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1. WE HAVE BEEN PLAGUED FOR SOME WEEKS NOW

BY MR. MITCHELL L. WERBELL III, VICE PRESIDENT AND
DIRECTOR OF R AND D OF SIONICS, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.
WERBELL DESCRIBES HIMSELF AS A COUNTERINSURGENCY
EXPERT, HAS A VARIETY OF WEAPONS TO DISPLAY, CLAIMS
TO BE A RETIRED COLONEL, AND LAST WEEK INTRODUCED
HIMSELF AT A LOCAL NIGHTCLUB AS CHIEF OF WOFIRM IN
THAILAND.

2. WERBELL HAS A HISTORY OF SHOWING UP IN TROUBLE SPOTS WHERE HE CAN MAKE A FAST BUCK. HE IMPLIES THAT HE IS U.S. GOVT CONNECTED AND PRESENTS A DEMONSTRATION OF A VARIETY OF EXOTIC WEAPONS THAT NEVER FAILS TO IMPRESS. REF DESCRIBES HIM AS AN UNSCRUPULOUS OPPORTUNIST WITH A REPUTATION FOR LIVING BEYOND HIS MEANS.

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3. WERBELL IS AN AMERICAN CITIZEN, BORN 1919, — *8 March 1918 Phila.*
 SERVED IN OSS, HAS SHAVEN HEAD AND HANDLEBAR
 MUSTACHE. REF ADVISES THAT FULL DETAILS OF HIS
 BACKGROUND SHOULD NOT BE PASSED TO SINCE
 HE IS U.S. CITIZEN. HOWEVER, STATES THAT
 CAN BE INFORMED, SHOULD HE APPEAR IN YOUR AREA,
 THAT HE HAS AN UNSAVORY REPUTATION, HAS NO U.S.
 GOVT CONNECTIONS, AND ANY DEALINGS WITH HIM SHOULD
 BE APPROACHED WITH EXTREME CAUTION.

4. FOR SAIGON: WE UNDERSTAND THAT WERBELL
 RECENTLY VISITED SAIGON AND DID HIS THING WITH GEN.
 ABRAMS, WHO WAS SUITABLY IMPRESSED, AND WERBELL
 IS NOW SETTING UP A SNIPER TRAINING PROGRAM.

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