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REV ROME 9965 (IN 01475)\*

1. RECENT TALKS WITH AMWHIP 1 IN NEW YORK RE TRAVEL PLANS INDICATE PLANS BUSINESS TRIPS EUROPE THREE FOUR TIMES ANNUALLY SPENDING CIRCA TWO WEEKS EACH TRIP IN ITALY. ROUTINE BUSINESS MATTERS CAN BE EXPECTED OCCUPY CONSIDERABLE PORTION HIS TIME IN ITALY. WHILE AMWHIP 1 CONSIDERED ASTUTE ASSET WITH GOOD POSSIBILITIES ACCESS PERUMEN TARGETS ITALY, HQS DOUBTFUL HE CAN MEET STA NEEDS FOR ASSET WHO IS READILY AVAILABLE FOLLOW UP LEADS, DEVELOP CLOSE RAFFORT TARGET PERSONALITIES IN RESIDENCE OR IN TRANSIT, MAKE PITCHES WHEN CHANCE ARISES. NECESSARILY LONG INTERVALS BETWEEN HIS STAYS ITALY WILL BREAK RHYTHM OF OP DEVELOPMENT AND MAKE HIM UNAVAILABLE TO ASSESS RECRUIT WHEN LEAD MATURES IN MATTER OF WEEKS.

2. ALSO SINCE HQS USES AMWHIP 1 OTHER AREA OPERATIONS, IT NECESSARY GUARD AGAINST CONTAMINATING HIS CLEAN REPUTATION WITH PERUMEN REGIME THROUGH COM-MENDABLE BUT OVERLY ZEALOUS EFFORTS HIS PART TO DO MOST FOR STA IN TIME AVAILABLE. FBI, WHILE CONSIDERED SHREWD SOPHISTICATED, HE HAS TOUCH OF COMMON PERUMEN WEAKNESS OF BELIEVING HAND WILL NEVER BE CAUGHT IN COCKIE JAR AND CAN ALWAYS EXTRICATE SELF WITH PLAUSIBLE DENIAL.

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- 3. CONCERN STA DECISION FUMARISIA.
- 4. PRIOR FINAL DECISION BELL, WERE SUGGEST ANOTHER POSSIBILITY, I.E., RECRUITMENT IDEN C OF DIR 44488, 4 JUNE 63. IDEN C HAS POA, IS VOUCHER FOR BY AMHIP 1, AND EXPECTS TRAVEL HOME AT LEAST ONE WEEK PER MONTH TO ATTEND TO ANKHIP SONS. NEGATIVE FACTORS ARE HE IS UNKNOWN QUANTITY TO KUBARK REGARDING OF POTENTIAL, SUITABILITY FOR AND INTEREST IN CLAUDESTINE ACTIVITIES. ON POSITIVE SIDE, AMHIP 1 SAYS HE MOTIVATED HELP ANTI-REGIME ACTIVITY, AND HE PROBABLY PERFORMS GRATA PERFORMS TYPES ON SAME BASIS AS AMHIP SINCE, UNLIKE BELL, DID NOT DEFECT PUBLICALLY AND NOT BEEN OVERLY ACTIVE ANTI-REGIME MOVEMENTS. FURTHER, HIS PROXIMITY HOME AND FREQUENT VISITS WOULD GIVE STA CHANCE TRY HIM OUT BEFORE COMMITMENTS AND, IF STA FINDS HAS APTITUDE AND IS WELCOME PERFORMS ITALY, HE COULD BE CALLED DOWN ON SPUR OF MOMENT FOR SPECIFIC DEVELOPMENTS IN ADDITION TO REGULAR VISITS.
- 5. MAIN PROBLEMS WITH BELL APPEAR TO BE (A) LACK PROOF HIS ACCEPTABILITY TO PERFORM (B) COVER TO BE USED HIS PERFORMANCE HOME. IDEN C BEING OFFER POTENTIAL MIDDLE GROUND BETWEEN AMHIP 1 AND BELL. COVER IS ALREADY ESTABLISHED PROXIMITY IN AID HOME FOR REGULAR DEVELOPMENT TARGETS. ACCEPTABILITY TO PERFORMANCE AND APTITUDE FOR WORK CAN BE TESTED WITHOUT MAKING DETAILED ANVOCATIONS AND COMMITMENTS, AS WOULD BE CASE WITH BELL.

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6. IF STA WISHES CHECK IDEN C OUT, RECOMMEND FOLLOW UP ROCKEST SINCE MAY STILL WISH FALL BACK ON BELL. SUGGEST STA OFFICER SHOULD TRAVEL SUISSIE VISIT IDEN C OUTLINE PROPOSALS. NOTE HOWEVER HQS DOES NOT WISH ANWHIP 1 NAME BE USED. REALIZE THIS MAKES APPROACH BIT MORE DIFFICULT BUT BELIEVE IDEN C WILL AWARE ODYOKE INTEREST OBTAIN HELP ALL POSSIBLE SOURCES PERHAPS OPS AND WILL ACCEPT STORY HIS NAME AROSE DURING CHECK BY ODYOKE OF PERHAPS EXILES RESIDENT NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES AND VISITING ITALY PERIODICALLY. THOUGH KUDARK SUISSIE HAS NO CONTACT IDEN C, PLS CABLE BEIRN GVA INFO DIR PLANNING IF STA DECIDES VISIT IDEN C AND COORDINATE ON ARRIVAL SINCE THEY MAY USE USE LOCALLY IN ADDITION TO OR IN LIEU OF ITAL USE.

7. FYI: IF IDEN C UNSUITABLE AND WISH PROCEED WITH BELL, BELIEVE ESSENTIAL SEND HIM HOME TDY PRIOR FINAL COMMITMENT TO ASCERTAIN CAPABILITIES AND ACCEPTABILITY PERHAPS THERE. WHILE FINAL COVER FOR RESIDENCE WOULD BE RESPONSIBILITY STA AND (DEVIGIL) WOULD ATTEMPT ARRANGE COVER FOR TDY THROUGH KUVEST. KUVEST INDICATES SUCH COVER POSSIBLE THOUGH HAVE NOT TALKED CONCRETE INFO PENDING DECISION IDEN C AND DEFINITE NEED FOR BELL.

END OF MESSAGE

\*Rons prefers defer decision on BELL to get better reading ANWHIP/1 possibilities

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