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- 06/05/89 11:13 Holmes/DeWilde in telcon from Chengdu that a mob has entered the Jin Jiang hotel and appeared to be looting it. The US consulate personnel had taken refuge in the consular portion of the hotel and shut the third door. It appears that the hotel minshan across the street was also looted. There is no indication that the activity is being aimed at the foreigners but there is no sign of police anywhere. All consulate personnel are accounted for. Jan de Wilde will call again in a few minutes with another update. Earlier telex from Chengdu reports that as of 1600 June 5 there is a stalemate in downtown Chengdu between protesters who flood streets and continue to burn vehicles and troops who have taken refuge inside the municipal office compound and occasionally lob tear gas ineffectually into the crowd.
- 06/05/89 11:24 Wall/Holmes telcon cont. Students represent a distinct minority. many workers report that factories have gone on strike and the number of persons in the street far surpasses what would have been normal for a Monday midday. Meanwhile, the reported death toll from the June 4 riot continues to mount with new casualties being reported from various hospitals.
- 06/05/89 11:31 Action request: Mrs Baker called with regard to Welfare and whereabouts of family friend Todd Siegler, who is with Princeton group of students at the university of Technology in Dalian Tel 491-1511. Requests that Embassy consulate try to ascertain status of students and provide task force readout if possible. Please advise Donna in Secretary's office X9572. Action: Above message passed to Embassy 11:45 to Bill Thomas.
- 06/05/89 11:57 Chengdu update; dick holmes called to say consulate chengdu personnel still barricaded in the consulate. The Jin Jiang Hotel next door is still being looted. however, personnel feel safe for the moment. All consular personnel are accounted for and group inside the consulate includes about 15 assorted US citizens and third-country nationals from the Hotel. Cons. Gen. Jan De Wilde will report every 30 minutes on situation. There appear to be a number of plain clothes police in front of the consulate and the door connecting the consulate to the hotel has been barricaded.
- 06/05/89 12:26 Regarding case of Todd Siegler; embassy has tried telephone number and there is no answer. Message being passed to Gen

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the Morris US consulate Shenyang to act upon. This news was passed to Secretary's Office by Mark Wong.

06/05/89 13:03 EMB/Holmes reported that Jan de Wilde had called in and that situation in Chengdu now calmed down. There were five trucks of PAP outside and they had 15-20 "ruffians" in custody. All americans and foreigners with Jan had gone back to their rooms and were OK. The hotel lobby is a mess but now quiet there. Jan reports there are some isolated fires in the city. He is turning in for a little sleep.

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06/05/89 15:37 FBI called to report that Chinese citizens in US who are in contact with relatives in Beijing report that the 38th and 40th armies are opposing the 27th army flown in previously. High military officials in Shenyang and Nanjing have declared their opposition to military force. FBI reports reliable sources have indicated that _____ they have further information that _____ in the US, who may be targeted. The FBI has no official record of _____ but are investigating.

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06/05/89 16:16 Bill Thomas called from Amembassy Beijing to say that the Ambassador urgently requests that evacuation be authorized, not ordered, for government dependents only from Beijing and Shanghai only. Bill spoke to Dick Williams.

06/05/89 16:18 Barbara Euser assumed logger duty.

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