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RYBAT TYPIC DEGRIP

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1. DEGRIP OUT OF TOWN AND UNAVAILABLE PAST WEEK, NARROWLY EXCAPED INJURY AUTO ACCIDENT WHILE TRYING REACH MEXI FOR SCHEDULED MEETING NIGHT 17 OCT. WAS MET MORNING 18 OCT AND PLANNED LEAVE SAME DAY FOR HAVANA ON TRIP ORDERED BY PARENT COMPANY WHICH RECENTLY RECEIVED INVITATION BID ON APPROX ONE MILLION DOLLAR PHARMACEUTICAL ORDER FOR GOC. D WAS DEBRIEFED AND BRIEFED ALONG LINES REFS AND PREVIOUSLY OUTSTANDING REQUIREMENTS.

2. SUBJ REF A OPERATES "ITALFARMA" PHARMACEUTICAL LAB HAVANA. BROTHER WAS REBEL ARMY CAPTAIN, FIRST NAME POSSIBLY AGUSTIN OR RAFAEL, ARRESTED TWO YEARS AGO FOR COUTERREVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITY AND NOW SERVING 30 YEAR SENTENCE ISLE OF PINES PRISON. SUBJ HAS BEEN ARRESTED SEVERAL TIMES BUT SOON RELEASED. CONTACTS IN ARMED FORCES WERE APPARENTLY LIMITED TO ASSOCIATES OF BROTHER WHO DID NOTHING TO HELP BROTHER WHEN ON TRIAL. SUBJ IS BACHELOR, ABOUT 35, WAS

ACTIVE IN ANTI-BASTISTA CLANDESTINE ORGANIZATION OF CATHOLIC ORIENTATION LED BY (FNU) RASCO. D HAS NATURAL ACCESS AND WILL PROCEED WITH DEVELOPMENT, WILL INVESTIGATE EXTENT SUBJECT CONTACT WITH ACTUAL OR POTENTIAL DISSIDENTS IN ARMED FORCES. WILL LOOK INTO POSSIBILITIES EFFECT RECRUITMENT OF SUBJ WITH MINIMUM EXPOSURE.

3. REGARDING REPORT OF REF B, DEGRIP FEELS THIS MERELY DELAYED OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT SINCE ZORILLA MOVED FROM POST DEPUTY DIRECTOR MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY TO NEW POST OF CHIEF DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMY INRA SEVERAL MONTHS AGO. DOES NOT BELIEVE ZORILLA HAS QUIT. WILL INVESTIGATE.

4. REGARDING REF C, DEGRIP SAYS VALLEJO IS ALSO CHIEF CASTRO BODYGUARD. D KNOWS GIRL NAMED LAURA CEPERO WHO KNOWS VALLEJO. LAURA WAS ARRESTED IN SANTA CLARA ALONG WITH SISTER AND TWO AUNTS WHO HAD HIDDEN IN THEIR HOME THREE KUBARK AGENTS WHO HAD RADIO XMTR. SISTER, WHO MAY HAVE BEEN MARRIED TO ONE OF KUBARK AGENTS, LATER ESCAPED. TWO AUNTS STILL IN PRISON. LAURA WAS RELEASED AFTER TWO YEARS IN JAIL THROUGH INTERCESSION VALLEJO AND IS SUPPOSEDLY STILL UNDER HIS PROTECTION. SHE RECENTLY TRIED GET JOB DEGRIP LABORATORY BUT REFUSED ASK FAVOR OF VALLEJO TO GET NECESSARY WORK PERMIT, SAYS SHE DID THIS BECAUSE SHE HAS OPPOSITE POLITICAL VIEWS. LAURA VERY CLOSE TO ADOLFO REYES, ASSISTANT OF D IN HAVANA. D FEELS HE CAN ARRANGE TO MEET VALLEJO THROUGH LAURA IN CONNECTION WITH GOC DESIRES TO PURCHASE PHARMACEUTICALS FROM D COMPANY. (WAVE: NOTE THAT WIFE OF SANTIAGO MIGUEL DOMINGO SANCHEZ DE LA TORRE WAS ARRESTED IN SANTO CLARA, 1961, KUBARK RADIO XMTR FOUND, SHE LATER ESCAPED PRISON. COULD SHE BE SISTER OF LAURA CEPERO?)

5. DEGRIP BELIEVES CAN GET ADVANCE LIST DELEGATES TO REF D CONGRESS.

6. REQUEST WOS SHIP SOONEST BY KUBARK CONTROLLED AIRCRAFT OR NAVAL ATTACHE FLIGHT ENTIRE CASE CALIBER 38 SPECIAL WADCUTTER TARGET AMMUNITION FOR PIECEMEAL PRESENTATION TO DEGRIP. THIS AMMO NOT AVAILABLE LOCALLY, IS FOR PISTOL PRESENTED EARLIER TO DEGRIP BY KUBARK.

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C/S COMMENT: *SUGGESTED MEXI BRIEF DEGRIP RE DOCTOR RENE VALLEJO ORTIZ AND DETERMINE IF DEGRIP CAN EASILY CULTIVATE SUBJ DURING COURSE OF DEGRIP'S NORMAL ACTIVITIES.