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TO: IMMEDIATE DIRECTOR, []

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SUBJECT: [] SOURCE OF TERRORIST THREAT

REFS: A. DIRECTOR 520167 (TDFIRDB-315/23187-87) (NOT TO ALL)
 B. [] (NOT TO ALL)
 C. [] (NOT TO ALL)
 D. [] (OBB-12447)

ACTION REQUIRED: TRACES ON ANDRE ((BENAYER)), PER PARA 3 BELOW, AND UP-DATED TRACES ON FRANCOIS ((GENOUD)), PER PARA 6. [] : ALL THE BELOW. PLS REF D, MAY BE PASSED IN ITS ENTIRETY TO THE [] .

1. [] SOURCE OF REF A INFORMATION WAS MET IN WALK-IN ROOM AT 1830 26 JUN 87. SOURCE IS [] POB: [] HOLDER OF [] , ISSUED BRUSSELS ON 6 NOV 86 AND VALID UNTIL 5 NOV 87. ALSO HOLDS BELGIAN IDENTITY CARD NUMBER 794716. CARD SHOWS RESIDENCE AT 25 CHAUSSEE DE BRUXELLES, WATERLOO, BELGIUM. HE GAVE HIS LOCAL PHONE NUMBER AS 354-2486. SUBJECT IS A SELF-PROCLAIMED DRUG PUSHER (STATING RATHER PROUDLY THAT HE'S ONLY INTO HASHISH, NOT HEROIN OR COCAINE). SUBJECT CLAIMED TO HAVE LIVED IN SYRIA FROM 1961 TO 1967 OR '68, AND TO HAVE MADE NUMEROUS CONTACTS IN THE SYRIAN GOVERNMENT AND AIR FORCE, INCLUDING HAFIZ AL-((ASSAD)), BEFORE ASSAD TOOK POWER.

2. SUBJECT CLAIMED THE SYRIANS HAD RECRUITED HIM TO SPY, BUT THAT HE TURNED HIMSELF INTO THE ISRAELIS IN 1968 (OR POSSIBLY '67, HE SAID BOTH, BUT DID NOT SAY WHERE HE WALKED INTO THE ISRAELIS) AND OFFERED TO DOUBLE BACK FOR THEM. HE CONTINUED THAT THE [] WERE ALL FOR IT, BUT THAT A JUDGE NONETHELESS SENTENCED HIM TO JAIL FOR 10 YEARS. FOR THAT REASON, HE DISTRUSTS AND DISLIKES THE ISRAELIS; BUT HE ALSO IS PROUD TO BE JEWISH. SUBJECT ALSO CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN IN JAIL WITH BRUNO ((BREGUET)) FROM 1969-75 (IN ISRAEL). HE NOW MAKES HIS LIVING RUNNING DRUGS, AND CLAIMED TO BE WELL AND FAVORABLY KNOWN TO THE NICOSIA LNCOLLAR OFFICE.

3. REQUEST HQS AND ADDEE TRACES ON SUBJECT. NO [] TRACES, NOR IS HE LISTED IN THE PHONE BOOK. WHILE THE THIRD COUNTRY RULE PRECLUDES ANY OFFICIAL LIAISON TRACES, DEFER TO [] FOR TRACING WITH ANY UNILATERAL SOURCES THEY MAY HAVE. [] PLS TRACE WITH LOCAL LNCOLLAR OFFICE. HQS: PLS TRACE WITH LNCOLLAR HQS.

4. SUBJECT CALLED [] PER REF C INSTRUCTIONS, REVERSING THE NAMES GIVEN FOR PAROLE. HE ALSO WAS NOT SURE HE WAS TO COME TO NVTERRACE, NOR DID HE SEEM TO KNOW THE TIME. WHEN TOLD 1830, HE NOTED THAT HE HAD TO LEAVE AT 1900 TO CATCH A PLANE (TO ATHENS, HE STATED IN THE INTERVIEW). SUBJECT ARRIVED NVTERRACE ON TIME, WAS SEARCHED BY THE MSG AND ESCORTED TO THE WALK-IN ROOM. ONCE IN THE WALK-IN ROOM, HE STATED FLATLY THAT HE WOULD NOT TELL ANYTHING BECAUSE HE DID NOT LIKE THE WAY HE HAD BEEN TREATED WHEN HE FIRST ARRIVED AT NVTERRACE (I.E. THE SEARCH). ONCE HE WAS OFF THAT KICK, HE COMMENCED WHAT CAN ONLY BE DESCRIBED AS A VERY RAMBLING STORY. HE HAD NO

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OBJECTION TO SHOWING HIS BELGIAN ID CARD OR HIS PASSPORT, BUT DID NOT WANT THE PASSPORT COPIED. HE WAS INCREDULOUS THAT THE [] HAD NOT GIVEN US HIS NAME, AND POSSIBLY NEVER DID FULLY BELIEVE THE DENIAL. ASKED ABOUT THE REF A THREAT, HE GRINNED LIKE A LITTLE BOY WHO KNOWS A SECRET, AND ASKED IN RETURN IF THAT'S WHAT WE WANTED TO KNOW (A GAME HE PLAYED SEVERAL TIMES).

5. SUBJECT THEN AGAIN BEGAN TO RAMBLE AND DIGRESS, AND IT WAS NECESSARY TO BRING HIM UP SHORT WITH DIRECT QUESTIONS. DURING THE STORY, IN WHICH PARAS 1 & 2 BIO CAME OUT, HE CONTRADICTED HIMSELF A NUMBER OF TIMES, AND PLAYED WITH WHAT HE ALLEGEDLY KNEW AND DIDN'T KNOW. THUS, REF D INFO HAD TO BE LITERALLY DRAGGED OUT OF HIM.

6. SUBJECT STATED HE LEARNED OF REF A THREAT INFORMATION APPROXIMATELY 3-4 WEEKS AGO FROM FRANCOIS ((GENOUD)), ADDRESS 21 FONTANELLA PUIS (PHONETIC), LAUSANNE, SUISSE, TEL: 28-8043. GENOUD PICKED SUBJECT TO ASSIST BECAUSE SUBJECT KNOWS SICILY VERY WELL, THE DAILY ROUTINE OF THE NAVAL BASE AT SIGONELLA, AND HAS A NETWORK OF TRUCKS AND DRIVERS WHO KNOW THE PLACE WELL (FROM HIS DRUG SMUGGLING LINE). HE STATED GENOUD HAD SEEN CARLOS AND BREGUET IN SYRIA WITHIN THE LAST WEEK.

7. CONTRARY TO REF B INFO, HE SAID THAT NO PALESTINIANS WERE INVOLVED IN THE PLANNED ATTACK (HE DID NOT KNOW THE DATE), AND EMPHASIZED THAT IT WAS 100 PERCENT AN IRANIAN OPERATION. ASKED HOW HE KNEW THAT, HE STATED THAT GENOUD WAS A FRIEND OF THE IRANIAN IN PARIS -- WAHID ((GOURDJI)), THE SUSPECTED IRANIAN INTEL MAN IN PARIS WHO FLED JUST BEFORE THE FRENCH POLICE COULD ARREST HIM, AND THAT GENOUD IS A FREQUENT VISITOR AT THE IRANIAN EMBASSY (??ICH, OF COURSE, PROVES NOTHING). IT IS TO BE NOTED THAT CARLOS AND BREGUET ARE WELL-KNOWN NAMES IN THE HISTORY OF TERRORISM, AND THAT GOURDJI'S NAME HAS BEEN ALL OVER THE EUROPEAN PRESS. THROUGH IT ALL, HE CLAIMED TO HAVE WORKED WITH LNCOLLAR IN NICOSIA.

8. SUBJECT WAS CASUALLY DRESSED, BUT CLEAN AND CLOSE SHAVEN. HIS COMPORTMENT RANGED FROM SLIGHTLY MIFFED TO COOPERATIVE TO SEMI-HYPER. DURING ONE DIGRESSION, HE SPOKE OF HOW HE HAD TOLD LNCOLLAR NICOSIA THAT HE WOULD WORK WITH THEM IF THEY SENT HIM TO THE STATES, TRAINED HIM, INTRODUCED HIM TO C/LNCOLLAR, AND GAVE HIM THE POER TO DIRECT THE OPERATIO. WITH WHICH HE WAS TO BE WAS INVOLVED. THIS POINT WAS HIS MOST VOLATILE, WITH SUBJECT GESTICULATING AND PACING. [] HAS VIDEO TAPE OF SUBJECT; PLS ADVISE IF HQS WISHES TO RECEIVE IT.

9. DURING THE INTERVIEW, SUBJECT STATED SEVERAL TIMES IF WE ASKED HIM TO "GO BACK INSIDE" (IE, INFILTRATE THE PLOTTERS) HE WOULD DO SO, BUT ONLY IF HE HAD A WRITTEN CONTRACT WITH THE [] (BECAUSE HE DOESN'T TRUST THEM). YET JUST BEFORE HE LEFT AT 1900, AND IN RESPONSE TO OUR REQUEST TO GO OVER THE INFORMATION ONE MORE TIME, HE CAREFULLY CHECKED OUR NOTES FOR ACCURACY, MADE SURE THE PHONE NUMBER WAS CORRECT AND, ON HIS WAY OUT THE DOOR, SAID HE WOULD CALL IF/WHEN HE RECEIVED MORE

BELOW. AND UP-DATED TRACES ON FRANCOIS ((GENOUD)), PER PARA 6. []: ALL THE BELOW, PLS REF D, MAY BE PASSED IN ITS ENTIRETY TO THE []. INFORMATION. AT NO TIME DID HE ASK PNWORLD FOR ANYTHING (ALTHOUGH EARLY IN THE INTERVIEW HE ASKED IF HE WAS DEALING WITH PNWORLD, WHICH WE DID NOT CONFIRM), NOR DID HE ASK FOR CONTACT INSTRUCTIONS, NOR WAS HE TOLD THAT WE (OR THE [] FOR THAT MATTER) WOULD BE BACK IN TOUCH WITH HIM. SUBJECT DOES HAVE THE [] OPERATIONAL PHONE NUMBER, A PAROLE AND HE CAN RE-CONTACT US HERE IF HE SO DESIRES. WE DO NOT ANTICIPATE INITIATING CONTACT WITH HIM, HOWEVER.

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