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1. FOLLOWING POINTS RESOLVED AT MEETING WITH ROBERT BLAKEY, CHIEF COUNSEL HSCA AND GARY CORNWELL, DEPUTY COUNSEL HSCA:

A. HSCA WILL CONTACT AND INTERVIEW LICHANT-1 ON BASIS HE QUESTIONED DEBA GARRO DE GUERRERO GALVAN FOLLOWING KENNEDY ASSASSINATION. HSCA WILL NOT REVEAL THEIR KNOWLEDGE HIS UNWITTING USE FOR CIA THROUGH LIHUFF-1.

B. HSCA WILL CONTACT AND INTERVIEW LICOOKY-1 AND LIHUFF-1 ON BASIS THEY U.S. CITIZENS WHO RESIDENT IN MEXICO AT TIME OF KENNEDY ASSASSINATION. AS YOU AWARE LICOOKY/1 HAS RECEIVED WIDE PUBLICITY AS RESULT JACK ANDERSON ARTICLE IN "PARADE" MAGAZINE ON 12 AUG 1962 AS HAVING BEEN EMPLOYED IN CUBAN MINISTRY OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS 1959-60 AND PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH FIDEL CASTRO. LIHUFF-1 WILL BE INTERVIEWED ON BASIS HIS RESIDENCY IN MEXICO CITY SINCE 1949 AND HIS ASSOCIATION WITH GENERAL MOTORS AND AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN MEXICO. HSCA WILL NOT REVEAL THEY AWARE BOTH HAD RELATIONSHIP WITH AGENCY.

C. HSCA WILL CONTACT AND INTERVIEW LITAMIL-7 AND 9 ON BASIS THEY FORMER EMPLOYEES [redacted] HSCA ADVISED US THAT ON PREVIOUS TRIP THEY INTERVIEWED OTHER FORMER MEMBERS CUBAN EMBASSY MEXICO WITH ASSISTANCE MEXICAN AUTHORITIES. HSCA WILL NOT REVEAL THEY AWARE OF FORMER CIA RELATIONSHIP.

D. HSCA REQUESTS THAT RAYMOND H. GERENDE AND LIONION-1 (IF HE CAN BE LOCATED IN MEXICO) BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW IN HOTEL ROOM. HSCA SAID VOICE COMMUNICATION WILL BE SUFFICIENT, HOW-

EVER, CLOSED CIRCUIT TV EQUIPMENT BEING SENT FOR POSSIBLE CONTINGENCY USE.

E. HSCA HAS AGREED TO INTERVIEW EDWARD G. TICHBORN AS FORMER AGENCY EMPLOYEE IN SAME MANNER AS DONE PREVIOUSLY WITH MR. CHARLES FLICK, ET AL.

2. HSCA WILL ACCEPT CAPT. GOODING'S VOUCHING FOR BONA FIDES OF GERENDE AND LIONION-1 WHO CAN USE ALIASES DURING INTERVIEW IF THEY DESIRE.

3. HSCA CONFIRMED THAT THEY HAD REQUESTED EMBASSY TO ASK MEXICAN GOVERNMENT TO LOCATE ALL BUT GERENDE AND LIONION-1 FOR INTERVIEW PURPOSES. HSCA WILL BE TRAVELING OFFICIAL PASSPORTS. STATE DEPT HAS NOT ADVISED HSCA WHERE THEY WILL BE BILLETTED.

4. IN VIEW AGREEMENT THAT ONLY GERENDE AND LIONION-1 WILL BE INTERVIEWED UNDER INDIRECT (I.E. HOTEL ROOM WITH VOICE SYSTEM) CONDITIONS, STATION MAY BE ABLE ARRANGE SITE WITH LOWER PROFILE AND BETTER SECURITY. AS WE SEE IT, MINIMUM REQUIREMENT WOULD BE FOR PRIVATE SPACE FOR HSCA, FOR PERSON BEING INTERVIEWED AND FOR CAPT. GOODING, TECH AND STATION OFFICER. HENCE APARTMENT OR SUITE WITH THREE SEPARATE ROOMS SHOULD SUFFICE.

5. AS STATION NOTES, PASSAGE TO AG FLORES NAMES LITAMIL-9, LITAMIL-7, LICHANT-1, LIHUFF-1, CLARK FLORES AND PALOMARES PRECLUDES ANY STATION ACTION TO CONTACT AND ARRANGE FOR INTERVIEW. HOWEVER, ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO STATION WHICH MIGHT ASSIST HSCA IN LOCATING THEM SHOULD BE PROVIDED. SIMILAR INFORMATION WHICH MIGHT HELP HSCA LOCATE LICOOKY-1 SHOULD ALSO BE PROVIDED, BUT AS NOTED PARA 1 (A) ABOVE, HSCA WILL INITIATE CONTACT AND NO DIRECT STATION ACTION REQUIRED. IN CASE OF GERENDE AND LIONION-1, STATION WILL BE REQUIRED MAKE CONTACT AND ARRANGE FOR INTERVIEWS.

6. PER PARA 1 (E) ABOVE, TICHBORN WILL BE INTERVIEWED AS FORMER AGENCY EMPLOYEE, AND STATION WILL BE EXPECTED CONTACT, ASSUMING HE IN MEXICO, AND ARRANGE INTERVIEW AT CONVENIENCE OF HSCA AND AT SITE THEIR CHOOSING. FOLLOWING IS BACKGROUND INFO ON TICHBORN (IDENTITY) FOR STATION USE:

EDWARD G. TICHBORN (P) WAS HIRED IN LATE 1959 AS POLITICAL

ACTION ADVISOR FOR AGENCY-SPONSORED ELECTION OPERATIONS THROUGHOUT LATIN AMERICA. IN 1961 HE BECAME FULL-TIME CONTRACT AGENT AND WAS ASSIGNED TO MEXICO CITY UNDER PERSONAL COVER WHICH PERMITTED HIM TO TRAVEL ON THIRD COUNTRY POLITICAL ACTION ASSIGNMENTS. WHILE BASED IN MEXICO HE WAS PRIMARILY A HQS ASSET BUT, IN ADDITION, ASSISTED THE STATION BY ESTABLISHING/RUNNING A MAGAZINE [redacted] AIMED AT LATIN AMERICAN INTELLECTUALS AND BY REPORTING ON ACTIVITIES/ATTITUDES OF MEXICAN LEFT-WING INTELLECTUALS. FOR PERSONAL REASONS, TICHBORN LEFT MEXICO IN AUG [redacted] DURING PERIOD [redacted] LA DIVISION HAD OPPORTUNITY TO USE TICHBORN AS POLITICAL ACTION ADVISOR ON ONE OCCASION. FILE INDICATED HE ALSO MADE MAJOR EFFORT TO DEVELOP IN-DEPTH STUDY OF THE PRI IN MEXICO BUT, AS OF MAY 1967, THIS EFFORT WAS DROPPED BECAUSE OF RELUCTANCE ON PART OF HIS PRI CONTACTS TO DISCUSS SENSITIVE PRI AREAS AND TO INTRODUCE HIM TO OTHER CONTACTS. ALTHOUGH SCHEDULED FOR TERMINATION ON 30 SEPT 1967, HE FINALLY SEVERED HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH HIS COVER COMPANY ON 31 AUG 1968 AND RECEIVED HIS TERMINATION SETTLEMENT ON 12 SEPT 1968. THE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS (DOI NOV 1966) FOR TICHBORN WAS 5900 ARLINGTON AVENUE, RIVERDALE, NEW YORK, HOME PHONE (212) 884-8728.

7. APPRECIATE STATION EFFORTS TO COPE WITH REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED ON US BY HSCA AND OUR OWN CONCERN FOR SECURITY IN MEETING DEMANDS PLACED BY HSCA. HSCA DEPUTY COUNSEL GARY CORNWELL WAS TOLD AT 22 JULY MEETING THAT CAPT. GOODING, AS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DCI, WOULD MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO RESOLVE (WITH COS PARTICIPATION) ANY PROBLEMS THAT MAY ARISE DURING HSCA VISIT TO MEXICO. IN VIEW OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS MATTER WE ASK THAT STATION MAKE A MEXIMUM EFFORT TO ENSURE THE SUCCESS OF THE HSCA MISSION.

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