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DISPATCH		CLASSIFICATION <u>SECRET RYBAT</u>		PROCESSING	
TO	CHIEF, EE	REQ. FULFILLED	ACTION	ACCOMPLISHED	
INFO	CHIEF OF STATION, GERMANY CHIEF OF BASE, BONN		NO RELEASE REQUIRED		
FROM	ACTING CHIEF, MUNICH LIAISON BASE		ONLY QUALIFIED READOFFICERS USE FOR RELEASE		
SUBJECT	PHILL AELADLE PHILL QUERY RE AELADLE RELIABILITY		ABSTRACT		
			EXCEPT		

SEE PARA 3

1. ON 25 SEPT ALIAS FLEMING RAISED THE QUESTION OF AELADLE'S RELIABILITY AND BONA FIDES. FLEMING DID SO APOLOGUETICALLY AND IN A LOW KEY MANNER, NOTING THAT WE HAD NEVER MADE ANY SPECIFIC STATEMENT ON THIS POINT. HE SAID THAT IN THE COURSE OF GOING OVER THE INFORMATION AELADLE HAD PROVIDED ON THE FEDREP, THE UPHILL'S INVOLVED HAD BECOME INCREASINGLY AWARE OF THE CONSISTENT VAGUENESS OF AELADLE'S INFO, WITH ITS MANY INDICATIONS OF PENETRATION OF VARIOUS LEVELS OF THE FEDREP GOVERNMENT, BUT NOTHING ONE REALLY COULD PUT ONE'S FINGER ON. IN THIS CONNECTION, FLEMING ALSO CALLED ATTENTION TO AELADLE'S SUGGESTION /PARA 2 DIR 35004/ THAT IN ORDER TO REFRESH HIS MEMORY IT WOULD HELP IF THE GERMAN DEBRIEFERS BROUGHT ALONG DETAILED REVIEWS OF RIS CASES, BACKGROUND DATA ON SUSPECT WEST GERMAN INTEL AND GOVT EMPLOYEES ETC.

2. FLEMING MADE VARIOUS OTHER POINTS CONCERNING THE PECULIAR VAGUENESS OF AELADLE'S INFO ON THE FEDREP AND WE NOTED THAT AELADLE NEVER HAD BEEN DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN GERMAN OPS. FLEMING SAID THAT UPHILL'S CONCERN NATURALLY WAS UNFOUNDED IF IT TURNED OUT THAT AELADLE HAD PROVIDED IMPORTANT AND DETAILED INFO ON KGB OPERATIONS AND PENETRATIONS IN OTHER AREAS, INFORMATION WHICH HAD BEEN DETERMINED TO BE ACCURATE. IF THIS IS THE CASE, UPHILL WOULD BE HAPPY TO TAKE OUR WORD FOR IT. OTHERWISE, ON THE BASIS OF UPHILL'S LIMITED ABILITY TO JUDGE AELADLE'S BONA FIDES, UPHILL WOULD BE UNEASY AND RELUCTANT TO REVEAL TOO MUCH INFO TO AELADLE WHEN THEY DO THEIR DEBRIEFING.

Not possible for him to be vague.

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<p>3. WE TOLD FLEMING THAT HIS POINT SEEMED VALID AND THAT WE COULD NOT ON THE BASIS OF WHAT WAS KNOWN TO US MAKE ANY ASSURANCE. WE TOLD HIM WE WOULD ASK OUR HQS FOR COMMENTS AND WOULD APPRECIATE ANY COMMENTS YOU MAY BE ABLE TO MAKE BY WAY OF REPLYING. [PHILL] DI WE THINK THAT TO SOME EXTENT [PHILL] HAS BECOME UNEASY IN VIEW OF THE 'HANDLING PROBLEM' WE HAVE MENTIONED AS THE CAUSE FOR THE DELAY IN THE GERMAN DEBRIEFING OF AELADLE. FLEMING NOTED AT ONE POINT THAT, PRESUMING THE POSSIBILITY THAT AELADLE COULD HAVE BEEN DISPATCHED, IT SEEMED PROBABLE HE WOULD BECOME A HANDLING PROBLEM SOON AFTER LEARNING HE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE SURFACED, SINCE THIS WOULD BE CONTRARY TO HIS INSTRUCTIONS AND HE NO DOUBT WOULD BALK.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">PHILIP D. HOLDERNESS</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>@ Fleming is working li. Hunt.</i></p>		