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Action NNNVV FHE906V JCA200  
 BTF RR RUEHCR  
 DE RUFHJA 097 17/1845Z  
 Info R 171810Z ZEA  
 SS FM USBER BERLIN  
 G TO RUEHCR/SECSTATE WASHDC  
 P INFO RUFHOL/AMEMBASSY BONN  
 L RUFHWP/AMEMBASSY PARIS  
 H RUDTLN/AMEMBASSY LONDON  
 SAL ZEN/AMEMBASSY MOSCOW  
 EUR RUFPA/USAREUR  
 IO RUFLC/CINCEUR  
 DAC RUDLSK/USNMR SHAPE  
 P RUDLSK/USELMLO  
 STATE GRNC  
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USIA ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ ACTION DEPT (81) INFO BONN 72 PARIS 37  
 NSC LONDON 3 MOSCOW 31 USAREUR FOR POLAD; CINCEUR FOR POLAD; USNMR  
 INR SHAPE FOR BURNS; USELMLO FROM BERLIN 7 PM

CIA PARIS ALSO FOR USRO

NSA SUBJECT: SOVS OBJECT TO TRAIN INSPECTION

OSD REF BERLINTEL 52 DEPT, 45 BONN; BERLIN'S A-21

ARMY ON JULY 14 SOV DUTY OFFICER AT MARIENBORN OBJECTED VIGOROUSLY  
 NAVY TO ACTION OF US TRAIN COMMANDER IN INSPECTING ENGINE OF BERLIN-  
 AIR BOUND FRANKFURT DUTY TRAIN. UPON COMPLETION OF DOCUMENT PRO-  
 NIC CESSING TRAIN COMMANDER WALKED FORWARD TO CHECK ENGINE AND INVITED  
 RMR SOV DUTY OFFICER TO JOIN HIM. SOV DUTY OFFICER SHOUTED THAT  
 ENGINE COULD NOT BE INSPECTED WITHOUT HIS PERMISSION AND GERMAN  
 TERRITORY COULD NOT BE VIOLATED. HE THREATENED TO BOARD TRAIN  
 IF TRAIN COMMANDER PERSISTED IN HIS PLAN. WHEN TOLD HE COULD  
 NOT BOARD TRAIN, SOV DUTY OFFICER THREATENED TO CALL HIS COMM-  
 ANDER AND HAVE TRAIN DETAINED. TRAIN COMMANDER PROCEEDED TO  
 INSPECT ENGINE AND SOV DUTY OFFICER ENTERED STATION. TRAIN  
 DEPARTED IN ABOUT TEN MINUTES ON SCHEDULE.

COMMENT: US PRACTICE FOR MORE THAN A YEAR HAS BEEN TO SPORADICALLY  
 INSPECT ENGINES FOR FLAGS AND COACHES FOR POSSIBLE TAMPERING.  
 DURING PAST FEW WEEKS SOVS SHOWN DESIRE PREVENT INSPECTION. IN  
 THIS CASE, REICHSBAHN HAD REPLACED ENGINE AT MARIENBORN AFTER  
 HAVING SUPPLIED ENGINE AG HELMSTEDT AND TRAIN COMMANDER DECIDED  
 TO SEE IF NEW LOCOMOTIVE CARRIED FLAGS. GP-4 MULICK  
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