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This is a letter from the Assistant Secretary (Home), A&N Administration, Port Blair enclosing a letter of Dy. Superintendent of Police (HQ) for revision of the convoy timing in the Andaman Trunk Road.

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The Dy. Superintendent of Police (HQ) vide his letter placed at page 30/C has highlighted the problems faced by the commuters of North and Middle Andaman to reach Middle Strait/ Port Blair by road. Vehicles are allowed to cross Parlob Jig No: 15 after 0530 hrs. The traveling time from Parlob jig to Middle Strait is 2 ½ hrs and hence they are unable to catch the 1st ferry service to Middle Strait from Baratang which is at 0630 hrs. They have to halt till 0930 hrs when the second convoy starts. This is a false statement as the 2nd convoy is at 0800 hrs from Middle Strait and not 0930 hrs. (Circular of convoy timing may please be seen at page 35/C please.)

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Secondly, at point number 3 of the above letter it is mentioned that the vehicular traffic between Parlob Jig No: 3 to 15 is closed between 1730 hrs to next morning 0530 hrs as a stretch of 12 Kilometers on the Andaman Trunk Road falls. This closure arrangement is made by Police Department without any orders or directions but only on consideration of the safety of the Jarawas.

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The Dy Superintendent of Police (HQ) has requested to modify / revise the existing convoy timing at Parlob Jig at 0400 hrs and vehicle ferry at Uttara jetty at 0430 hrs to avail the 1st convoy by 0630 hrs at Middle Strait.

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During the visit of Chief Secretary to Mayabunder on 20/09/2008, the Pramukh, Panchayat Samiti, Mayabunder submitted a 20 point charter of demands, which also included revision of the convoy timing. Copy of the above letter is enclosed at page 33-34/C for kind perusal please.

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