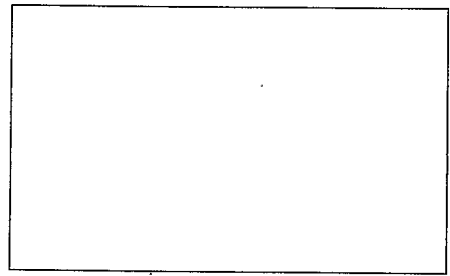


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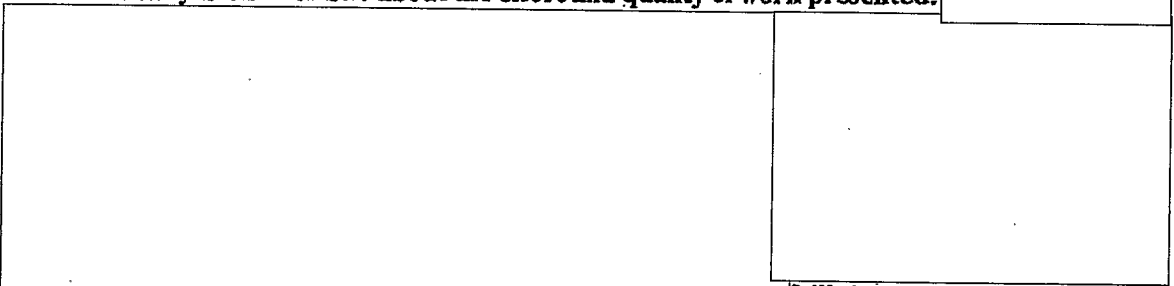


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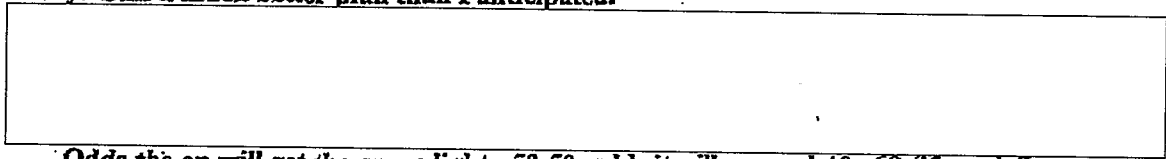
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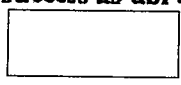
planning for the ubl rendition is going very well. have come up with a very good plan - it fits the military model and is detailed, thoughtful, realistic, and keeps the risks up front and clearly addressed. The team really is enthusiastic about the effort and quality of work presented.



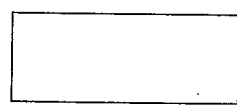
Still the odds of success are iffy - as in any special ops raid of this type - hundreds of variables which can be anticipated but not really planned for - and the thing could blow up at any point along the way. Still a much better plan than I anticipated.



Odds the op will get the green light - 50-50; odds it will succeed 40-60 (if we define success as ubl either in custody or dead).



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