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- C. IF APPROACH MADE IN SUISSE IT BEST DONE WITHIN CONSULAR CONTEXT AND BY GENUINE CONSUL IN ORDER; AVOID ANY APPEARANCE OF SECRECY OR STEALTH IN EVENT GIBSON PRESENCE SUISSE AND CONTACT BY AMERICAN AUTHORITIES SUBSEQUENTLY PUBLICIZED.
- D. INTERVIEW BY CONSUL NOT LIKELY TO BE AS COMPLETE

 AS IF HANDLED BY EITHER ODENVY OR KUBARK REP BUT ON BALANCE

 FOR REASONS CITED ABOVE BELIEVE APPROACH BY GENUINE CONCULAR

 REP PREFERABLE.
- E. CONTACT WITH GIBSON COULD BE MADE (1) BY HAVING

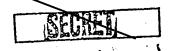
 CONSUL GO LAUSANNE AND TRY CONTACT GIBSON AT RESIDENCE

 (2) HAVE CONSUL PHONE AND ASK GIBSON COME BERN FOR INTERVIEW

 (3) HAVE CONSUL PHONE AND ASK IF GIBSON WILL RECEIVE CONSUL

 FOR INTERVIEW AT LAUSANNE. TEND FAVOR COURSE (1) BECAUSE

 OTHER COURSES WOULD ALERT GIBSON AND GIVE HIM CHANCE REFUSE ANY CONTACT.
- F. BELIEVE INTERVIEWER SHOULD NOT TRY ELICIT INFO
 FROM GIBSON BUT IMMEDIATELY INDICATE REASON FOR CONTACT IS
 TRY CLARIFY ALL BACKGROUND RE PRESIDENT KENNEDY DEATH,
 THAT INVESTIGATION IN STATES HAS REVEALED THAT GIBSON FORMER
 ASSOCIATE OF OSWALD AND THAT STATE DEPT HAD ASKED INTERVIEWER
 DISCUSS OSWALD WITH GIBSON.
- G. IF INTERVIEW HELD IN AMCONSUL BERN OFFICE WOULD COVERTLY RECORD IT.
 - 2. ANB DAVIS AND DCM KELLERMANN BRIEFED RE CASE ON



9 NOVEMBER. THEIR VIEWS AS FOLLOWS: ALTHO THEY BELIEVE ETTER INTERVIEW JOB COULD BE DONE BY ODENVY OR KUBARK REP THEY APPRECIATE THAT CIRCUMSTANCES MAY MAKE USE OF CONSULAR OFFICER ADVISABLE. (FYI ODENVY REP RELUCTANT UNDERTAKE TASK BECAUSE OF STANDING INSTRUCTIONS HE NOT TO BECOME INVOLVED IN ANY MATTER WHERE HE MIGHT LATER HAVE TO APPEAR AS WITNESS IN COURT PROCEEDING.) THEY WILLING MAKE CONSULAR OFFICER AVAILABLE BUT WISH HAVE INSTRUCTION FROM STATE DEPT TO THIS EFFECT. (FYI AMB WHO HAS JUST TAKEN CHARGE DEFERS TO KELLERMANN VIEWS RE ACTION ADVISABLE.)

- THE MADE CLEAR TO AMB AND DCM THAT ODENLY HAS EXECUTIVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR OSWALD CASE BUT THAT KUBARK COOPERATING CLOSELY. DCM SUGGESTED THAT VIEW SLOWNESS OF ODENLY COMMUNICATIONS CHANNEL IT PRFERABLE HAVE CONTACT WITH DEPT RE USE OF CONSULAR OFFICER BE HANDLED THRU KUBARK CHANNELS. ELMARD REPLIED STATION PREPARED TRANSMIT ANY MSG AMB DESIRED BUT SUGGESTED AMB WAIT UNTIL ODENLY REP RECEIVED GUIDANCE FROM HIS HOS RE CASE. AMB CONCURRED.
- 4. ELMARD INFORMED AMB AND ODENVY REP HE INTENDED REPLY TO QUERIES WHICH HE HAD RECEIVED FROM KUBARK HOS, WOULD FORWARD FOR HOS INFO ONLY VIWS OF AMB, ODENVY REP AND ELMARD RE POSSIBLE APPROACHES RE GIBSON INTERVIEW, ASK HOS DEFER ANY APPROACH TO DEPT UNTIL ODENVY REP RECEIVED GUIDANCE FROM HIS HOS.
 - 5. KUBARK ONLY. ODENVY REP CONCERNED AND EMBARRASSED



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HAT FIVE DAYS HAVE ELAPSED SINCE HE SENT FIRST MSG TO HIS HQS AND NO REPLY RECD YET. HE HAS SENT ADDITIONAL NIACT CABLE REQUESTING IMMEDIATE REPLY.

- 6. CHECK AMEMB BERN FILES REVEALS NO INFO RE GIBSON.
- 7. INANITION REPORTS THAT INFO FROM LAUSANNE INDICATES
 GIBSON TENTATIVELY PLANNING GO FRANCE WHEN DEPARTS SUISSE
 PRIOR TO 15 DECEMBER. DATE HIS DEPARTURE NOT KNOWN.
- 8. FURTHER INFO FROM INANITION CONFIRMS THAT ALBERT SCHWEITZER COLLEGE, CHURWALDEN IS REPUTABLE SCHOOL WHOSE CIRRICULUM PLACES EMPHASIS ON HUMANISTIC STUDIES AND WHOSE GENERAL ORIENTATION IS AWAY FROM LEFT IN POLITICS. NO INFO HAS EMERGED AS TO WHY PROCLAIMED MARXIST OSWALD WOULD SEEK TO ATTEND SUCH A SCHOOL.

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US Comments: *Station information on Chreen.

**Queried Station on wisdom and security of having estensible Consular officer call
in Classon and question him about a possible congestion with Oswald.