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TO: TIME MEDICINE

FROM: LONDON BY: WHITE

SLUG: TEST TUBE BABY EOH:

BEAUTIFUL JOB.

THE FOLLOWING COMBINES CKPTS AND CAC.

CORRECT NAME IS OLDHAM AND DISTRICT GENERAL HOSPITAL (NOT OLDHAM DISTRICT AND GENERAL).

LESLEY BROWN IS 30 REPEAT 30, TO BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE. THAT'S WHAT MAIL IS USING, AND OTHERS ARE COMING AROUND TO IT. STICK WITH 30.

JOHN IS 38.

IT IS BRITISH RAIL (DROP "NATIONAL")

SUGGEST SAY "SOON (RATHER THAN "EARLY IN AUGUST")---THE TARGET DATE GIVEN LAST WEEK WAS AUG. 4 -- SHE IS EXPECTED ETC. SOURCES WHO HAVE BEEN RIGHT IN PAST STILL BELIEVE THE BABY WILL COME IN VERY LAST DAYS OF JULY.

OLDHAM IS NOT IN THE MIDLANDS, DROP MIDLANDS. IF NEED WORD, SAY NORMALLY QUIET LANCASHIRE INDUSTRIAL CENTER.

THE OLDHAM METROPOLITAN BOROUGH IS 227,000. THERE HAS BEEN SOMETHING CALLED LOCAL GOVERNMENT AMALGAMATION. THE OLD OLDHAM WAS ABOUT 105,000, SOURCES SAY. USE 227,000.

STATE OF SIEGE IS TOO STRONG. TAUT WITH TENSION, OR EXPECTATION WOULD BE BETTER.

DROP "HUNDREDS" OF REPORTERS AND CAMERAMEN. MAKE IT SCORES.

MAKE IT A "REPORTED" REPEAT "REPORTED" 300,000 POUNDS DEAL ETC. THERE'S NEVER BEEN ANY CONFIRMATION FROM ANYBODY OF THAT 300,000-325,000 FIGURE.

MAKE IT ...THAT ALLOWED ONLY REPORTERS FROM THE LONDON DAILY MAIL TO HAVE ACCESS TO THE FAMILY. DROP "THE DOCTORS AND OLDHAM HOSPITAL PERSONNEL." STEPTOE-EDWARDS HAVE PUBLICLY DENIED THEY SIGNED ANY CONTRACT WITH ASSOCIATED NEWSPAPERS.

SUGGEST MAKE IT FRUSTRATION RAN HIGH AND FAR-OUT RUMOR (INSERTING FAR OUT). SUGGEST MAKE IT ..CALLED IN A REPORTER OR PHOTOGRAPHER (INSERTING PHOTOGRAPHER).

HANSON SAYS IT WAS NOT THE DAILY EXPRESS IN PRINT, BUT DAILY EXPRESS EDITOR DEREK JAMESON (IN PHONE CONVERSATION WITH HANSON WHO SAID "WE COULD GET BABY FARMS, MASS PRODUCED KIDS, 1984 SIX YEARS EARLY."

SUGGEST SAY HER DOCTORS DECLINED TO SAY IN WHAT WAY HER TUBES WERE IMPAIRED (RATHER THAN WHETHER THEY WERE MISSING ETC). SOURCES SAY THERE'S NEVER ANY SUGGESTION THEY WERE MISSING.

MAKE IT STEPTOE AND EDWARDS HAVE BEEN EXPERIMENTING WITH FOR A DECADE (DROPPING "NEARLY")

MAKE IT IN SCORES (RATHER THAN DOZENS) OF PREVIOUS TRANSFERS OF EXTERNALLY FERTILIZED EGGS.

TYPICAL LUNCH IS STEAK AND KIDNEY PIE (NOT STEAK, KIDNEY PIE) JOHN'S 17-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER (MAIL HAS CORRECTED IT TO 17, NOT

16).

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