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DATE: 3 December 1957

TO : Chief, [redacted]

FROM : [redacted]

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SUBJECT: ARTICHOKE Request

Apparently on 2 December 1957 or in the last days of November 1957, a cable came from [redacted] to [redacted] concerning a case of a Subject known as [redacted] who was a [redacted]

He came into our custody by means unknown to the writer, but has been held under intensive interrogation since January 1957 in [redacted]. Interrogation to date has been friendly. Some time ago, DCI instructed [redacted] to hold [redacted] at least four more months, reasons unknown. Because the interrogation is unsuccessful, although at one time Subject confessed being a Soviet Agent which he later denied, [redacted] was requesting that "P-1" be used in this case to be administered by one Edward [redacted]

The [redacted] case officer, [redacted] because [redacted] was confused as to what P-1 was, spent practically the whole day of 2 December trying to find out what this was all about, and ultimately reached Dr. [redacted]. After [redacted] saw the cable, he called the writer.

[redacted] and the writer informed [redacted] of the proper ARTICHOKE procedure and requested [redacted] to (a) find out who [redacted] is and (b) why P-1 was considered to be useful in such a case. [redacted] was also warned that this situation was hazardous. About thirty minutes after the interview, [redacted] called the writer and stated that [redacted] had found out that [redacted] was [redacted]. Dr. [redacted] and the writer had guessed this previously and so informed [redacted]

At the present, the case has been stopped pending additional information from [redacted]

You will be kept informed of all activity in this matter.

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