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CITE [redacted] 1141 (KORADE ACTING)

TO: PRIORITY HEADQUARTERS.

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1. TANZANIAN FOREIGN OFFICE HAS CONTACTED DAR EMBASSY WITH REPORT THAT TANZANIAN POLICE ARE DETAINING GEORGE LESLIE R I C E, AKA GEORGE LORENZO M A T T H E W S, AKA GEORGE EDWARD W R I G H T, DPOB. 21 MAY 1944, BIRMINGHAM ALABAMA.

2. FORNOFF OFFICIAL CLAIMS POLICE PICKED UP SUBJECT ON UNDETERMINED CHARGE BUT UNDER INTERROGATION HE SIGNED STATEMENT THAT HE WANTED ON THEFT WARRANT IN U.S., AND ON BASIS THAT ADMISSION TANGOV MIGHT CONSIDER EXTRADITION IF EMBASSY COULD IDENTIFY HIM AND WISHED TO PURSUE CASE. THIS IS COMPLETE REVERSAL OF FORMER TANZANIAN POSITION. HOWEVER, TANZANIAN OFFICIAL'S UNSUBSTANTIATED STATEMENT THAT SUBJECT IS MEMBER OF BLACK PANTHER PARTY AND WAS INVOLVED IN AIRLINER HI-JACKING TO ALGERIA SEVERAL MONTHS AGO MAY EXPLAIN THEIR CONSIDERATION OF SUBJECT AS UNDESIRABLE ALIEN DESPITE REFUGE NORMALLY EXTENDED TO OTHER DISAFFECTED AMERICAN BLACKS.

3. EMBASSY OFFICER PREPARING AIRGRAM WITH DETAILS, STATION

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WILL ALSO COVER DEVELOPMENT OF CASE. REQUEST TRACES ON SUBJECT AND ALIASES AND ANY HQS SUGGESTIONS AS TO WHO SUBJECT MIGHT BE.

4. SEE [redacted] 1140 FOR REPORT OF CONCURRENT ATTEMPT OF ANOTHER BLACK PANTHER CONTACT, CURTIS N. P O W E L L , TO OBTAIN NEW PASSPORT AT DAR EMBASSY. IT NOT KNOWN IF THESE CASES ARE CONNECTED BUT POSSIBLE THAT LOCAL HEAT IS ON BPP REPS.

5. NO FILE E2 IMPDET WN-SISM.

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