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TO : [REDACTED]

DATE: 11 May 1960

25X1A6b FROM : Deputy for Training, [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: Weekly Activities Report #19 for Period 5 - 11 May 1960

1. JOT's returned after the week's break with no discernible changes; however, the few students selected for the [REDACTED] 25X1A2d1 immediately ran into difficulty with the balance of the class in maintaining their cover story relative to their future assignment. On the basis of my conversations with C/OS, who in turn brought the matter to the attention of Mr. [REDACTED] 25X1A9a the DTR spoke to the assembled JOT's at 7:30, Wednesday morning. In essence, he said that although curiosity is a natural part of a human being and gave examples in their prior life, under the circumstances inherent in their membership in the Clandestine Services, it was unprofessional and unwarranted. He asked each to give his fellow classmates and friends a break and cease the interrogation. As of the moment, I have had no opportunity to assess the effectiveness of Mr. Baird's remarks. 25X1A9a

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Relative to your instructions to [REDACTED] concerning his choice of those JOT's which do not warrant promotion, [REDACTED] raised a number of questions and was generally opposed to the process because there was really little basis on which to make such judgment. Since Mr. Baird was immediately available, I had Bill explain the combined feelings of [REDACTED] and himself. The DTR's most pertinent comment was that those JOT's whose attitude left something to be desired, who were yet satisfactorily performing in the course, but could do better if they fully applied themselves, should not be promoted automatically; further, any individual who was giving his all but indicated shortcomings in any specific area should be advised of his deficiencies and told that if he showed sufficient improvement during the last portion of the course, he would be promoted at that time. He also voiced the opinion that perhaps as many as forty or forty-five should not be promoted at the moment. As a result of this discussion, Bill got together again with Ray and Cal and considered the situation from the opposite point of view; i.e., coming up with a list of those individuals that should be promoted, and this might well be only ten or fifteen. The DTR still expects to have a definitive list of one category or another when he leaves later today. 25X1A9a

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2. [redacted] continued drafting the OC #10 schedule. Their progress has been good, and they have assured me that they will meet the 18 May deadline. This draft will be complete and workable and, as a schedule, could be put into effect as constructed. There have been no apparent repercussions from [redacted] after your discussion with him, outlining what we had initiated while he was in Headquarters.

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3. The [redacted] #18 began 9 May with only five students enrolled, one of whom is [redacted], a member of John's staff. [redacted] says that they are all good men and will undoubtedly get a great deal out of the course, but he is disappointed that his swan song has so few participants.

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4. We had a very interesting, and, we trust, fruitful visit with Mr. [redacted] and his guests from ICA, a high-powered group, which took the opportunity to relax which the facilities [redacted] and particularly, [redacted] afforded them. At the same time, however, there was a great deal of candid and beneficial discussion generated by the questions and opinions of those who attended. Many of the things which came out of the conversations had no direct bearing on Training per se, but I am sure were useful to [redacted] in handling problems on cover. I gave them a very informal briefing and tried to answer whatever questions they had. Their most pertinent comment from our standpoint was that they would certainly like to see a training program such as ours be a prerequisite for their employees who are going overseas. A number of the visitors had friends on our staff with whom they had served in overseas situations. In a number of cases, we were able to get such interested parties together.

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5. Mr. [redacted] brought with him on Tuesday, Mr. [redacted] Chief, FI [redacted] for the purpose of giving the latter, who had not previously been [redacted] an opportunity to see first-hand what we do and what we have to do it with. C/OS handled the briefing and tour [redacted] personally with some assistance from [redacted]. There was no schedule, but Mr. [redacted] was shown everything of value to him. Comments from the staff indicated Mr. [redacted] was not just interested in what we did here, but showed exceptional insight into many of the aspects of our training, and relating so much of what he saw and heard to actual requirements with which he was concerned. It was also noted that he was most businesslike in his attitude. I enjoyed the short time I had with him and invited him to come down when he had time to go more deeply into the specifics of our training programs.

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6. We enjoyed a brief chat with [REDACTED] whose visits are always refreshing and a bright spot in the day. Her primary purpose was a familiarization trip for Mrs. [REDACTED] who accompanied her. Mrs. [REDACTED] is being reassigned to the Office of the Director of Training.

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7. Mrs. [REDACTED] came aboard on 9 May, and has been temporarily assigned to the Office of the DT, [REDACTED]

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