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15 April 1968

Mrs. Paula R. Rodriguez 9351 S. W. 175th Street Micri, Florida 33157

Dear Mrs. Rodriguez:

I was deeply moved by your recent letter in which you so elequently expressed appreciation for help the Agency provided you.

I am most grateful to you for sharing with mo your thoughts about your husband's life and his dedication to this Agency. It is very conforting for me to know that we have been a source of strength in your time of sorrow.

If we can be of help as time goes on, please be so kind as to lot us know.

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Ms/ Richard Helms

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REFS A. HVCW-7746 (NOT SENT JMWAVE)

B. HVCA-14933 (NOT SENT JMWAVE)

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- 1. REQUEST HQS CONSIDER NOT CANCELLING PROJECT CIELBOW. REF B
  POUCHED 14 NOVEMBER CONTAINS COVER RECOMMENDATIONS AND REQUEST THAT HQS
  SKEEK A REPLACEMENT FOR DIGERVENO, WHOSE DEATH REPORTED BY BANASIAK ON
  RETURN FROM JMWAVE.
- 2. HUNKELER AND COS MET NIGHT 14 NOVEMBER TO DISCUSS BUSINESS.

  DEVELOPMENTS SUBSEQUENT TO DRAFTING OF REF B. HUNKELER BELIEVES IF SPANISH SPEAKING OFFICER WITH BUSINESS EXPERIENCE CAN BE OBTAINED THERE WOULD BE NO PROBLEM IN REPLACING DIGERVENO IN PROPOSED COVER MECHANISM. HUNKELER REPORTS GOOD PROGRESS MADE IN OBTAINING OUTLETS FOR HIS LINES OF MERCHANDISE. AT COS REQUEST HE WILL PREPARE REPORT FOR HQS AND STATION ON THIS PROGRESS UPON HIS RETURN JMWAFE.
- 3. JMWAVE: REQUEST STATION EXPRESS COS SYMPATHY TO WIFE OF DIGERVENO. WHOSE DEATH BOTH PERSONAL AND OFFICIAL LOSS.

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- 4. IDENTITY-3 is a line of liquid fertilizer in which IDENTITY-6 is also interested. However, since the local fertilizer industry enjoys protection in the form of import licensing restrictions, it will take from one to two years of negotiation to determine whether the GOV will permit the importation of this line. Di Gerveno would, in conjunction with IPENTITY-6, represent IPENTITY-1 in the negotiations to obtain such permission. Again, this role would provide a degree of sponsorship by IDENGITY-6 and would enable Di Gerveno to at least meet significant government officials. While his operational objectives do not involve the GOV as a target, he could provide assessment and other operational data useful against this target.
- IDENTITY-4 produces a line of concrete block manufacturing machinery and accessories. There little doubt that as capital equipment, these can be imported into Venezuela -- but the number of prospective buyers is limited. Such a line would not of itself support Di Gerveno's cover, but would be a satisfactory supplement there to which would be useful in explaining the fact that he will not devote his full time to any one activity—and to account for at least that portion of his income which could not be justified on the basis of his work on behalf of IDENTITY-2 and -3.
- IDENTITY-5 produces wrought iron for the utility industry. IDENTITY-1 is considering accepting representation for IDENTITY-5 on a hemisphere wide basis. If this line is accepted, and Di Gerveno represents it locally, it will also help to enhance his status and to account for what would normally be an unusual work pattern.
- We do not wish at this point to get into a detailed discussion of financial arrangements. If, as we hope, Pi Gerveno does make some sales, commissions will be payable to him. If under existing regulations he could keep at least a proportion of these, we would favor it as an incentive to work at his cover. If not, we have confidence that he is a well enough disciplined professional, to work at it in any event.
- We would expect that the operational duties we have planned for Di Gerveno will take about 20 hours a week. This would involve meetings with the inside case officer; meetings with the agents; preparation of contact reports, drafts of cables, intel reports and dispatches, plus some time to think about his operations.
- We would expect Di Gerveno to spend the balance of his work week actually performing cover duties. I'is pattern cannot be neatlydefined as four hours for cover and four hours daily for operations. His daily pattern will vary widely and he must retain flexibility in order to be available when needed for operational duties. Nevertheless, to reiterate, he will have time for cover work and will be expected to do it.
- 10. Under these circumstances, we desire that he he thoroughly trained in his cover duties and that he have a thorough knowledge of the products he is to sell. If it takes 6 months to train him--we expect the 6 months to be used. As part of the training, and to even the deer for his PCS arrival, when he has completed cover training with IDENTITY-1 through 4 for 50 he and unplater about digital formace teacher. through 4 (or 5), he and Hunkeler should visit Caracas tegether. Di Gerveno can be introducted by Hunkeler to his commercial contacts, they can seek office space, and, generally, lay the groundwork for Di Gerveno's PCS arrival shortly after the exploratory trip.
- Please keep us advised on action taken, and progress on this proposal.
- 12. Just before the release of this dispatch we have learned of Subject's death. This is a cause for real regret -- but we would like to ask Headquarters to retain this cover proposal and to seek a possible substitute for Di Gervene who will have not only good knowledge of the

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IDENTITY-6 - Boulton Bros

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- 2. WHILE WOULD STILL LIKE TO ADHERE TO TIME TABLE ORIGINALLY ENVISAGED, BELIEVED IT IMPORTANT THAT AS MUCH TIME AS NECESSARY BE SPENT ON COVER TRAINING TO INSURE THAT THIS PHASE OF OP IS SUCCESSFUL.
- 3. SUGGEST HQS AND JMWAVE SET A DATE FOR RELEASE OF DIGERVENO FROM PBRUMEN DUTIES SO THAT HE CAN THEREAFTER SPEND FULL TIME PREPARING FOR CARACAS ASSIGNMENT. REALIZE IMPORTANCE AMCLOCK I OP AND IF DIGERVENO PRESENCE CONTINUES BE ESSENTIAL TO THAT OP, SUGGEST PREPARATIONS BE MADE RELEASE DIGERVENO FROM PBRUMEN DUTIES ABOUT 1 JAN; THAT TRAINING BE CONDUCTED WITH DUE DELIBERATION TO INSURE THOROUGHNESS; AND THAT CONSIDERATION BE

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PAGE 2 CARACAS 8124 S E C R E T GIVEN HAVING DIGERVENO LEAVE FAMILY JMWAVE UNTIL END SCHOOL SEMESTER JUNE 68.

4. IN SUM, DIGERVENO ETA NOT CRITICAL AND STATION PREFERS EVERY EFFORT BE MADE INSURE VIABLE LONG TERM COVER TO TRYING MEET AN ARBITRARY DATE FOR HIS ARRIVAL.

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3 October 1967

MEMORANDAN FOR: Central Cover Staff/Non-Official

Subject

14-00000

Non-Official Cover Request for Peter J. DI GERVINO (p)

1. Approval for non-official ocver for Peter J. DI GERVEMO (p) (former AMIRE-1) is requested. This Career Agent has been employed under the same pseudonym since July 1961. During the period June 1960 through July 1961, he carried the cryptonym AMIRE-1. Central Cover Staff has not been requested to develop non-official cover for this agent before.

### A. General Information

2. Peter J. DI GERVENO (p) is a Career Agent in the JHWAVE Station and will go to Caracas, Venezuela, in the same employment capacity. The proposed salary for him will be \$13,769 per year (equivalent SS-13/3). Other allowances which DI GERVENO will be entitled to during his assignment will be as follows:

Cuarters Allowance \$4,600 p.a.

Post Differential 10%

Equalization Allowance 2,200 p. a.

Education Allowance 3

2 children at \$900 p.a. each 1,800 p.a.

2 children at \$1,000 p.a. each 2,000 p.a.

Transfer Allowance

Temporary Lodging Allowance
\$9.00 per day per adult up to
90 days
\$4.50 per day per child under
11 years
Supplementary Post - Allowance
for 5 dependents (other than wife
and self) for up to 90 days at
\$5.00 per day.

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Furniture Monetary Allowance \$4,500 (does not include appliances)

Appliances

child

650

Stove \$125.00 Refrigerator \$295.00 Freezer \$230.00

Costs of Air Travel and shipment of personal effects

5,865.75

Total air fare from Miami to Caracas for six adults and one child \$929.50

Total per diem for !: day at \$25.00 a piece for six adults and one

81.25

Passport charges (pictures, fees, etc) for sevem persons35.00

Taxis to and from airports

20.00

Total HHE shipping and storage of 12,000 lbs at \$40.00 per CMT - estimate includes excess baggage and air freight 4,

4,800.00

Reimbursement for Venezuelan Income Tax computed at 6% of reported salary, estimated at \$18,369 1,102 p.a.

Reimbursement for operational use DI MERVENO private vehicle.

600 p.a.

- 3. DI GERVENO and family are considered to be mentally and physically fit for overseas duty.
- 4. Current and previous cover utilized by Subject are as follows:
- (a) Subject was logitimately employed in Havana, Cuba, as the manager of a combined Havana District Sales Office which handled the individual businesses of several US firms during the

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period 1954 through July 1961. His income during that period of time was approximately \$10,000 per year.

- (b) Subject has been under non-official cover from July 1961 to the present as a consultant for the Roberts Electronic and Engineering Service. This cover is backstopped from the principal office in New Jersey.
- 5. Subject is available to assume the proposed cover immediately.
- o. It is proposed that bubject arrive in Caracas around the beginning of January 1968.
- 7. The project cryptonym under which Subject will be carried if CIELBOH.

### B. Biographic Information

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 Date and place of birth: 27 January 1928 in Havana, Cuba, Sex: Male.

Race: Caucasian - mildly dark skin.

Religion: R man Catholic

Citizenship: US (naturalized)

Provious citizenship: Cuban (by birth)

Marital Status: married.

Children: three sons and one daughter ranging in ages from 10 to 16 years old)

Present residence modress: 9361 S.:. 178th Street Perrine 57, Florida

Number and relationship of dependents to accompany Subject on his foreign assignment;

hire

Four children - ranging in age from 10 to 16 Nother-in-law

All of above dependents live with Subject at the address listed as Subject's present residence.

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 Education: Tulane University (1945-1948) - Subject obtained a BS in Psychology

Tulane University (1948-1954) - Subject obtained a MA in Humanities and lacks one year to complete PH. D.

- 4. Subject was a legitimate businessman in Havana, Cuba, from 1954 through July 1961. He was the general manager of a Havana District Sales Office which represented several US firms (Appleton Electric Co., Century Electric, Hubbard Aluminum Products, Okonite Company) in Cuba. In the ensuing period from July 1961 to the present, Subject has been employed by a CIA-created commercial organization (JNOCEAN), during which time it might be presumed that Subject acquired additional commercial expertise. Subject's salary has ranged from \$10,000 (in Cuba) to \$13,769 (currently).
- 5. Outside interests which might provide basis for cover development: None.
- 6. Objective personality evaluation: Subject is very friendly, outgoing, neat in appearance and fully bi-lingual. His fitness reports reflect his congeniality in addition to his conscientious behavior and attitude.
- 7. Subject is considered to be financially solvent and to be without any unnatural debts or outstanding loans.
- 9. Previous foreign residence: Subject lived in the US for nine years while attending Tulane University. The remainder of Subject's life has been spent in Havena, Cuba, or Miami, Florida. Subject has had several fairly extensive TDYs to several Latin American countries.
- 9. Subject is fully bi-lingual (Spanish and English). He has limited capability in Portuguese, Italian and French. He is boing assigned to a Spanish speaking country.

### C. Security Considerations

- 1. Subject has been employed by CIA since June 1950. Subject was granted a Type A clearance on 5 Deptember 1961 in addition to the issuance of a CSA on 27 January 1965 (USA # 214 422) to permit Subject's conversion from Contract Employee to Career Agent Status.
  - Subject is fully witting of CTA interest.

- 3. Subject's Type A clearance permutted him to work in the JM.AVE Station during much of his tour in Miami. He has been inside Headquarters building on at least four occasions.
- 4. Subject was the Frincipal Agent for a Cuban stay-behind operation during the period June 1960 through July 1961. On four occasions, he was held and questioned for short periods of time by Cuban G-2. While there is no evidence that Cuban 18 has positively identified Subject as a CIA asset, it can be presumed that Cuban IS is elect to the strong possibility of Subject's CIA connection. Subject's wife is fully witting of Subject's true employment. Subject may have been exposed to other than CIA staff employees by one of the members of his stay-behind net either during the period when he was operationally active in Cuba or subsequently. However, while in Kiami, Subject has studiously avioced contact with the Cuban community, thereby obviating further speculation about his present employment. Subject's cover during his tenure in Kiami (from July 1961 to the present) appears to have been excellent.

There are no relatives or close friends of Subject or his wife in Venezuela.

- 5. No connection with any intelligence organization other than CIA.
  - 6. No adverse factors in Subject's personal life.
  - 7. Subject has never used any Agency reference.
- 8. & 9. After his present proposed tour, Subject will be expected to continue in a similar capacity elsewhere in the will area. It is expected that Subject's tour in Caracas will be at least four years.
  - 10. Paula Ross RODRIGUE wife. Resides with Subject.
- 11. Subject has both contract life insurance and contract hospitalization under the auspices of this Agency.
- 12. No members of Subject's family have current clearances. Subject's wife is the only member of his family that is witting of his true employment.

### D. <u>Operational Information</u>

### 1. Type of Operation.

Subject will be a Principal Agent for established agents, specifically tested penetrations of leftist/extremist groups in Venezuela. In the course of his activities, he will act as a spotter and assessor of new agents, but will not be expected to participate in attributable recruitment attempts.

### 2. Location.

Caracas, Venezuela.

- 3. Subject should be able to travel freely throughout Venezuela in addition to being able to occasionally make TDY trips to other Latin American countries and Europe.
  - 4. Special Groups agent should be able to contact.

There are special groups Subject should be able to contact, beyond those he could normally approach, given his background and education.

- 5. Subject should be able to attribute an income of at least \$18,000 per year.
- 6. Subject should be able to devote at least 30 hours a week to operational cuties.
  - 7. Communications channels desired.

No special communications channels will be necessary.

### 8. Cover Suggestions

Cover arrangements have been initiated with MUNKELER in Miami. HUNKELER has a consultant and sales organization operating in Latin America and is considered by WH Division as being able to provide excellent cover for Subject.

William V. Broe Chief Western Hemisphere Division

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# NONOFFICIAL COVER REQUEST FOR INDIVIDUAL

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### NONOFFICIAL COVER REQUEST FOR INDIVIDUAL

To insure the most effective application of nonofficial cover, it is essential that cover requirements be brought to the attention of Central Cover Staff in the earliest stages of planning. As soon as it has been determined that an agent is to be placed under nonofficial cover, either in the United States or abroad, a meeting with a representative of Central Cover Staff should be arranged. (When outside recruitment of an agent for a nonofficial cover assignment is contemplated, Central Cover Staff facilities are available to facilitate "clean" recruitments and protect the agent against identification with CIA during the integration period.) Initial discussions will be informal and exploratory and should result in the elimination of unsuitable cover possibilities. Central Cover Staff, Nonofficial Cover Branch telephone extensions are 5144 and 5122.

Following the initial discussion, and based upon it, a cover requirement memorandum signed by or for the operating division chief should be submitted to Central Cover Staff. It is specifically requested that a headquarters case officer other than the agent himself be designated to deal with Central Cover Staff in the development of the desired non-official cover, including the preparation of the cover requirement memorandum, in order that this development may proceed on a completely objective basis. This memorandum may be keyed to the paragraphs numbered below to obviate repetition.

No commitments will be made with any cover organization until Central Cover Staff has been advised by memorandum that the proposed cover and the agent's participation in the operation have been concurred in by the field and/or the Chief of Operations, DD/P. Such memoranda are to be signed by or for the division chief. Each agent proposed for a nonofficial cover assignment is subject also to personal interview by a designee of Chief, Central Cover Staff, for assessment as to his suitability for the proposed cover. This interview, when required, will be requested by Central Cover Staff.

At the conclusion of the discussions with the operating divisions and discussions between representatives of Central Cover Staff and the cover organization, two formal documents ordinarily will be prepared:

a. The first, a "Letter of Cover Instructions" addressed to the agent will be prepared by the Central Cover Staff. It will outline exactly the cover story to be employed and will specify what is expected of the agent to maintain a proper relationship to the cover facility. Each item in the instructions will be discussed with the agent and/or his case officer by the Central Cover Staff case officer, after which the agent will be required to acknowledge the receipt of these instructions. The branch chief concerned will also be

asked to indicate that nothing in the "Letter of Cover Instructions" conflicts with instructions given the agent by the operating division.

When the cover facility is a legitimate organization rather than an Agency-controlled mechanism, a "Letter of Understanding" with the cover organization is prepared by Contract Personnel Division. It is the "contract" with the cover organization.

The "Letter of Understanding" and the "Letter of Cover Instructions" I be submitted to the operating division for comments and concurce before presentation, respectively, to the cover organization and the agent for signature. Sanitized copies, in duplicate, of both the tter of Cover Instructions" and the "Letter of Understanding" will furnished the operating division—one copy of each for headquarters intion and one for transmittal to and retention by the field station its guidance and reference by the agent as required.

### NONOFFICIAL COVER REQUEST

### **SENERAL INFORMATION**

- Pseudonym of agent to be covered and any pseudonyms, cryptonyms or aliases used previously. Has Central Cover Staff been requested to develop nonofficial cover for this agent before? If so, under what pseudonym, cryptonym or alias?
- Current employment status and contemplated Agency status under cover if different from current status, i.e., Staff Employee, Staff Agent, Contract Employee, Contract Agent, Career Agent, etc.; Agency salary range, kinds and amounts of allowances to which agent will be entitled during his assignment under nonofficial cover.
- Is the agent now considered by the Agency's Medical, Psychiatric, Assessment and Evaluations Staffs to be fit for overseas duty?
- . Current and or previous nonofficial or official covers employed by the agent, including foreign and domestic, formal or informal cover stories, with a statement as to the extent of backstopping in each case. Unbackstopped, informal cover stories used for domestic disguise of CIA staff employment are specifically requested.
- Date of availability of agent to assume the cover.
- Proposed date of departure for overseas post. It must be recognized that cover necessitating the development of a new facility frequently requires several weeks for the necessary clearances of the proposed cover facility's committing officials. Additional weeks of negotiation, company training, etc., often are necessary.

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7. Project cryptonym under which agent will be carried. If there is no approved project in the conventional form, the basic authority should be cited and a statement given that funds are available to support any financial commitments made to the cover organization.

### B. BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

- Date and place of birth, sex, race, religion, current citizenship status, previous citizenship(s), marital status, children, present and last previous residence addresses.
- Number and relationship of adult dependents to accompany agent on his foreign assignment, together with current residence and a statement as to availability of biographical information on each. Number and relationship of minors who are to accompany.
- Education (college transcripts may be required where academic cover desired).
- Business or professional experience including salary ranges in previous positions.
- Outside interests, hobbies, etc., which might provide basis for cover development.
- 6. Objective personality evaluation.
- Agent's personal financial status in general terms, including approximate amount of loans and debts outstanding.
- 8. Previous foreign residence-generally discussed.
- Language abilities with particular reference to language(s) Indigenous to the area of assignment. If English is not agent's native language, state the degree of proficiency in English.

### C. SECURITY CONSIDERATIONS

- How long has the agent been employed by CIA? Security approval number, date issued, and purpose for which granted. Any derogatory information developed by investigation.
- Is agent to know specifically of CIA interest, only of U.S. Government interest, or neither?
- 3. How frequently has agent entered CIA headquarters installations or field installations substantially identified as CIA?
- 4. Cite any identification of agent's CIA connection to other than CIA staff personnel. Include relatives, friends, neighbors. Cite any known or suspected foreign intelligence interest in agent at any time and any known incidents or circumstances which may have tended to compromise his cover security. Does the agent or spouse have relatives or close friends in or near the area of assignment? Are they presumed witting or unwitting of his U.S. Government connection?

- 5. Has agent any past connection with or has his intelligence status been identified to OSS, SSU, CIG, G-2, A-2, CIC, ONI or any foreign intelligence, police or security service? Is any such connection known outside CIA and the service involved?
- Any other factors, such as family problems, which might have bearing upon the personal security of the agent or his ability to live his cover.
- 7. Has agent ever given CIA, Miss Violet Pitts, or "2430 E Street" or other potentially compromising reference for credit or other purposes? If so, where and approximately when? Cite any other instances of employment of cover for credit or other purposes not already cited above. Include specifically use of Agency-provided cover units or facilities.
- 8. After the currently proposed tour, do present plans for this agent contemplate (a) continuation in a nonofficial cover status; (b) transfer to an official cover status; (c) assignment to headquarters or (d) termination? It must be recognized that protection of certain nonofficial cover facilities precludes early assignment to a more compromising cover status after completion of the non-official cover tour.
- 9. If this request is for interim cover, what are foreseeable plans for eventual, more permanent cover?
- Identity, relationship, degree of knowledgeability, and address of
  person designated to Chief, Benefits and Counseling Branch,
  Office of Personnel for contact in the event of an emergency situation involving agent, as prescribed by HR 20-46.
- 11 Government or Agency-affiliated beneficial plans in which agent participates (WAEPA, GEHA, Federal Employees Group Life Insurance, Association Benefit Plan, etc.) and other personal insurance held, together with identity and location of beneficiaries and whether or not each beneficiary is witting of agent's CIA affiliation.
- Agent's Selective Service, military or naval reserve status, including current unit attachment.
- 13. Clearance status of agent, spouse, and other adult dependents who will accompany agent overseas. Are spouse and adult dependents knowledgeable of agent's CIA connection? His Government connection? Has agent been polygraphed?

### ). OPERATIONAL INFORMATION

1. Type of Operation

The general type of operation involved, i.e., CA, FI, COMMO, Logistics, etc., and the expected duration of assignment. The sensitivity of the operation should be indicated—e.g., observation, spotting and reporting only; case officer for established agents;

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recruitment of new agents; penetration operation—and a statement should be included as to the identities of any individuals and organizations, in the U.S. or abroad (other than CIA staff personnel, cover facility officials, and those listed under 2(C) (4) above), who are or will be made witting of agent's CIA or U.S. Government affiliation while he is under this nonofficial cover.

### 2. Location

The city in which the agent is to reside should be specifically stated and alternates in order of preference should be given

- 3. Indicate localities outside of agent's permanent location which agent should be free to visit and state the frequency and duration of such visits. Also it is important to know whether or not the time and intervals of such meetings will be determined by the agent or dictated by influences or circumstances beyond his control.
- 4. Special groups agent should be able to contact

It is sometimes possible to relate a cover to a particular group in the operational area, i.e., social, cultural, political, commercial. If this is considered an important factor in the cover, this aspect of the requirement should be explained in detail.

- 5. Approximate annual income which agent must be able to attribute to the cover organization. Sound cover, of course, requires overt (cover) explanation for a reasonable approximation of the sum actually to be available to the agent through Agency salary and allowances. However, a professional intelligence agent's qualifications frequently cannot plausibly command an ostensible income from commercial or other lay sources nearly approaching his Agency income. Firm understanding should be had relative to the agent's living within his cover income. Reservation of a portion of his Agency remuneration may be required. A less desirable alternative is the provision of additional cover for income.
- Estimate of the minimum number of hours per week which the agent must devote to operational duties.

### 7. Communications channels desired

In rare instances it may be possible to set up SW means of communication through the cover facility. If this is desired, the justification and frequency of such communication facilities should be indicated.

### 8. Cover Suggestions

Any specific cover suggestion or preferences expressed either by the agent or the operating division emphasizing the agent's special suitability to the cover suggested and or the special advantages of the cover vis-a-vis the target.

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- 2. DISCUSSION CENTERED AROUND TRAINING, BUT IT CLEAR THAT HUNKELER FIRM OFFERS WIDE SCOPE COVER OPPORTUNITIES EITHER AS SALES REP, IN MARKET ANALYSIS, OR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SURVEYS. IN CONNECTION WITH LATTER, HUNKELER FIRM PLANS INITIATE STUDY IN COSTA RICA DURING NEXT SEVERAL WEEKS WHICH MAY OFFER OPPORTUNITY FOR ON THE JOB TRAINING FOR DIGERVENO IF LATTER SPECIALTY DECIDED UPON.
- 3. FOR IMMEDIATE FUTURE SUGGEST THAT FOLL ACTION BE TAKEN CONCURRENTLY WITH PREPARATION PROJECT IN ORDER TRY GET DIGERVENO IN PLACE BY 1 JAN 68:

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DIGERVENO TO PINPOINT COVER ASSIGNMENT AND PREPARE COVER TRAINING PROGRAM.

- B. THAT DIGERVENO BE MADE AVAILABLE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO UNDERTAKE FULL TIME TRAINING FOR COVER ROLE.
- C. IF POSSIBLE, DURING TRAINING PERIOD, SUGGEST DIGERVENO TDY CARACAS FOR ABOUT ONE WEEK TO REVIEW SITUATION AND DISCUSS OP WITH STATION.

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18 August 1967

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, WH/3 🛬

FROM

Chief, WH/3/Venezuela

SUBJECT

Assignment of Emilio Rodrigues

- l. I wish to make it clear that I do not oppose the assignment of Rodrigues per se to Venezuela, but I do have some reservations on what he is going to be doing. COS, Caracas intends to use him as the case officer for the CIHAVOC and CITILT Projects. Since both are basically CE/CI projects I think this is a great mistake. The amount of research in these projects necessarily requires a great amount of files research which Rodrigues in his cover situation will not be able to do. This will entail a greater amount of work for the inside case officer, defeating the purpose for which Rodrigues was originally considered; freeing the inside case officer for developmental work.
- 2. The intoduction of Rodrigues into the CIHAVOC Case will also intoduce one more step through which most of the vital information that CIHAVOC-2 produces must pass. For example, his info now goes through CIHAVOC-1 to the case officer. With the addition of Rodrigues one more time consuming step will be added.
- 3. I am also of the firm opinion that different case officers should be used for these operations since both are penetrations of the same party and at times produce similar info. In addition, both are extremely sensitive and the compromise of one could possibly lead to the compromise of the other.
- 4. If Rodrigues was assigned to Caracas for the handling of a sensitive case which exposure would be embarrassing to the United States, such as a high level political penetration or a sensitive Soviet/Satellite Case then it would be well justified. However, I feel that his assignment as an outside case officer for these two activities is not since they could be better handled and serviced from the inside.

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5. Finally, the cost of placing Rodrigues in the field is not commensurate with his planned utilization. It will cost over \$40,000 for the first year and approximately \$35,000 per year from then on. See attached approximate schedule prepared by WH/Support. An amount the current budget cannot easily absorb.

Count Silvadams
Ernest D. Tsikerdanos
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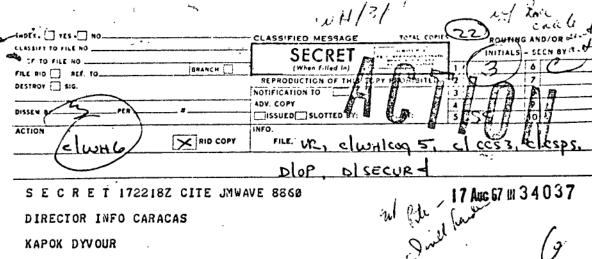
- 1. DIGERVENO ACCEPTS DEEP COVER ASSIGNMENT CARACAS ON BASIS ALLOWANCES AND BENEFITS DISCUSSED DURING HIS RECENTIDY HQS.
  - 2. DIGERVENO WILL MEET LABANOW PER REF.

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- I. RE DIGERVENO FORTHCOMING ASSIGNMENT CARACAS UNDER

  DEEP COMMERCIAL COVER, DIGERVENO SUGGEST FOR HQS AND

  CARACAS CONSIDERATION THAT HIS WIFE BE EMPLOYED AS SECRETARY

  FOR BUSINESS. WIFE IS EXPERIENCED COMMERCIAL SECRETARY WITH

  KNOWLEDGE OF TYPING, SHORTHAND, FILING AND GENERAL OFFICE

  PROCEDURES. ALSO SPEAKS FLUENT SPANISH. WIFE HAS NEVER

  WORKED FOR WOFACT OR LNHARP.
- 2. BELIEVE USE OF DIGERVENO WIFE AS COVER COMPANY SEC-RETARY RATHER THAN LOCAL EMPLOYEE AS DISCUSSED IN HOS, WOULD GREATLY ENHANCE SECURITY OF OPERATION; AND WOULD OBVIOUSLY FACILITATE DIGERVENO'S WORK IN OFFICE ON SENSITIVE REPORTS.
- 3. IF ADDRESSEES CONCUR, REQUEST PROPER TYPE CLEARANCE FOR WIFE (IDEN).
- 4. WHILE ABOVE ENVISAGES USE OF WIFE PRIMARILY IN COVER CAPACITY, CARACAS MAY POSSIBLY SEE SOME ADVANTAGE HAVING HER ALSO FAMILIARIZE HERSELF WITH WOFACT PROCEPTURES (REPORTS WRITING, DISPATCH FORMAT ETC) PRIOR DEPARTURE FROM JMWAVE.

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Under Project TVE, FCV 050.00 allowance or full use of QP less personal mileage

Cost of Air travel and shipment of effects 25,865.75 (see below)

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for 6 adults and 1 child

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- 2. IF WOFACT OFFICER NOT REQUIRED, CAN SEND EX-PERIENCED CUBAN REFUGEE INTERROGATOR, HOWEVER REQUIRED TRAVEL DOCUMENTS WOULD DELAY ETD.
- 3. PLEASE ADVISE PRIOR 1900 PREFERED TIME ARRIVAL LA PAZ AND WHETHER WOFACT OFFICER REQUIRED.

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### WHO AGENT BOX ...

### Part I - Request for Action

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| Summary of branch and/or field task performed by individual; of individual for Branch area   | recommendations; specific operational views re long and/or short range utility and overall blytch in needs   |
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# <u>Part I</u> - Request for Action (Continued)

agent in a Communist denied area, including ONVL, secret writing, cryptography, W/T procedures, concealment devices, personal security, intelligence collection and reporting. He must be able to accomplish all of
this training against critical time limitations. It has been Digerveno's
ability to handle this very complex and difficult job in a consistently
effective and fecture manner which has won him the praise of the Miami
Station management and commendations from several other field stations.
He has turned in an exceptionally competent performance in every operation which he has handled. In a Station which considers it has developed
a number of very capable and versatile operations officers, Digerveno
must be regarded as one of the two or three top officers, regardless of
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Peter J. DICERVERO

Summary of evaluation of past performance (if applicable) with emphasis and details of current performance for assigned operational tasks

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During the period June 1960-May 1965 DIGERVERO acquired considerable FI operational experience, beginning with approximately 18 months in a hostile, benied Area atmosphere. He is a most conscious officer, absorbed by and dedicated to his work. He is resourceful, constructive, capable and requires a minimum of supervision. He has growth potential as an operations officer and can handle FI, CI and CA cases with equal competence. His appearance is more typically Latin American than native United States which enhances his usefulness in Latin American and some European posts. He would be most effective in deep cover commercial assignments where his business experience and fluent Spanish can be used with maximum effectiveness.

During the period May 1965 through December 1966, DIGERVEHO has turned in an unusually strong performance. For detailed information concerning his performance see attached current Fitness Report.

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This officer's performance during the reporting period has been distinguished by outstanding devotion to duty and emceptional competence in all phases of denied area operations. As one of three officer's on the Station's "flying squad", Subject has travefled widely and often to meet and handle denied area agents in testern countries as far separated as Mexico City and Beirut, spending six of the last tuelly months away from the Station; despite the consequent disreption of his tamily life, he has accepted and carried out every assignment with unfailing enthusiasm and consistently high standards of performance. His perceptive manipulation of people, whother in approaching and recruiting new agents or guiding and controlling established resident sources, nas shown positive results in product quality and operational security throughout the reporting period. His ability to prepare an agent for clandestine operations in a denied area, in both tradecraft and psychological terms, is unsurpassed among officers working against thir target; he is imaginative, yet meticulous in paying attention to the multitude of detail needed for successful resident agent operations, and is able to draw extensively on his earlier personal experience as stay-behind resident to buttress his briefings. Most of his operational contacts have been carried out abroad, without the advantage of continuing personal contact with senior Station officers; despite the oftqn unfamiliar local situation, he has consistently maintained the highest

Tradecraft standards and won respect of all elements of the host Station BY EMPLOYEE I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE SEEN SECTIONS A, B, AND C OF THIS REPORT SIGNATURE OF EMPLOYEE /c/ Peter J. DI GURVENO (signed in puendo on Fld. Truns.) 9 February 1967 BY SUPERVISOR F THIS REPORT HAS NOT BEEN SHOWN TO EMPLOYEL, SIVE EXPLANATION 20. OFFICIAL TITLE OF SUPERVISOR 75/ Karcher McCullough Chief, FI Branch, JMWAVE (signed in pseudo on Fld. Trans.) 9 February 1967 BY REVIEWING OFFICIAL COMMENTS OF REVIEWING OFFICIAL See Attachment. OFFICIAL TITLE OF REVIEWING OFFICIAL TIPED OR FRIEITED MANG AND SIGNATURE

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/s/ John P. Dinger, Jr.

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## SECTION C - NARRAPIVE COMMENTS (cont'd)

wherever he has been.

Subject's linguistic ability (bi-lingual Spanish-English) and his logical, orderly approach to his work are particularly effective talents with respect to clandestine communications. Not only is he fully qualified to instruct agents in SW and OWVL (including the use of numerical and literal ciphers), but the clandestine messages he prepares himself are notable for meaty content, unambiguous style and concise format; other officers less fluent in Spanish frequently consult him concerning their own OWVL or SW messages.

Although Subject is a career agent, he has functioned in a staff capacity during most of his tour at this Station. Lacking experience with internal procedures at the beginning, he is today fully familiar with operational administration and support matters, and his files (operational, administrative and production) are among the best and most complete in the Branch. He is by nature a gregarious person but is also self-sufficient to an advanced degree and likes to work on his own; left to his own devices, he may spend undue time on routine detail which could be handled by his secretary or one of the Branch IAs but this characteristic has been most valuable during TDY trips when circumstances have often left him without the possibility of any qualified assistance. In all his work he shows a healthy regard for operational and administrative economy and is cost-conscious in the use of funds and material.

Subject's performance merits an exceptionally strong evaluation when rated against the standards expected of staff officers in his grade. He is an outstandingly able agent handler in Cuban operations and as he acquires broader experience, can be expected to compare equally favorably with officers running denied area operations anywhere in the world. In terms of personal character and professional talent, he is a fine officer, dedicated to the work of this organization, and it has been a distinct pleasure to have served with him.

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#### SECTION D = 3 COMMENTS BY REVIEWING OFFICIAL

The Chief of Station has chosen to review this report in order to underline the Very high opinion held by the Station concerning the performance of this officer. The excellent educational background, intense devotion to duty, courage, imaginative approach to operations, agent-handling ability, and his tradecraft skills have been noted in other reports and need not be repeated here. However, the reviewer wishes to note that during the reporting period, faced with a number of new operational challanges and a sizeable amount of independent work in areas far removed from the Station location, Subject has turned in an unusually strong performance. In his handling of several important and sensitive agents being mounted into a denied area Subject demonstrated exceptional attention to detail, a line knowledge of tradecraft, and unusual good judgment in a number of difficult operational situations. Thus, the reviewer fully concurs with the narrative comments and the performance evaluations of the rating officer.

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- 4. The following summarizes the progress that was made in these areas during the two year period of HUNKELER's contract status with us.
- a. Cover was provided for a Berlin based agent, AMTHRILL/1. Although the agent was terminated by Berlin Station, management of his cover was competently and professionally handled by HUNKELER. HUNKELER has continued to offer his services to WOFACT in this respect and, although he could provide a cover office anywhere in the Latin American sphere, has specifically suggested Haiti, the Dominican Republic, Costa Rica and Venezuela. He is now in the process of opening, on his own initiative, branch offices in Venezuela and the Dominican Republic and again volunteered them for possible use as cover. According to HUNKELER, Station Caracas has shown some interest in taking advantage of the offer. There has been no other use by WOFACT of this HUNKELER potential during the past two years. Such use in the future is an open question depending in part on whether WOFACT has a requirement for cover facilities such as this, and in part on the nature of our relationship with HUNKELER
- b. HUNKELER has met frequently with members of the Central and Latin American consular community in the Miami area. These associations were enhanced by HUNKELER's activity and participation in several international organizations concerned with business and social relations among Latin and North American countries. Some operational information was gathered about these persons, but none of them ever shaped up as a valid intelligence target worthy of further development and recruitment. It is not expected that this target area will be of any more interest in the future than it is now.
- c. HUNKELER has a large number of business associates throughout Latin America and in his travels has contacted a number of government officials up to the presidential level. Most of these contacts have been of a business nature. One of them, a Panamanian legislator, is of some interest to the Panama Station. Interest in the others has been minimal. Future prospects remain open, but must be considered as long range.
- d. There has been no use made of HUNKELER as a third party recruiter and agent handler during his two year tenure. He has declared himself always ready and willing to take on agent handling tasks, but the Station has found it more advantageous and efficient to use inside personnel for this. It is highly unlikely that station policy will change in this regard.
- 4. HUNKELER has been on several business trips during this period. On these occasions he was given an intelligence brief and his operational expenses were defrayed by WOFACT. The results, in terms of disseminated reports, have generally been negative.
- 5. Recently, HUNKELER provided an introduction to some individuals who have a potential for use in the JMUNION program. There was some discussion of continued activity for HUNKELER in this program, but it was the consensus that there was not sufficient promise in his contribution to merit retaining him for this purpose alone. It can be expected, however, that he might, in the future, assist in entree to other persons of JMUNION interest.
- 6. Station JMWAVE is of the opinion that employment of Robert S. HUNKELER has not had the results that were hoped for when the contractual relationship was first established. Recognition of this was implicing in the renegotiation of his salary scale from \$4800 to \$3600 per annuming March 1966 at the end of his first year's contract. It is also the opinion of this Station that there is little likelihood of improvement in the near future although it is recognized that a long range potential exists. These statements are made without prejudice to Robert S. HUNKELER, who has at all times taken a responsible, willing and cooperative attitude in his relationships with Station representatives and discussions of tasks and the prospects of future employment. It should be noted that HUNKELER wants very much to retain some form of relationship with the organization, as much for reasons of interest in the intelligence profession as for income he might derive.

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# Headquarters Action Requested

- 7. To summarize, it is JMWAVE's view that HUNKELER's only actual potential value to WOFACT is as a support agent to WH Division as a whole, in supplying unofficial cover and possibly in spotting, developing, and lecruiting JMUNION assets. His value to operations of JMWAVE Station itself will be non-existent or minimal, since there is little HUNKELER can do for that Station which cannot be accomplished more easily by a staff employee. Therefore, it is requested that Headquarters review this case and comment as soon as possible. The alternatives are:
- a. Renewal of contract as it is at present salary of \$3600 per annum.
- b. Terminate. HUNKELER has advised that he is not prepared to accept a salary under his present level. It is suggested that the following representative memoranda also be read in this connection:

UFGT 18719, Memorandum in Lieu of Fitness Report UFGA 26782, Unofficial Cover Opportunity, Caracas NUFGA 26598, JMUNION/Donald James Miller NUFGA 26195, Unofficial Cover Opportunity, Haiti UFGA 26170, HUNKELER Visit to Haiti

8. The above was outlined to Robert S. HUNKELER on 15 February 1967 by his present Case Officer, Jeremy F. GEDLAND. After an objective and frank discussion, HUNKELER requested that he be permitted an opportunity to prepare a memorandum setting forth his views on the situation and further asked that it be forwarded to Headquarters in conjunction with the present memorandum. The Case Officer agreed that he should be granted the chance to so express himself and to be heard on all levels where his employment was being treated of. HUNKELER's memorandum is attached.

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Philip G. ELMARD

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Date 19 October 1966

# Career Agent Biographic Data

| a. | Pseudonym of age | nt Peter | J. | DiGerveno | or | Division | WH |  |
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- 27 January 1928 Cuba Date and place of birth:
- Married c. Marital status:
- d. Relationship and years of birth of dependents:
  Wife 30 Jan 1923 Son 1957
  Son 11 Sep 1951'
  Son Mar 1953

Dan - 23 Oct 1954 c. Citizenship of agent:

USA

- (1) If naturalized, when?
- (2) If naturalized, where?
- f. Non-CIA education to include name and location of college, degrees, dates, and major:

1945-48 Tulane University Tulane, La BS Psychology 1948-54 Tulane University Tulane, La MA Humanities

- g. Military service None
  - (1) Country served and years:
  - (2) Branch of service and rank;
- h. Non-CIA employment: Kinds of business or profession, positions, salaries, locations, and dates: 1954-1960 - Was manager of a combined Havana District Sales Office for various U.S. firms. Income estimated at about \$10,000 yearly. /

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(Career Agent Biographic Data p. 2)

- Da es of psychological assessment, professional and language aptitude tests, if applicable:
- 1. Languages, including English, using the following terms:

Elementary, Intermediate, High, Native

| Language   | Reading      | Writing | Speaking |
|------------|--------------|---------|----------|
| Spanish    | Fluent       | Fluent  | Fluent   |
| Portuguese | Po <b>or</b> | Poor    | Poor     |
| Italian    | Poor         | Poor    | Poor     |
| French     | Poor         | Poor    | Poor     |

k. Agency training:

Subject Covered Duration of Course Years Taken

- Alias or pseudonym used for psychological assessment, testing or training, if applicable;
- m. Security clearance number:
- n. Date of last LCFLUTTER:
- o. Contract provisions: (Underline One)

(1) Provision for periodic step increases Yes No
(2) Provision for legislative pay increases Yes No
(3) Provision for total offset of coverincome Yes No
(4) Provision for civil service retirement Yes No

(5) Any unusual provisions (please specify)

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(Career Agent Biographic Data p. 3)

- p Date of beginning of current tour:
- q. Previous GIA employment:

| Years        | Type of Cover | CIA Duties                    | Project   | City    | Salary   |
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| 15 Jul 1!61  |               | Contract Agent (MOC)          | JMWAVE    |         | \$9600   |
| 1 Sep 1962   | NOC           | Conversion to Contract Employ | ee        |         |          |
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| 17 Mar 1963  | <del></del>   | FI Ops Off                    | **        | **      | \$10,400 |
| 5 Jan 1964   | **            | **                            |           | ••      | \$10,950 |
| 5 Jul 1964 - | ** ~          | **                            | ••        | ••      | \$11,295 |
| 14 Feb 1965  |               | Conversion to<br>Career Agent | **        | ••      | \$11,315 |
| 1 Dec 1965   | **            | " Agent                       | ••        | ••      | \$12,510 |
| 3 Jul 1966   |               | •                             | **        | ••      | \$12,873 |

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT:

Operational Review of Robert S. Hunkeler

DATE:

16 February 1967

### Background:

met with the then Chief of Station on several occasions concerning Hunkelers potential use as a Station asset. It was between the period following his resignation, and before his first contract with the Station, that the COS told Hunkeler that he was in a "cooling off period" during which time Hunkeler should devote his energies towards the settlement of his personal affairs and the development of his own business interests. Hunkeler was also told that his value to the Station and to KUBARK would be increased if he were free from all ties with KUBARK and ODYOKE in order that Hunkeler may be available at a later date for KUBARK assignments. The COS did not, however, make any commitments to Hunkeler.

## Developments:

2. During the months which followed Hunkelers resignation he proceeded to attend to his personal affairs in Lakeland, Florida, and established his company, Identity A, in the WAVE area.

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- was contacted by the Station COS and was recruited under a contract in the amount of \$500.00 a month plus operational expenses. Hunkeler expressed a willingness to undertake any assignment and a desire to actively participate in operations. (His initial target was largely limited to the monitoring of the activities and the personalities of the foreign consular corp in the WAVE area and reporting on matters of operational interest as they came to Hunkelers attention.)
- 4. Shortly after Hunkeler was placed under contract he submitted a paper to the Station which spelled out a number of specific tasks which he could, under the cover of his company if required, undertake for the Station or KUBARK. (These assignments are still comptable with his present cover and background.) There follows a list of these tasks;
  - (a) Sale of KURIOT doctored parts and supplies to the government of PBRUMEN through middlemen and in a manner as to not disclose Hunkelers involvement.
  - (b) Providing non-official cover facilities to persons being assigned overseas and who require a tight, realistic and flexible cover.

- (c) Recruitment pitches, courier work, or related assignments anywhere in Latin America.
- (d) Monitoring of diplomatic and commercial activities in the WAVE area.
- (e) Reporting on targets of operational interest, both in the WAVE area and in those countries where Hunkeler visits.
- (f) Spotting and assessment of specific operational targets in the PEPRIME and in Latin America.

# Review of Accomplishments:

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- travel anywhere at anytime for any KUBARK assignment, he was advised that his long range value would be jeopardized if he were to take operational assignments involving any degree of risk. Hunkeler was, in his opinion, "kept in a vacuum" as regards his being able to serve field Stations which have not to this date been made aware of his availability to travel except in those cases when his business travel takes to a country and the field Station is advised of his presence in the area.
- 6. From the outset Hunkeler began to report on developments in the WAVE area and he began to work in organizations which would permit him to penetrate the diplomatic community

and strengthen his operational capabilities in terms of being able to spot and assess Latin American political leaders. Hunkeler got him-self appointed to a policy making position in the Identity B, he was elected to the position of President of Identity C, appointed to the Board of Directors of Identity D, was elected to the position of President of Identity E, and became a delegate to several conferences (Panama, Jamaica and in PBPRIME) of the Identity F.

American oriented commercial activities and his organizational activities that he was able to provide timely and valuable reports on the Dominican crisis, establish a personal relationship with Identity G and persons close to him, spot and access several Panamanian targets, and report on the activities and recommendations of Identity H, an organization which provides commercial policy to the President of Panama. (See \_\_\_\_\_\_\_) Hunkeler kept the Station up to date on the personalities and activities of the Consular Corp in the WAVE area, and has furnished assessments and biographic information on 12 members of this group.

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(a) Operational reporting: During the last two years Hunkeler has traveled to and submitted

Other accomplishments include the following;

- operational and/or intel reports about Mexico, the Dominican Republic, Haiti, Jamaica, Venezuela, Panama and Costa Rica, in addition to reports
- originating in the WAVE area.
- (b) Establishment of Cover Pacilities: In 1966
  Hunkeler set up and maintained cover facilities
  for an agent who was initially trained in Hunkelers
  companies and subsequently assigned to a European
  post where he remained until a personsel reduction
  cut caused his termination. The cover aspects of
  this cover operation, however, were tight and
  professionally mmaged by Hunkeler. Other cover
  facilities developed by Hunkeler in this period
  included a cover office facility in Haiti, Venezuela
  and the Dominican Republic.
- (c) Other: In late 1966 Hunkeler met with an Officer assigned to the WAVE Station for the purpose of reviewing the operational potentials of the aribbean. Hunkeler was able to provide the Officer with the names and introductions to persons well known to Hunkeler who are now in the Caribbean or residing in Miami and available to participate in zent, p.a., or informant capacities.

### Present Situation:

- Officer of the Cracas Station who reviewed Hunkelers existing business activities in Venezuela and who told Hunkeler that the Caracas Station desired to use a Hunkeler company for non-official cover purposes in Venezuela. The success of Hunkelers commercial activities in the Dominican Republic (and the corresponding move by Hunkeler to open an office in Santo Domingo) is a recent development and there has not yet been time to query Station Santo Domingo as to whether or not they have a requirement to use Hunkelers facilities. (Hunkeler is presently phasing out of much organizational work in the WAVE area in order to devote more time to the chore of setting up his operations in Santo Domingo and Venezuela where both of his companies are currently doing business.)
- 10. There are several aspects of Hunkelers present business activities which have not yet been finalized: He will soon terminate his lease at his present address and has not yet decided where to re-locate his offices; he is still in negotiations with an investment group in Haiti and may undertake a consultant type survey there which would provide access to Haiti of possible interest to that Station.

# Future Potentials:

February, 1966, he met with a Station Officer and advised that he was fully in accord with a salary cut from \$500.00 to \$300.00 a month in keeping with budgetary cuts which were evident at that time. Moreover, Hunkeler volunterily ceased requesting reinbursement for operational expenses choosing to use his KUBARK income for entertainment expenses which oftimes have operational value to KUBARK. Although he has expressed his strong desire to continue his KUBARK relationship under a renewal of his present contract for \$300.00 a month, he has advised that he does not care to renew his contract for a figure of less than \$300.00 a month.

Robert S. Hunkeler

16 February 1967

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#### IDENTITY

- A. The NALAD Corporation (North & Latin American Development Corporation), an exporting company now specializing in industrial equipment, light industrial plants, and equipment.
- B. Florida Colombia Alliance, founded by the Secretary of the State of Florida, Tom Adams.
- C. The Dominican-American Chamber of Commerce
- D. The Miami-Dade County Chamber of Commerce
- E. The International Affairs Council of the Miami-Dade County Chamber of Commerce, the largest international trade organization in the Southeastern U.S.
- F. The Chamber of Commerce of the Americas, comprised of 47 Chambers of Commerces from 17 countries.
- G. Haitian Dictator François Duvalier
- H. COMEP Consejo Nacional de Empresas Privados (National Association of Private Industry)

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- 1. FYI ROME: DIGERVENO IS IDEN A USING IDEN B OPS ALIAS.

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  D OPS ALIAS. HE IS PARTICIPATING AGENT TRAINING.
- 2. AFTER INITIAL DIGERVENO DEBRIEFING OF ROMERO, BARRING UNFORESEEN COMPLICATIONS EITHER LANGOSCH OR SOKENIS COULD FOLLOW UP. DECISION DEPENDS ON CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH DEBRIEFING WILL TAKE PLACE IN ITALY. WILL APPRECIATE ROME COMMENTS PER REFS A AND B, INCLUDING VIEWS ON WHETHER LANGOSCH PARTICIPATION WOULD INHIBIT FUTURE OPS USE IN ITALY.
- 3. FYI JMWAVE: AMVAN HAS TENTATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR ANOTHER MEET WITH NUNEZ WHICH MAY FACILITATE SOKENIS USE IN ITALY. WILL ADVISE DEVELOPMENTS.
- 4. SUGGEST ROME CABLE CONTACT DIGERVENO INSTRUCTIONS TO BEIRUT.

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IDEN A: EMILIO RODRIGUEZ .

IDEN B: MAJOR ALEXIS DELGADO

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- 1. AMTHRILL-1 AND DI GERVENO ARRIVING MEXI 10 JULY, ETA 1930.
- 2. DI GERVENO (IDEN A) TRAVELING UNDER ALIAS'LEON BERNADA. PLAN STAY PRADO HOTEL. WILL CALL IDEN B AFTER SETTLED. PLAN VISIT STATION 12 AND 13 JULY.
- 3. DISPATCH REF A FORWARDED HQS 25 MAY 65, POUCH 2767, ITEM 20. BELIEVE COPY DELIVERED MEXI DURING REUTEMAN/ELMARD RECENT \* CONCUR DIGERVENO VISIT VISIT.

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IDEN A: EMILIO AMERICO RODRIGUEZ

IDEN B: ALAN WHITE. HOME PHONE 48-14-46.

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TSD Comment: Request disguise support for WELDRAKE, HUSEBY, SLOMAN, DIGERVENO and AMTRUNK-21.

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