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<div data-bbox="436 777 1209 1281" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"><p>WEEKS, ALISTAR 201-8017C2 SEX M DOB ?</p><p style="text-align: right;">200-011-010/05 DOB - 19954 30 JUL 71 FBI</p><p>CIT RHODESIA ? DEC MERCENARY LOCATED ON IBIZA ISLAND IN THE BELEARIC ISLANDS ASSOCIATED W/COL. PETERS AND MIKE HOARE</p><p style="text-align: right;">R 7109230296</p></div>					
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(James)  
WICKS, Alastair /Major/

DOB: 17 November 1917

POB: England

Citizenship: Rhodesian

Jul 66 Address: 38 Montague Square London W 1      Mar 67 Address: 199 Bickenhall Mansions London W 1

(listed under Janis Morris)

Mercenary in Katanga gendarme, 1961

Former RAS (Rhodesian Air Services) official

Recruiter of South Rhodesian mercenaries for Tshombe forces - 1964

2nd in Command to Mike HOARE in 5 CDO

Left Leopoldville Dec 1965 at termination of mercenary contract for Johannesburg.

One of mercenaries involved in July '66 plot to overthrow MOBUTU (although still in the pay of MOBUTU)

Also, tried to involve Michael HOARE in the plot. He offered HOARE 20,000 L for 6 month contract and rank of full Colonel.

Recruiting Officer in South Africa for Tshombe's forces.. '66

Unwitting SMOTH contact - 1966

Went to London in October 1966

Unscrupulous and undependable

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WICKS, Alastair

PRET 2818 Early Aug Subject came from Salisbury with mss for  
(IN 31010) PUREN from Pierre LAUREYS and Jack Malloch (of Rhode-  
30 Sep 1963 sian Air Services). LAUREYS was arranging for Malloch  
to fly out arms and ammo to Royalists in Yemen. Malloch  
was to get contract to fly arms from Europe to Yemen also. PUREN  
was to proceed w/plane via Salisbury to Yemen as official observer  
for South African Defense HQS.

AHS 1016 Alastair WICKS, former RAS official, returned to  
CS DB 312/641-64 Salisbury to begin the recruitment of Southern  
18 Sep 1964 Rhodesians for service as mercenaries with TSCHOMBE's  
forces in the Congo. In newspaper ad calling for  
recruits, interested parties were requested to call Salisbury 55715,  
which is the number listed for WICKS in S. Rhodesian telephone direc-  
tory.

KINSHASA 0864 HOARE stated he going London about 12 March to  
(IN 17389) check on Yemen deal. HOARE had previously received  
9 Mar 1967 letter from Alastair WICKS in London offering him  
job with good pay and conditions. He believes this  
job concerns Yemen.

AZPA 2201 Attached a letter from WICKS to HOARE, indicating WICKS  
16 Mar 67 unable to develop proposition further. HOARE estimates  
that the WICKS proposition relates to recruitment of mer-  
cenaries for service in Yemen. His only basis for this is develop-  
ment reported in AZPA 2200.

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SUBJECT: OPERATIONAL/SECAROB -- Letter re Mercenary Affairs			MICROFILM
ACTION REQUIRED - REFERENCES			
<p>Reference: AZPT - 2258, 4 March 1970</p> <p>1. Forwarded herewith is the substance of the latest letter received by SECAROB/1 from subject of 201 - 801702 re mercenary affairs and Zaasibar.</p> <p>2. During ref trip, PHILBROOK will discuss this letter with SECAROB/1 for further clarification and forward the results to Headquarters.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Kenneth H. PHILBROOK</p> <p>Attachment h/w letter</p> <p>Distribution: Orig. &amp; 2 - C/AF w/att</p> <p>CC COPY FILED IN 201-34685</p>			
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We are still held up in one business and I have had to call in my own supplies to give an estimate as the previous one, who was virtually unknown to me, did not seem to understand the importance of security in the industrial field today. This in fact should suit us better as I am sure I can do a better deal for us with our own man.

I have had to put off my departure for one week as a result of this as it was important to keep my fingers on the pulse at this moment. I have a meeting with the partners tomorrow when I hope to get things moving and a firm proposal sent to bankers.

I mentioned to the partners that you had some novel ideas to solve the delivery problem and in view of the possible extra cost, they have asked me to get an outline from you as to what your ideas are, both from the point of view of additional expense which, if adopted, would need to be included in the budget and also to give some added encouragement since this particular problem comes up again and again and so far I have refused to be drawn on the subject though you know my first ideas. I think a letter to the Club Nautico will reach me safely though it would obviously be inadvisable to mention the Spice Islands.

I hear there is much afoot in your part of the world and both Brazzaville and the Sudan have been mentioned, also another operation. I hope you will not return to that sort of thing -- at least until we have fully explored the possibilities of the new company.

(dated 25 February 1970)

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I. FOLLOWING HQS TRACES ON ALASTAIR WICKS PROBABLY IDENTICAL WITH JAMES ALASTAER EDMOND WICKS. WAS MERCENARY IN KATANGA GENDARME, 1961. IN JULY 1964, RETURNED TO CONGO AS SECOND IN COMMAND TO MICHAEL HOARE'S WHITE MERCENARY GROUP. WAS LOCAL MERCENARY RECRUITED FOR TSHOMBE IN SALISBURY. MAJOR IN HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT OF 5TH COMMANDO IN CONGO FEBRUARY 1965. RESIGNED FROM 5TH COMMANDO IN DECEMBER 1965, WENT TO JOHANNESBURG ACTING AS MERCENARY RECRUITING OFFICER IN SOUTH AFRICA. WAS ONE OF THE MERCENARIES INVOLVED IN JULY 1966 PLOT TO OVERTHROW MOBUTU BY FORMER CONGOLESE PRIME MINISTER MOISE TSHOMBE INVOLVING THE 5TH COMMANDO MERCENARIES. IN JULY 1967 WICKS REPRESENTED JACK MALLOCH'S AIR TRANS AFRICA IN LONDON. FUNCTION IN LONDON DESCRIBED AS LIAISON WITH AUTAIR OF LONDON AND TO ARRANGE MERCENARY FLIGHT TO CONGO. HOWEVER, THESE OPS HAVE VIRTUALLY CEASED. AUGUST 1967 WICKS INVOLVED IN MERCENARY PLANS TO OVERTHROW CONGOLESE GOVERNMENT. WAS IN LISBON,

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NEGOTIATING WITH PORTUGUESE ABOUT SENDING ASSISTANCE TO DISSIDENT  
 MERCENARY MAJOR JEAN SCHRAMME.

2. MAVICAR JOHN MALLOCH PROBABLY IDENTICAL WITH JACK MALLOCH,  
 FORMER PILOT IN KATANGA AIR FORCE. IS NOW HEAD OF AIR TRANS AFRICA IN  
 RHODESIA. COMPANY HAS BEEN IN FINANCIAL TROUBLE SINCE 1966. IN ORDER TO  
 KEEP IN BUSINESS, IT APPEARS MALLOCH HAS BEEN OBLIGED TO ACCEPT CONTRACTS  
 WHICH ARE OBVIOUSLY ILLEGAL. IN AUGUST 1967 HE OPERATED TWO CONSTELLA-  
 TIONS AND A DC-4, LAST MENTIONED USED ON FREIGHT SERVICES FROM LUANDA,  
 ANGOLA, AND LISBON, AND ON OPERATIONS FROM SAO TOME TO ~~SAO TOME~~ <sup>BIAFRAN</sup>. IN LATE  
 AUGUST, MALLOCH FLEW 39 BELGIAN AND FRENCH MERCENARIES INTO PUNIA VIA  
 LUANDA IN A DC-6. HAD AT HIS DISPOSAL FOR THE AIRLIFT ONE DC-7, TWO  
 DC-4'S, AND ONE DC-3. WAS WORKING WITH ALASTAIR WICKES IN THE MERCENARY  
 PLANS TO OVERTHROW THE CONGOLESE GOVERNMENT. JOHN PETERS ATTEMPTED TO  
 TIE HIS EFFORT WITH THAT OF WICKES AND MALLOCH, AND THEY ~~WERE~~ TENTATIVELY  
 AGREED TO A PLAN TO FLY REINFORCEMENTS TO SCHRAMME TO SERGRAF PLANTATION  
 AT UVIRA. NO INFORMATION ON EITHER WICKES OR MALLOCH IN FILE AFTER  
 AUGUST 1967, ALTHOUGH WELL KNOWN THEY CONTINUE ASSOCIATION WITH BIAFRAN  
 AIRLIFT.

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 PLEASE FORWARD [ ] YOUR TRACES.

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 RE SUMMARY OF TWO PLANS FOR OVERTHROW OF CONGOLESE GOVERNMENT.


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ACCORDING BRICK/1, WHO OBTAINED INFO FROM CAPT. O'DONOVAN, OPS MANAGER OF CENTRAL AFRICAN AIRWAYS, WICKS. WICKS REPRESENTS AIR TRANS AFRICA IN LONDON, WAS THERE ON 12 JULY, AND NO INDICATION HE SUBSEQUENTLY LEFT LONDON. FUNCTION IN LONDON DESCRIBED AS LIAISON WITH AUTAIR OF LONDON AND TO ARRANGE MERCENARY FLIGHT TO CONGO. HOWEVER, THESE OPERATIONS HAVE "VIRTUALLY CEASED" AND AIR TRANS AFRICA NOW APPEARS TO RELY SOLELY ON AIRLIFTING PETROL FROM FRANCISTOWN, BOTSWANA TO LIVINGSTON, ZAMBIA USING COMPANY'S TWO FRANCISTOWN-REGISTERED DC-4'S.

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TO: [ ] INFO [ ] KINSHASA [ ] [ ]

REF: [ ] 5018 (2016565)

1. [ ] (NOT WENT [ ]) REPORTS JOHN R. LATZ CAME BRUSSELS NINE MONTHS AGO AND CURRENTLY EMPLOYED AS SALES INSPECTOR BY ETS FOURCROY SA, 119 RUE STEYLS, BRUSSELS, A WHOLESALE LIQUOR DISTRIBUTOR.
2. WIGEAR LAST SAW LATZ CIRCA 10 JUNE. SAYS LATZ LEFT KINSHASA ~~2004~~ AUGUST 66 (LNGOLD TRAFFIC AT TIME CONFIRMS THIS) PASSED THROUGH BRUSSELS ON WAY VISIT FAMILY LONDON; THEN VISITED BROTHER COTE D'AZUR FRANCE. LATZ SETTLED BRUSSELS FALL 66 WITH FOURCROY AND HAS NOT TRAVELED AFRICA SINCE.
3. WIGEAR NOTED LATZ MAINTAINS CONTACT WITH ALASTAIR WICKES, WHO WIGEAR BELIEVES STILL EMPLOYED BY RHODESIAN AIRLINES AND TRAVELS SALISBURY-LONDON. DOES [ ] ~~WIGEAR~~ HAVE ANY INFO WICKES' ACTIVITIES?

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1. ON 3 MARCH 1967 SECAROB/I HAD MEETING WITH HASLANGER AND REPORTED FOLLOWING ABOUT HIS MEETING WITH WISTATIC/I.

A. SECAROB/I TRIED UNSUCCESSFULLY TO GET WISTATIC/I TO AGREE ON WHAT GDRC WAS GOING TO GIVE HIM FOR PHASING OUT THE 5 COMMANDO AND FOR RECRUITING NEW MEN IN ENGLAND. BASED ON WISTATIC/I'S ATTITUDE THAT SECAROB/I WAS SOMETHING OF A CAD FOR BRINGING UP MONEY MATTERS, SECAROB/I TOLD WISTATIC/I HE HAD NO INTENTION OF PHASING OUT 5 COMMANDO UNLESS THIS FOLLOVED UP WITH RECRUITMENT OF 400 MEN FROM ENGLAND WITH EVENTUAL EXPANSION THIS FORCE TO 800 MEN, MOST OF WHOM WOULD BE ARTISANS AND PROFESSIONAL MEN; AND FINALLY SECAROB/I TO BE ALLOWED TO DEVELOP TOURISM IN THE EASTERN CONGO. AS A RESULT OF THIS CONVERSATION SECAROB/I STATED THAT HE NOW HAS RESERVATIONS ABOUT BEING AX MAN FOR THE 5 COMMANDO BECAUSE HE HAS NO ASSURANCE THAT THE GDRC WILL PERMIT HIM TO CARRY OUT THE OTHER ASPECTS OF THIS PROGRAM.

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TO SECAROB/I'S SUGGESTION

BUT IN LHMARP ON THE PHASE-OUT OF THE 5 COMMANDO DUE TO THE WITHDRAW POSITION IN ALBERTVILLE, WISTATIC/I REPLIED "WE HOPE YOU ARE IN THE SAME MIND AS WE ARE", ARE YOU? WE DON'T LIKE THEM" (ASSUME WISTATIC'S "WE" REFERS TO HIMSELF AND DELPERDANGE.)

C. SECAROB/I ADVISED WISTATIC/I THAT PETERS COULD BE A DIFFICULT MAN TO HANDLE IF DISBANDMENT OF 5 COMMANDO NOT PROPERLY HANDLED. WISTATIC/I SAID HE SAW NO DIFFICULTIES HERE. (SECAROB/I LATER STATED HE DID NOT FEAR PETERS BECAUSE THE LATTER STILL HAD A SGT'S ATTITUDE TOWARDS HIS COMMANDING OFFICER, SECAROB/I. HASLANGER CAUTIONED SECAROB/I AGAINST TAKING PETERS TOO LIGHTLY.)

D. WISTATIC/I COMPLAINED TO SECAROB/I ABOUT SECAROB/I NOT HAVING GIVEN HIM A LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION BACK IN SEPTEMBER 1966. WISTATIC/I SAID HE HAD INTENDED USE LETTER ALONG WITH OTHERS TO PREVENT HIS REMOVAL AND THAT OF GENERAL DELPERDANGE FROM THE CONGO BY THE BELGIAN ARMY. SECAROB/I CONCLUDED HIS DISCUSSION OF WISTATIC/I WITH THE COMMENT THAT WISTATIC/I KNOWS THE CONGO AS FEW MEN DO AND THAT HE IS A SENSITIVE MAN WITHOUT COURAGE.

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2. CONCERNING THE OAU MEETING IN SEPTEMBER, SECAROB/1 EMPHASIZED THAT MOBUTU TOLD HIM THAT IT HIS INTENTION TO GET PERMANENT HEADQUARTERS OF OAU TRANSFERRED TO THE CONGO. FURTHER THE GDRC WISHES TO BE A STRONG MILITARY POWER IN CENTRAL AFRICA. WITH THIS COMBINATION MOBUTU HOPES THAT THE GDRC WILL BE THE LEADING POWER IN CENTRAL AFRICA AND POSSIBLY IN ALL OF AFRICA.

3. WHILE CONFIRMING HIS WILLINGNESS TO DISBAND THE 5 COMMANDO IF LNHARP WANTS HIM TO DO SO, SECAROB/1 EMOTIONALLY TOLD HASLANGER THAT HE HAD GREAT RESPECT FOR LNHARP AND WOFAC; HE WAS OUR MAN AND WOULD BE EVER LOYAL TO LNHARP WHICH HE BELIEVES MUST EXERCISE MORE INFLUENCE IN AFRICA; LNHARP HAS ALWAYS BEEN FAIR TO HIM; AND THAT WITHOUT WOFAC THE 5 COMMANDO COULD NEVER HAVE DONE ITS JOB. PRIOR TO LEAVING HASLANGER'S HOME SECAROB/1 LEARNED THAT HASLANGER MIGHT BE LEAVING THE CONGO AROUND AUGUST 1967. SECAROB/1 STATED THAT IF GUTTMAN AND HASLANGER WERE TO LEAVE THE CONGO HE WOULD BE RELUCTANT TAKE ON HIS NEW JOB SINCE PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS MEAN A GREAT DEAL TO HIM AND WERE IMPORTANT IN IMPLEMENTING HIS NEW PROGRAM. SECRET



4. FINNELY SECAROB/1 STATED THAT HE GOING LONDON ABOUT 12 MARCH TO CHECK ON THE YEMEN DEAL. HE SUGGESTED LNHARP MIGHT WANT HIM TO GO TO YEMEN AND THAT HE WOULD DO SO IF LNHARP DESIRED IT. HE NOT ENCOURAGED BUT TOLD TO REPORT FULL INFO THIS SUBJECT. (SECAROB/1 HAD PREVIOUSLY REPORTED THAT HE HAD RECEIVED A LETTER FROM ALASTAIRE WICKES IN LONDON. LETTER STATED THAT JOB AVAILABLE WITH GOOD PAY AND CONDI- TIONS. SECAROB/1 BELIEVES JOB CONCERNS YEMEN. HE KNOWS THAT (FNU) STERLING, OF LONG RANGE DESERT GROUP FANE, HAS LARGE GROUP OF MERCENARISB IN YEMEN.)

5. INSTRUCTED SECAROB/1 TO CHECK WITH PRETORIA ON HIS RETURN SOUTH AFRICA 4 MARCH.

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WIKUIT

REFERENCE A. KINSHASA 9412 (IN 55542)

B. [ ] (IN 55541)

1. HQS NOTES THAT NAME ALASTAIR WICKS HAS NOT APPEARED IN RECENT SECAROB/1 REPORTING OF WIKUIT/1 PLOTTING. DURING SUMMER PLOTTING WICKS ALLEGEDLY ONE OF PRINCIPALS INVOLVED. REFERENCE B, HOWEVER, SUGGESTS THAT WICKS CONTINUES BE INVOLVED IN WIKUIT PLOTTING. WOULD APPRECIATE PRETORIA STATION DEBRIEF SECAROB/1 AT NEXT REGULAR MEETING ON WICKS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS AND ACTIVITIES.

2. HQS HAS ALSO NOTED THE ABSENCE ANY SMOTH REPORTING TO WOFAC ON THE MACHENATIONS OF WIKUIT/1 GROUP. BELIEVE IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR LONDON STATION TAKE THIS UP WITH SMOTH AND SOLICIT THEIR ASSISTANCE IN MONITORING ACTIVITIES AND CONTACTS OF PETERS, WICKS, AND POSSIBLY JOHN TERRENCE PEET, SUBJECT

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3. WOULD APPRECIATE KINSHASA STATION POUCH DETAILED DEBRIEFING REPORT PEET TRIP AND HIS CONTACTS WITH WIKUIT/I GROUP. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE PRETORIA STATION POUCH DETAILED REPORT OF SECAROB/I RECENT TRIP.

END OF MESSAGE

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SUBJECT	Handwriting Analysis - Alastair WICKS	BACKFILES

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Reference: AZPA - 2084, 9 August 1966

Action Required: For Your Information

The letter forwarded via reference was submitted to WOACRE for handwriting analysis. The results are forwarded herewith for your information.

Jerry O. MEDLISH

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SECAROB  
 REF: [redacted] (in 17694)

RE REF WICKS TOLD SECAROB/I HE RETURNING LONDON IN THREE DAYS.  
 ALSO REPEATED RUMOR HEARD IN SALISBURY THAT UNIDENTIFIED AMERICANS  
 RECRUITING MERCENARIES IN SALISBURY FOR PURPOSES OF COUP TO REPLACE  
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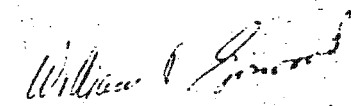
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TSD/BAD MEMO #226-66

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, AF/5  
ATTENTION :   
SUBJECT : Handwriting Analysis -  
Alastair Wicks  
REFERENCE : AF/5 memo dated 29 Aug. 1966

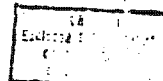
1. Attached herewith is the handwriting assessment report on subject as requested by reference. The report was prepared by  of this office. Any comments or criticism would be appreciated.

2. The data supplied is insufficient for further psychological assessment. If contact reports and personal observations of subject's manner and behavior become available, we could produce a more precise assessment oriented to subject's performance in intelligence activities.

  
William C. GOSWOOD (P)  
Chief, TSD/BAB

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Handwriting Assessment Report

Alastair Wicks AF

The writer seems to be a very clever individual of a high intellectual level who handles his affairs in a independent manner. Endowed with a good intelligence, he is well educated and cultured. He has not only absorbed but, also, assimilated the material he has read and studied and utilizes it in a purposeful fashion. His thinking is clear, logical and versatile. His intellectual faculties are well trained and differentiated, and, to a large extent, they support his practical talents and interests constructively. He discards superfluous matters, and, whenever possible, he deals with only the vital points in a problem or a situation. He possesses impressive mental agility with well developed analyzing and synthesizing faculties. He is quite intuitive and senses instinctively the implications of happenings around him.

He is an alert and astute observer of small details which he relates correctly to their larger aspects. Being quite resourceful, he combines imagination with sober matter-of-factness. He follows prescribed rules and regulations when absolutely necessary and, whenever possible, exercises his mental independence. He forms his own opinion and judgment and keeps his own counsel in making decisions. He may accept somebody else's suggestions that he considers suitable for his purposes but he is not actually influenced by others. At times, he may deliberately make somebody feel as if he is seeking his advice and following it, but, in reality, he does what he considers best. He is very critical and evaluates by high standards. He can be very outspoken in his criticism or he can cautiously withhold it depending on his appraisal of the circumstances. His interests cover small items of information to large size projects and operations. While he notices everything that is going on, he can concentrate on his work. When required, he can switch quickly from one task to another. His memory functions well and he can reproduce facts easily.

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The writer has administrative ability on a supervisory level. Within a military setup, he could take orders as well as issue them, although he prefers the latter. He can be systematic and methodical in his approach. He can work out a blueprint of an intricate undertaking and supervise its proper execution. He will quickly and easily adapt to fluctuations in a situation and change his tactics accordingly.

He is skillful in manipulating numbers, and he can think in large terms and transactions. Apparently, he is quite interested in money, and he seems to know how to get the best possible advantage out of a financial transaction.

He possesses great facility in expressing himself orally and in writing. He can make his points palatable and can be quite convincing in his arguments. Also, he can formulate his ideas and purposes in different ways, depending on with whom he is dealing. He should have talent for learning foreign languages. He is a gifted person who will exploit his talents in line with the demands that are put before him. He also seems to have physical training and skills. He has a natural feeling for form, sound and color. He probably has developed artistic appreciation and may have an artistic hobby, possibly music.

Emotionally, the writer is complex but fairly well balanced. Innately impressionable and sensitive, he has hardened himself in the course of his life in order to be less vulnerable. He has his feelings and impulses under fairly good control and avoids being carried away by them. In his private life, though, he may tend to be somewhat excitable and irritable. He is self-centered and most interested in his personal advantage. This is a trait that he tries to cover up by being smooth and pleasing in his dealings with people. He possesses natural psychological understanding and can be very diplomatic. He manages to appear outgoing and social while basically he is quite reserved and detached. He seems to avoid emotional involvements in order to preserve his objectivity.

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His appearance is poised and sophisticated, and he knows how to handle himself under different conditions. Being an independent and sophisticated individual, he has developed his own philosophy and code of ethics by which he lives. He does not seem to have any qualms about doing things that would not be conventionally acceptable. He is very broad-minded about himself and others, and he detests pettyness, even in wrongdoing. The purpose justifies the means for him as long as the transaction takes place on a large scale. He is most skillful in practicing various types of deception and he is quite adroit in manipulating people and situations. He is very active and could have "his fingers in a number of pies." He is emotionally somewhat strained, but he has sufficient stamina to support his general functioning.

The writer is apparently an unusually talented person who could function in different types of positions. He could be a military officer, a business executive, a politician, an intelligence agent or he could be a diplomat. He would not be suitable for any kind of routine work, but he is well qualified for mentally challenging assignments--the more challenging the better. He is a diligent worker who is somewhat vain in showing off his competence. He likes to demonstrate how successfully he can carry out a complicated and delicate job. When he is willing to accept an assignment, one can expect a high quality of work performance, but anybody who would expect loyalty from him would probably be disappointed.

TSH/sf  
October 3, 1966

He can be used as a liaison  
of the writer's work in the  
direction of the writer's coordi-  
nation with the writer's staff.

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29 August 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR: Technical Services Division  
Behavioral Activities Branch

SUBJECT : Request for Psychological Assessment

1. Attached is a photographic copy of a letter which is being submitted to your office for analysis of the handwriting and possible psychological assessment of the writer. Unfortunately, the original of this letter is not available. Hopefully the quality of the attached copy will be adequate for your purposes.

2. If any further information is required, please contact

[redacted] Africa/5, Room 7c18, extension 5032.

[redacted]  
Acting Chief, Africa/5



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35. Montagu Square  
London W.1.

3. 5. 66.

Dear Mike.

I think you will have been wondering what is going on. Up to now I have not been able to say much. Briefly the story is as follows. After our talk, which confirmed my own feelings, I returned to Salisbury where in effect I said no dice with J.P. They accepted this and I suggested you for the job. I pointed out to them that quite apart from the known disparity in ability, the fact that your quality was known to be 100% must be worth everything in a business of this nature and that in terms of L.S.D. you were obviously worth twice as much as J.P. They said they would consider the matter. I was then told that I had been decided to get rid of J.P. one way or another and that they would like to bring you in. I told them I was very pleased but that any negotiation must be done with great discretion. At a later meeting it was decided to do much more ground work - what I had been demanding from the start - and that there would be a standstill for about 2 weeks. I then, on informed them

that I would return home here as (i) I wanted to see the family  
and (ii) I thought it was better than hanging about. I have  
now had a message to say there will be a delay of 2 to 3 months  
but that it is still definitely on. As the near time I am to  
return is still early -- to which I have no objection!

Please write to me in general terms as to whether you continue  
to be interested and whether you approve of the line taken on  
yourself. It is of course possible that you may have been contacted  
direct in which case I would be interested to know

Please accept my thanks to you and Phyllis for a most  
enjoyable stay -- I do hope we didn't really keep you  
awake so late.

Nan sends her love to you both and hopes to see  
you again one of these days.

J. S. [unclear]

P.S. What news the book? Can I hammer you  
publishers for you?

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ZIBET WIKUIT SECAROB SMOTH  
 REF DIRECTOR 26813

1. AT 11 AUGUST MEETING, SMOTH CONFIRMED THEY HAD HAD INDIRECT CONTACT WITH WICKS IN PAST, BUT THAT HE WAS UNWITTING SOURCE. CONTACT MAN PRESENTLY UNAVAILABLE, BUT THEY PLAN PUT HIM BACK IN TOUCH WITH WICKS ABOUT 17 AUGUST, IN HOPE HE CAN ELICIT INFORMATION AS TO WICKS' FUTURE PLANS, ETC.

2. MEANWHILE SMOTH HAVE ASKED SPECIAL BRANCH (DIRECTLY, NOT THROUGH JAGUAR) TO COVER WICKS, BUT TO DATE THEY HAVE NOT LOCATED HIM. WE URGED THEM TO FOLLOW UP RETURN ADDRESS ON LETTER, OFFERING MAKE AVAILABLE FLAT NEXT DOOR OCCUPIED BY FEMALE STATION PERSONNEL AS OP IF DESIRED. ONE PROBLEM IS PRESUMPTION WICKS TRAVELLED ON U.K. PASSPORT, IN WHICH CASE IMMIGRATION WILL HAVE NO RECORD HIS ENTRY OR INTENDED ADDRESS. HAVE ADDRESSEES ANY CLUE AS TO DOCUMENTATION ON WHICH WICKS TRAVELLING?

3. WITHOUT INDICATING ANY KNOWLEDGE FUTURE PLANNING REFLECTED REF, WE SPECULATED ALSO AT POSSIBILITY SECAROB/1

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MIGHT VISIT U.K. NEAR FUTURE, SINCE HE CONTINUED BE IN  
CORRESPONDENCE WITH WICKS AND WAS "KNOWN INTERESTED FIND  
PUBLISHER FOR BOOK." BELIEVE WE WILL HAVE NO DIFFICULTY OBTAINING  
SMOTH SUPPORT FOR WOFACT CONTACT WITH SECAROB/1 SHOULD HE VISIT,  
BUT SMOTH WILL WANT TO KNOW AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE OF HIS TRAVEL  
PLANS. THIS ALSO APPLIES TO PETERS, SHOULD WE LEARN HE TO  
VISIT U.K. AGAIN. BELIEVE WE SHOULD NOW KEEP SMOTH FULLY AND  
PROMPTLY INFORMED ON ALL BRITISH PLAYERS IN THIS GAME, NOT ONLY  
FOR USUAL REASONS BUT TO ENSURE THEY PUT OUT MAXIMUM EFFORT ON  
COVERING THEM.

4. WILL ADVISE SEPARATELY RE EMERGENCY CONTACT INSTRUCTIONS  
FOR SECAROB/1.

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B. DIRECTOR 26812\*

WILL COMPLY REF B WHICH RECEIVED AFTER REF A SENT

\* RE LETTERS FROM WICKS AND WICKS  
MENTIONED CLIP STILL ON AND ADDS  
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ZIBET WIIQUIT SECAROB  
 REF A. DIRECTOR 26716  
 B. [REDACTED] (CEL-45,310) (IN 73893)  
 C. KINSHASA 7090 (IN 72211)

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1. HAVE DISCUSSED WICKS PRESENCE LONDON WITH SMOTH AND REQUESTED THEM ATTEMPT COVER HIS ACTIVITIES HERE ON BASIS COMMENTS REF C. PLEASE NOTE FER REF B SMOTH HAVE BELATEDLY CONFIRMED HIS INVOLVEMENT FROM SOURCE IN ENTIRELY DIFFERENT QUARTER.

2. SMESPY HAS ACKNOWLEDGED UNOFFICIALLY THAT SMOTH HAS HAD CONTACT WITH WICKS IN PAST AND IS NOW DEBATING WHETHER APPROACH HIM ON FRIENDLY BASIS STEMMING FROM PREVIOUS CONTACT OR ASK JAGUAR ATTEMPT COVER HIM FROM DISTANCE. MEETING 11 AUGUST 1130 HOURS TO DISCUSS FURTHER AND TRY HELP THEM DECIDE. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY FURTHER TIDBITS PASSABLE AT THAT TIME.

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**WIGHT SECARB**

1. SECARB/1 HAS RECEIVED LETTER FROM WICKS DATED 31 JULY RETURN ADDRESS 55 MONTAGUE SQUARE LONDON W1 SAYING WICKS HAS RECEIVED WORD THAT WICKS REMAINS ON FULL SALARY AND COUP DELAYED FOR TWO OR THREE MONTHS. SECARB/1 SHOULD REPLY IN GENERAL TERMS IF HE STILL INTERESTED.

2. SECARB/1 NOTES HE WAS INTERESTED LISTENER TO WICKS ON 11 JULY. DID NOT TAKE NEGATIVE ATTITUDE. *but Pines per cont.*

3. SECARB/1 REQUESTS GUIDANCE ON CONTENT HIS REPLY TO WICKS. MEANWHILE IS MAILING WICKS LETTER TO PRETORIA.

4. ADDITIONAL DEVELOPMENT, POSSIBLY PERTINENT TO SECARB/1 UPCOMING DEALINGS WITH WICKS, SECARB/1 ON 5 AUGUST RECEIVED FROM WICKS/4 AIR TICKET TO LONDON, PROMISED WHEN SECARB/1 LEFT CONGO, AND WOULD LIKE USE IT. THIS SUGGESTS SECARB/1 MEETING LONDON WITH WICKS.

5. SECARB/1 BOOK TURNED DOWN. RETURNED FROM PUBLISHER 5 AUGUST.

6. ADVISE.

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RYDAT WIGUIT

REF DIRECTOR 22350 \*

ERIC/WI LEARNED 25 JULY ALISTAIR WICKS LEFT LAST WEEK FOR TWO WEEK VISIT LONDON. MISSION UNKNOWN.

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\*REQUESTED INFORMATION ON FLATTERS OUTSIDE CONGO (ESPECIALLY THOSE IN KINSHASA)

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1. SUBJECT (TYPE NAME IN ROMAN LETTERS - SURNAME IN UPPER CASE) <b>Alastair WICKS</b>		REQUEST FOR GREEN LIST NAME CHECK NO 173910 DATE <u>30/7/66</u>	
2. ALIASES, VARIANT SPELLING, CTC NUMBERS, ETC.		TO: CHIEF, FI/D	
3. DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH		ORIGINATING OFFICER [ ]	
4. CITIZENSHIP <b>?Rhodesian, South African, British</b>		OFFICE DESIGNATOR <b>AF/5</b>	
5. PRESENT ACTIVITY AND LOCATION <b>Mercenary in the Congo</b>		ROOM, BUILDING <b>7C-18</b> EXTENSION <b>5032</b>	
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ACTIVITY		LOCATION	DATES
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8. OTHER SIGNIFICANT DATA (POLITICS, RELIGION) - ADD EXTRA SHEETS WHEN NEEDED			
9. DESCRIPTION (HEIGHT) (WEIGHT) (EYES) (HAIR) (RACE) (OTHER)			
10. SPOUSE (IF WIFE, GIVE MAIDEN NAME)			
11. OTHER MEMBERS OF IMMEDIATE FAMILY AND ASSOCIATES			
12. INFORMATION REQUIRED (DEFINE SPECIFICALLY. GENERAL TERMS SUCH AS "DEROGATORY" MAY RESULT IN A SEARCH THAT DOES NOT FULLY MEET REQUIREMENTS.) <b>Any</b>			

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28 July 66

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- A.  SEE DOSSIER ON SUBJECT IN FI/D BIOGRAPHIC FILES. Reviewed by you 27 Jul 66.
- B.  A MEMORANDUM IS ATTACHED HERETO.
- C.  WITH THE LIMITED IDENTIFICATION PROVIDED IN THE REQUEST, FI/D IS UNABLE TO DETERMINE WHETHER THERE IS INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUBJECT OR NOT.
- D.  FI/D HAS NO PERTINENT INFORMATION ON SUBJECT. IF INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUBJECT APPEARS AT A LATER DATE, IT WILL BE REPORTED TO YOU AS IT BECOMES AVAILABLE.
- E.  THE SUBJECT OF THIS REQUEST IS APPARENTLY THE SUBJECT OF THE FOLLOWING:

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REVIEW YOUR FILE OF THESE SHEETS FREQUENTLY, AND SEND TO FI/D THE SHEETS FOR PERSONS THAT ARE NO LONGER OF SUFFICIENT INTEREST TO DEMAND A CONTINUING NAME CHECK. PLEASE DO NOT TIE UP FI/D'S FACILITIES WITH CONTINUING SEARCHES FOR INFORMATION THAT IS NOT REQUIRED.

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RYBAT WIGUIT

REF: DIRECTOR 19340 \*

15 Jul 66 IN 57044

1. WICKS PHONED HOARE 14 JULY FROM SALISBURY WITH PROPOSITION HOARE TO RECEIVE 20,000 POUNDS FOR SIX MONTH CONTRACT, ETC. TASK WOULD BE COORDINATION OF MILITARY EFFORT IN KATANGA AGAINST REACTION BY ANC. RANK FULL COLONEL. HOARE STALLED AWAITING ARRIVAL MICHILL WITH REF GUIDANCE.
2. WICKS CLAIMED HE ATTEMPTING POSTPONE COUP UNTIL 27 JULY TO PERMIT RECRUITMENT ADDITIONAL MERCENARIES SO AS ELIMINATE NECESSITY RELIANCE ON PETERS. WICKS REGISTERED KENTUCKY HOTEL SALISBURY. PETERS REGISTERED PARK LAKE HOTEL. PETERS PARTICIPATING IN BRITISH DELIBERATIONS ON AD HOC BASIS.
3. HOARE ACCEPTED REF GUIDANCE EVENING 14 JULY. STATED THIS CONFIRMED HIS UNDERSTANDING GOYDKE POSITION AND HE WILL NOT ACCEPT WICKS PROPOSITION. POINTED OUT PERSONAL LOYALTY TO PUGH PARAMOUNT DISPIE GLITTERING OFFER. HOWEVER HIS FINANCIAL POSITION HAS DETERIORATED RAPIDLY AND HE NOW IN NEED SOME ASSISTANCE. HOARE

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REQUESTS IF POSSIBLE SOME COMPENSATION FOR LOSS OF ABOVE OFFER.  
HE AVAILABLE FOR ANY TASKS TO COUNTER COUP.

4. HOARE STATED IF COUP TO PROCEED 17 JULY, WICKS AND PETERS WILL  
RETURN JOHANNESBURG 15 JULY AND DEPART JAN SMUTS AIRPORT 16 JULY WITH  
FORTY THREE EK-5 COMMANDO TYPES RECRUITED JOHANNESBURG SINCE 4  
JULY. PLANNED WILL REMAIN TO STAGING AREA AT KENRIBER, SWAZILAND.

5. HOARE SUGGESTED KINSHASA INFORM MOBUTU OF PLOT. IN ORDER TO  
HAVE INSIDE MAN NEAR MOBUTU, KINSHASA COULD SUGGEST MOBUTU SEND HOARE  
REQUEST VISIT HIM AT ONCE OR HE COULD GO TO MOBUTU ON OWN INITIATIVE.  
HOARE WOULD ASK MOBUTU DISBAND 5 COMMANDO AT ONCE IN VIEW THEIR  
DISLOYALTY, PETERS' PAKETS, PAYMENTS TO FICTITIOUS MEN, MURDER OF VAN  
OPPENS AND BURCHETT, STEALING OF PT BOAT, ETC. THIS DISBANDMENT  
VITAL TO MOBUTU SECURITY AND AS SAFEGUARD AGAINST REPEAT PLOT.  
WOULD RECOMMEND REPLACE 5 COMMANDO AND POSSIBLY 6 COMMANDO WITH NEW  
GENDARMERIE FORCE RECRUITED IN U.K. HOARE COULD DO THIS AND ATTEND  
TO INITIAL TRAINING, ETC. MOBUTU WOULD INGRATIATE HIMSELF WITH OAU  
BY DIMINISHING OAU'S REPUTATION RECRUITING. MOBUTU WOULD SWEAR  
ALLEGIANCE TO MOBUTU. SIMILAR MARINE UNIT COULD BE RECRUITED.

6. HOARE ADDED THE MALUSA WILL REVOLT IN RETALIATION FOR KIMBA  
EXECUTION IF TSHOMBE SUCCEEDS. ALSO, BELIEVES UMNK FUNDS DEPOSITED

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SALISBURY OR JOHANNESBURG.

7. MORNING 15 JULY HOARE PHONED MICHELL TO ADVISE HE TALKED TO WICKS IN SALISBURY PREVIOUS NIGHT. TURNED DOWN WICKS PROPOSITION BUT DID NOT ELABORATE. WICKS SAID PETERS HAS PULLED OUT AND IS IN LONDON. PLANNING FOR COUP CONTINUES TO PROCEED SALISBURY. TARGET DATE NOW 21 JULY. NO INDICATION ANY PLANS FOR MOVEMENT RECRUITS FROM JOHANNESBURG AS YET.

8. NO FURTHER INFO ON ROLE MALUMBA, IDENS OTHER MAJOR CONGOLESE FIGURES INVOLVED, OR DEGREE INVOLVEMENT SOVEREIGN GOVERNMENTS IN PLOT. PARTICIPATION SOUTH AFRICA AND RHODESIA GOVERNMENTS BEING HANDLED BY SECURITY SERVICES AS INDICATED. PROOF OF OFFICIAL PARTICIPATION LACKING. URGE UTMOST PROTECTION HOARE AS SOURCE SINCE HIS POSITION AS U.K. CITIZEN IN SOUTH AFRICA MOST TENUOUS.

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37 CS COMMENT: Requests Station to express to Hoare deep appreciation for information on coup planning and forwards a number of reasons for ODYCKE (1) policy remaining in support of a unified and stable Congo for passage to Hoare.

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 FORMER MAJOR IN FIFTH COMMANDO WHO  
 RESIGNED FROM FIFTH COMMANDO IN DEC 65.  
 RE ALLEGED PLANS FOR COUP D'ETAT BY FORMER  
 CONGOLESE PRIME MINISTER MOISE TSHOMBE  
 INVOLVING FIFTH COMMANDO MERCENARIES.

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As of 2 February, a total of eight mercenary flights had been completed to the Congo since the first of this year, with personnel drawn largely from Johannesburg who have been joined by small groups of Rhodesians from Salisbury. Major Alistair WICKS, former deputy commander of No. 5 Commando, is now acting as mercenary recruiting officer in South Africa. Each of the eight flights carried out by Air Trans-Africa transported 70 mercenaries. One additional flight of approximately the same number is still to be undertaken.

1. Source Comment: Air Trans-Africa has sent one DC-4 aircraft to Zambia where it has been registered and is now engaged in the oil field.

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1. ASSISTANT ARMA LEOPOLDVILLE VISITED OFFICE 23 FEB PURSUANT  
 TO ACSI REQUEST FOR BI ON MICHAEL HOARE AND ALLISTER WICKS. REQUESTED  
 REFERENCE NUMBERS ANY BI WE HAD SENT IN SO HE COULD PASS THEM TO ACSI.  
 TOLD HIM WE HAD NO SUCH BI, BUT RECALLED THAT PRESS HAD CARRIED  
 CONSIDERABLE INFO ON HOARE BACKGROUND WHICH MIGHT BE AVAILABLE  
 AT KUBARK HEADQUARTERS. AS FOR WICKS, WE UNDERSTOOD HE RHODESIAN,  
 BUT HAD NO INFO OTHER THAN FACT HE INVOLVED IN AIR LIFT OF MERCENARIES.

2. VISITOR SAID HE PROCEEDING DURBAN AND MIGHT CONTACT HOARE  
 WHILE THERE.

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 CFN 4666 ARMA LEOPOLDVILLE 23 FEB ACSI BY MICHAEL HOARE ALLISTER  
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1. SAU (SECAROS/1) AND 2 ON DEC 17 AND 18. SECAROS/1 (SA) ADVISED IS PURCHASING HOME IN PIETERMARITZBURG AND NEEDS MONEY COMING TO HIM. STATED ONLY MONEY HE HAD RECEIVED WAS \$150 IN LEOP TO PURCHASE TICKET FOR LIFE. IS THIS CORRECT. IF NOT WHEN DID HE GET OTHER \$\$\$.

HE RECALLED THAT EMPLOYMENT WITH KIBARK BEGAN 1 JANUARY 1965. HE APPARENTLY IS BASING THIS ON PROF 5749 IN WHICH HE POINTED OUT HAD INTENDED QUIT ON 31 DEC, HAD BEEN REQUESTED BY KIBARK LEOP TO RETURN WHICH HE AGREED TO DO. ACTUAL AGREEMENT ON TERMS OF PAY WAS 10 JANUARY 1965. UNLESS ADVISED TO CONTRARY PLAN TO PAY HIM \$9,500 LESS \$150 AS TOTAL SETTLEMENT OF ALL CLAIMS.

2. S AGREED FOR PIRM TO REVIEW ANY PUBLICATION BY HIM. WE DISCUSSED HIS BOOK WHICH MUST BE SUBMITTED TO PUBLISHERS BY 31 MARCH. IT WILL NOT INVOLVE CONGO POLITICS AND HE WILL NOT HAVE "ONE MEAN THING TO SAY ABOUT ANYONE". WE WILL DO PRELIMINARY REVIEW OF OUTLINE AND PROGRESS OF BOOK IN ABOUT THREE WEEKS TO BE SURE THAT HE DOES NOT GET INTO FINAL STAGES WITH SOMETHING OBJECT-IONABLE REQUIRING TOTAL RE-WRITE. WE WILL DO FINAL REVIEW PRIOR SUBMISSION MANUSCRIPT.

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3. HIS PERSONAL PLANS OTHER THAN WRITING BOOK ARE TO SAIL TO LORENCO MARQUES FOR USEK THEN LATER TO MAURITIUS, AND AFTER STORM SEASON IS OVER IN 1966 TO SAIL ACROSS ATLANTIC TO WEST INDIES AND FLORIDA.

4. WE WARNED HIM THAT UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WAS HE TO GET INVOLVED IN RHODESIAN AFFAIRS AND THIS INCLUDED ANY RECRUITMENTS, TRAINING OR ANYTHING ELSE. HE AGREED. WITHOUT ANY INDICATION OF ANY POSSIBLE FUTURE USE BY US, WE ASKED HIM IF HE MIGHT BE INTERESTED AT ANY TIME IN THE FUTURE IN TRAINING MEN FOR GUERRILLA TYPE ACTIVITIES. HE SAID THAT HE THOUGHT HE HEART. UNLESS THIS DISCUSSION WAS TOO VAGUE TO PLAN ON, WE THINK HE WOULD DO NEARLY ANYTHING WE ASKED HIM TO.

5. THERE SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN SOME MISUNDERSTANDING RE HOBUTU'S REFUSAL TO TELL HIM GOODBY. HE SAID THAT HE DID NOT ASK TO SEE HOBUTU. VICKES WANTED TO SEE HOBUTU AND AFTER CONSIDERABLE URGING S WENT TO POUIS AND ASKED IF HOBUTU WOULD SEE VICKES. POUIS ANSWERED NO SINCE HOBUTU WAS VERY BUSY. POUIS TOLD S THAT HE COULD SEE HOBUTU IF HE HAD ANYTHING NEW TO TAKE UP. S REPLIED THAT HE HAD NOTHING. HE ADVISED THAT BOTH HE AND HOBUTU REGARDED THEIR LUNCHEON AFTER HOBUTU HAD TAKEN OVER AS GOODBY. VICKES WAS VERY MAD AND TOOK A BUNDLE OF PAPERS FOR HOBUTU TO SIGN IN ORDER GET TO SEE HIM. VICKES WAS REFUSED ADMITTANCE. SECAROB WAS COMPLETELY RELAXED ON SUBJECT. COULD HE POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT VICKES IN LOOP 2663, IF NOT HE CERTAINLY HAS RECONSIDERED HIS VIEWPOINT.

6. S IS NOT INTERESTED IN RETURNING TO CONGO AT THIS TIME. WE DID NOT SUGGEST THAT HE DO SO, BUT AT SAME TIME HE DOES NOT EXCLUDE

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POSSIBILITY IF NEEDED. HE STATED THAT HE DELIBERATELY MADE HIS DEPARTURE APPEAR TO BE ABSOLUTELY FINAL IN ORDER TO NOT UNDERCUT PETERS IN HIS NEW COMMAND. HE SAID THAT IF THERE WAS ANY IDEA THAT HE WOULD RETURN, PETERS WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO CONTROL THE MERCENARIES. HIS WHOLE DISCUSSION INDICATED THAT HE INTENDS THAT HE MAY RETURN. S ADVISED THAT HE HAD INSURED PAY FOR THE MERCENARIES THROUGH 31 DEC BUT HE DID NOT KNOW HOW THINGS WOULD GO AFTER THAT.

7. SECARGO WAS HIGH IN HIS PRAISE OF HIS CASE OFFICER WHOM HE REGARDED AS VERY HELPFUL AND REGRETTED NOT BEING ABLE TO BID FAREWELL TO COS LEOP.

8. AS AN ASIDE, S CAUTIONED THAT WHAT HE BELIEVED TO BE LEOP'S VIEW THAT MOBUTU WAS FRIENDLY TO KIBARK IS WRONG. HE STATED THAT HE HAD HEARD MOBUTU TALK TOO OFTEN FOR THERE TO BE ANY DOUBT THAT HE DOES NOT LIKE KIBARK. S HAS NO IDEA WHAT THE BASIS OF THIS DISLIKE IS AND THINKS THAT IT IS PROBABLY A COUNTER-REACTION TO THE GREAT SERVICES THAT KIBARK HAS RENDERED TO THE CONGO. HE SAID THAT THIS WAS A PECULIARITY OF MOBUTU'S CHARACTER.

9. S DOES NOT AT ALL EXCLUDE POSSIBILITY TSHOMBE BECOMING ONE OF MOBUTU'S MINISTERS. HE SAID THAT MOBUTU HAS BEEN ACCEPTING SOME ADVICE AND GUIDANCE FROM TSHOMBE. AS TO KASAVUDU, S FEELS THAT HE ALSO MIGHT AT A LATER DATE BECOME A MINISTER UNDER MOBUTU EVEN THOUGH HE APPEARS TO BE FINISHED AT THIS TIME. HE BELIEVES THAT A COMBINATION OF MOBUTU, TSHOMBE AND KASAVUDU WOULD BE GOOD FOR THE CONGO.

10. S'S SON WAS COMPLETELY RECOVERED, HOWEVER, S HAS HAD A SEVERE ATTACK OF MALARIA.

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CONGO, ALBERTVILLE (27 SEPTEMBER 1965)

REP IN 61285

SOURCE AND APPRAISAL

REPLY OF TWO SONALIS IN ALBERTVILLE. FIELD REPORT NO. ACL 3936  
THIS IS AN ALBERTVILLE SITUATION REPORT PREPARED AT 0600 HOURS LOCAL TIME ON 28 SEPTEMBER 1965 BY CAS.

1. ON 27 SEPT 1965 A COLUMN OF THE FIFTH COMMANDOS (5 CCO) REACHED LULIMBA AND WAS PREPARING TO MOVE TOWARDS LUBONDJA ON 28 SEPT. HIS COLUMN LED BY MAJOR ALISTAIR WICKES HAD 3 OF ITS MEN WOUNDED DURING THE MOVEMENT FROM BONDERA TO LULIMBA (SOURCE: PILOT DEWITTING. CONGOLESE AIRFORCE AIRCRAFT HAVE HAD THE ONLY CONTACT WITH THE FIFTH CCO SINCE 26 SEPT).

2. ON 27 SEPT, CONGOLESE AIRFORCE PILOTS OBSERVED A 5 CCO AIRCRAFT WHICH LANDED SOUTH OF BARAKA, ENTERING BARAKA. THIS SAME AIRCRAFT WAS OBSERVED ENTERING BARAKA ON 28 SEPT. THIS SAME AIRCRAFT WAS OBSERVED ENTERING BARAKA ON 28 SEPT. THIS SAME AIRCRAFT WAS OBSERVED ENTERING BARAKA ON 28 SEPT.

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UNIT WAS LATER SEEN LEAVING BARAKA APPARENTLY WITH THE INTENT OF UNLOADING BARGES WHICH WERE ARRIVING NORTH OF BARAKA. (SOURCE: PILOT DEBRIEFINGS).

3. ON 27 SEPT A FATAC C-47 AIRCRAFT ARRIVED IN ALBERTVILLE TO SUPPORT THE ANC OFFENSIVE AGAINST THE CONGOLESE REBELS NORTH OF ALBERTVILLE. THIS AIRCRAFT WILL BE USED TO RESUPPLY ISOLATED UNITS AND TO DROP SURRENDER LEAFLETS. FOUR, 7-TON TRUCKS, HAVE ALSO BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO OPS SUD TO CARRY SUPPLIES FROM ELIZABETHVILLE TO ALBERTVILLE (SOURCE: LT COL HARDIENNE PRINCIPAL ADVISOR TO OPS SUD).

4. ON 25 SEPT 1965 THE TOWN OF LUSANGI FELL INTO REBEL HANDS. NO DEFINITE INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE AS TO THE SIZE OF THE ATTACKING FORCE OR THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE DEFENDING ANC TROOPS. (SOURCE: HARDIENNE).

5. ON 27 SEPT 1965 TWO SOMALI CITIZENS WERE ARRESTED AT THE HOTEL DULAC, IN ALBERTVILLE. THIS HOTEL SERVES AS THE PRINCIPAL BILLET FOR THE EUROPEAN ADVISORS TO THE ANC IN ALBERTVILLE. THE SOMALIS PAPERS WERE FOUND TO BE IN ORDER AND THEY WILL PROBABLY BE RELEASED ON 28 SEPT.

6. ON 27 SEPT 1965, THE OPS SUD ADVANCED HEADQUARTERS PLANS TO MOVE TO BENDERA AT THIS SAME TIME THE NINTH COMMANDO BATTALION IS TO MOVE FROM LULIMBA TO MAKUNGU AND KATSHOKA. TWO DAYS LATER THE FIFTH INF BN IS TO COMMENCE ITS ADVANCE FROM BENDERA TO MAKUNGU, KATSHOKA, YUNGU AND KABIMBA. (SOURCE: HARDIENNE).

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1. MAJOR WIKES FIVE CDO XO RETURNED FROM LEOP AND REPORTED TO SECAROB AND TROOPS AT FULL MUSTER FOLLOWING:

(A) GENERAL MOUTU RAGER SEE FIVE CDO PROBLEMS SOLVED.

(B) THE NEW FIVE CDO PAY SYSTEM HAS BEEN EFFECTED WHERE PAY IS MAILED TO FROM LEOP DIRECTLY TO A JOHNS BANK TRUS COMPLETELY RELIABLE. PREVIOUSLY THIS SYSTEM SAID WIKES WOULD PERMIT VERIFICATION OF PAY TRANSFER WITHIN FEW DAYS

(C) SECAROB THEN COMMENTED TO TROOPS HE WAS COMPLETELY SATISFIED WITH RESOLUTION OF PAY PROBLEMS AND IT WAS TIME TO GET ON WITH THE WORK. ALL HIS TROOPS HAVE APPARENTLY ACCEPTED NEW DEAL.

MOBILE APPEARS GOOD.

(D) SECAROB THEN PRIVATELY USED HIS SATISFACTION PRIVATELY TO MAZUTIS.

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1. REF MESSAGE PASSED TO SECAROB-1 (EI) BY MAZUTIS AT 1100Z, 27 AUGUST. SI <sup>9</sup>GREENABLE WAIT AND TAKE NO FINAL ACTION UNTIL GUTHMAN RETURNS.

2. MAJOR WICKES DUE  1400Z, 27 AUGUST WITH REPORT HIS LEOP MISSION CONCERNING PAY QOSOLVE (AS RCVD). SI INTENDS REPORT THIS WORD TO TROOPS IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER. WILL ADVISE IMMEDIATE SI AND TROOP REACTION.

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CFN 0267 38395 SECAROB-1 SI MAZUTIS 1100Z 27 SI NO FINAL GUTHMAN MAJOR WICKES ALBV 1400Z 27 LEOP QOSOLVE AS RCVD SI SI

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1. COL WILLIAMS INFORMED STATION THAT ON MORNING 26 AUGUST LOGIST AND MAJOR <sup>U</sup>WICKES HELD MEETING WITH MOBUTU RE 5TH CONDO PAY PROBLEM. AFTER ARRANGING FOR LOAN FROM DIRECTOR NATIONAL BANK NDELE, MOBUTU CALLED IN PAY MASTER <sup>A</sup>ND MADE ARRANGEMENTS PAY SOME, UNSPECIFIED, PORTION OF OUTSTANDING PAY IMMEDIATELY. WICKES THEN WENT TO BANK TO INSURE THAT TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO JOHANNESBURG WAS MADE. <sup>U</sup>WILLIAMS FELT THIS ONLY STOP GAP MEASURE AND PROBLEM LIKELY COME UP AGAIN IN A FEW WEEKS.

2. WILLIAMS ALSO SAID THAT 80 MERCS KILLED SO FAR IN CONGO AND GOVT <sup>PL</sup>OBIGATED PAY FAMILIES ONE MILLION BELGIAN FRANCS FOR <sup>E</sup>EACH DEATH. ALTHOUGH CONGOLESE BUDGETED FOR DEATHS THEY DID NOT BELIEVE DEATH RATE WOULD BE SO HIGH.

3. WILLIAMS INFORMED HIS REP ALEV 26 AUG TO NOTIFY HOARE. WICKES HAS PROBABLY NOTIFIED HOARE DIRECTLY.

4. PLS PASS ABOVE TO GUTHMAN.

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CFN 2776 COL WILLIAMS 26 LOGIEST MAJOR WICKES MOBUTU RE 5TH COMDO  
NDELE MOBUTU WICKES JOHANNESBURG WILLIAMS A WILLIAMS 80 MERCS  
ONE MILLION BELGIAN FRANCS CONGOLESE NTR BELIEVE WILLIAMS ALBV  
26 AUG HOARE WICKES HOARE PLS GUTHMAN

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COUNTRY CONGO (LEOPOLDVILLE)

TDCS 314/1652-65

DATE OF INFO 25 AUGUST 1965

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SUBJECT

REVERSAL OF EDARNE'S DECISION NOT TO RESUME HIS COMMAND AND LEAVE THE CONGO

PLACE & DATE ACQ CONGO, ALBERTVILLE (25 AUGUST 1965)

REF TDCS 314/1652-65 39972

SOURCE AND APPRAISAL A COMPETENT AMERICAN OBSERVER FROM LT. COL. MICHAEL EDARNE.

1. ON 25 AUGUST 1965 LT. COL. MICHAEL EDARNE, CO OF THE MERCHANT FIFTH COMMAND, STATED THAT HE HAS NOW DECIDED THAT IF PAY PROBLEMS ARE NOT SETTLED TO HIS SATISFACTION BY 27 AUGUST, HE WILL GO TO LEOPOLDVILLE ON 29 AUGUST AND TENDER HIS RESIGNATION DIRECTLY TO FRANCIS FOMBE. SHOULD EDARNE NOT INSTITUTE IMMEDIATE STEPS TO AMELIORATE THE FIFTH COMMAND PAY PROBLEMS, EDARNE SAID THAT HE WILL LEAVE THE CONGO ON 2 SEPTEMBER. EDARNE SAID THAT HIS PRIOR NECESSITATES CARRIED THROUGH THE STEPS HE HAS MADE TO RESIGN.

2. EDARNE ALSO STATED THAT HE HAS INFORMATION THAT HIS SECOND IN COMMAND, MAJOR ALLSTATE WITTE, HAS LET IT BE KNOWN THAT HE WOULD BE WILLING TO STEP LEFT THE BRANCH SHOULD EDARNE ACTE OUT OF THE PICTURE. FURTHER, EDARNE STATED THAT ON 25 AUGUST, 19 MEN MUTINIED OVER THE QUESTION OF ONE OFFICER BEING SACKET. EDARNE HAS PLACED THESE MEN UNDER ARREST AND IS SHIPPING THEM TO

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STARBUCK AND OUT OF THE CONDO. (FIELD COMMENT: THE FOREGOING APPEAR TO BE PARTIALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR HEARE'S SUDDEN REVERSAL OF HIS POSITIVE REGARDING RESIGNATION.)

3. FIELD NUMBER: STATE ARMY (ATTACHE CORNER) CINCOMAFSA (ALSO BEC LEFOLDVILLE, [REDACTED])

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COUNTRY CONGO (LEOPOLDVILLE)

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TDCS - 314/11579-05

DATE OF INFO 21 AUGUST 1965

DATE 23 AUGUST 1965

SUBJECT

FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING  
FIFTH COMMANDO PAY PROBLEMS

PLACE & DATE ACQ CONGO, ALBERTVILLE (21 AUGUST 1965)

REF # 37310

SOURCE AND APPRAISAL

FIELD REPORT NO. ACA 29

A COMPETENT AMERICAN OBSERVER FROM LT. COLONEL MICHAEL HOARE

1. ON 21 AUGUST 1965, LT COL MICHAEL HOARE, CO OF THE FIFTH  
COMMANDO, STATED HE HAD JUST RECEIVED A MESSAGE FROM MAJOR GENERAL  
MOBUTU TO THE EFFECT THAT MOBUTU PLANNED TO COME TO ALBERTVILLE  
24 AUGUST TO DISCUSS FIFTH COMMANDO PAY PROBLEMS. HOARE NOTED  
HOWEVER THAT MOBUTU FREQUENTLY DID NOT KEEP HIS PROMISES AND THERE-  
FORE HOARE WAS SENDING HIS DEPUTY, MAJOR ALISTAR WICKS, TO  
LEOPOLDVILLE. WICKS ON 23 AUGUST WILL PRESENT MOBUTU WITH PAY  
AUTHORIZATION FORMS FOR MOBUTU'S SIGNATURE. HOARE SAID IF MOBUTU  
OR OTHER APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS HAD NOT SIGNED THE PAY AUTHORIZATIONS

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AND ARRANGED FOR TRANSFER OF MONIES BY 27 AUGUST, THEN HE WOULD  
HAVE TO INFORM HIS MEN THAT HE HAD NO IDEA WHEN THE PROBLEM  
WOULD BE RESOLVED.

2. HOARE FURTHER STATED THAT HE COULD NOT CONTINUE TO GIVE  
HIS MEN PROMISES AND HAD TOLD THEM HE WOULD HAVE A DEFINITIVE ANSWER  
ABOUT THEIR PAY BY 28 AUGUST AT THE LATEST. HOARE COMMENTED THAT  
HE EXPECTS A LOSS OF APPROXIMATELY 150 MEN IF THE PAY AUTHORIZATIONS  
ARE NOT SIGNED, AND HE CANNOT HONESTLY TELL THE MEN THAT MONEY  
WILL SOON BE DEPOSITED TO THEIR SOUTH AFRICAN ACCOUNTS.

3. FIELD DISSEM: STATE ARMY (ATTACHE COMISH) CINCACA SA ALSO

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 ... ALLEVIATE THE PROBLEM. IN ADDITION  
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 ON 19 AUGUST REPORTED THAT

CONISH COL WILLIAMS HAD STATED THAT IF SI DEMANDS <sup>FOR</sup> PAYMENT OF SALARIES WERE NOT MET IN NEXT SEVEN DAYS AND HE DECIDED TO LEAVE

THE CONGO, THAT "THE AMERICANS WOULD PULL OUT COMPLETELY ALSO".

ALSO FINDING THIS <sup>FF</sup> DIFFICULT TO BELIEVE BUT SI DEFINITELY UNDER <sup>THE</sup> IMPRESSION THAT SHOULD HIS DEMAND NOT BE MET THEN THE USINZBZU

USE THREAT OF WITHDRAWAL TO ALLEVIATE THE PROBLEM.

TO [Handwritten] AND NOTED IT WAS TOP SECRET.

IF THE PAYMENT OF THE FIFTH COMMANDO MERCENARIES

WAS A CONTINUING PROBLEM AND COULD RESULT IN DIS

UNDESIRABLE SITUATION, COULD NOT COVERT FUNDING BE CONSIDERED

*AT LEAST* UNTIL A WORKABLE PAYMENT SYSTEM IS DEvised BY *THE*

CONSOLETS. ANALYZE POLITICAL PITFALLS INVOLVED <sup>F</sup> BUT <sup>B</sup> TOTALLY

INTERESTED IN KEEPING THE FIFTH COMMAND IN CONGO, SOONER OR LATER

*THIS* POSSIBILITY MIGHT HAVE TO BE FACED.

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COUNTRY CONGO (LEOPOLDVILLE)/SOUTH AFRICA

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DATE OF INFO JUNE 1965

DATE JUL 1965

SUBJECT

DEVELOPING CONFLICT REGARDING UTILIZATION OF SOUTH AFRICAN FIFTH COMMAND

PLACE & DATE ACQ CONGO, ALBERTVILLE (29 JUNE 1965)

REF N 03075

SOURCE AND APPRAISAL FIELD REPORT NO. ACA 2

A COMPETENT AMERICAN OBSERVER FROM MAJOR ALISTAR WICKES, ACTING COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE FIFTH COMMAND.

1. ON 29 JUNE 1965 MAJOR ALISTAR WICKES, TEMPORARY CO OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN FIFTH COMMAND (5CDO), CITED BITTERLY THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE SIXTH COMMAND PERSONNEL FROM ALBERTVILLE AND ADJACENT AREAS AT THE TIME OF THE ARRIVAL OF ADVANCE PERSONNEL OF THE (5CDO) IN EARLY JUNE 1965. HE STATED THIS DEVELOPMENT WAS MAKING IT NECESSARY FOR HIM TO RESPOND TO LOCAL CONGOLESE ARMY (ANC) REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT IN THE ALBERTVILLE AREA. THIS WAS CONTRARY TO INSTRUCTIONS FROM LT COLONEL MICHAEL HOARE, (5CDO) CO WHO NOW IN SOUTH AFRICA PREPARING TO RETURN TO THE CONGO WITH APPROXIMATELY 200 NEW RECRUITS.

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2. WICKES PLACED THE BLAME FOR THE REMOVAL OF THE (SCDC) ON BELGIUM INFLUENCE AND MACHINATIONS AND NOTED THAT HOARE WOULD BE EXTREMELY DISPLEASED WITH DEVELOPMENTS. THE AGREEMENT FOR THE MOVEMENT OF THE (SCDC) TO ALBERTVILLE HAD NOT BEEN PLANNED TO INCLUDE SUPPORT TO ANC GARRISONS IN THE AREA BUT ONLY FOR TRAINING OF THE NEW SOUTH AFRICAN TROOPS AND THE IMMEDIATE SUBSEQUENT MILITARY THRUST INTO FIZI BARAKA AREA.

3. FIELD DISSEMI. EMBASSY COMISH (ATTACHES), SINDHEAFSA (ALSO SENT LEOPOLOVILLE, [REDACTED])

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SUBJECT: PROBLEMS AFFECTING 5th Bde Operations,  
Northern Congo

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WICKS, R. Lister

28 April 1965

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Cienga Statements in Army Progress

Cairo WUKH in Arabic 1920 GMT 25 April 1965--E (FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

(Extract) (Cont)--Passing through Kisumu (en route to Kisumu--to.)  
General Cienga issued a statement saying that the forces of the Congolese revolutionary army are in control of the front adjacent to the Sudanese borders and that the liberation army is moving freely in the area that falls under the control of the revolutionaries.

In his statement, Cienga said that the forces of the liberation army are in control of the left bank of Stanleyville and that the simbas will occupy the eastern bank of Stanleyville at the appropriate time.

The statement says that the liberation army forces have foiled Tshombe's attempts to carry out elections in the main Congolese towns and says that the two aims of the liberation army are to get rid of imperialist domination in the country and to impose the authority of the people before September 1965. The statement also affirms that the morale of Tshombe's forces and that of the mercenaries has fallen.

General Cienga and Mr. Kanza will hold contacts with officials in Cairo to explain to them the recent developments in the Congo.

AMBASSY SAV ENVOYMENTS SENT TO TALK WITH TSHOMBE

London RUTHERS in English 1224 GMT 25 April 1965--E (FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

(Text) Cairo--Four Congolese insurgent emissaries have been sent to Leopoldville for talks with Prime Minister Moise Tshombe on a peaceful settlement of the Congo problem, an insurgent source said here today. The source said the emissaries had been dispatched by the president of the "Congo National Liberation Committee," Botenoley-Davidson, who is now in Cairo.

The source said that because of divisions in the insurgent ranks, the Sudanese Government had informed them it could no longer allow the transport of arms or equipment through its territory to their forces. The source also said the UAR Government had told the insurgent leadership it was ceasing arms shipments and cutting off financial help because there was no evidence of a united insurgent government.

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SHIRSBURY SOURCE CONFIRMS HOARE'S RESIGNATION

Paris AFP in French 2250 GMT 23 April 1965--E (FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

(Cont) Salisbury, 23 April--Major Mike Hoare, commander of the number five unit of South African mercenaries serving the Leopoldville Government, has turned in his resignation, a reliable source of Salisbury has confirmed. Major Hoare, nicknamed "Mad" Mike, will undoubtedly leave the Congo together with his adjutant, Major M. L. R. R. R. and perhaps most of the 300 men in his unit. Their last six-month contract expires 1 May, anyway.

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1. SECROB/2 (S/2) AND BABY LEFT FOR DURBAN AFTERNOON 3 MAY.

STAYING AT MOTEL EVENING 3 MAY AND ARRIVING DURBAN 4 MAY.

WICKS HAS BEEN CALLING S/2'S MOTHER BUT NO ONE INCLUDING HER MOTHER KNEW WHERE SHE WAS. SHE WELCOMED REF AND WILL CALL WICKS FROM DURBAN.

2 FYI: ADVISE S/1 THAT S/2 IS DELIGHTED HE STAYING ON.

SHE REALLY FEELS THAT FOR HIS OWN HAPPINESS HE MUST SEE JOB THROUGH.

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SECAROB/I (S) WAS INFORMED THAT WIFE AND BABY STAYING WITH  
 PUBH. S MOST APPRECIATIVE. <sup>SK</sup> ASKED THAT WIFE BE TOLD HE DUE TO  
 RETURN PROBABLY AROUND BEGINNING JUNE FOR ONE MONTH LEAVE.  
 ALISTAIR WICKS WILL FILL IN S WIFE ON S CURRENT SITUATION. PER  
 REF B, WICKS LEFT ON LEAVE 30 APRIL, TO CONTACT S WIFE IN DURBAN.  
 S EXPECTS WICKS WILL LEARN SHE IN PRET AND WILL CONTACT HER WITHIN  
 NEXT SEVERAL DAYS.

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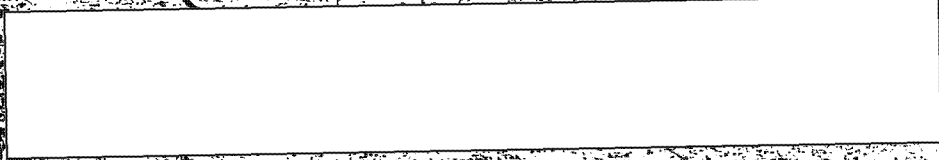
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MERCENARY ACTIVITIES AND INTENTIONS



1. MAJOR MIKE HOARE, COMMANDER OF 5 COMMANDO, CONGOLESE GOVT  
 MERCENARY FORCE, TOGETHER WITH HIS SECOND-IN-COMMAND ALISTAIR WICKS,  
 RETURNED TO STANLEYVILLE AREA OF CONGO TO RESUME OPERATIONS DURING  
 THE THIRD WEEK OF JANUARY. THEIR RETURN FOLLOWED FURTHER DIRECT  
 NEGOTIATIONS WITH PRESIDENT TSHOMBE DURING WHICH TSHOMBE ACCEPTED  
 RECOMMENDATIONS PUT TO HIM IN STRONG TERMS BY HOARE AND ASSURED HOARE  
 OF HIS CONFIDENCE IN HIM.

2. THE MERCENARY FORCE LEADERS WERE CONFIDENT THEY COULD NOW DEAL  
 WITH THE NORTHERN CONGO SITUATION PROVIDED THE 300 ADDITIONAL  
 MERCENARIES, WHOSE ENGAGEMENT TSHOMBE HAS ACCEPTED, ARE BROUGHT INTO

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HARD-SKINNED VEHICLES. THESE ARE REGARDED BY THE FORCE COMMANDERS AS  
INDISPENSABLE IN THE FACE OF IMPROVED ARMAMENT WHICH HAS BEEN SUPPLIED  
THE REBEL FORCES AND WHICH HAS ALREADY INFLECTED UNNECESSARY  
CASUALTIES ON MERCENARIES USING CONVENTIONAL TRANSPORT.

3. FIELD DISSEM: STATE CINCPACSA (ALSO SENT LECPOLOVILLE)

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Teresa J. BELGREDAN

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C.S.I.

Date : dimanche 21 janvier 1955

A la suite de l'invitation de Lolo, j'ai rencontré le colonel Hoare, en présence de John Lata et du major WICKS (ou WICKS), dans la chambre du colonel au Hedding.

Hoare m'a expliqué qu'il souffrait d'un manque de liaison avec Tchobe lorsqu'il (Hoare) se trouvait en opérations et que bien souvent il était obligé de revenir à Léo pour traiter directement avec Tchobe. Je lui ai suggéré de lui offrir en permanence un officier à Léo, parlant français, officier bien sûr qui aurait toute sa confiance. Hoare m'a répondu qu'il n'avait pas d'officier à lui répondre à ces exigences; mais qu'il avait obtenu de ce qu'il avait eu pris que l'on avait désigné un officier belge, le capitaine VAN HULST, pour servir d'agent de liaison entre Tchobe et lui. Il m'a demandé, en vain sur cet officier que Lata et moi connaissions très bien.

(Van Hulst est le mari de l'ancienne secrétaire de Tchobe, Denise Van Hulst; avant la libération belge, il travaillait au ministère de l'Intérieur à Bruxelles où il se distinguait par sa totale incapacité. Arrivé à Léo en août 54, il a obtenu en vain que Tchobe lui trouve une fonction. Au début de la saison, il s'est engagé à l'ANAS et il a demandé grade de capitaine - je suppose qu'il est lieutenant de réserve à l'armée belge).

Je n'ai eu que récemment que je considérais ce choix comme peu judicieux. Hoare m'a alors expliqué que ce n'était pas un problème de confiance à l'égard de Tchobe et qu'il ne pourrait venir lui-même à Léo, et j'ai accepté qu'il s'engage avec des officiers pour traiter avec lui et que j'en réfère ensuite à Tchobe. J'ai évidemment accepté.

Hoare m'a encore expliqué l'arrivée des SAS américains.

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PARA 2 REF, THREE "SLEEVES" ARE CARLOS MUYNE, PETER  
MICHEL DELORME. ALL DISCUSSED BY SETPAGE,  
FIRST TIME MUYNE MET WITH SLEEVER. IN BALANCE OF  
MESSAGE DISCUSSED IN THAT TWO SLEEVES INVOLVED. WE PROBABLY MISSED  
THE WHITE CHEVROLET MACHINE ANSWERING TELE-  
PHONE CALLS. "SLEEVER", ONE SLEEVER AGENT IN CONGO WITH CODE  
NAME, IN HANG CHANG. THE WHITE SLEEVES INFORMED PRI-  
VATELY ON CONGO ACTIVITIES. SLEEVER OFFICIAL AND SIS REP  
NAME IS FRIEDRICH WIGHTEN  
SLEEVER, 041-74007, WHO HAS BEEN DISCUSSED TO S/1 BY MUYNE.  
SLEEVER'S NEW FOR S/1 AND TWO SLEEVES. HAS TRUS FAR  
SLEEVER AND SLEEVES AND A SLEEVER. SLEEVER WHILE SLEEVES  
SLEEVER UNIT. THIS SLEEVER IS FOR S/1. SECOND IS TO  
SLEEVER NAME AT SLEEVER. THIS IS PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICE

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LET, WHICH WILL PROMISE FORTHCOMING IN LETTER FOR MERCENARIES AND EQUIPMENT. THIS OFFICE WILL BE RUN BY JOHN LATE. FOURTH PRIORITY ITEM WILL BE SETTING UP OF LIAISON OFFICE IN JOHANNESBURG, WHICH IS REASON FOR S/1 RETURN TO SOUTH AFRICA IN TEN DAYS. IT WILL BE BRIDGE WILL OCCUPY THIS SLOT. WE NOT CLEAR WHETHER WITH THESE RECRUITS AND USE EXISTING MEN HE HAS ENOUGH TO SET UP OWN STAFF.

4. AMERICAN MISSIONARY PARA 6 REF IS MRS. KLEINSCHMIDT, WHO SPENT 20 YEARS CONGO AND STATIONED ADI, LEAVING VIA ARU AND JUEA IN 1964. SHE SAYS THAT CONTRARY TO GENERAL BELIEF, ARMS LANDED AT BOMBER AIRFIELD ARE NOT TRANSHIPPED TO ARUA. INSTEAD TAKEN BY CAR, BICYCLE AND FOOT DIRECT TO ADI OVER ROAD NOT SHOWN TO US. SHE SUSPECTS THAT CHIEF'S RESIDENCE IN ADI USED AS AMMO DEPOT. (ACCORDING S/1 KLEINSCHMIDT IS ALL-ROUND EXPERT ON NORTHEAST AREA. WE HAVE ADDRESS AND CAN BEGIN IF DESIRED. SHE REPLY STATES MARCH 05).

5. S/1 APPROACHED BY MAJOR CHARLES KEARBY, EX SOUTH AFRICAN AIR CORPS, (SAAF) ON 25 JAN. KEARBY, WHO PREVIOUSLY REPORTED ON 17 JANUARY, OFFERED TO TAKE OVER "201 SQUADRON" AND TO OBTAIN OWN STAFF AND EQUIPMENT FOR IT "UNOFFICIALLY" FROM SAAF. OWN STAFF WOULD BE GIVEN LEAVE TO ENABLE THEM TO JOIN MERCENARIES. IT NOT CLEAR WHETHER KEARBY HAD AUTHORITY MAKE THIS OFFER. KEARBY'S EQUIPMENT TO KEARBY, AS THIS WOULD BE NOROTU DECISION. KEARBY WANTED OUT SA INVOLVEMENT AND POLITICAL LYNNITE, AND REQUESTED S/1 DISCUS FURTHER WITH HQ. S/1 AGREED.

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SUBJECT: 21st Support Squadron

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INFO. "AS OF 28 SEPTEMBER PAY WAS BIG PROBLEM OF MERCENARIES, INCLUDING SECAROB/1 HIMSELF. FOUR MERCENARY COMMANDO UNITS ARE IN THE FIELD. THEY ARE LOCATED AT BUNAVU, LISALA, GENENA, INGENDE. THERE ARE THREE LEFT AND ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE FOR ONE HUNDRED MORE MEN. THESE MEN WILL ARRIVE SOON AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THEM ARE BEING MADE BY SECAROB/1 PERSONALLY, SINCE ALISTAIR STICKS AND PATRICK O'MALLEY HAVE MADE SUCH A MESS OF PREVIOUS RECRUITING. THE MERCENARIES ARE GENERALLY IN GOOD SPIRITS AND SECAROB/1 ESTIMATES THAT THE REBELS WILL BE SUBDUED IN ABOUT SIX WEEKS IF HE IS ALLOWED TO USE HIS JUDGEMENT IN FIGHTING. SECAROB/1 BELIEVES THAT THE BELGIANS ARE NOT ANXIOUS FOR THE WAR TO BE OVER TOO SOON AS THEY ARE BUILDING UP ANOTHER SPHERE OF INFLUENCE IN THE CONGO WITH DOZENS OF OFFICERS AND MEN RUNNING HEADQUARTERS AND LOGISTICAL TEAMS."

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF THE ARMY

COUNTRY: CONGO (LEOPOLDVILLE) TOCS: A/025384  
DATE OF INFO: 5 SEPTEMBER 1964 DATE: 8 SEPTEMBER 1964

1. LEAD SOURCE ADVISED RECENTLY AT KAMINA BASE.
2. GENERAL OBSERVATION OF RECRUITING AT THE BASE.
3. FRICTION BETWEEN USARV AND WILDFIRE (this is a copy - unoriginal)

PLACE & DATE ACQ: CONGO, LEOPOLDVILLE (7 SEPTEMBER 1964) ISZ: ON: 67548  
SOURCE AND APPRAISAL: FIELD REPORT NO. ACC-2001

A WESTERN BUSINESSMAN (P), FROM ERIC STARBUCKS MERCENARY (S), FROM LEAVE APPRAISAL: (S) THAT SOURCE'S STATEMENTS AND THAT THEY ACCURATELY REFLECT HIS OPINIONS. (S) THAT THEY ACCURATELY REFLECT THE FACTS.

*(Possibility of protest-led temp against M.T. Shamba)*  
*(Much dissatisfaction of Malabar in Army)*

1. ON 5 SEPTEMBER 64, MERCENARY COMMANDER MAJOR MICHAEL MOARE SAID PRIVATELY THAT HE WAS STILL IN ALBERTVILLE EARLIER THAT WEEK HE HAD RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM COMUSMACV NATIONAL ARMY (NA) COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF MAJOR GENERAL GUYTON HOOD TO CANCEL ALL INCOMING DRAFTS OF MERCENARIES. MOARE IMMEDIATELY SENT TELEGRAMS TO PATRICK O'MALLEY IN JOHANNESBURG AND ALASTAIR WICKS IN SALISBURY TO STOP RECRUITING. ON 3 SEPTEMBER, MOARE FLEW FROM ALBERTVILLE TO KAMINA BASE, WHERE ON 6 SEPTEMBER HE MET WICKS, WHO ARRIVED ABOARD A DC-3 WITH 32 MEN JUST AS MOARE WAS ABOUT TO LEAVE FOR LEOPOLDVILLE. WICKS EXPLAINED THAT MOARE'S INSTRUCTIONS HAD ARRIVED TOO LATE.

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THAT THE MEN HAD ALREADY SIGNED CONTRACTS; AND THAT BY 7 SEPTEMBER THERE WOULD BE A TOTAL OF 700 MERCENARIES AT KAMINA; 400 ALREADY THERE, 260 TO ARRIVE. (FIELD COMMENT: A MERCENARY ROLL CALL FROM KAMINA BASE DATED 30 AUGUST SHOWED A TOTAL STRENGTH THEN OF 216.)

2. HOARE DESCRIBED THE GENERAL LEVEL OF THE MERCENARIES AT KAMINA AS "EXCEPTIONALLY GOOD". SOME 20, HE SAID, HAVE BEEN WEEDED OUT AND SENT BACK FOR VARIOUS PHYSICAL DEFICIENCIES. THE REST ARE YOUNG, ADVENTUROUS AND EAGER. THERE IS ONE PLATOON OF 25 PARATROOPS, "EXCELLENT SOLDIERS." HOARE FOUND THE QUARTERS ASSIGNED HIS MEN UNSATISFACTORY AND TOOK OVER THE LARGEST AND BEST BUILDINGS ON THE BASE. THREE BUILDINGS BUILT AROUND A QUADRANGLE AND, HE SAID, EASILY DEFENDED IF NEED BE. HOARE ADMITTED THAT THE EQUIPPING AND ARMING OF THE MERCENARIES WAS GOING VERY SLOWLY. HE HAD MANAGED, HOWEVER, TO GET EACH MAN A RIFLE AND AMMUNITION. MOST EQUIPMENT COMES FROM BELGIUM.

3. DURING THE MORNING OF 5 SEPTEMBER, HOARE SAID, HE SAW COLONEL FREDERIC VANDERWALLE, MILITARY ADVISER TO CONGO PREMIER MOISE TSHOMBE. VANDERWALLE, WHO ACCORDING TO HOARE MADE NO ATTEMPT TO BE PLEASANT, GREETED HIM WITH, "WHY DON'T YOU OBEY INSTRUCTIONS; I SAID, NO MORE MEN." HOARE SAID THAT UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES HE FELT THE MATTER SHOULD BE TAKEN UP DIRECTLY WITH MOBUTU. HOARE, VANDERWALLE AND BELGIAN AIR FORCE LIEUTENANT-COLONEL (FNU) BOUZIN THEN MET WITH

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MOBUTU. WHEN MOBUTU ASKED THE SAME QUESTION, HOARE REPLIED, "YOU ASKED FOR 1,000 MEN. I HAVE GOT THEM, AND I CAN'T STOP THEM. WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO?" MOBUTU REPLIED, "WE CANNOT EQUIP OR ADMINISTER 1,000 MEN AT ONE TIME. YOU MUST REDUCE YOUR UNIT TO 250 MEN AT ONCE."

4. AFTER RELATING THE ABOVE, HOARE COMMENTED THAT HE BELIEVED THE DECISION TO REDUCE THE MERCENARY FORCE IS MOBUTU'S AND VANDERWALLE'S. HE THINKS THAT MOBUTU FEARS THAT THE 1,000 MEN AT KAMINA BASE WOULD BE LOYAL TO TSHOMBE PERSONALLY "IN THE EVENT OF AN UPHEAVAL." ASKED WHAT HE MEANT BY "AN UPHEAVAL", HOARE SAID THERE WAS "EVERY POSSIBILITY" OF A "COUP DE FORCE" AGAINST TSHOMBE, ENGINEERED BY MOBUTU WITH THE SUPPORT OF CHIEF OF STATE JOSEPH KASAVUBU. AT THE SAME TIME, DISSATISFACTION WITH MOBUTU IS COMING TO A HEAD WITHIN THE ANC, AND THERE IS "SOME POSSIBILITY" OF AN OFFICERS' UPRISING AGAINST HIM.

5. HOARE CONCLUDED BY COMMENTING THAT THE ANC/COMMAND SEEMS TO HAVE "NO HEART" IN WHAT IT IS TRYING TO DO. FORCES ARE TOO THINLY SPREAD, AND LEADERSHIP IS INADEQUATE. VANDERWALLE IS "NO TACTICIAN, BUT BASICALLY BRAVE, LACKS OF MUCHEFF, TECHNICALLY INADEQUATE AND TOO EASILY INFLUENCED, PARTICULARLY BY A CERTAIN (FNU) WATTIER, THE HEAD OF A SMALL GROUP OF BELGIAN MERCENARIES." (SOURCE (EX-NATANGA MERCENARY) COMMENT: HOARE AND VANDERWALLE ARE OBVIOUSLY

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1. ASSUME YOU DO NOT WANT RECAPITULATION ALL REFERENCES ON THIS SUBJECT. GENERALLY PUREN AND MERCENARIES WHO WERE RECRUITING HERE PRIOR TO HIS RETURN TO CONGO HAD NO MONEY BUT WERE ALWAYS EXPECTING BIG PAYMENTS FROM TSHOMBE. EVIDENCE THIS IN SECAROB DIARY REFERRED TO PNBT 3475 IS STATEMENT REGARDING TSHOMBE'S 18 JULY CABLE TO FLEEN NDASH DASH TSHOMBE QUES HIM ABOUT SIX THOUSAND POUNDS\*. AT ANOTHER POINT IN DIARY AFTER TSHOMBE HAD TOLD SECAROB PROCEED WITH BUILDING UP MERCENARIES, SECAROB NOTED "TOLD HIM WE MUST HAVE THE CONTRACT BY NEXT FRIDAY SO THAT MY MEN COULD RETURN TO SALISBURY AND JOHANNESBURG TO BRING UP THE SMALL ARMY. RATES OF PAY MUST BE FINALIZED, NO TICKET NO LAUNDRY". AT ANOTHER POINT "MAY HAVE HAD FIFTEEN THOUSAND POUNDS TRANSFERRED TO JOHANNESBURG TO PAY FOR AIR CRAFT REPAIRS, TRAVEL TICKETS, MEN'S PAY ADVANCES, ETC." AT ANOTHER POINT HE NOTED THAT HE WAS SENDING CHALLEN TO JOHANNESBURG AND WICKS TO SALISBURY BUT "THEY WILL HAVE TO WAIT FOR MY OKAY" I.E. SIGNING OF CONTRACT. SECRET 3476 RE SENDING JULIA (PUREN) JOHANNESBURG WITH THE MONEY. IN VIEW ABOVE PLUS PREVIOUS DISSEMS WOULD CLEARLY INDICATE THAT TSHOMBE IS PAYING MERCENARIES.

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 UP WILL BE FROM APPLICANTS PRIOR 2 SEPT. IT DOES NOT  
 MEANING THAT RECRUITING WILL GO FROM SA BUT SHOULD RESULT  
 IN RECRUITING ORIGINATING IN SA. WOULD SUMMARY NEWS  
 STORY FROM MINISTER SAYING RECRUITMENT GETTING OUT OF HAND AND  
 SHOULD BE STOPPED UNLESS ETC. PLUS INDICATION RECRUITS BEING TAKEN  
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FROM: Chief of Staff, [redacted]	RECORDS

SUBJECT: SECROB Diary

ACTION REQUIRED: ATTENDANCE

1. Transmitted herewith are photostatic copies of first two installments of SECROB's Diary which was furnished by Mrs. SECROB.
2. Most of this is of value only as background since it had already been reported. We will cable the intelligence in future installments if it has not already been reported.

*Henry V. Pugh*  
HENRY V. PUGH

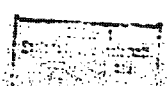
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DIARY

A review of the first 22 days.

With 40 men to San Juan airport prepared to leave for Leo at 7:30 pm on the evening of Fri 21st July. Only a last minute hitch - no arrangements of security for Ethiopian Air Services ICAO the carriers - we did not take off. Following morning clearance came from Salisbury via a call from Leo (Purch) told us to stand by until further orders as Tshombe was on tour and no decision had been taken.

I left for Leo on the evening of Sat 22nd July. Met at the airport by Purch and Hicks. No visa trouble when we showed the telegram - the one Tshombe sent a req on 18th July (arrived 20th) saying come at once with your personnel thus arriving without visas. The last part must have done Purch's heart good as Tshombe told him about 15:00 he says.

Booked in at the Hotel Hemling, Leo and met Dave Sutherland, Errol Kingman, Jimmy Bridges, Peter Mackintosh, all of whom are pilots. I am regarded as a pilot. The press were keen on us as we have a part with them; no mention of our presence and we give them the news when it breaks.

A whole week passed when Tshombe was still on tour in Kivu and Stan and then returned only to go to Kisumu for a day. Despite utter frustration we were completely ignored by the Palace and no message reached us. Meanwhile we tried every scheme to reach Tshombe mostly via the kitchen door, but without luck. Dave Sutherland sensing a frost returned to Joburg on 23th.

Met a friend of a friend of mine on Monday 27th.

Another week passed during which we met dozens of dignitaries none of any great importance. Katibanda, close to Tshombe, has his ear as a result of past loyalties in Madrid and now expecting the Ministry of Information presently held by Premier Ministre. Typical of many such who are here to collect. Herbert Pountney Julian, see Time Mag. 7 Aug. here to collect 24,000 dollars from Tshombe left after 21 days without seeing him. General King now out in the cold down to Colonel protesting loudly that he always faced the front, not like others by telegrams. He has a scar on his face caused by Jeep accident. A spent force. Mr Kabunga Minister Kibwe also Kibwe now small beer. Met Minister Mushi from Katanga tells no no currency left in the till in Swile. Waited 1 1/2 days to see T and left without seeing him. Tshombe overworked and understaffed. Country being run by three men - Tshombe, Mobutu and Muzemba in that order. Decisions made clearly at the top but lack implementation for lack of staff.

Met Muzemba. Not quite the firebrand he was in Katanga 61 but still a powerful and ruthless man quite capable of forming a secret police on the Russian pattern. Somehow feel he is doing this already.

Invasion at Mushi near Avmenth by 200 soldiers of ex Colonel Facassa a terrorist ex Kivu resp liable for the murder of the Italian airmen

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Leo calls out Army. Gault with the latter quickly capturing documentary proof in Kongois language that these rebels are Chinese assisted and based in Brazzaville. Persisted out but Tshombe made capital of it and gave out to the world that he warned neighbouring countries of calamity in Congo's affairs.

Situation on all fronts deteriorated rapidly. Feel terrible frustration because we've been so far off now and after weeks of inactivity know that Tshombe will still want a rapid result. He needs a major success soon desperately. Stanleyville falls and Paulis threatened. Rebel advances in Katanga as far as Katanga NE of Kamina Base and west as far as Lubumbashi. IG Katanga jeunesse march on Matiche and sack the town including Gemines mess and all the factories and mines. Witiba threatened. In the East Maudouville retaken by ALC and an advance begun on Tzopona.

Morale in the ALC at its lowest ebb. Recently ALC entered into battle in the Elivu area "in reverse" going literally. Another time Mobutu personally took command and was left high and dry when his men deserted him, and saved only by a timely Captain shouting "forward not if only to save your skins!" Despite this Mobutu still not disenchanted with his army.

Journalist of a German paper visited Albertville and told me he had seen Soukiallot. Town occupied by large number (1000 possibly?) jeunesse and even boys of 12 and 14 were armed. Scattered and looking beaten. No contact with his "friends". European hostages numbering about 200 (I think this exaggerated) free to roam around town but not to leave. S. has threatened that if white mercenaries are used against him he will chop the lot. Africa, St. Ignace, Clever cove and the fact that there are over 700 Belgian civilians in the Congo has forced the Belgians to forbid the use of their troops. Morrison Sunk's pact as greatly states that no Americans and no Belgians to be used, but western world plainly anxious for the mess to be cleared up. Military situation not desperate despite what it may look like on a map. Essential realize the average villager is a peaceful man wanting only a quiet life. Whoever bears arms will force him to side with them and provide food and even pay. When the tide turns the something applies. The hard core rebels have to be rooted out and destroyed. The retaking of towns will look spectacularly like success but the manner in which ALC performs its occupation duties will be the acid test. At the moment they are a miserable failure. Manongo told me he had resuscitated Kongois with 8 tons food and 35m francs. Three days later after a visitation of ALC had been moved in by Mobutu (opposing Manongo's suggestion of Katanga) the village was deserted again, no money and no food, ALC had run riot killing and looting and raping. Some fun. Life lies the root cause of the trouble in rehabilitation.

Gerry and Julian (Gerry's wife) had tea with Manongo on Sunday 9th. I was invited but feel Gerry outmanoeuvred me for some reason.

However gave me detailed account of the country. I was  
understand why Tshombe has not called up yet, reports press  
of other business. Says he will report Mingo. However this  
weekend let the world press know that the portland and all are  
the Congo's real friends. Says he can prove Algerian, Ethiopian and  
Guinean troops are in the state. I wonder, certainly  
the reports are well armed because they are using the  
arms left by ANC when they ran away. Fantastic story that there  
was above effort to quarter the Congo into four separate  
provinces. and that he had Tshombe would welcome it. Bitter  
about broadcast made by Gen. de Gaulle in which he  
asked the nations of the world to assist Tshombe and to recognize  
his government.

Just as I was beginning to close report Tshombe made his decision.  
Sent for me USSR YUSKITSKY. Bring the man at once, see Gen  
Nobutu. Say Nobutu. Anticipated some resistance to the idea but  
fears totally unfounded. Man calm, charming, efficient, powerful.  
Back to Tshombe to finalize details of contracts, rates of pay  
etc. Appointment for tomorrow. Red carpet all the way. Car at  
our disposal, laissez passer, everything.

Next day - nothing. Spent the entire day in the hotel waiting to  
be called. Whole damn thing is positively medieval.

Next day, Thursday sense of urgency restored to Nobutu and Tshombe  
and red carpet laid out again. Say Tshombe twice and drank beer  
with him in the evening while he discussed his escape from  
Kipushi in 1962! Very convivial but too tired to finalize our  
contracts. Tomorrow at 10. Meanwhile Nobutu getting anxious  
and has done what he can. Alerted General Babaco who is waiting  
for me in Kazina. I am to fly there tomorrow at 6. Assures me  
all material, transport, planes etc are there. Complete autonomy  
d'actions Major pour vous. I got him to say it three times to  
make sure I had not misheard him. No Belgians, non general.  
Place ord. Thank God for that. Force Afrique to be under my  
command 15 pilots, chef des pilotes Puren. Gerry took it very  
well but I do not intend to play a heavy role there. Got my  
task from Tshombe personally - give me back the Congo, Manono  
Kabato Nyanzu Albertville Uvira and Sina - waving a fat hand and  
laughing. T looks fit despite sleeping very little. Eyes shining  
a smile for everybody. A diplomat in the world at large. Told  
him we must have the contract by noon Friday so that my men  
could return to Salisbury and Joburg to bring up the small army.  
Rates of pay must be finalised, no ticket no laundry. He laughed  
Get as many white troops as I want he said. I told him we  
would begin with 200.

Friday: today. Waited all morning for Tshombe and Nobutu! Finally

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15th August 64.

Hedges and MacIntosh arrived at lunch time from Luluabourg. Their first mission has been a miserable failure so far. Two Harvards took off yesterday at 1340 to blast the rebels at a point outside L where they are threatening to over-run an important ANC training establishment where we understand the ANC have run away and left valuable equipment. When approaching L this morning Kingman came down with the wind and piled up the Harvard on the dirt at the side of the run way breaking one wing, a wheel and jerking off two of the guns in their nacelles. Gerry then sent Hedges and Mac back by Air Congo and stayed behind with Kingman to complete the mission today in the other Harvard.

Summoned to the Palace at 1300 hrs. Mobutu arrived at 1335 and he gave him the pro forma contract we had prepared for the enlistment. Usbered in to the presence 1300 hrs. Present Monungeo, Tshombe, Mobutu, Lindaka (Security Minister), Julia and myself. Tshombe sat as hell with Julia. Why does it take five visits to get the smallest thing fixed etc. Julia answered him back.

Finally put a straight question to me - was I satisfied with the Katanga contract of 1961, yes or no. I said Yes but owing to the Cost of living expected higher fares. Tshombe pointed to the Index clause and said that took care of the devaluation of money. I insisted on a written contract which they drafted and signed there and then. Have orig. Next Mobutu very agitated wanted to know why was I not in Katanga where Gen Eboze was waiting for me and why were the SA men not there as promised today? Explained. Was a bombshell from Tshombe. How long would it take to bring one thousand men? 1000. I said a month. Get them aussi vite que possible. Outlined tactical position. Must crush the rebels, now, now, now. smacking fist on table. Mobutu then drew map on table and showed me the position. Took piece of paper and wrote down my orders. First - Kanono, Kongolo, Albertville, Uvira. Next Bukavu. Next Stan. Gave me 6 Group Mobile units, 200 in each unit, ANC, asked me to keep one of my platoons with each group. Can it be done he asked. Replied yes, if you give me the materiel and force arriere. Agreed to everything. Stayed and had supper with Tshombe. Told him how Churchill had called Kingate and told him to conquer Burma - you are my man of destiny said Churchill. Now you command me to give you the Congo. I am your man of destiny. He rose highly moved and shook me warmly by the hand followed by the others. Tshombe said you will succeed. I have great confidence in you. I expect more. I was deeply moved myself the fate should have chosen an insignificant man such as me to be their instrument to reshape the Congo and perhaps leave a mark on Africa for many a decade; possibly even see it free of colonisation and all that.

General told me to wait at the hotel as they were busy with the agenda for Soapy Williams who arrived early this morning. I'll see him this evening at 1800 hrs. Meanwhile have had 21500 transferred to John's bank to pay for aircraft repairs, travel tickets, mess pay advances, etc and arranged for Willie to go to Jelburg with GUNNERY (who is still here 7 days and at my request) and Wicks to go to Salisbury. Priority must now be given to getting the gun quickly to Regina Base.

Gerry sends himself with equipment today. Folmer has given him a special mission. He says he will do it. Two Harvards to strafe a position near Bulmburg. Details when they get to a field near there. Saw them off at lunch time. Wedges and Washinton in one, Ryan and Kirtan in the other still wearing civilian clothes, no helmets, no parachutes and what look like pretty rough kitos. Wren has plenty of guts but little judgement I hope he gets through OK. They will take threaders.

2250 hrs.

Soapy Williams has taken up 7 1/2 hrs since 1800 hrs and we have been waiting ever since. Have the money but the contracts have not been sent. In the (indistinct) on getting C. Kelly to Jelburg 0930 Al Italia with Wicks on to Salisbury. They will have to wait for my car. If all goes well tomorrow I will fly to Jelburg via Regina (what we live in) & business can begin on Tuesday. Latest Wednesday. I am expecting first list of 20 men within 7 days. Received 1100 each (3 of us) in being advance pay.

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Left the palace after longest interview yet - 2 hrs.  
Giving Marina first light in army camp. Issued instructions for the  
recruitment 1000 men immediate.  
Sending J. u. is Joburg to Morrovia via Brazza with the money.  
Everything now depends on speed recruitment.  
Note Buys for assistance on security side. If this can be eased  
even slightly recruitment will be easier.  
Coming Joburg myself in army plane in about 8 days time. Must find  
15 signallers capable of working at a net over 60 miles other-wise I  
am done. May try army. May try Americans but must have them absolute  
no priority. Refer latter channels if it can be done sub rosa. Will  
contact friend known for opinion

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OF 15 MERCENARY PILOTS AND 200 MERCENARY GROUND TROOPS AT KAMINA;

PRESUMED PLAN OF CAMPAIGN; PREPARATIONS.

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SUBJECT

INSTRUCTIONS OF TSHOMBE AND MOBUTU FOR CONCENTRATION OF MERCENARIES AT KAMINA; PRESUMED PLAN OF CAMPAIGN; PREPARATIONS

PLACE & DATE ACQ. CONGO, LEOPOLDVILLE (12 AUGUST 1964)

REF IN 49806

SOURCE AND APPRAISAL: A WESTERN BUSINESSMAN (B) FROM A FORMER KATANGA MERCENARY (C) FROM HOARE. FIELD REPORT NO. ACL 2788

APPRAISAL: 2 (THAT HOARE MADE THESE STATEMENTS AND THAT THEY ACCURATELY REFLECT THE FACTS AS HE KNOWS THEM)

1. ON 11 AUGUST 64, EUROPEAN MERCENARY COMMANDER MICHAEL HOARE SAID PRIVATELY THAT AT 0915 HOURS THAT SAME MORNING, PREMIER MOISE TSHOMBE HAD SENT A CAR TO PICK UP HIM AND MERCENARY AIR COMMANDER JEREMIAH PUREN AND WIFE, FOR AN 0930 APPOINTMENT. THEY WAITED UNTIL 1000 HOURS AND THEN SAW TSHOMBE FOR "EXACTLY FOUR MINUTES". THIS WAS HOARE'S FIRST INTERVIEW WITH HIM SINCE ARRIVING IN THE CONGO ON 25 JULY. THE GIST OF WHAT TSHOMBE SAID WAS, "HOW SOON CAN YOU BRING YOUR MEN IN? THIS IS VERY URGENT, AND WE WANT YOU IMMEDIATELY." (FIELD COMMENT: THE MENTION OF "YOUR MEN" IS OBVIOUSLY A REFERENCE TO OTHER EUROPEAN MERCENARIES STANDING

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BY TO COME TO THE CONGO.) TSHOMBE THEN WROTE A PASS IN HIS OWN HAND AND SENT HOARE AND THE PURENS IN A STAFF CAR TO SEE CONGOLESE NATIONAL ARMY (ANC) COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF MAJOR-GENERAL JOSEPH MOBUTU. HOARE COMMENTED, "WE RECEIVED RED CARPET TREATMENT ALL THE WAY."

2. THEY SPENT HALF AN HOUR WITH MOBUTU, DURING WHICH PERIOD TSHOMBE TELEPHONED, TO MAKE SURE THEY WERE THERE AND TO TELL THEM TO REPORT BACK TO HIM AFTER THEIR TALK WITH MOBUTU. HOARE SAID THAT THROUGHOUT THE MEETING MOBUTU WAS "CHARMING AND MOST COOPERATIVE, AGREEING TO EVERYTHING." HE APPEARED "MORE ENTRENCHED THAN EVER" AND "IN FULL CONTROL (SIC) OF THE SITUATION."

3. MOBUTU SAID THAT HOARE, THE MERCENARY PILOTS AND 200 ADDITIONAL MERCENARIES ARE TO BE FLOWN TO KAMINA. MOBUTU THEN TOLD PUREN HE COULD HAVE 15 PILOTS. PUREN IMMEDIATELY PRODUCED A LIST OF SEVEN PILOTS WHO HAD BEEN WITH HIM IN KATANGA IN 1961 AND ARE NOW WAITING IN LONDON AND BRUSSELS. TO HOARE'S SURPRISE, MOBUTU QUICKLY STARTED PUTTING THROUGH LONG-DISTANCE TELEPHONE CALLS " AND IN TWO HOURS THE JOB WAS DONE." THESE SEVEN, PLUS THE THREE NOW IN LEOPOLDVILLE (JAMES HEDGES, ERROL KINGMAN AND PETER MACKINTOSH), PLUS PUREN, LEAVE FOUR STILL NEEDED. PUREN IS SENDING TO JOHANNESBURG FOR THEM. HOARE COMMENTED THAT AT THE MOMENT THERE ARE SIX T-6'S AVAILABLE IN LEOPOLDVILLE. (FIELD COMMENT: THIS APPEARS TO BE A MISTAKE. FOUR ARMED T-6'S ARRIVED IN LEOPOLDVILLE FROM LUANDA ON 8 AUGUST,

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ON A SATISFACTORY CONTRACT." (FIELD COMMENT: SEE ACL-2764 ( ) FROM THE SAME SOURCE FOR AN EARLIER REFERENCE BY HOARE TO O'MALL AS HIS "CONTACT MAN" WITH THE MERCENARIES ON CALL IN JOHANNESBURG.) HOARE WANTS THE FIRST PLANELOAD OF MEN FROM SOUTH AFRICA TO ARRIVE AT KAMINA BY 17 AUGUST AND THE BALANCE WITHIN 10 DAYS. HE PLANS TO SEND WICKS TO SALISBURY ON 16 AUGUST TO RAISE 30 MEN THERE.

6. RETURNING TO THE SUBJECT OF THE CONTRACT, HOARE SAID THAT THE ONE USED IN 1961 IS NOT ENTIRELY SATISFACTORY AS A MODEL FOR A NEW ONE AND WILL HAVE TO BE AMENDED IN "CERTAIN RESPECTS". ONE NEW CLAUSE THAT HOARE INTENDS TO HAVE INCLUDED IS THAT HE MUST BE ABLE TO TERMINATE THE CONTRACT "ON HIS OWN JUDGEMENT." HE ADDED THAT HE FORESEES NO DIFFICULTY WITH MOBUTU ON THIS SCORE.

7. AFTER THE INITIAL HALF-HOUR MEETING WITH MOBUTU ON THE MORNING OF 11 AUGUST, HOARE AND THE PURENS RETURNED TO SEE HIM AT 1530 HOURS THE SAME DAY. MOBUTU WAS JUST THEN LEAVING TO SEE TSHOMBE, AND THE GROUP FOLLOWED. THEY WERE KEPT WAITING UNTIL 1900 HOURS WHILE MOBUTU AND TSHOMBE CONFERRED IN PRIVATE. WHEN THEY WERE FINALLY RECEIVED, THEY PRESENTED MOBUTU WITH AN ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES TO BE INCURRED WHICH HE READ OVER AND APPROVED.

8. FIELD DISSEM: STATE ARMY NAVY AIR CIMPMEAFSA.

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### Intelligence Information Cable

COUNTRY REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

TDCS 00-315/00489-64

DATE OF INFO. 17-20 AUGUST 1964

DATE 21 AUGUST 1964

**SUBJECT**

1. EXPECTED ARRIVAL OF 80-60 MERCENARIES AND THE PRO-  
JECTED ORGANIZATION OF THE MERCENARY STRIKING FORCE
2. PLAN FOR ATTACK ON ALBERTVILLE AND SUBSEQUENT  
OBJECTIVES
3. COOPERATION FROM BELGIAN MILITARY ADVISORS TO AHC

PLACE & DATE ACQ. REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO, LEOPOLDVILLE (20 AUGUST 1964) REF

DC 57075

SOURCE AND APPRAISAL: WESTERN BUSINESSMAN (B); FROM EX-BATANGA MERCENARY (C), FROM HOARE. FIELD REPORT NO. ACL 2022

APPRAISAL: 2 (THAT HOARE'S STATEMENTS ACCURATELY REFLECT HIS VIEWS AND THE FACTS AS HE KNOWS THEM).

1. ON 20 AUGUST '64, MERCENARY COMMANDER MICHAEL HOARE SAID PRIVATELY THAT MRS JEREMIAH PUPEN, WIFE OF THE NECESSARY AIR FORCE COMMANDER, HAD ARRIVED IN JOHANNESBURG FROM LEOPOLDVILLE ON 17 AUGUST WITH THE CONGOLESE GOVT FUNDS NEEDED TO PROCEED WITH MERCENARY RECRUITING. ALTHOUGH HOARE HAS HAD NO NEWS OF HER MOVEMENTS SINCE THEN, HE CONFIDENTLY EXPECTS THE FIRST DRAFT OF MERCENARIES, BETWEEN 40 AND 60 OF THEM, ACCOMPANIED BY HIS SECOND-IN-COMMAND ALASTAIR WICKS, TO ARRIVE AT KAMINA BASE FROM JOHANNESBURG ABOARD A RHODESIAN AIR SERVICES FLIGHT ON 21 AUGUST. SOME OF THEM WILL HAVE BEEN RECRUITED IN JOHANNESBURG, SOME IN SALISBURY. BILLETS, EQUIPMENT AND

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SUPPLIES ARE READY FOR THEM. HOARE HIMSELF PLANS TO FLY TO KAMINA EARLY ON 21 AUGUST. ON ARRIVAL THERE, HIS FIRST TASK WILL BE TO SET UP A HEADQUARTERS CAPABLE OF HANDLING AN INFLUX OF UP TO 1000 MEN AT A TIME.

2. HOARE THEN SAID THAT HIS PRESENT PLAN IS TO FORM FIVE COMMANDOS OF 1000 MERCENARIES EACH (COMMANDOS "A" THROUGH "E"). EACH IS TO HAVE AN ARMORED SPEARHEAD IN THE FORM OF A "FERRET" OR OTHER LIGHT ARMORED CAR; AND ALL COMMANDOS WILL HAVE TO OPERATE UNDER HOARE'S CONTROL, SINCE HE HAS NO ONE ELSE CAPABLE OF ASSUMING SUBORDINATE COMMAND AT THIS TIME.

3. HOARE SAID HIS FIRST OBJECTIVE IS ALBERTVILLE, WHICH HE PLANS TO TAKE FROM THE LAKE. HE HAS CHRISTENED THE ATTACK "OPERATION WATCHCHAIN" AND HAS DISCUSSED IT IN DETAIL WITH CONGOLESE NATIONAL ARMY (ANC) COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF MAJOR-GENERAL JOSEPH MOBUTU AND WITH COLONEL GUY LOGIEST, RANKING BELGIAN MILITARY ADVISER TO THE ANC. MOBUTU, ON 19 AUGUST, CONCURRED FULLY IN THE PLAN AND SAID ALL NEEDED SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT WOULD BE AVAILABLE AT ONCE. HOARE THEN ASKED HIM FOR RECONNAISSANCE PLANES, FOR USE IN THE ALBERTVILLE AREA, WHICH BELGIAN OFFICERS HAD REFUSED HIM DURING HIS RECENT VISIT TO KAMINA. MOBUTU GAVE HIS AGREEMENT TO THEIR USE. ON 20 AUGUST, LOGIEST "ENTIRELY APPROVED" OPERATION "WATCHCHAIN". HE THEN WENT ON TO DISCUSS WITH HOARE THE CRITICAL SITUATION OF THE BELGIANS IN ALBERTVILLE, WHERE SOME 30 ARE IN PRISON AND SOME 150 OTHERS AT LIBERTY

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IN THE TOWN. REFERRING TO THIS CONVERSATION, HOARE SAID IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT THE WHOLE TOWN BE TAKEN AT ONCE AND NOT PIECEMEAL, SINCE OTHERWISE THE REBELS WILL HAVE TIME TO KILL THE EUROPEANS. HE THEN REVEALED, IN STRICTEST CONFIDENCE, A HOUR FOR THE ATTACK ON ALBERTVILLE AS 0300 HOURS 30 AUGUST. "NO ONE HAS THIS INFORMATION, NOT EVEN MOBUTU." THE PRIMARY OBJECTIVES WILL BE THE AIRPORT, THE HOTEL DU LAC AND THE WHARF. (FIELD COMMENT: SEE ACL-2755 (TDCS-314/01366-01) FOR A GARBLED VERSION OF HOARE'S INITIAL PLANNING FOR THIS OPERATION.)

4. AFTER ALBERTVILLE, HOARE'S TENTATIVE OBJECTIVES ARE FIZI AND UWIRA, "ALL IN LINE WITH THE GENERAL OPERATIONAL PLAN SUBMITTED TO AND APPROVED BY MOBUTU." AFTER UWIRA, "THE REAL WAR" STARTS, THE OBJECTIVES BEING BUKAVU AND STANLEYVILLE. HOARE SAID THAT WHEN HE SAW MOBUTU ON 19 AUGUST, HE HAD ASKED HIM "WHAT SHALL I DO WITH (GASTON EMILE) SOUMIALOT, (PIERRE) MULELE AND OTHER REBEL LEADERS IF CAPTURED. SHALL I SHOOT THEM OR TAKE THEM PRISONER?" MOBUTU'S ANSWER WAS, "I DON'T WANT TO HEAR ABOUT THESE THINGS," WHICH HOARE SAID HE INTERPRETS AS TACIT AUTHORITY TO KILL THEM.

5. HOARE THEN SPOKE ENTHUSIASTICALLY ABOUT HIS RECENT CONTACTS WITH BELGIAN MILITARY ADVISERS TO THE ANC. ON 19 AUGUST, BELGIAN AIR FORCE LIEUTENANT-COLONEL (FNU) SOUZIN, WHOM HOARE DESCRIBED AS AN "UNPOPULAR LITTLE MAN, IDLE AND IRRITABLE ALTHOUGH PROBABLY QUITE CAPABLE," SAID HE WAS PREPARED TO GIVE HOARE "EVERY ASSISTANCE."

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THAT SAME DAY, BELGIAN ARMY COLONEL F. P. MARCIERE, WAS "EXTREMELY COOPERATIVE," ALLOWING HIM TO EXAMINE AVAILABLE SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT. MOARE WAS ASTOUNDED TO DISCOVER 20 NEW AMERICAN-BUILT ASSAULT BOATS AND 15 NEW 25-HP ENGINES, WHICH HE WILL USE IN THE ASSAULT ON ALBERTVILLE. MOARE LISTED HIS REQUIREMENTS AND MADE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SUPPLIES TO BE TRANSPORTED TO NDJILI AIRPORT FOR AIRSHIPMENT TO KAMINA BASE BY C-130. (FIELD COMMENT: THE BOATS AND ENGINES WERE EN ROUTE TO KAMINA BY AIR ON 21 AUGUST.)

6. FIELD DISSEM: STATE ARMY NAVY AIR CINCPACAFSA.

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SUBJECT: RECONNAISSANCE MISSION FOR MERCENARY PILOTS

DATE: 14 AUGUST 64

AREA: CONGO REPUBLIC; LEOPOLDVILLE 15 AUGUST 64

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SOURCE: WESTERN BUSINESSMAN (B), FROM EX-KATANGA MERCENARY (C).

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DATE OF INFO 15 AUGUST 1964

DATE 16 AUGUST 1964

SUBJECT

RECONNAISSANCE MISSION FOR MERCENARY PILOTS

PLACE & DATE AGO CONGO, LEOPOLDVILLE (15 AUGUST 1964)

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SOURCE AND APPRAISAL WESTERN BUSINESSMAN (B) FROM AN EX-KATANGA MERCENARY (C) APPRAISAL: 2

FIELD REPORT NO. AGL-2805

1. AT 0500 HOURS ON 14 AUGUST 64, MERCENARY AIR FORCE COMMANDER JEREMIAH PUREN, MRS. PUREN AND THE MERCENARY PILOTS, JAMES HEDGES, ERROL KINGMAN AND PETER MACKINTOSH, ATTENDED A BRIEFING ON THE MILITARY SITUATION GIVEN AT CONGOLESE NATIONAL ARMY (ANC) HEADQUARTERS BY BELGIAN COLONEL (FNU) BOUZIN. FROM WHAT THE PILOTS SAID AFTERWARDS, THE PURPOSE OF THE BRIEFING WAS TO PREPARE THEM FOR A MISSION TO WHICH CONGO PREMIER MOISE TSHOMBE ATTACHED GREAT IMPORTANCE. THEIR REMARKS INDICATED THAT IT WAS A RECONNAISSANCE MISSION IN THE VICINITY OF LULUABOURG, WHERE THERE IS AN ANC TRAINING SCHOOL THAT MUST BE HELD AGAINST THE REBELS. BOUZIN REPORTEDLY TOLD THE PILOTS THAT LULUABOURG

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IS STILL IN ANC HANDS, ALTHOUGH SURROUNDED BY REBEL FORCES.

2. AFTER THE BRIEFING, THE PILOTS INQUIRED AS TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FLYING EQUIPMENT: HELMETS, PARACHUTES, MAPS, ETC. BOUZIN REPLIED, "THE AMERICANS HAVE IT. WE WILL TRY TO GET IT FROM THEM." THOSE AT THE BRIEFING REPORTED THAT BOUZIN HAD TRIED TO DISCOURAGE THEM AND CONDUCTED HIS BRIEFING IN THE MOST SKETCHY FASHION, PUREN AND THE OTHER PILOTS THEN WENT TO NDGLO AIR FIELD TO PREPARE FOR THE MISSION. MRS. PUREN RETURNED TO THE MEMLING HOTEL.

3. AT 1300 HOURS, PUREN AND KINGMAN TOOK OFF IN ONE OF THE T-6'S, HEDGES AND MACKINTOSH IN ANOTHER. BOTH PLANES WERE COMPLETELY STRIPPED DOWN: NO HELMETS, NO PARACHUTES, NO RADIOS, NO ARMS, NO MAPS; BUT PUREN INSISTED ON GOING. BEFORE THE PLANES TOOK OFF, MRS. PUREN GAVE EACH OF THE FOUR MEN \$250 WHICH SHE HAD RECEIVED FROM ANC COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF MAJOR-GENERAL JOSEPH MOBUTU THAT SAME MORNING. SHE KEPT THE SAME AMOUNT FOR HERSELF AND DISTRIBUTED THE SAME AMOUNT ALSO TO EACH OF THE FOLLOWING: MERCENARY COMMANDER MICHAEL HOARE, HIS SECOND-IN-COMMAND ALASTAIR WICKS, AND PATRICK O'MALLEY.

4. THE TWO PLANES WERE SUPPOSED TO HAVE RETURNED LATE ON 14 AUGUST, BUT AT 0100 HOURS 15 AUGUST, HOARE DISCLOSED PRIVATELY THAT HE HAD HEARD NOTHING AND EXPRESSED CONCERN AS TO WHAT MIGHT HAVE HAPPENED TO THE FOUR MEN.

5. FIELD DISSEM: STATE ARMY NAVY AIR CINCMEAFSA.

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Intelligence Information Cable

COUNTRY REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO (LEOPOLDVILLE) / ZAMBIA /

TDCS-314/01366-6A

DATE OF INFO 3-5 AUGUST 1964

DATE 6 AUGUST 1964

SUBJECT

TSHOMBE'S DECISION TO USE THE MERCENARIES / HEDGE'S (Central Agency, Brussels) PLAN FOR SEIZING ALBERTVILLE / ACTIVITIES OF WICKS AND DEMARS (other mercenaries)

PLACE & DATE ACQ CONGO, LEOPOLDVILLE (5 AUGUST 1964)

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FIELD REPORT NO. AGL 2755

APPEARANCE: WESTERN BUSINESSMAN (B); FROM EX-BATANGAN MERCHANT (C); FROM PUREN AND HEDGE, AS INDICATED. APPARENTLY 3.

1. ON 5 AUGUST 64, JEREMIAH PUREN, ONE OF THE WHITE MERCENARIES NOW IN LEOPOLDVILLE, SAID PRIVATELY THAT MARCO KALIBIONA, CHIEF DE CABINET TO PREMIER MOISE TSHOMBE AND HIS LIAISON OFFICER WITH THE MERCENARIES, HAD SEEN HIM AND JAMES HEDGES AT 1900 HOURS. KALIBIONA TOLD THEM THAT TSHOMBE, INTERIOR MINISTER GODEFROID MUNONGO, AND CONGOLESE NATIONAL ARMY (ANC) COMMANDER IN CHIEF MAJOR-GENERAL JOSEPH MOBUTU HAD MET THAT SAME DAY AND DECIDED THAT THE EUROPEAN MERCENARIES WOULD BE USED AND THAT PUREN WOULD BE IN CHARGE OF THE AIRFORCE. (INFORMANT COMMENT: KALIBIONA IS VERY CLOSE TO TSHOMBE AND HAS ACCESS TO HIM AT ALL TIMES.)

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2. ON 5 AUGUST, MICHAEL HOARE, MERCENARY COMMANDER, SAID PRIVATELY THAT KALIBIONA HAD TOLD HIM ON 3 AUGUST THAT MOBUTU INTENDED TO USE THE WHITE MERCENARIES IN THE DEFENSE OF STANLEYVILLE. (FIELD COMMENT: STANLEYVILLE FELL TO THE REBELS ON 5 AUGUST.) IN RELATING THIS, HOARE COMMENTED THAT THEIR EMPLOYMENT IN THIS FASHION WOULD HAVE BEEN "FATAL" AND THAT THEY WOULD ALL HAVE BEEN SLAUGHTERED.

3. ON THE SAME OCCASION, HOARE PRIVATELY EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT THE CURRENT "HESITATION" OVER USING THE MERCENARIES MIGHT END WITH THEIR ALL BEING ASKED TO LEAVE. HOARE CLAIMED THAT THE PRINCIPAL REASON FOR THE DELAY IS BELGIAN PRESSURE. THE REASON FOR THE PRESSURE IS THE THREAT BY INSURGENT LEADER GASTON EMILE SOUTALOT, COMMANDER IN THE EASTERN CONGO, TO KILL THE 100 EUROPEANS NOW HELD IN ALBERTVILLE IF THE MERCENARIES GO INTO ACTION. HOARE COMMENTED THAT "IF THE SITUATION WARRANTS," HE INTENDS TO ASK MOBUTU TO APPOINT HIM TO HIS STAFF IN AN ADVISORY CAPACITY. HE WILL THEN SUBMIT A PLAN FOR THE RECAPTURE OF ALBERTVILLE. HE WILL ASK MOBUTU FOR 100 MEN AND AUTHORITY TO USE APPROXIMATELY 100 EUROPEANS. (INFORMANT COMMENT: PRESUMABLY THE NUCLEUS OF THIS GROUP WOULD BE THE MERCENARIES ALREADY IN LEOPOLVILLE.)

4. THE PLAN WOULD INVOLVE THE USE OF THE LAKE TANGANYIKA STEAMER, "BARON CHANIS". HOARE WOULD USE IT AS A TROOPSHIP; HE CLAIMS IT CAN CARRY 500 MEN FOR A SHORT HAUL. HE SAID HE WOULD HAVE THE SHIP APPROACH ALBERTVILLE FROM THE NORTH, VIA UYIRA AND KIGOMA.

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AND POSSIBLY CONTINUE ON TO MOBA, WHICH IS ON THE LAKE, NEAR BALDOU-  
VILLE. (FIELD COMMENT: THE PLAN, AS RECEIVED AND OBVIOUSLY  
INCOMPLETE, IS CONFUSING. UVIRA IS IN REBEL HANDS. KIGOMA IS  
ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE LAKE IN TANGANYIKA; PERHAPS, NOARE MEANT  
THAT THE FORCE ABOARD THE "BARON DHANIS" WOULD ATTACK UVIRA BEFORE  
PROCEEDING TO ALBERTVILLE.)

5. NOARE'S SECOND-IN-COMMAND, ALASTAIR WICKS, WHO LEFT LEOPOLD-  
VILLE ON 1 AUGUST FOR JOHANNESBURG IS NOW IN SALISBURY. FROM THERE  
HE HAS TELEPHONED THAT RHODESIAN AIR SERVICES (RAS) IS NOW "SQUARED  
AWAY". (INFORMANT COMMENT: THIS MUST BE A REFERENCE TO EARLIER  
PLANS TO USE THE RAS TO SUPPORT THE MERCENARY ACTIVITIES IN THE CONGO.)

6. THE FORMER KATANGA MERCENARY, "BOB" DENARD IS NOT IN YEMEN  
AS REPORTED. HE IS ACTUALLY IN PARIS, RECRUITING MEN THERE FOR SERVICE  
IN YEMEN.

7. FIELD DISSEM: STATE ARMY NAVY AIR CINCPACAFSA.

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1. SECROB'S WIFE DELIVERED AIRLETTER POSTED JOBURG 24 JULY. STATES SECROB ACTUALLY LEFT JOBURG EVENING 25 JULY, CARRYING LETTER. OXALLEY STILL IN JOBURG, TALKED TO HER ON PHONE 26 JULY.

2. SUMMARY LETTER FOLLOWS: LEAVE THIS EVENING RHODESIA. AIR SERVICE CHARTER DC-4, CAPTAIN MULLOCK. WHOLE AUTHORIZATION FOR MOVEMENT RESTS ON ONE TELEGRAM FROM TSHOMBE WHICH COLONEL BUY'S (SECURITY) HELD WAS AMBIGUOUS. TOUCH AND GO UNTIL 1400 HOURS WHEN BUYS FINALLY GAVE GO AHEAD.

3. PUREN-ROT HIS SOUL-HAD PROMISED CONTACT SECURITY THIS MORNING, INSTEAD LEFT LAST NIGHT WITH WICKS, HEDGES, AND A FEW PILOTS INCLUDING YACKINTOSH. PUREN VERY UNPOPULAR WITH SECURITY AT MOMENT, OUR SELVES ALSO.

4. ABOUT 45 MEN, ALL OTHER RANKS, FLY WITH ME TONIGHT. EXPECT SECOND FLIGHT WILL BE IN 7-10 DAYS TIME. MEANWHILE BUY DENYING WHOLE THING TO THE PRESS WHO HAVE THE STORY, PROBABLY FROM ONE OF THE MEN IN PUB. INEVITABLE.

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... EXCELLENT ORGANIZATION WORK  
... A MUCH BETTER BUNCH THAN LAST TIME. INCLUDED  
... SHOULD MAKE GOOD SOLDIERS. TOO MANY ITALIANS,  
... LET YOU KNOW HOW THEY SETTLE DOWN. GORDON AND O'NEILL OBEY  
... DIRECTIVES THANK GOD, PUT EMPHASIS ON YOUNG AND ACTIVE MEN,  
... VENTEROUS SPIRITS, MILITARY EXPERIENCE SECOND. WILL SOON  
... BY FIRST ORDER WAS OFF ALL BEARDS, INC. JVN.

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SUBJECT

FAILURE OF TSHOMBE TO SIGN MERCENARY CONTRACT; FAILURE OF MRS. PUREN TO LEAVE FOR JOHANNESBURG AS PLANNED; DISPATCH BY WICKS AND O'NEALTY. *L. M. S. O'Neil*

PLACE & DATE ACQ CONGO, LEOPOLDVILLE (15 AUGUST 1964)

REF ON 52536

SOURCE AND FIELD REPORT NO. AGL-2503

APPRAISAL WESTERN BUSINESSMEN (B) FROM ES-SATANGA MERCENARY (C) FROM HOARE. APPROPRIATE: HOARE PROBABLY MADE THESE STATEMENTS AND THEY PROBABLY ACCURATELY REFLECT THE FACTS AS HE KNOWS THEM.

1. ON 15 AUGUST (A), MERCENARY COMMANDER MICHAEL HOARE SAID PRIVATELY THAT, DESPITE THE ASSURANCES GIVEN BY PREMIER MOISE TSHOMBE ON 13 AUGUST, THE LATTER DID NOT CONVOKE HIM, HIS SECOND-IN-COMMAND ALASTAIR WICKS, MERCENARY AIR FORCE COMMANDER JEREMIAH PUREN AND MRS. PUREN ON 14 AUGUST TO COMPLETE THE NEGOTIATIONS ON PAY AND ALLOWANCES AND SIGN A CONTRACT FOR THE 253-000 EUROPEAN MERCENARIES TSHOMBE WISHES BROUGHT TO THE CONGO. (FIELD COMMENT: FOR THE EVENTS OF 13 AUGUST, IN THE COURSE OF WHICH TSHOMBE GAVE SUCH AN ASSURANCE, SEE AGL-2795.) (FOCS-314/01739-01)
2. NEVERTHELESS, AT 1800 HOURS, MRS. PUREN WENT TO THE OFFICE

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OF CONGOLESE NATIONAL ARMY (ANC) COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF MAJOR-GENERAL JOSEPH MOBUTU TO DISCUSS THE FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE SITUATION OF THE MERCENARIES ALREADY IN LEOPOLDVILLE AND THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO RECRUIT THE OTHERS STILL NEEDED. AT 1730 HOURS, SHE SUDDENLY PRODUCED FROM HER HANDBAG A CHECK FOR THE EQUIVALENT (IN BELGIAN FRANCS OF APPROXIMATELY 9,000 POUNDS STERLING, DRAWN ON A BELGIAN BANK, WHICH SHE SAID SHE HAD RECEIVED THAT MORNING FROM MOBUTU BUT WHICH SHE HAD WAITED UNTIL THAT MOMENT TO MENTION. AT FIRST, HOARE SAID, IT SEEMED IMPROBABLE THAT THE CHECK COULD BE CASHED. HOWEVER, THROUGH THE INTERVENTION OF MOBUTU, MRS. Puren FINALLY MADE CONTACT WITH A "HIGH-LEVEL SURETE OFFICIAL" WHO CASHED THE CHECK IN U.S. DOLLARS, IN FIFTY-DOLLAR AND ONE HUNDRED-DOLLAR BILLS. (FIELD COMMENT: A FAIRLY RELIABLE SOURCE, A HIGH-RANKING NATIONAL SURETE OFFICIAL, REPORTS THAT THE CHECK IN QUESTION WAS FOR 1,120,000 BELGIAN FRANCS, PAYABLE BY THE BANQUE NATIONALE DE BELGIQUE TO MISS J.F. RENCHPREZ. RENCHPREZ IS MRS. Puren'S MAIDEN NAME.)

3. HOARE THEN SAID THAT, PERHAPS BECAUSE OF HER HUSBAND'S ABSENCE ON A SPECIAL MISSION, SHE DID NOT FLY TO JOHANNESBURG WITH THE MONEY ON THE 14 AUGUST ALITALIA FLIGHT AS SHE HAD ORIGINALLY PLANNED. (FIELD COMMENT: FOR DETAILS ON THE MISSION, SEE ACP-2625) SHE IS NOW KEEPING THE MONEY IN A SATCHEL IN HER LEOPOLDVILLE HOTEL ROOM. AT 2300 HOURS ON 14 AUGUST, HOARE DECIDED THAT IN SPITE OF ISHOBEN'S FAILURE TO SIGN THE MERCENARY CONTRACT, WHICH SHE BELIEVES WOULD

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THEMSELVES GO ON THE FLIGHT AS SCHEDULED. THEY LEFT, AND MRS. PUREN WILL "PRESUMABLY" FOLLOW ON 19 AUGUST, THE NEXT AVAILABLE FLIGHT. HOARE EXPLAINED THAT THE CONTRACT IS ALL DRAWN UP, LACKING ONLY THE FINAL PAY RATE AND TSHORBE'S SIGNATURE. (SOURCE COMMENT: HOARE HAD PREVIOUSLY SAID THAT HE IS ASKING FOR A BASE PAY OF 140 POUNDS STERLING PER MONTH FOR THE ENLISTED MEN, WITH ALLOWANCES THAT COULD BRING THE TOTAL UP TO 225 POUNDS STERLING.)

4. ON HOARE'S INSTRUCTIONS, O'MALLEY WILL PROCEED AT ONCE FROM JOHANNESBURG TO SALISBURY AND STAND BY THERE FOR FURTHER WORD BEFORE STARTING RECRUITING. WICKS HAS INSTRUCTIONS TO START RECRUITING IMMEDIATELY IN JOHANNESBURG.

5. FIELD DISSEM: STATE ARMY NAVY AIR CINCPACAFSA.

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OTHER MERCENARY NEGOTIATIONS WITH MORUTU AND SHOMBEI PLANS TO PROCEED WITH RECRUITING. HOARE'S VIEW OF THE SITUATION

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SOURCE AND APPRAISAL

FIELD REPORT NO. AGL 2799

A WESTERN BUSINESSMAN (B) FROM A FORMER RHODESIA MERCENARY (C) FROM HOARE.

APPRAISAL: 2 (THAT HOARE MADE THESE STATEMENTS AND THAT THEY ACCURATELY REFLECT HIS OPINIONS AND THE FACTS AS HE KNOWS THEM)

1 LATE ON 13 AUGUST 64, MERCENARY COMMANDER MICHAEL HOARE SAID PRIVATELY THAT AT 1830 HOURS THAT SAME DAY, HE AND ALASTAIR WICKS, HIS SECOND-IN-COMMAND, MERCENARY AIR FORCE COMMANDER JEREMIAH PIREN AND MRS PIREN MET WITH CONGOLESE NATIONAL ARMY (ANC) COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF MAJOR-GENERAL JOSEPH MORUTU. THE PRINCIPAL DECISION REACHED WAS THAT HOARE'S MERCENARY FORCE, WHEN FORMED, WOULD BE "AUTONOMOUS". (FIELD COMMENT: PRESUMABLY THIS MEANS IT WOULD NOT BE BRIGADED WITH OTHER ANC UNITS.) THE OTHER DECISION REACHED WAS THAT MRS PIREN WOULD GO TO UJAMBE'S HQR. SOON TO ADMINISTER THE 3,000 POUNDS STERLING WHICH DEPOSITED IN A BANK ACCOUNT THERE FOR THE MERCENARIES.

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(FIELD COMMENT: FOR AN EARLIER REFERENCE TO THIS FUND, SEE  
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2. AT 1230 HOURS, HOARE, WICKS AND THE PURENS SAW PREMIER MOISE  
TSHOMBE. THE MEETING LASTED "EXACTLY TEN MINUTES." TSHOMBE ASKED  
PUREN IF HE WOULD ACCEPT THE MISSION OUTLINED BY MOBUTU ON 11 AUGUST.  
PUREN "EAGERLY" DID SO. HOARE COMMENTED THAT THIS APPEARED TO HAVE  
BEEN THE SOLE REASON FOR TSHOMBE'S HAVING WISHED TO SEE THEM.  
TSHOMBE, HE SAID, APPEARED "WILDLY EXCITED." (FIELD COMMENT:  
FOR DETAILS OF THE MISSION, SEE BELOW AND ACL-2788  
( docs-314/01482-6A ).)

3. AT 1500 HOURS, THEY AGAIN SAW MOBUTU, WHO TOLD THEM THAT A  
SECOND APPOINTMENT HAD BEEN MADE FOR THEM WITH TSHOMBE FOR 1700 HOURS,  
TO SETTLE THE LAST DETAILS AND SIGN THE CONTRACT. HOWEVER, AT 1700  
HOURS THEY WERE TOLD TO RETURN TWO HOURS LATER. THEY RETURNED  
AT 1900 HOURS, FOUND MOBUTU WAITING AND, AT 1920 HOURS, WERE ALL  
ADMITTED TO TSHOMBE'S PRESENCE. TSHOMBE GAVE THEM INSTRUCTIONS  
TO "RETAKE THE CONGO": MORE SPECIFICALLY, MANONO, KONGOLO, ALBERT-  
VILLE, UVIRA, STANLEYVILLE, IN THAT ORDER. HE PROMISED ALL SUPPORT,  
WITHOUT RESTRICTIONS OF ANY KIND, WHICH, HOARE LATER COMMENTED,  
WAS "RATHER DISTURBING AND A BIT TOO MUCH OF A GOOD THING." HOARE  
ALSO NOTED THAT NEITHER TSHOMBE NOR MOBUTU SEEMED PARTICULARLY  
CONCERNED AS TO HOW THE JOB WAS DONE PROVIDED IT WAS DONE.

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WHEN THE QUESTION OF THE CONTRACT CAME UP, TSHOMBE APPEARED UNWILLING TO COPE WITH IT THEN AND MADE ANOTHER APPOINTMENT FOR THEM, FOR 1000 HOURS ON 14 AUGUST. TSHOMBE SEEMED TO HOARE "FIT BUT EXTREMELY TIRED."

4. HOARE SAID THAT WICKS, PATRICK O'MALLEY AND MRS PUREN WILL GO TO JOHANNESBURG ABOARD THE 14 AUGUST ALITALIA FLIGHT. HE COMMENTED THAT IT WAS NOW LESS URGENT FOR WICKS TO ACCOMPANY HIM TO KAMINA, AS PLANNED, BUT THAT RECRUITING CONTINUES TO HAVE A HIGH PRIORITY. IN JOHANNESBURG ON 15 AUGUST, WICKS WILL ALERT THE MEN WAITING THERE AND SHOULD BE ABLE, HOARE ESTIMATED, ARRANGE TO HAVE 50 OF THE 200 READY TO FLY TO KAMINA BY 18 AUGUST AND 30 MORE BY 21 AUGUST. LATER ON 15 AUGUST, WICKS WILL FLY ON TO SALISBURY, WHERE HE IS TO RECRUIT AS MANY MEN AS POSSIBLE, BUT NOT LESS THAN 30. HOARE SAID HE HAS CLEARANCE FROM THE SOUTHERN RHODESIA SECURITY SERVICE FOR THIS ACTIVITY. HE ADDED THAT THE "FIRST 120 ARE VITAL," THAT HE WOULD TAKE AT LEAST ANOTHER 60 BUT COULD USE "AS MANY AS WICKS CAN RAISE." MRS PUREN WILL RETURN TO LEOPOLVILLE ON 17 AUGUST. THE PURENS AND THE MERCENARY PILOTS WILL PROBABLY REMAIN THERE UNTIL 17 AUGUST. HOARE'S PLANS TO TRAVEL, HOARE EXPECTS TO GO TO KAMINA ABOARD A BOAT THE NIGHT OF 15 AUGUST.

6. AFTER RELATING THE FOREGOING, HOARE, WHO APPEARED RELIEVED AND ENTHUSIASTIC, SAID HE IS "ABSOLUTELY DELIGHTED" AT THE WAY THE OPERATIONS IS GOING. HE AND WICKS, TO IT AS "THE FINEST USE OF THE

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HOPE FOR." AMONG THE VARIOUS ADVANTAGES ARE THE FACT THAT "NO BELGIANS ARE BETWEEN HIMSELF AND THE ARC COMMAND AND THAT HE WILL HAVE A "HOT LINE" DIRECT TO MOBUTU. HE NOTED THAT ADEQUATE WIRELESS SETS ARE ESSENTIAL, AND THAT THESE MAY NOT BE IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE. HE ALSO NOTED THAT "THE DIFFICULTY WOULD NOT BE IN TAKING TOWNS BUT IN HOLDING THEM ONCE TAKEN." HENCE THE NECESSITY FOR TRAINING GARRISON TROOPS TO TAKE OVER WHEN THE MERCENARY FORCE MOVES ON. HE HAS ALREADY SUGGESTED TO MOBUTU THAT HE COME PERSONALLY TO KAMINA TO CONDUCT AN INSPECTION TWO WEEKS AFTER HIS OWN ARRIVAL THERE. HE ADDED THAT HE HAD "A VERY HIGH OPINION" OF MOBUTU'S CAPABILITIES.

7. FIELD DISSEM: STATE ARMY NAVY AIR CINCPACAFSA.

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