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1 September - 1 November 1952.

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AEQUOR II PROGRESS REPORT  
1 September - 1 November, 1952

1. Since our receipt of Messages 1 and 2 from Camposanto 4 on 31 August, nothing further has been heard from the AEQUOR II team. Two months have thus elapsed since the last contact.

2. Our instructions to Camposantos 4 and 9, the two W/T operators and base men, were to make W/T contact with our base at least once every 45 days but no oftener than three times in every 45 day period. According to the commo instructions for the team, the backup signal plan was to be activated automatically on the elapse of 45 days from the last contact on the primary plan.

3. There are enumerable possible explanations for the team's silence. In our opinion, however, one or a combination of several of the following are the most likely:

a. Breakdown of W/T equipment

The team was given a complete RS-1 for normal use and a complete RS-6 (packed for burial) for emergency use. They had, however, only one generator. It is conceivable that this generator broke down or was damaged before the base men settled down in a permanent winter bunder.

b. Capture of personnel

It is possible that (1) all four team members were captured, or (2) that after Camposantos 6 and 8 had sallied out of the base area, one (or both) of the two W/T men was captured or killed in the forest. If (2) is the case and one of the W/T men is still alive, it is possible that contact can be re-established when one of the outside men returns to the base area. On the other hand, it is likely that the surviving base man would have fled the base area under the circumstances.

c. Separation of personnel from W/T equipment

This also breaks down into two sub-possibilities, to wit: (1) the two base men were surprised by hostile forces either at the base or while moving, and were forced to abandon their equipment and run for their lives; or (2) Camposanto 8 was unsuccessful in organizing a food supply for the base men and they were unable to procure enough food by hunting, fishing, etc. In such a case they may have been forced by sheer hunger to close down the base, cache their equipment

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and attempt semi-legalization on the outside. Even if they remained together (which is unlikely) it might be difficult for them to arrange visits to the old base for W/T contacts. The chief flaw in this second sub-possibility is that had they done this there would have presumably been nothing to prevent them from informing us first.

4. No further progress reports will be submitted until the next W/T contact is made.

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