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STATUS AND PROGRESS REPORT RE THE STORY:

TIMES MOVED STORY OFF PAGE ONE FOR FIRST TIME TODAY,
DEVOTING THREE COLUMNS OF PAGE 25 TO VARIOUS ASPECTS. PAGE ONE
PRE-EMPTED BY SUCH NEWS STORIES AS DISCOVERY OF FIRST WHITE
GORILLA IN AFRICA, ETC.

THUS FAR, TIMES ONLY RPT ONLY PAPER SEEN MENTIONING US
DIRECTLY. / 14-, (3) \$85 85 9, 3, RESTON COUPLE TIMES, SASCHA VOTMAN
MENTIONED AS EX-EMPLOYEE, AND WE LISTED AS RECIPIENT OF GIFTU FROM
HOBBY FOUNDATION, WHICH HAS ADMITTED LINKS. HOBBY LISTED WITH ONE
40 THOUSAND CONTRIBUTION. RESTON REFERENCE DISTURBING SINCE
COMPLETELY GRATUITOUS. IN HIS COMMENTS, RECIPIENTS LISTED ONLY
AS EDUCATIONAL, LABOR, ETC, BUT WE SINGLED OUT BY NAME.

TIME MAGAZINE SHOULD BE OUT AND AROUND NOW WITH ITS
REFERENCE. HAPPILY, THEIR MENTION OF QUOTE CONTROL UNQUOTE
EASY TO DENY COMPLETELY.

SPOKE TO ALL REGIONAL VEEPS. NONE WORRIED, NONE EXPECT
PROBLEMS EXCEPT POSSIBLY RPT POSSIBLY RE TIME MAGAZINE WHICH BETTER
CIRCULATED, BETTER READ OUTSIDE N.Y. THAN TIMES. RESTON SYNDICATED
BUT THUS FAR UNSEEN OUTSIDE N.Y. ALL VEEPS FULLY INFORMED OF POLICY
OUTLINED IN DISCUSSIONS LAST WEEK AND MESSAGES THIS WEEK. IN TURN,
THEY INFORMED ALL FEE PEOPLE. THUS FAR, NO RPT NO COMPLAINTS.

(MORE)

CORR: LINE 7 UPPER CASE SHUD READ: "FRANKEL DID IT ONCE".....

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ONLY QUERY TO DATE FROM ANY SOURCE COMES FROM HEV MURPHY
PR MAN, WHO WANTS TO KNOW LINE IN CASE QUESTIONS ASKED WHEN MURPHY
SPEAKS IN FT. WORTH 10 MARCH. NO RPT NO INDICATION OF CONCERN, JUST
WANTS POLICY. TOLD PR MAN WE HAVE COUPLE WEEKS TO GO, STORY FADING
A BIT (AS OF TUESDAY) AND THERE WILL BE DISCUSSIONS HERE NEXT WEEK.
PROMISED TO CALL PR MAN NEXT WEEK. HE SEEMS UNWORRIED.

FYI, GEORGE TRUITT QUOTED WASHINGTON POST YESTERDAY SAYING
HE DID NOT RPT NOT KNOW SOURCES BUT REVELATIONS HAVE WRECKED HIS
OPERATION.

FINALLY, TODAY'S BLIZZARD-LIKE STORM MAY PUSH STORY FURTHER
BACK IN PAPER.

REGARDS.
END MSG.

CORR: 1ST LINE PAGE 2 MAKE 10TH WORD READ BEV RPT BEV.