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SUBJECT: OGC-1999-50042

1. (S) Pursuant to referenced request on/about 14 January 1999, PCS/Litigation Branch conducted searches reasonably calculated to identify Directorate of Operations (DO) records which would indicate that Agency employee Marrell McCollough, DOB [REDACTED] was ever an asset of the CIA prior to his employment in 1974.

2. (S) A search of the DO records system revealed no records. In this regard, and for the record, PCS/CL initiated SPIN, DRT, card/sofa, and name traces of the name, including spelling variations and known Agency pseudonym Clyde Chioda. At this time PCS/CL is awaiting a final quality-control statement from Information Management Staff (IMS), but this is a formality of the DRT search only and does not reflect upon the results of the remaining searches.

3. (S) Per our discussion on/about 14 January 1999, it is standard procedure in the DO that assets have personality ("201" or "A") files, and that provisional and operational approvals (POA and OAs) are coordinated through the Office of Personnel Security (DA/OPS) for US citizens. DA/OPS, in turn, will conduct for the DO local agency and national agency checks (LACs and NACs for police and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) checks). You advised that McCollough's OPS adjudication and internal investigation processing did not indicate that he was a prior Agency asset, or that the DO initiated a POA or OA for McCollough. As noted above, PCS/CL searches were negative for DO records, to include 201 or A- personality files.

4. (C) Should you have further questions, please contact me on extension 43923.

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