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| REFERENCE(S) | | | |
| <p>1. We would like for you to discuss confidentially and informally with [] the following ideas and elicit his comments on the following in principle. If his reaction is favorable, you may wish to suggest that [] and you discuss these ideas with SHARRS and if desirable with []. After we get their reactions and comments, we can then narrow our suggestions to specific organizations and targets. We feel that these ideas offer to [] a means of broadening the interview program without taxing his small staff.</p> <p>2. As you are aware, there exists a close relationship between the various ethnic groups in Canada and their counterparts in the United States. It is proposed that through tightly "controlled agents" in the United States groups, the Canadian anti-communist ethnic groups be exploited for the mutual benefit of [] and RUBARK. The "controlled agents", in the name of the ethnic group, would approach members in the Canadian groups to solicit their cooperation to serve as spotters in ethnic communities. These spotters would, in turn, report on any traveler who may be planning to return to the motherland either on a visit or permanently. Such reports on the traveler would include biographics, itinerary, area knowledgeability, and possible contacts in the motherland. The spotter should also include his personal evaluation of the traveler's discretion, reliability, and willingness to cooperate.</p> <p>3. Subsequent development of the operation might be as follows: The reports from the spotters would be turned over to the "controlled agents", who would make them available to us. After our careful screening, we would pass to [] the list of prospective travelers together with name check information and a request for briefing requirements. Any requirements received from [] would be combined with those submitted by RUBARK. The combined [] RUBARK requirements would be given to the "controlled agent" who would then serve as a briefing officer. These requirements would be restricted to such activities which the traveler could indulge in without arousing undue curiosity or suspicion. We would expect him to keep his eyes and ears open and to collect information for which he has received requirements. Assure [] that we would not expect a traveler to perform such clandestine activities as letter-drops, internal agent contact, or aerial photography.</p> <p>4. As another alternative, we might consider turning over the spotters to [] control if we could feed in our specific briefing requirements and receive the take. This alternative has the apparent disadvantage (from the SHARRS viewpoint) of direct government-ethnic group contact with increased flap potential. A third alternative which contains similar "flap potential" would be a joint operation involving "controlled agent" briefers and [] personnel. A joint operation in which [] personnel were not in direct touch with the traveler might exploit persons who normally would be unwilling to cooperate with a government but might be induced to cooperate with persons within their ethnic group. If the traveler by misfortune got into trouble with the authorities of the motherland, he could honestly say he was not working for either the Canadians or the U.S. Government thereby avoiding embarrassing either government.</p> <p>5. We feel the above proposal with alternatives and variations, if acceptable to [] in principle, would provide additional manpower for his interview program. If the [] are agreeable to the proposal, we do have prepared and qualified agents within controlled groups who can be used to start this new collaboration.</p> | | | |
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