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1. FOLLOWING IS CONSOLIDATED *[]* RESPONSE TO REF B REQUEST FOR SUMMARY OF EFFORTS EXPENDED AGAINST CRYPTOGRAPHIC TARGETS. THIS MESSAGE DEALS WITH THE SOVIET TARGET.

2. *[]* AT HEADQUARTERS REQUEST, *[]* IS CURRENTLY REVIEWING ITS ENTIRE SOVIET/EAST EUROPEAN OPERATIONAL PROGRAM WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF ACHIEVING BETTER FOCUS AND DIRECTION OF LIMITED RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR APPLICATION TO THE APPROXIMATELY 650 SOVIET AND EAST EUROPEAN OFFICIALS IN THE BONN/COLOGNE AREA. THE REVIEW IS CONCENTRATING ON THE SELECTION OF ONE OR MORE PRIMARY TARGETS FROM THIS MASSIVE GROUP. CODE CLERKS, BECAUSE OF THEIR UNIQUE ACCESS, ARE RECEIVING CLOSE SCRUTINY IN THIS SELECTION PROCESS. THE FOLLOWING TENTATIVE COMMENTS ARE OFFERED REGARDING OUR POSSIBILITIES FOR WORKING SUCCESSFULLY AGAINST SOVIET CODE CLERKS HERE.

A. SOVIET EMBASSY: IN EARLY 1976, SHORTLY BEFORE OUR RECEIPT

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OF REF A, THE SOVIETS MOVED THEIR EMBASSY. ONLY RECENTLY HAVE WE BEEN ABLE TO DETERMINE THAT THE EMBASSY'S CODE CLERKS ALMOST CERTAINLY LIVE AT THE CURRENT (NEW) EMBASSY SITE, RATHER THAN IN THE LARGE SOVIET APARTMENT HOUSE, OUTSIDE THE EMBASSY COMPOUND, WHERE MOST EMBASSY EMPLOYEES LIVE. (THE BFV, INCIDENTALLY, STILL LISTS THE CODE CLERKS AS LIVING IN THE OUTSIDE APARTMENT HOUSE.) IF THE CODE CLERKS WERE IN FACT LIVING IN THE APARTMENT HOUSE, IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE TO MOUNT AN OPERATIONAL EFFORT AGAINST THEM. DEVELOPING ACCESS TO ANYONE REPEAT ANYONE LIVING AT THE EMBASSY, WHICH IS IN A GUARDED, FENCED COMPOUND, SCREENED FROM VIEW BY TREES, IS A TASK OF THE UTMOST DIFFICULTY. IN THE INSTANCE OF CODE CLERKS, WHO SELDOM TRAVEL, RARELY TALK ON THE PHONE, AND WHOSE PERSONAL ACTIVITIES ARE PROBABLY CLOSELY SUPERVISED, THE DIFFICULTY IS COMPOUNDED TO A POINT OF VIRTUAL INSUPERABILITY. NEVERTHELESS, SHOULD WE DETECT ANY WEAKNESSES IN THE DEFENSES AROUND THESE CODE CLERKS, WE SHALL MOVE QUICKLY TO EXPLOIT THEM.

B. TRADE MISSION: AT THIS WRITING WE ARE CONCENTRATING ON THE EMBASSY IN OUR OPERATIONAL REVIEW, SINCE WE HAVE MORE ASSETS DEPLOYABLE AGAINST ITS EMPLOYEES THAN AGAINST THOSE OF THE TRADE MISSION. THE PHYSICAL LAYOUT OF THE TRADE MISSION, HOWEVER,

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DOES APPEAR TO OFFER SOME POSSIBILITIES FOR LEARNING SOMETHING ABOUT THE PERSONAL ACTIVITIES OF THE CODE CLERKS STATIONED THERE. WE SHALL BE EXPLORING THIS SITUATION IN DUE COURSE.

3. WHILE THE REF A LIST OF SUSPECT SOVIET CODE CLERKS IN THE BONN-COLOGNE AREA IS OUT-DATED. HEADQUARTERS IS AWARE OF DEPARTEES ON THIS LIST THROUGH OUR ROUTINE REPORTING. WE HAVE A PROBLEM IN THAT ALL OF THE REPLACEMENTS OF THESE DEPARTEES HAVE NOT BEEN IDENTIFIED, AND WE ARE NOW LESS SURE WHO ALL THE CODE CLERKS ARE, OUR COMMENTS ON THE REF A LIST FOLLOW:

A. KACHAYEV: DEPARTED, REPLACEMENT UNKNOWN.

B. KUZMIN: DEPARTED. POSSIBLY REPLACED TEMPORARILY BY TDY'ER OLEG ALEKSANDROVICH VOLKOV [] AND REPORTED REPLACED PERMANENTLY BY VASILY MITROFANOVICH USTIMENKO [] WHO WAS TEACHER ON PREVIOUS TOUR. (SEE WASHINGTON 020631 AND [] 8339 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION).

C. LIBAROV: DEPARTED. REPLACED BY VALENTIN VLADIMIROVICH MATSKOV [] BASED ON LATTER'S BEING SUSPECT CODE CLERK ON PREVIOUS TOURS, AND FROM SLOT SUCCESSION THIS TOUR, NO TRAVEL IN FRG. WIFE RECEIVED PHONE CALL APRIL 77 FROM RELATIVE IN MOSCOW WHO INFORMED HER UNCLE HAD DIED. SLIGHT SUGGESTION FROM THIS CALL THAT

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WIFE'S FAMILY STILL RUSSIAN ORTHODOX PRACTITIONERS. NO OTHER INFO DEVELOPED TO DATE.

D. PODOROGA: SUSPECT REFERENTURA CHIEF. DEPARTED. REPLACED BY YURIY ALEKSANDROVICH KABANOV [] ALSO SUSPECT REFERENTURA CHIEF, BASED ON SLOT SUCCESSION. KABANOV IS ATTACHE, ON DIPLOMATIC LIST. RECENT TELEPHONE CALLS SUPPORT SUSPICION HE IS REFERENTURA CHIEF, (WE NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT MIKHAIL FILIPPOVICH KLENIN [] ALSO ATTACHE AND ON DIP LIST, WAS EITHER REFERENTURA CHIEF OR CODE CLERK ON PREVIOUS TOUR, KLENIN HAS NOT TRAVELED IN FRG NOR HAS HE USED PHONE. SUGGEST KLENIN MAY BE CODE CLERK HERE.) KABANOV TRAVELED ONCE TO BERLIN WITH WIFE AND ANOTHER SOVIET COUPLE.

E. OVCHINNIKOV: STILL HERE. HE AND WIFE HAVE CONDUCTED LONG PHONE CONVERSATIONS WITH RELATIVES IN MOSCOW. ONE OTHER PHONE CALL, BETWEEN TWO OTHER SOVIETS, CONCERNED OVCHINNIKOV AND TENDED CONFIRM THAT HE IS CODE CLERK. NO TRAVEL IN FRG.

F. ROGALEV: STILL HERE, PER BFV LIST, BUT WE FIND THIS DIFFICULT TO CREDIT, SINCE HE ARRIVED IN 1970. NO TRAVEL IN FRG, NO PHONE CALLS -- NOR ANY SIGN OF LIFE, FOR THAT MATTER, SINCE HIS ARRIVAL.

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G. MANUYEV; DEPARTED. REPLACEMENT UNKNOWN.

H. MESHERSKIY: DEPARTED. REPLACED BY VALERIY VIKTOROVICH PROKOFYEV [] , TECHNICIAN. HEADQUARTERS HAS NOT SPECIFICALLY LISTED LATTER AS SUSPECT CODE CLERK BASED ON SLOT SUCCESSION THIS TOUR. NO TRAVEL IN FRG, NO PHONE CALLS.

I. PAGURSKIY: DEPARTED, REPLACED BY IVAN VLADIMIROVICH NIKOLAYEV [] , SUSPECT CODE CLERK BASED ON SLOT SUCCESSION THIS TOUR. NO TRAVEL IN FRG, NO PHONE CALLS.

4. [] PRELIMINARY FOOT CASING OF HAMBURG SOVIET CONSULATE GENERAL INDICATED THAT LP WITHIN 100 FEET NOT READILY AVAILABLE. WE ARE AWARE THAT BFV HAS OPERATION WITH SITE WHICH MIGHT MEET DISTANCE REQUIREMENT. NEW SOVIET REFERENTURA CHIEF AND COMMO TECH WERE IDENTIFIED IN [] 30701 AND 30804.

B. [] FORWARDED DATA TO HEADQUARTERS CONCERNING SOVIET CONGEN USE OF OTP TO PASS MESSAGES OVER TELEPHONE TO SOVIET EMBASSY, BONN, AFTER DUTY HOURS. [] 31634 AND 31606). THIS INFORMATION CONSTITUTED THE ONLY INDICATION WE HAVE HAD AS TO TYPE OF COMMUNICATIONS AVAILABLE TO THE HAMBURG SOVIET CONGEN.

5. [] WE NOTE THAT REF A MAKES NO REFERENCE TO A CRYPTO TARGET AT SOVIET MILITARY LIAISON MISSION (SMLM). WE

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ASSUME THIS DUE TO NEGATIVE RESULTS OF TECHNICAL OPERATION CON-
DUCTED AGAINST THIS TARGET APPROX TWO YEARS AGO. E2 IMPDET.

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