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<p>A. EGFA-24849, 16 January 1959. B. EGFW-8443, 11 March 1959. C. EGFA-25510, 19 March 1959. D. FRAN-4933, 26 May 1959.</p> <p>1. On 30 May 1959 the undersigned case officer met with AECAMBISTA-4 in Munich. This meeting had been arranged upon the request of AECAMBISTA-4. This opportunity was utilized to introduce AECAMBISTA-4 to [redacted] an MOB case officer to whom the AEQUOR project has been transferred.</p> <p>2. <u>EFFECT OF AECAMBISTA-1 KUCAGE EFFORT:</u></p> <p>a. References A and C and earlier dispatches described those KUCAGE activities which are being undertaken by the AECAMBISTA-1 organization. Some indication had been received earlier as to what effect this activity may have had on those individuals behind the Iron Curtain (in the sector against which it is directed). As a rule, it is very difficult to establish what concrete effect a specific KUCAGE activity may have.</p> <p>b. An article written in the No. 3, 1959, edition of the <u>Kommunist Beloruse</u> (Communist Byelorussia) publication gives concrete indications in this regard and would appear to have direct reference to those KUCAGE activities engaged in by AECAMBISTA-1. N. KHALIPOV, Chief of the Division of Propaganda and Agitation of the CP Central Committee for Byelorussia, writes the following in an article entitled, "Political Education of the Laborers":</p> <p>"In the ideological activities which must be conducted at the present time, the battle against bourgeoisie ideology and against the remnants of the past in the consciences of the people and their way of life acquires a special significance. In view of the exacerbated ideological battle taking place in the international arena and because of the frenzied attempts on the part of imperialist circles and their ideologists to widen their pernicious influence via various media (<u>newspapers, radio broadcasts, mailing of literature, activation of reactionary clergy---</u>primarily Catholic, dissemination of false rumors and calumnious fiction), one of the most important problems of all workers on the ideological front is the intensification of political activity among all levels of the population and the indefatigable unmasking of the reactionary anti-national substance of the bourgeois ideology and morals. . . ."</p> <p>c. The items underlined (by us) indicate those items which concern the Soviets. All of these fall within those KUCAGE activities engaged in by the AECAMBISTA-1 organization.</p> <p>3. <u>RADIO MADRID:</u></p> <p>a. In accordance with paragraph 1 of Reference B, AECAMBISTA-4 was apprised of the Headquarters decision not to support the AECAMBISTA-1 participation in the Radio Madrid broadcasts.</p> <p>b. AECAMBISTA-4 accepted this news with great regret and again asked that this decision be reconsidered. His request that this decision be reconsidered is based on the contents of paragraph 2b above. In his opinion, the AECAMBISTA-1 portion of the Radio Madrid broadcasts are even more effective KUCAGE material than the Radio Liberation broadcasts, particularly since the former are tailored to appeal to the nationalistic aspirations of the Byelorussian minority nationality group, whereas the latter are closely controlled and must adhere to policies</p>			
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which are not popular with the minority nationalities, e.g. evasion self-determination issue, a line adopted to avoid offending the Great Russians, et cetera.

c. Because the two AECAMBISTA-1 employees at Radio Madrid are supported only by funds collected from among the AECAMBISTA-1 members in Germany and the United States, AECAMBISTA-4 reported that, unless KUBARK was interested in subsidizing the Radio Madrid broadcasts, the two employees would be obliged, in the near future, to seek employment elsewhere. Neither of the two are financially independent and, having just completed their university studies, they are desirous of supporting their families. They had undertaken the Radio Madrid broadcast activities in the hope that some additional financial support would be forthcoming in the future.

d. AECAMBISTA-4 indicated that both employees would be amenable to rendering other services to KUBARK should there be need for this in Madrid.

4. SOVIET KUCAGE EFFORT VS AECAMBISTA-1:

a. The Return to the Homeland Committee in East Berlin carried an article which was directed toward the AECAMBISTA-1 emigre group. The article, written as an open letter to the AECAMBISTA-1 emigre group, had allegedly been written by a former AECAMBISTA-1 member and avid Byelorussian nationalist, one Colonel SOKOL-KOTILOWSKI.

b. SOKOL-KOTILOWSKI was the commander of the brigade of Byelorussians which in 1919 and 1920 fought against the Red armies. Outnumbered several times, SOKOL-KOTILOWSKI and his brigade then retreated to Poland where the members of the brigade were interned. SOKOL-KOTILOWSKI, who became the object of an extensive search by the Soviets as an "enemy of the state", entered the priesthood in Poland. During World War II, SOKOL-KOTILOWSKI served as commander of a Byelorussian division, which fought against the Soviets, under AECAMBISTA-10.

c. Before the conclusion of World War II, SOKOL-KOTILOWSKI surrendered his division to the American army after fighting through the German lines. However, at the end of World War II, SOKOL-KOTILOWSKI was handed back to the Soviets by either the French or the Americans, together with others who were being returned to the Soviets. Because this made SOKOL-KOTILOWSKI a two-time enemy of the Soviet state, it had been expected that SOKOL-KOTILOWSKI was executed by the Soviets.

d. However, the article in the Return to the Homeland Committee indicates that SOKOL-KOTILOWSKI has been persuaded by the Soviets to work against AECAMBISTA-1. In his letter, SOKOL-KOTILOWSKI puts himself forward as an example of those individuals who, although having committed various "anti-State" acts, have been permitted to "rehabilitate" and to continue living in the Soviet Union. SOKOL-KOTILOWSKI then makes an impassioned appeal to all Byelorussians to return to the USSR, after pointing out that it is pointless to resist the Soviet Union, "which possesses the weapons needed to bring the world to its knees, et cetera". According to AECAMBISTA-4, the appeal is well-prepared and is an effective psychological attack on AECAMBISTA-1.

e. AECAMBISTA-4 once again points out that AECAMBISTA-1 continues to remain the target of Soviet KUCAGE efforts, an indication that the AECAMBISTA-1 emigration continues to be a recognized threat to the Soviet Union.

5. CAPTURE OF AECAMPOSANTO-1:

a. During his recent trip to England, AECAMBISTA-4 learned about several new developments which appear to indicate that the KGB has not permitted the AECAMPOSANTO-1 capture to remain unexploited. In discussions with Alexander LASHCHUK, who corresponds regularly with the family of AECAMPOSANTO-1 in Poland, AECAMBISTA-4 learned that AECAMPOSANTO-1 was captured while sleeping in the home of his sister in the BSSR. He had been betrayed to the KGB by his sister's husband, a former member of the MGB (KGB).

b. This sister, who subsequently moved to the Ukrainian SSR -allegedly in order to get away from her husband- now reports that she is most desirous of making her way to the West. However, she indicates that she is unable to do so without having her husband accompany her. She, therefore, asks for assistance, although

she does not clarify how assistance may be given to her. To all appearances, judging from the correspondence, this sister, once she has made her way to Poland, intends to continue on to the West.

c. It is doubted that the KGB would not continue to keep close tabs upon an individual who had been identified with the AECAMBISTA-1 revolutionary movement, or that the KGB would permit such an individual to make her way to the West -unless this suited KGB purposes. Moreover, as confirmation that all of the foregoing may be groundwork being laid for a future provocation, the sister reports that all of the more than forty Byelorussians, all of whom had been arrested for rendering aid to AECAMPOSANTO-1, have been permitted to return to their homes in Byelorussia, where they now reside -thereby implying that within this group there is a nucleus for the anti-Soviet movement that was initiated earlier by AECAMPOSANTO-1. (NOTE: This has the overtones of the AESUMAC-2 case.)

6. AECESSAY: AECAMBISTA-4 requested KUBARK intervention and assistance in aiding AECESSAY to emigrate to the USA. Although both AECESSAY and his family have received visas to emigrate, AECESSAY, because of unspecified technicalities associated with his medical processing, will be required to lag behind and thereby lose his place on the current quota. This matter was transferred to the new AEQUOR case officer, [redacted] who will discuss the matter with CACROZE. It should be noted that, because AECESSAY was used in the REDSOX program locally, it is to the advantage of KUBARK to see AECESSAY resettle satisfactorily by joining his family in the USA.

7. RADIO LIBERATION: AECAMBISTA-4 reported that the name of Radio Liberation has been changed to Radio Liberty. The change in the name had been made allegedly because

a. it was felt that the latter name would be less offense to the Soviets, and

b. a poll, conducted among defectors, had indicated that the listeners in the USSR want no "liberation" from the West.

AECAMBISTA-4 reported that he registered his strong objections as had other prominent emigre leaders. However, the Radio Liberation officials reported that they are against "creating any illusion among the people inside which would lead them to believe that the Americans are willing to aid in their 'liberation'".

8. IMMIGRATION: AECAMBISTA-4 reported that he has had to postpone, probably indefinitely, his plans to immigrate to the United States. His decision is based primarily upon the absence of any financial support which would be rendered to him in the United States. (NOTE: The AECAMBISTA-1 members in the United States have been unable to date to collect the needed funds for this purpose.) Therefore, in order to remain politically active, AECAMBISTA-4 has chosen to remain in Paris where he can eke out an existence (garden, chickens, et cetera). In this regard, AECAMBISTA-4 inquired whether KUBARK would not be in a position to render him aid in the form of part-time employment which could be found for him at some federal institution, e.g. Library of Congress.

9. AEERMINE: AECAMBISTA-4 reported that AEERMINE again visited him in Paris. The visit was paid in conjunction with the latter's efforts to gain control of his property in France. AECAMBISTA-4 was again warned to be circumspect in his association with AEERMINE.

10. CASE TRANSFER: AECAMBISTA-4 was told that the AEQUOR case would, in the future, be handled by [redacted] (NOTE: This transfer was effected in accordance with Reference D.)

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