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1. FOLLOWING INFO FROM WORLSE AND LIPBURG FIELD REPORTS:

A. THAYER WALDO REPORTED AS STRINGER FOR DREW PEARSON IN URUGUAY 1948 WHERE HE KNOWN FOR INACCURATELY REPORTING EMBASSY EVENTS. HE ALLEGEDLY FRIENDLY WITH GROUP OF GRANTEES COMMUNISTS IN URUGUAY. REPORT FROM URUGUAY ALSO DISCLOSED THAT WALDO MADE HENEGATORY REMARKS REGARDING U.S. POLICY IN LATIN AMERICA AND EXPRESSED HIMSELF AS SYNPATIZER WITH SOVIET-SUPPORTED. RELIABILITY OF ABOVE REPORT CAN NOT BE JUDGED SINCE NO AVAILABLE IN FILES.

B. WALDO ALSO REPORTEDLY SERVED AS CONNECTIONSMAN FOR PEARSON IN ECUADOR AND COLOMBIA. AFTER BEING INVITED TO ECUADOR BY PRESIDENT GALO PLASMA, SUBJECT THEN STOOD IN 1950 TO RENOUNCE U.S. CITIZENSHIP AND OBTAIN ECUADORIAN CITIZENSHIP IN ORDER ADVANCE OFFICIAL POSITION WITH LATTER GOVERNMENT.

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LATER DECIDED RETAIN U.S. CITIZENSHIP. IN 1953 SUBJECT WAS ADMINISTRATOR OF EL SOL, LEFTIST DAILY IN QUITO. IN APRIL 1953 HE LAUNCHED THE PACIFIC POST NEWSPAPER IN ECUADOR. SUBJECT CONSIDERED UNRELIABLE, DISHONEST, AND UNSAVORY BY AMERICANS AND ECUADORANS. JUNE 1953 WILCO DEPORTED FROM ECUADOR BY PRESIDENT JOSE MARIA VELASCO VIDERA FOR WRITING SARCASMATIC ARTICLES CONCERNING ECUADORAN GOVERNMENT. HE THEN SPENT ONE MONTH IN CALI, COLOMBIA WHERE HE RE-ISSUED U.S. PASSPORT. WITH HILLER, A HUNGARIAN NATIONAL, JOINED SUBJECT IN CALI, TRAVELLING FROM QUITO ON TWO PASSPORTS.

C. JANUARY 1960, HAVANA STATION REPORTED WILCO AS ARRIVED IN MEXICO FROM MEXICO CITY BY HAVANA WHO WOULD BE OBTAINING DISTRIBUTORSHIP OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE TIMES OF HAVANA. LATE JANUARY 1960, HAVANA STATION REPORTED SUBJECT DISCUSSED SIX WEEK TOUR OF CUBA WITH CUBAN OFFICIALS. HIS WIFE A CUBAN NATIONAL RESIDED MEXICO CITY TWO YEARS PRIOR LATE 1958 AT CUBAN CONSULATE, MEXICO CITY.

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D. LATEST INFO AVAILABLE HQS IS MEXICO CITY 9266
 INDICATING WALDO PUBLIC RELATIONS HEAD OF UNIV OF AMERICAS
 AS OF 3 AUG 65.

2. SUGGEST ADDRESSEES PASS ABOVE INFO TO EMBASSY OFFICERS
 WHO IN TOUCH WITH SUBJECT.

3. FOR MEXICO CITY: REQUEST TRACES ON SUBJECT. ~~REB~~

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