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SUBJECT AGREEMENT OF CONDOR COUNTRIES IN MAY 1976 TO FORM A UNIT TO OPERATE AGAINST LEFTISTS IN FRANCE

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1. DURING A CONDOR CONFERENCE HELD IN SANTIAGO, CHILE, IN LATE-MAY 1976, CONDOR PROPOSED THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A UNIT DESIGNED TO CONDUCT PHYSICAL ATTACKS AGAINST MEMBERS OF THE REVOLUTIONARY COORDINATING JUNTA (JCR) AND JCR SUPPORTERS IN FRANCE. ALL CONDOR COUNTRIES AGREED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NEW UNIT, WHICH WAS GIVEN THE CODE NAME "TESEO." HOWEVER, BOLIVIA LATER DECLINED TO PARTICIPATE IN TESEO. [Redacted] COMMENT: BOLIVIA PROBABLY WITHDREW AS A RESULT OF A LACK OF FUNDS FOR CONTRIBUTION TO TESEO AND BECAUSE OF THE FACT THAT THE PRINCIPAL LEFTIST TARGETS OF CONCERN TO BOLIVIA ARE LOCATED IN PERU RATHER THAN FRANCE. IT IS NOT KNOWN IF ANY OF THE OTHER CONDOR COUNTRIES LATER WITHDREW THEIR SUPPORT FROM TESEO.) [Redacted] COMMENT: IN MID-SEPTEMBER 1976 [Redacted] BOLIVIA WOULD NOT JOIN TESEO BECAUSE OF THE ADVERSE INTERNATIONAL REACTION THAT MIGHT RESULT IF SOME VIOLENT ACTIVITIES WERE TRACED BACK TO CONDOR COUNTRIES. BOLIVIA HAD BEEN ASKED TO CONTRIBUTE A SUM OF MONEY TO THE TESEO PROJECT WHICH WAS WELL WITHIN BOLIVIA'S MEANS HAD IT WISHED TO PARTICIPATE.) [Redacted] COMMENT: [Redacted] AT A MEETING OF OPERATION CONDOR FROM 31 MAY TO 2 JUNE 1976 IN SANTIAGO, URUGUAY AGREED TO OPERATE COVERTLY IN PARIS WITH THE ARGENTINES AND THE

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CHILEANS AGAINST THE JCR AND OTHER TERRORISTS. [Redacted]

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2. EACH CONDOR COUNTRY WHICH AGREED TO PARTICIPATE IN TESEO WAS TO CONTRIBUTE MONEY FOR THE PROJECT AND SEND TWO REPRESENTATIVES TO ARGENTINA IN SEPTEMBER 1976 FOR TWO MONTHS TRAINING. UPON COMPLETION OF THEIR TRAINING, A TEAM WAS TO BE SENT TO FRANCE TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS FOR ABOUT ONE MONTH. [Redacted] COMMENT: [Redacted]

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[Redacted] THE TESEO TRAINING DID TAKE PLACE IN ARGENTINA. HOWEVER, THE PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES ARE UNKNOWN AND IT IS NOT KNOWN IF THE TEAM WAS ACTUALLY SENT TO FRANCE TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS.) [Redacted]

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COMMENT: [Redacted]

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[Redacted] A TRAINING COURSE WAS TO BE GIVEN IN BUENOS AIRES FOR THOSE CONDOR OFFICERS WHO WERE TO BE ASSIGNED TO EUROPE.)

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