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8 APRIL 1952

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MEMORANDUM FOR FILE

SUBJECT: AE-~~ACRE~~ ^{ACRE}

1. AT 1030 this date the writer met [] Inspector General, CIA, regarding AE-ACRE. The writer pointed out that agent training in the United States cannot be conducted in hotel rooms or in apartments in Georgetown for the following reasons:

a. The continuing requirement of physical conditioning cannot be carried out under such conditions.

b. Communications instruction cannot be carried out with any degree of security in congested areas due to key clicks and power variation caused by transmission in neighboring rooms and houses.

2. [] asked whether SR agents could be brought in contact with one another if they were going on two separate missions and the writer stated they could not be for security reasons based on reports of the German Intelligence Service and their singular failure during the war in training groups. [] suggested that perhaps the solution would be acquiring a health farm such as the kind where boxers are trained and which would account for the presence of strange individuals. Although the writer said that may be a solution, the immediate problem, due to security pressure in Germany, we could only procure isolated farm sites as an immediate expedient and that eventually a large tract of land could be procured where individual isolated training units could be established. [] prime concern appeared to be the fact that in a small farm community the activities of residents in the area becomes common knowledge. The writer pointed out that in an extreme case such as a farmer talking about the strange activities in a particular house was picked up by a Soviet informant and reported to the Soviet Embassy, it would still be necessary for the Soviets to affect a physical penetration of the house or come in actual contact with the agent. Both of these things are prevented by the presence of American staff personnel 24 hours a day. Further, the survival training which takes place in Idaho, plus the additional commo training at the jump off site, gives additional insulation to the exact whereabouts and movement of the agent. Another factor to be considered is that even if the house is under surveillance, if proper movement is executed it would be difficult to determine whether an agent is being moved to Europe or Japan for further infiltration.

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[] asked how many agents the SR Division expected to dispatch during a year. The writer answered that ten (10) training units are being established with an average of three (3) agents per unit, making a total of thirty (30) per year. This would be contingent upon infiltration facilities and availability of agent material. Training units would only be activated in such case where both infiltration facilities are assured or are highly probable of achievement.

[] stated that the project at the present time is on the Director's desk for approval, and he cannot assure what action the Director would take, although he himself, [] did not disapprove it though he felt that the ultimate solution was not training in safehouses or farms in Washington.

The meeting ended at 1115 with [] wishing the undersigned luck in the undertaking. It was the feeling of the writer that [] had been sold on the project with minor personal reservations.]

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