

21 JUNE 1993

PRIBICEVAC¹, AT 17:15 O' CLOCK

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TO THE COMMANDER OF DRINA CORPS - PERSONALLY

[handwritten note: GŠV RS² ATTN: GENERAL MILOVANOVIĆ - RECEIVED AT 23.40 O' CLOCK]

CONNECTED TO: YOUR TELEGRAM, STRICTLY CLASSIFIED NO.02/5-346, DATED 21 JUNE 1993

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ON 26 MAY AT 20.58 O'CLOCK, THE TURKS CARRIED OUT A SUDDEN AND FORCEFUL ATTACK AT THE POSITIONS OF THE ARMY OF RS³ ON THE LENGTH OF THE ROAD AND THE ZELENI JADAR RIVER ON A WIDTH OF ABOUT 2.5 KM. THE CENTRE OF THE ATTACK WAS ON THE LENGTH OF THE ROAD AND THE LITTLE RIVER OF ZELENI JADAR. THE ATTACK LASTED FOR TWO HOURS AND 40 MINUTES. SOLDIERS OF THE ARMY OF RS FOUGHT BACK WITH FIRE FROM ALL AVAILABLE EQUIPMENT, AND THE ATTACK OF THE TURKS WAS COMPLETELY REPELLED, THUS THE FIRE CEASED, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SPORADIC GUNSHOTS, AT ABOUT 24.00 O'CLOCK.

CONSIDERING THAT IT WAS A DARK NIGHT WITH MIST AND, FROM TIME TO TIME, RAIN WITH WIND, THE TURKS MANAGED TO INFILTRATE TWO DTGs⁴ THROUGH THE FLOW OF THE LITTLE RIVER OF ZELENI JADAR. ONE DTG CARRIED OUT A SABOTAGE ON THE WATER PIPELINES NEAR SIPAD FACTORY, ABOUT 150 METERS AWAY FROM THE UNPROFOR OBSERVATION POST, AND THE NUMBER OF TERRORIST SABOTEURS IN IT [handwritten note: I DO NOT KNOW] BUT THEY MANAGED TO CREATE WATER EXPLOSION OF THE WATER PIPES AT THE FACTORY, WHICH WAS OF MODERATE MAGNITUDE, WHILE THE ONE ON THE WATER FILTER WAS DEAFENING. THEN THE LEADERS, UPON HEARING THE EXPLOSION IN THE VALLEY OF DONJI JADAR, REALISED THAT A SABOTAGE WAS CARRIED OUT ON THE WATER SUPPLY FACILITIES AND THAT IT IN FACT WAS THE MAIN AIM OF THE SUDDEN AND VERY FORCEFUL TURKISH ATTACK, WHILE EVERYTHING ELSE WAS A FACADE SO THE SABOTEURS COULD CARRY OUT THE SABOTAGE WITHOUT OBSTRUCTIONS.

ACCORDING TO THE TRACES OF MOVEMENT, THROUGH WHERE THE SABOTEURS GOT OUT AFTER KNOCKING DOWN THE WATER TOWER, MISTAKE, THE WATER FILTER, WE BELIEVE THAT THERE WERE FIVE OF THEM AND THAT THE BRINGING DOWN WAS CARRIED OUT WITH EXPLOSIVE WITH BRISANCE FROM WHICH WE FOUND NO REMAINS OR TRACES ON THE BASIS OF WHICH WE COULD ASSESS THE CHARACTER AND NATURE OF THE EXPLOSIVE AND THE EXPLOSIVE DEVICES.

ON 27 MAY, THE FOLLOWING DAY, UPON MEETING WITH THE UNPROFOR, I SPOKE TO THE MAJOR FROM CANADA PROTESTING THAT THE NIGHT EARLIER THEY HAD SERVED AS A SHIELD FOR THE MUSLIM TERRORIST FOR THEM TO TEAR DOWN FACILITIES WITHOUT OBSTRUCTIONS, SO THAT THEY COULD ACCUSE US OF VANDALISM BEFORE THE WORLD AS IT IS DONE REGULARLY. BECAUSE WE COULD NOT DIRECT THE CENTRE OF FIRE IN THE DIRECTION OF THE POST AND THE R.⁵ OF ZELEINI [sic] JADAR OR WE WOULD HAVE ENDANGERED THE UNPROFOR FORCES THAT WERE ON THE OBSERVATION POST, WHICH THEY COULD HAVE PERSONALLY SEEN FOR THEMSELVES. THEY RESPONDED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE TO THAT CLAIM OF MINE, BUT WITH DISGUST TOWARDS MUSLIMS.

ON THE NEXT TWO MEETINGS, I EMPHASISED AND STRESSED TO THE UNPROFOR, IN THE CONTEXT OF CRITICISING THE MUSLIMS FOR NOT TO IMPLEMENT THE OBLIGATIONS FROM THE TREATY ON WEAPONS SURRENDERING, THAT THEY ARE SO SLY AND EVIL THAT THEY CARRY OUT THE MOST AWFUL DESTRUCTIVE SABOTAGES ON FACILITIES, AND WHAT WOULD THEY DO, IF THEY COULD, TO US SERBS.

SINCE A STRONG FRONTAL ATTACK OF THE TURKS AND A SABOTAGE WERE CARRIED OUT AT THE SAME TIME WE ARE UNABLE TO ASSESS HOW MANY SABOTEURS WERE LIQUIDATED, AND HOW MANY WERE LIGHTLY AND SEVERELY WOUNDED, BUT WE KNOW FOR A FACT THAT ABOUT 15 OF THEM WERE KILLED, AND EVEN MORE WERE LIGHTLY AND SEVERELY WOUNDED ON THEIR RIGHT SIDE ALONG THE POST WHICH LEADS FROM THE VILLAGE OF ZELENI JADAR ON THE LUBNIČKI BROOK FROM THE DIRECTION OF THE VILLAGE OF JASENOVO. MOST MUSLIM SABOTEURS AND FIGHTERS WERE PULLED OUT DURING THE NIGHT OF 26/27 MAY VIA THE RADIUS OF THE FACTORY IN Z.⁶ JADAR INTO THE VILLAGE OF PUŠMULIĆI AND INTO SREBRENICA. WE HAVE NO IDENTIFICATION DATA ON LIQUIDATED TURKS, ALTHOUGH THERE ARE SOME CORPSES IN LUBNIČKA FOREST, AND MAYBE AT TRZIKOVAC.

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¹ Translator's note: actual name of place is Pribicevac
² t/n: Main Staff of the Army of the Republic of Srpska
³ t/n: Republic of Srpska
⁴ t/n: Sabotage Terrorist Group
⁵ t/n: this refers to river
⁶ t/n: this refers to Zeleni Jadar
⁷ t/n: actual surname is Vuković