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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH []

REF: DIRECTOR 183735 (92 6950556)

TEXT:

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1. ACTION REQUIRED: HQS PLS TRACE UMAR ((YAHIA)) AND NABIL ((DURBELY)) (PHONETIC).

2. [] (C/O) MET WITH [] ON 24 JANUARY 1992 FOR AN HOUR AND A HALF IN A HOTEL ROOM RENTED IN ALIAS BY C/O. THE INITIAL CONTACT AND WALK TO THE HOTEL WAS COUNTERSURVEILLED BY [], AND NOTHING OF SECURITY SIGNIFICANCE WAS OBSERVED. C/O GREETED [] INSIDE THE HOTEL. THERE WERE NO KNOWN SECURITY PROBLEMS SURROUNDING THIS MEETING. THE NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR 27 FEBRUARY 1992 IN LUCERNE.

3. RE CARLOS' LOCATION: [] LED OFF THE MEETING BY NOTING HE HAD MET WITH FRANCOIS ((GENOUD)) AT HIS RESIDENCE NEAR LAUSANNE ON 24 DECEMBER 1991 AND AGAIN ON 21 JANUARY 1992. GENOUD TOLD [] HE HAD WHAT HE CONSIDERED RELIABLE INFORMATION THAT CARLOS AND COMPANY ARE YEMEN. THIS CAME FROM A LIBYAN EXILE RESIDING IN GENEVA AND NAMED UMAR YAHIA. [] NOTED THIS A WELL KNOWN PERSON AND SPECULATED PNINFINITE HAD HEARD OF HIM BEFORE. HE SPELLED THE NAME PHONETICALLY ((YAHYA)), BUT WE HAVE BASE TRACES POSSIBLY IDENTIFIABLE WITH HIM AS UMAR YAHIA, LOCATED IN ITALY, A LIBYAN EXILE WHO WAS INFLUENTIAL DURING THE REIGN OF KING IDRIS (([] JUN 79)), AND YAHIA, UMAR MOHAMMED SAID, WHOSE NAME APPEARED ON A "HIT LIST" OF LIBYAN DISSIDENT NAMES PASSED BY LIBYA TO THE ITALIAN MILITARY INTELLIGENCE (([] DEC 82)). HQS PLS TRACE; [] MAY ALSO HAVE HEARD OF HIM. GENOUD SAID YAHIA IS GENERALLY ON THE OUTS WITH THE LIBYAN REGIME AND CONSIDERED SOMEWHAT A TRAITOR BY THEM, BUT HE MAY HAVE SOME RESIDUAL CONTACTS THERE. GENOUD NOTED THE CARLOS GROUP WENT TO YEMEN AFTER HAVING BEEN THROWN OUT OF SYRIA. GENOUD CONSIDERED YAHIA TO BE GENERALLY RELIABLE AND WELL INFORMED.

C/O AND [] DISCUSSED CARLOS' WHEREABOUTS AWHILE, AND C/O ASKED FOR [] INTUITIVE ASSESSMENT AS TO WHETHER AND WHERE CARLOS HAD RELOCATED. [] SAID HE BELIEVED THE CARLOS GROUP HAD RELOCATED OUTSIDE SYRIA AND LISTED IRAQ, YEMEN, AND CUBA (AS A LAST RESORT) AS POSSIBLE LOCATIONS. HE SAID HE HAD NO HARD INDICATIONS WHERE THE GROUP WENT, BUT HE BELIEVES THEY WERE REFUSED ENTRY TO LIBYA AND WENT ELSEWHERE. HE ASSUMES CUBA TO BE LESS LIKELY BECAUSE CARLOS WOULD NEED TO REMAIN IN THE MIDDLE EAST, WHERE THE INFRASTRUCTURE IS LOCATED, IN ORDER TO OPERATE EFFECTIVELY. HE ALSO CHOSE IRAQ OVER YEMEN BECAUSE HE BELIEVES, DUE TO RIVALRIES IN YEMEN, IF CARLOS HAD GONE THERE, WORD OF HIS ARRIVAL WOULD HAVE LEAKED OUT BY NOW. [] SAID HE BELIEVES CARLOS RELOCATED AT THE END OF AUGUST 1991.

4. CARLOS' COURIERS ((MOHAMMAD)) AND ((MAHMUD)): GENOUD TOLD [] HE HAD VISITED BEIRUT THE FIRST WEEK OF JANUARY 1992 TO MEET WITH MAHMUD. [] DESCRIBED MAHMUD, WHO APPARENTLY NO

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LONGER TRAVELS TO EUROPE DUE TO HAVING BEEN COMPROMISED IN A FRENCH NEWSPAPER PER PREVIOUS TRAFFIC, AS THE MORE INFLUENTIAL OF THE TWO COURIERS, I.E., MORE CAPABLE OF DISCUSSING MATTERS OF SUBSTANCE. [] NOTED THE FRENCH NEWSPAPER PHOTOGRAPH OF MAHMUD WAS OF A PASSPORT TYPE AND THAT HE WAS NOT WEARING ANY FORM OF DISGUISE IN IT, ACCORDING TO [] OBSERVATION. GENOUD TOLD [] THAT HE HAD LEARNED FROM MAHMUD IN THE RECENT VISIT TO BEIRUT THAT THE TRUE NAME, I.E., THAT APPEARING ON HIS AUSTRALIAN AND LEBANESE PASSPORTS, IS NABIL DURBELY (NOTE PHONETIC SPELLING), BORN IN HALBA, A SMALL TOWN NEAR TRIPOLI, LEBANON. HE IS A GREEK ORTHODOX WHO HAS NEVER MARRIED. GENOUD SAID MAHMUD APPARENTLY DID NOT WANT TO TELL HIM WHERE THE CARLOS ORGANIZATION IS, AND GENOUD DID NOT WANT TO ASK. GENOUD BELIEVED THEY ARE IN YEMEN OR IRAQ.

THE TRUE IDENTITY OF COURIER MOHAMMAD REMAINS UNKNOWN. GENOUD SAID HE IS A MUSLIM WHO IS MARRIED. HIS WIFE AND 10 YEAR OLD DAUGHTER LIVE IN AUSTRALIA. HE WAS BORN IN SHEKKA, A SUBURB OF TRIPOLI, LEBANON. HE IS SOMETIMES KNOWN BY THE NICKNAME "JACQUES." HE IS DUE TO RETURN TO SWITZERLAND IN LATE JANUARY 1992 TO CONFER WITH GENOUD. (DUE TO C/O'S TDY, TASKING IN THE EVENT OF THIS VISIT WAS DISCUSSED.)

C/O ASKED ABOUT THE DIRECT FLIGHT FROM GENEVA TO BEIRUT MOHAMMAD WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE TAKEN IN DECEMBER 1991. [] WAS SURPRISED TO LEARN THERE WAS NONE, BECAUSE HE BELIEVED HE HAD UNDERSTOOD CORRECTLY MOHAMMAD'S TRAVEL PLANS. HE SPECULATED, IF THERE WAS A STOPOVER OR PLANE CHANGE, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN IN POSSIBLY ATHENS. HE SAID IT WAS ALSO POSSIBLE MOHAMMAD HAD SAID HE HAD TO BE AT THE AIRPORT AT 1000 HOURS, RATHER THAN THAT THE FLIGHT LEFT AT THAT TIME. [] DID NOT KNOW THE NAME OF THE AIRLINE.

[] CONFIRMED THAT CARLOS' ONLY CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATION WITH GENOUD ARE MAHMUD AND MOHAMMAD (CURRENTLY ONLY THE LATTER SINCE MAHMUD IS NOT TRAVELING). [] EXPRESSED HIS TOTAL DISAPPROVAL OF THE FACT THAT THESE TWO VISIT GENOUD AT HIS RESIDENCE AND ALWAYS PHONE HIM THERE. [] SAID IT WAS EXTREMELY DANGEROUS BECAUSE THE SWISS POLICE TAP GENOUD'S TELEPHONE AND CAN EASILY SURVEIL THE RESIDENCE.

GENOUD ALSO TOLD [] MAHMUD HAD ASKED ABOUT MARINA ((BERTA)), THE SWISS FORMER ASSOCIATE OF CARLOS' WHO IS NOW WORKING WITH THE RED CROSS IN ANGOLA. [] SAID GENOUD DOES NOT KNOW BERTA AND SAID THE REASON FOR MAHMUD'S INTEREST WAS PROBABLY JUST TO KEEP TABS ON HER IN CASE OF FUTURE NEED.

GENOUD WAS IN BEIRUT ALSO TO MEET WITH TWO NEPHEWS WHO LIVE IN THE U.S.

5. BERNARD ((RAMBERT)): [] MET WITH RAMBERT IN ZURICH ON OR ABOUT 22 DECEMBER 1991. RAMBERT SAID HE HAD RECENTLY BEEN TO TURKEY REGARDING THE CASE OF MARC ((RUDIN)), WHO REMAINS IN CUSTODY AWAITING EXTRADITION TO DENMARK. IN A RECENT PHONE CONVERSATION WITH RAMBERT, [] LEARNED THAT BARBARA ((KISTLER)), WHO WAS IN CUSTODY FOR POSSESSION OF A FALSE PASSPORT, HAD BEEN RELEASED BY TURKISH AUTHORITIES AND ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY. SHE IS TO RETURN AT THE END OF JANUARY 1992 TO STAND TRIAL ON THE CHARGE. C/O INQUIRED WHY SHE WOULD HAVE BEEN LET GO, AND [] SPECULATED THIS WAS TURKEY'S WAY OF GETTING RID OF THE PROBLEM, SINCE NO ONE EXPECTED HER TO TO BACK FOR TRIAL. (COMMENT: MEDIA REPORTED KISTLER INFO TOO.)

6. CHRISTA ((FROEHLICH)): AS OF THE 22 DECEMBER MEETING, [] SAID, RAMBERT STILL HAS NOT SET UP A MEETING BETWEEN [] AND FROEHLICH, AS SHE HAD REQUESTED.

7. GENOUD TRIPS TO ALGERIA: [] HAD NO INFORMATION ON WHY GENOUD TRAVELS THERE. MUCH OF IT WAS LEGITIMATE BUSINESS, HE SAID, AND GENOUD IS SECRETIVE ABOUT EVEN THAT. GENOUD HAS NUMEROUS CONTACTS IN MANY COUNTRIES, AND THESE PROVIDE HIM AMPLE OPPORTUNITIES FOR LEGITIMATE BUSINESS DEALS AS A BROKER. REGARDING ALGERIA, [] SAID GENOUD TRAVELS THERE FREQUENTLY, SOMETIMES AS MUCH AS ONCE PER MONTH.

8. JOHANNES ((WEINRICH)): [] SAID NOTHING DURING THE MEETING BEARING ON THE FATE OF WEINRICH. WHEN ASKED ABOUT THE WHEREABOUTS OF CARLOS' VARIOUS ASSOCIATES, [] MENTIONED THAT WEINRICH AND MAGDALENA ((KOPP)) ARE STILL WITH HIM. WE CAN CONCLUDE THAT [] BELIEVES WEINRICH IS STILL ALIVE.

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9. COMMUNICATION: C/O ASKED C 2 TO REVERT TO THE PREVIOUS PATTERN OF CALLING HIS C 2 NUMBER ONCE PER WEEK AS PREVIOUSLY AGREED. HE SHOULD ALSO RETAIN THE FLEXIBILITY TO CALL THE NUMBER WHEN NECESSARY, SHOULD SOMETHING URGENT COME UP. C 2 EXPRESSED COMPLETE AGREEMENT WITH THIS. REGARDING THE RECENT C 2 CALL-OUT, C/O ASKED ABOUT HOME ARRANGEMENTS IN CASE OF SUCH SITUATIONS. HE SAID HIS MOTHER, WHO TOOK THE CALL-OUT MESSAGE, KNOWS WHERE HE IS AT ALL TIMES AND HOW TO REACH HIM. C/O ESTABLISHED AN EMERGENCY MEETING SITE WITH C 2 PER SEPARATE TRAFFIC.

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