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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: CATOPHAT Project Renewal

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1. Although I recommend approval of this Project as a means of funding an access agent program directed against the Soviet Embassy in West Germany, I would like to record some comments about certain aspects of the Project.

2. Two safehouses are included for this Project's exclusive use. Because provision has apparently not been made for safehouse keepers, I recommend the field be reminded of the necessity for these in the dispatch transmitting the Project approval to the field.

3. CATOPHAT-7, a travel bureau employee, is described inter alia as a French citizen who has agreed to cooperate with the RIS. This strikes me as an unhappy combination of circumstances and unless there are arguments which have not yet been put forward in favor of his continued use, I would recommend that he be dropped.

4. Finally, in seeking CATOPHAT agents Bonn should be encouraged not to restrict itself to its own resources, but to seek to review with Berlin what CACLOCKS could become, so to speak, CATOPHATs. The dispatch transmitting the renewal of this Project seems to me to be an appropriate place to transmit this reminder.

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