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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Wisner
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CFA, Use of - by FE

Quite apart from the substantive program of CFA which we all agree can be most useful in the development of native leadership in the fight against Communism, I believe CFA can be additionally useful to FE in at least three ways:

1. CFA has served and will continue to serve as a vital source of cover for OPC covert operations in the Far East in an area where available cover is extremely scarce.

An important example is the creation, at the instance of the Prime Minister and Attorney General of Burma of a PW program for which they sought the assistance of our Ambassador to Burma. Although initial assistance has been provided through a covert agent under commercial cover, CFA is now preparing to assume responsibility for further development of the embryo organization and continue providing cover for OPC covert agents. Other examples are the providing of cover for the bringing to this country of the elder brother of the Dalai Lama of Tibet; and the dispatch to the Philippines of an elections expert who has given able assistance to the National Movement for Free Elections in their recent successful effort to secure free elections.

2. It is planned to transfer many of FE grey PW projects to CFA once a field organization has been established. This will free a considerable number of OPC personnel and facilities for strictly covert activities.

3. CFA will provide an important means of training indigenous and Caucasus personnel and for later recruitment of covert operatives. The significance of the training aspect for covert operations in time of war is obvious.

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