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1. AT 23 JANUARY 1980 MEETING [] PASSED A NUMBER (45) OF PHOTOS TAKEN BY MR. ARTHUR LASKAS (SUBJECT OF REF AND U.S. PERSON WHO UNWITTING) WHEN HE ATTENDED THE THIRTY-FIFTH NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATION IN TIRANE, ALBANIA. BASE FORWARDING COPIES OF THESE PICTURES TO HQS. PHOTOS CONTAIN SHOTS OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT THAT WAS ON DISPLAY AT THE NATIONAL DAY PARADE, GROUP PICTURE OF THE CURRENT ALBANIAN LEADERSHIP AS WELL AS NUMBER OF MISCELLANEOUS SHOTS WHICH HQS MAY FIND OF INTEREST. MR. LASKAS TOLD [] THAT HE HAD LEARNED DURING HIS TRIP TO ALBANIA THAT ENVER HOXHA WAS IN POOR HEALTH AND IS SUFFERING FROM SUGAR DIABETES, THAT HOXHA'S ANKLES AND FACE ARE SWOLLEN. ALSO THAT THE NUMBER TWO MAN IN THE ALBANIAN LEADERSHIP, MEMMET SHEHU, DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE A LIKELY CHOICE AS HOXHA'S REPLACEMENT SINCE SHEHU IS NOT WELL LIKED BY THE ALBANIAN POPULATION.

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