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TP274: JAPANESE NATIONAL POLICE OFFICIAL TOLD NEWSMEN IN STATEMENT AT AIRPORT THAT TWO RUSSIAN DEFECTORS WERE TRAVELING ON U.S. PASSPORTS. DUTY OFFICERS AT NATIONAL POLICE HEADQUARTERS SAY AGAIN THEY TOLD BY HIGH JAPANESE AUTHORITIES THAT RUSSIANS WERE ON U.S. PASSPORTS, ALTHOUGH WE FIND NO POLICEMAN NOW WHO ACTUALLY SAW. U.S. EMBASSY REFUSED LAST NIGHT AND STILL REFUSES THIS MORNING TO CONFIRM OR DENY PASSPORTS. WE HAD THREE MEN AT AIRPORT BUT JAPANESE IMMIGRATION PEOPLE REFUSED DISCUSS CASE AND REFUSED LET OUR MEN NEAR RUSSIANS. CAN'T U.S. IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES AT ANCHORAGE (TP257) SAY WHAT RUSSIANS HAD?

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