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SUBJECT { GENERAL Operational Matters
SPECIFIC Notes for LUGTON and OSTRICH

There are attached sterile notes for passing to LUGTON and OSTRICH. These are self explanatory and are in the nature of summary of important operational matters of the past week. The recipients should study the comments carefully and use them in the furtherance of their intelligence operations.

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Dear Andres,

Our efforts during the past few days have been directed toward giving Lorenzo more direct control over the activities of Leonor and Fidelia. It is felt that this is not only more secure, but that it will result in more complete and prompt information. One such interview between Leonor, Fidelia and one of our Lorenzo boys has taken place, and thus far we have not received the complete results. It is planned to continue this approach and thereby obtain all possible information which these two men have in respect to our assets and those of the other side. They indicated that their morale was low, partly it appears because of faulty communications via the old system. As we have informed you, this system should not be used in the future, unless some unforeseen circumstances make it necessary. Any suggestions you have to offer in this matter will be carefully considered.

A companion problem is the financial end of this operation. We are endeavoring to straighten out the matter of budgets and advances, but the situation is still somewhat confused. Leonor and Fidelia have been lax in giving adequate accountings and explanations, probably because they have been too busy. Currency exchange problems are also involved, but these are not believed to be insuperable. Money is no barrier, but we should know where it is going. In this connection the budgets figures submitted by Silvia, are not considered satisfactory. There should be more of a breakdown, especially for Bernardo.

We still have not received more film from up front, but we shall keep after it. Are the 50 rolls still necessary? It appears that this is a lot. Does Silvia have as many papers as that, and are they important? If so, have we received the information therein previously?

Your statement that Silvia is enthusiastic is encouraging. You should not feel bad about the fact that the decisions are being made by Juan Jose and you. This is as it should be. All you have to do is to continue to direct things, and if possible lead Silvia to believe that she is the boss. From now on we should definitely be in the driver's seat.

Please take careful note of our letter regarding the need for detailed information on locations and identifications. This is important, especially as there will probably be quite a few moves on the part of Lorenzo units in the near future. We have set up a new section devoted to that matter alone.

What about our friend Clotilde? We received your report about her new job, but no comments from you with respect thereto. Did she know much about the workings? Also, we are expecting information from you on the photographer who works for Silvia. The report about his previous connections has no supporting evidence, but we should do everything possible to get at the truth.

Have you been able to learn anything about the mobsters who set out to get our Silvia? There may be nothing in it, but at least we should be able to learn whether persons with these names have entered Bernardo. If they are there, it is assumed that they are being taken care of.

Roberto is of some considerable interest at this time, and undoubtedly will continue to be of importance. Every effort should be made to get someone there who can give us detailed information about what goes on. We have not been getting much.

Beatris is still with us. She is somewhat apprehensive about our assets, but it is believed she will continue to do all she can. It is now hoped that she can help us with Chela.

Don Marcos reports seem to be somewhat inaccurate. For example that on Velasquez. We have been able to obtain no corroboratory evidence at all on that one. In the future it might be wise to check his stuff a bit before passing it on and attempt to evaluate it there.