER 18 RECEPTION (FOR THE FIRST LADY AND SEVENTY FIVE PROMINENT GUESTS) AT THE OPERA HOUSE FOUND

THEMSELVES TURNING BACK A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO ASKED TO MEET MRS. CLINTON BUT LACKED THE SPECIAL ENTRY TICKET TO THE EVENT. SHORTLY AFTER THE FIRST LADY ENTERED THE ROOM WE WERE APPROACHED BY A TICKET-LESS YOUNG LADY SPORTING TIGHT BLACK LEATHER PANTS AND HIGH BOOTS. WE SUMMARILY DENIED HER ENTRY, ROLLING OUR EYES WHEN SHE COMPLAINED SHE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE AT THE RECEPTION. OUR AMUSEMENT TURNED TO SLACK-JAWED AMAZEMENT WHEN SECURITY WAVED HER IN, AND ONE OF OUR FSN'S CONFIDED THAT SHE WAS ONE OF THE THREE EXOTIC DANCERS WHO ENTERTAIN CUSTOMERS AT THE NIGHTCLUB AT THE HOTEL WHERE THE DELEGATION WAS STAYING. SURE ENOUGH, ENTERING THE RECEPTION WE FOUND HER BEHIND THE BAR SERVING DRINKS WITH TWO YOUNG LADIES IN STILETTO HEELS AND "WHY BOTHER" MICRO-MINISKIRTS (THANK YOU, MONICA). THEY TURNED OUT TO BE, SO WE WERE TOLD, HER FELLOW STRIPPERS.

WHEELS UP: OR HOW DID THE ALGERIANS GET IN THIS CABLE?  
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13. (G) FINALLY, AS EVERY CONTROL OFFICER KNOWS, NO VISIT IS COMPLETE WITHOUT A SNAFU AT THE AIRPORT. THIS VISIT HAD SEVERAL, BUT THE MOST NOTABLE CAME AT THE VERY END, DURING THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENT IN ANY PROGRAM-- "WHEELS UP." BECAUSE THE FIRST LADY'S PLANE WAS DELAYED TAKING OFF FROM THE LVIV AIRPORT DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS, AN ALGERIAN AIRLINER WAS PUT IN A HOLDING PATTERN FOR OVER AN HOUR WAITING FOR THE RUNWAY TO CLEAR. WHEN THE IRATE ALGERIANS LANDED, THEY PRESENTED THE LVIV AIRPORT AUTHORITIES WITH A BILL FOR USD 50,000 FOR "SUPPLEMENTARY FUEL EXPENSES." THIS BILL STRIKES ALL OF US AS A BIT OVER THE TOP, UNLESS THE ALGERIANS WERE PILOTING THE MOTHERSHIP FROM  
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"INDEPENDENCE DAY," BUT WHAT FOLLOWED WAS EVEN LESS WELCOME, IF NOT ENTIRELY UNEXPECTED. AFTER A MOMENT'S THOUGHT, THE LVIV AUTHORITIES IMMEDIATELY EXPRESSED THEIR INTENTION TO PASS THE BILL ON TO THE U.S. EMBASSY, SINCE IT HAS OUR PLANE THAT HAS BEING HELD UP BY THE BAD WEATHER AND, THEREFORE, OUR FAULT. NEEDLESS TO SAY, IF WE EVER RECEIVE THE BILL, THE CHANCES THAT WE ARE GOING TO PAY IT ARE SLIM TO NONE... AND SLIM JUST LEFT TOWN.  
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