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CONTACT REPORT

UTILITY @Holm, [] and []
UTILITY's office
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- X 1. The ostensible reason for this meeting was to allow [] to tell UTILITY about contacts he had been making in Bonn. In this connection, UTILITY advised [] in one instance not to bother with one proposed contact because he was too junior a man. *Would be nice to know who he is*
- X 2. UTILITY made comments on the matter of German technical men in Egypt. He asked [] if possible to get the point across to interested parties that if West German technicians were withdrawn from Egypt, the technical positions there might be filled by Soviets or East Germans.
- X 3. UTILITY made an interesting comment (in my opinion, at any rate) about the fall of Khrushchev. He said he thought it was a good thing. The reason for this was people were becoming lulled by Khrushchev's relatively low-pressure world politics. Therefore, they forgot the real nature and the real menace of the Soviet Union.
- Gov. file*
4. In the CATIDE estimate as reflected by UTILITY, the Soviet Podgorniy figured high on the totem pole of behind-the-scenes powers; as a strong man.
- X 5. In a discussion of SIGINT, which was ^{NOT} of a detailed nature, UTILITY seemed quite at ease, reflecting in no way the low-level pressures we are getting to come across immediately with finished COMINT material. Part of this may stem from the anticipated resignation or retirement of a gentleman in Bonn connected with the matter. (I fear my ignorance of the names and numbers of the players is reflected in my inability to recall the man's name.)
- 2 6. UTILITY also seemed to be quite relaxed about the matter of the construction of the air force towers, mentioning that the head of the air force was a man from CATIDE of former years, and that CATIDE entry into the towers was a matter that had already been arranged.
- X 7. [] and UTILITY had what appeared to be a worthwhile exchange of political news notes on the Bonn scene. I fear the intricacies and nuances were a bit beyond my presently primitive understanding of the situation in the German capital. However, UTILITY made an interesting estimate regarding Chancellor Adenauer's pre-De Gaulle newspaper interview. UTILITY said this was an effort to remove himself somewhat from the official German and German Foreign Office position before having his talks with De Gaulle.

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