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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Contact with AECASSOWARY/2 in Washington on Wednesday,
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1. A/2 was told that there was a request from [] in the field to have A/29's tour extended until 1 January 1964. A/29 also wrote A/2 asking him what his plans for him were for the future and whether or not he wanted him to continue in his present post. In his reply, A/2 asked for A/29's opinion regarding whether or not anything further could be accomplished by his remaining in Europe, what operational potential there was, etc. As far as A/2 is concerned, he is agreeable to go along with whatever A/29 and Steve recommend. The workload in the New York office has leveled off somewhat since Mrs. Muzychenko was brought on board and, if A/29 were to return now, A/2 would put him on the road to establish ties with new, younger people on whom the group could depend for contact and spotting operations in the United States.

I mentioned to A/2 that Steve had recommended a cost of living differential for A/29 because of the high cost of living in Brussels. A/2 agreed it would be only fair to help A/29 out in this respect. As I had anticipated, he inquired whether this could be accomplished without the knowledge of the other AEBEEHIVE employees. I told him that if Steve's recommendation is approved at headquarters, we could forward an additional allotment to Brussels and ask that A/2 be given the cost of living differential directly in the field so that there would be no transactions shown on AEBEEHIVE books. A/2 felt this would eliminate any hard feelings among AEBEEHIVE employees.

The recent salary increase to AEBEEHIVE employees brought A29's salary up to \$650.00 monthly, or \$7800.00 per annum.

A/29 had mentioned in his letter to A/2 that he would like to come home for a while to take care of some of his son's medical problems. A/2 was told that it would be up to Steve in the field to say whether A/29 could be spared for any length of time but that A/29 could not, in any event, expect to be reimbursed for his travel at this time.

2. PROLOGO. A/2 was told not to make any further payments to Professor Halajczuk for future issues of Prologo. He said he would notify the professor to this effect and that he hoped the journal could be continued without any more expense to AEBEEHIVE. He is waiting for a current report from the professor on the third issue of Prologo.

3. In a letter received from Argentina, A/2 learned that some of the Ukrainians who repatriated to the UkSSR during 1956-57 were brought

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along to Cuba as interpreters as part of the group of 5,000 Soviet technicians. This is probably just a rumor because no one has been able to confirm the reports. There also are unconfirmed reports that some 200-300 of the Ukrainians who repatriated to the Soviet Union in the 50's are now back in Argentina. A/2 is trying to have this information verified via Professor Halajczuk who would also try to interview such returnees. Reports have filtered back about the unhappy situation in which the Ukrainian repatriates from Argentina have found themselves in the Soviet Union. There is a story that a Western tourist in the Ukraine had occasion to talk with one of the repatriates from Argentina. He noticed the man was rather well dressed in Western style clothes, except for a beaten down old hat. When asked why he wore the old torn hat with his otherwise good looking attire, the man replied, "Because my stupid head doesn't deserve a good hat. If my head weren't so stupid, I would still be in Argentina today."

4. Martha Bohachevaka admitted to A/2 that she had sent a postal card to Vitalij Korotych from Paris while enroute home from Helsinki. She replied to the two letters she received from him after her return to New York but she has not heard from him again. She promised to give A/2 a copy of any future letters to him.

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