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Larry:
This is forwarded to you at Sammy Halpern's request.

As we see it, Garrison has now reached the ultimate point in the logic of his public statements on the case since the Playboy article. It's no longer a matter of CIA having been unwitting and then covering up for agents or ex-agents. It's now a matter of the conscious planning and carrying out of the assassination. This is by and large the Moscow line put out through R. Palme Dutt--a long-standing Soviet stalking horse--in the U. K., Labour Review, January 1964. The theme was later picked up by Joachim Joesten and other sources.

The cables are self-explanatory about the Dutchman involved. The file entries we hold on him here just add more detail to the unsavory portrait.

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1. REF FURNISHES DETAILS JIM GARRISON'S INTERVIEW ON DUTCH TV (NTS) PRIME TIME 22 FEB 68.
2. AS REF ALSO STATES, GARRISON INTERVIEWER WAS WILLEM L. OLTMANS (201-155221), LONG KNOWN ¹⁵⁻⁶ [TO STATION] AS LEFT WING, ANTI AMERICAN JOURNALIST AND TV PERSONALITY. REFERENCE TO OLTMANS 201 WILL REVEAL FACT HE WAS PRACTICING HOMOSEXUAL DURING HIS INDONESIAN DAYS (WITH SUKARNO AND SHARTO AMONG OTHERS), AND HAS ALLEGEDLY COMMITTED SAME ACTS NETH.
3. DUTCH PRESS GENERALLY FAVORABLE TOWARDS GARRISON INTERVIEW, MANY COMMENTS ON FACT HE APPEARED LOGICAL AND IN CONTROL OF HIS FACTS. MAJORITY OF EMBASSY, USIS AND WOFIRM CONTACTS HERE AGREE GARRISON CREDIBLE TO LARGE PROPORTION DUTCH VIEWERS. [SYMPATHIZER] 17, FOR INSTANCE, HAS STATED THIS VIEW AND FEELS PROGRAM CREATED AN ALL TIME LOW IN U.S. IMAGE IN NETH.

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FOLL FACTORS MAKE SOME EFFORT TO COUNTERACT PROGRAM WORTHWHILE:

A. AS REF STATES, PROGRAM MAY BE MARKETED ELSEWHERE IN EUROPE.

B. ALLUSION TO POSSIBLY A THIRD PART OF INTERVIEW STILL TO COME MADE ON DUTCH TV THIS WEEKEND.

C. FACT PROGRAM APPEARED ON NTS, WHICH USUALLY MORE MODERATE, AS WELL AS FACT PROGRAM APPEARS TO MADE DEEP IMPRESSION DUTCH VIEWERS WHICH EXTREMELY DAMAGING U.S. IN GENERAL, WOFIRM IN PARTICULAR.

5. ¹⁵⁻⁶ [STATION] STYMIED AS TO WHAT POSSIBLE ¹⁵⁻⁶ [STATION] COULD TAKE TO COUNTER THIS VICIOUS PROGRAM. EMBASSY ¹⁵⁻⁶ [AND STATION] WORKING TOGETHER TO TRY TO DETERMINE HOW PROGRAM ORIGINATED, I.E., DID OLTMANS ORIGINATE IDEA AND SELL IT TO NTS OR VICE VERSA. HOWEVER, ¹⁵⁻⁶ [STATION] BELIEVES IT WOULD BE COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE AS WELL AS IMPRACTICAL TO ATTEMPT LAUNCH SECOND PROGRAM ON THIS SUBJECT CRITICIZING CONTENT OF OLTMANS INTERVIEW. PERHAPS ONLY PRACTICAL POSSIBILITY IS TO PLANT ¹⁵⁻⁶ [VIA SYPILOT] SOME ARTICLES IN PRESS STRONGLY CRITICIZING

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NTS FOR THEIR IRRESPONSIBILITY IN PUTTING ON THIS PROGRAM. BELIEVE WE HAVE SUFFICIENT HERE ON OLTMANS TO EXPOSE HIS SEAMY REPUTATION, BUT WOULD APPRECIATE IF AVAILABLE ANY INFO ON GARRISON WHICH WOULD BE USED AS BACKGROUND SHOWING HIM AS PSYCHOPATH (WE UNDERSTAND HE WAS DISCHARGED FROM U.S. ARMY ON THESE GROUNDS) OR OTHERWISE REVEALING HIM AS IRRESPONSIBLE PUBLIC OFFICIAL. HQS COMMENTS AND GUIDANCE ARE REQUESTED.

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