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     1. THE HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA),
CHAIRED BY REPRESENTATIVE LOUIS STOKES, HAS BEEN INTERVIEWING
A NUMBER OF RETIREES AND EX-EMPLOYEES AND HAS BEEN GOING
THROUGH MATERIAL FURNISHED TO THEM BY THE AGENCY. THROUGH
THIS PROCESS COMMITTEE STAFF MEMBERS HAVE OBTAINED A NUMBER
OF NAMES OF NONOFFICIAL COVER OFFICERS AND AGENT CRYPTONYMS.
IT IS NOW THE INTENTION OF THE COMMITTEE TO SEND STAFF
MEMBERS TO A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES TO INTERVIEW INDIVIDUALS IN
THE FIELD. WE ARE, OF COURSE, MOST CONCERNED ABOUT THE
PROTECTION OF OUR SOURCES AND THE IDENTITIES OF OUR NONOFFICIAL
OFFICERS. AT THE SAME TIME, WE ARE ANXIOUS TO ASSIST THE
WORK OF THE HSCA. WE SHALL THEREFORE EXAMINE EACH REQUEST
ON A CASE BY CASE BASIS.

     2. WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH CHAIRMAN STOKES TO DEVELOP
MUTUALLY ACCEPTED GUIDELINES FOR HANDLING HSCA REQUESTS. THESE
ARE:
          A. CONTACTS WITH FORMER AGENCY EMPLOYEES LIVING ABROAD:
              IF WE KNOW WHERE SUCH EMPLOYEES ARE, WE WILL INFORM
THE COMMITTEE. WE CANNOT, HOWEVER, UNDERTAKE TO FIND THEM IF WE
DO NOT KNOW WHERE THEY ARE.
          B. INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE NOT AND HAVE NOT BEEN AGENTS,
              BUT WHO MIGHT HAVE INFORMATION PERTINENT TO THE
              INVESTIGATION:
              THE NAMES OF SUCH INDIVIDUALS WILL BE FURNISHED US
BY THE HSCA AND WE WILL CHECK TO ENSURE THAT SUCH AN INDIVIDUAL

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WOULD NOT BE IN A POSITION TO REVEAL PREVIOUS OR CURRENT AGENCY
ASSETS OR OPERATIONS.
          C.   NONOFFICIAL COVER OFFICERS:
               STAFF MEMBERS MAY INTERVIEW NOCS BUT NOT REPEAT NOT
IN COUNTRY.   NOCS WILL BE FLOWN TO OTHER AREAS FOR INTERVIEWS.
ADDITIONALLY, NOCS WILL USE ALIASES AS APPROPRIATE.
          D.   AGENTS, PAST OR PRESENT:
               HSCA STAFF MEMBERS MAY NOT REPEAT NOT CONTACT OR
INTERVIEW AGENTS.

     3.   IF YOU ARE APPROACHED IN THE FIELD WITH A REQUEST FROM AN
HSCA STAFF MEMBER TO BE PUT IN TOUCH WITH NOCS OR AGENTS AND
YOU HAVE NOT HAD PRIOR HEADQUARTERS NOTIFICATION OF SUCH A REQUEST,
YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONSULT HEADQUARTERS PRIOR TO MAKING ANY
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