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CORRECTION FIRST LINE - MAY WISH

J. W. BAILEY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

END PLS ACK

PLS ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT

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DO U HAVE ANY CAMS GA

YES KEELY CUTTING TAPE NOW

WHEN ARE U POSITIONING 1995 AND 101A THE CAM WE HAVE A AFTER TOMORROW

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TOLD DILLON AND SIMMONS YESTERDAY TO POSITION MSY TODAY GA

OK AND 101 ALSO GA TODAY GA

OK FINE HOLD FOR TAPE

## PLS ACK AND END

THIS IS BUR NAT WILL SEND YOU A MESSAGE IN A FEW MINUTES JUST A MINUTE WALT IS HERE HE WILL ANSWER

WIILL BE TALKING TO BROWN LATER AND WILL HAVE THE ACTUAL ARRIVAL TIME FOR U THENNNNNN THE AIRPLANE MADE A NORMAL APPROACH INTO MHK AND BROWN STATED THAT ABOUT THREE HUNDRED YARDS FROM THE END OF THE RUNWAY THRESHOD AN ENGINE APPEARED TO REVERSE IN FLIGHT BEFORE TOUCHDOWN AND THE AIRPLANE HIT ABOUT FIFTY YARDS SHORT OF THE RUNWAY AND SHREDDED THIS WAS OR APPEARED TO BE COMFIRMED THIS MORNING WHEN A PROPEELLER WAS FOUND ON THE RUNWAY IN THE REVERESED POSITION ONLY VERY MONOR INJURIES THE CREW TO BE DISCHARGED FROM HOSPITAL THIS AM GA

OK THIS SEEMS TO COVER IT PRETTY GOOD IF U GET ANY FURTHER INFO PLS REFER TO THIS OFFICE IN CASE WE ARE QUESTIONED ABOUT IT BY DTMS

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RALPH COX WILL BE AT THE TUESDAY MEETING PLS ADV MR KRAFT OF THIS

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OK WILL ADV CRAFT THE CAB AND FAA ARE INVESTIGATING AT MHK NOW WILL KEEP U ABREAST OF ALL DEVELOPENTS GA OR END

ROGER TO ABV END SMITH