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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: QKFEARFUL Meeting on 14 December 1954.

1. Background Note: This meeting was convened to discuss Nelson G. Henard's role in QKFEARFUL, with emphasis on the question of whether Henard should be made witting of KUBARK support to QKFEARFUL. Henard is presently both Principal Agent of project GADROIT and a member of the Executive Committee of QKFEARFUL. Since the inception of QKFEARFUL in 1952, Henard has exhibited a persistent drive for power and influence in this latter organization, a move brought about to some extent by the relative stabilization of GADROIT's activities. This maneuvering has been welcome neither to IO-3 nor ER/PP/G, and this meeting was designed as the first in a series of field and headquarters discussions to determine Henard's future in QKFEARFUL and his whole relationship to this Agency.

2. Present at the meeting were [ ] and [ ] of IO-3, and [ ], [ ], and [ ] of ER/PP/G.

3. Representatives of ER/PP/G made the following comments:

- a. Henard should not be made witting of U. S. Government interest in QKFEARFUL.
- b. All CIA connections with Henard should be severed in the future.
- c. If (b) is impractical and Henard should transfer his activities entirely to QKFEARFUL, he could remain under the direct supervision of a field case officer without necessarily being made witting of AIS control through the [ ] channel (i.e., ostensibly as a penetration).
- d. As an alternate suggestion to (c) above, Henard could be controlled by a strong and responsible person within QKFEARFUL itself.

4. Representatives of IO-3 raised the following points:

- a. They agreed that Henard should not be made witting.
- b. [ ] could hire Henard for a staff position in QKFEARFUL, a position such as head of their legal division. This would effect Henard's removal from the Executive Committee, and would place him under the direct, "fireable" control of [ ], or [ ] delegate at The Hague. In addition, his connections with GADROIT would be completely terminated.

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c. It was felt that IO would probably be unable to find, in the immediate future, a suitable replacement for [ ] [ ], especially an individual strong enough to control Henard.

5. In summing up the proceedings, [ ] [ ] stated that his own present position in these matters was as follows:

a. At some time in the future Henard should be separated from all CIA activities. (The exact date would depend on the German Mission's discussions with the responsible German authorities as to the future of CADFOIT, and whether or not Henard was acceptable to them as the leader of CADFOIT. Also to be considered was the date on which IO would be able to remove Henard from the Executive Committee of QKFEARFUL. In this respect [ ] [ ] assured [ ] [ ] that nothing would be done in Germany to squeeze Henard out of CADFOIT until IO has had the opportunity to remove him from the Executive Committee.)

b. If this move is determined to be inadvisable or unfeasible after further consideration, the suggestion for [ ] [ ] to hire Henard should be put into effect.

c. If the latter can not be carried out, the status quo should be maintained.

d. In none of the three eventualities stated above is Henard to be made witting of our total equity in QKFEARFUL.

e. This position was derived from [ ] [ ] belief that the longer Henard was with CIA, the more he would know about us and our activities, and that he was capable of using such knowledge to our detriment. [ ] [ ] expressed his view that Henard's proven abilities did not make him indispensable to our operations and that his prolonged use would create a risk to CIA which should not, need not be accepted.

6. Further discussion on this problem and on QKFEARFUL generally will take place after receipt of the results of the [ ] [ ]/Berlin conversations scheduled to be held on 20 December.

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