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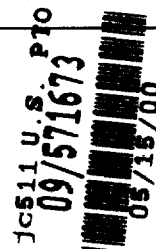
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at TUCSON (CITY)  
on May 15, 2000

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