

ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET				
SUBJECT: (Optional) Return of John Whitten to Testify SSC				
FROM: Norbert A. Shepanek A/SA/DDO 2 B 1415		EXTENSION 9018	NO. DATE 23 April 1976	
TO: (Officer designation, room number, and building)	DATE		OFFICER'S INITIALS	COMMENTS (Number each comment to show from whom to whom. Draw a line across column after each comment.)
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1. Review Staff Attn: Walt Elder				<p>0-1: Attached is exchange of cables on John Whitten.²⁶ Please note that although retired he is blocked to EOD. He is also concerned about his safety since he is living more-or-less permanently in Vienna.¹⁰ (He may be afraid that they will turn on him if they run out of oil ministers.) Kidding aside, I think he has a legitimate cause for concern so we want to handle this matter as securely as possible.</p> <p>Please let me know ASAP how SSC wants to handle the finances for the trip. We have less than two weeks if they want him before 10 May.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Shep</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>File: SSC/EUR</i></p> <p><i>Cost of ticket</i> <i>Rd Trip 1st class TWA:</i> <i>#1,414. + \$3. airport tax</i> <i>Economy: \$808 + 3. airport tax</i> <i>Elder plans to ask for \$1,500.</i> <i>also for Jack</i> <i>John A. Seeloo</i></p>
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TO: PRIORITY DIRECTOR.

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REF: DIRECTOR 843029

1. REF MESSAGE DELIVERED TO MR. ²⁶WHITTEN 1600HRS LOCAL, 23 APRIL.

2. MR. ²⁶WHITTEN STATES HE DESIRES COOPERATE WITH REF REQUEST, HOWEVER, HE DOES NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT FUNDS PURCHASE AIRLINE TICKETS. IF SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE WILL ADVANCE TRAVEL COSTS, MR. ²⁶WHITTEN WILLING APPEAR IN WASHINGTON AT COMMITTEE'S CONVENIENCE BY THE 10TH OF MAY.

3. MR. ²⁶WHITTEN WISHES PLACE ON RECORD HIS EXTREME CONCERN THAT ANY LEAKS RE HIS PAST ACTIVITIES MAY CAUSE HIM AND FAMILY PERSONAL DIFFICULTIES IN ¹⁸AUSTRIA WHERE THEY AT PRESENT RELATIVELY PROMINENT MEMBERS OF LOCAL COMMUNITY. E2 IMPDET.

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