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POLITICAL MATTERS - ALBANIA

BY TELETYPE, JANUARY 6, 1982, OUR NEW YORK OFFICE ADVISED: (U)  
ON JANUARY 4, 1982, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE NUMBER ONE, WHO HAS  
PROVIDED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, REPORTED THAT A CLOSE  
FRIEND IN THE UNITED STATES RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM YUGOSLAVIA,  
JANUARY 3, 1982, ALLEGING THAT ENVER HUXHA, HEAD OF THE ALBANIAN  
COMMUNIST PARTY AND HANKING PARTY OFFICIAL, WAS KILLED ALONG WITH  
SEVEN OTHER CLOSE ASSOCIATES JANUARY 3, 1982. (S) *AMENDED*

THIS ALLEGED KILLING FOLLOWS ON THE HEELS OF THE RECENT  
KILLING OF MEMMET SHEHU, WHO WAS THE PARTY'S NUMBER TWO MAN. (S)  
ALLEGEDLY, INFORMATION REGARDING THIS KILLING IS GUARDED  
AND ALBANIAN PEOPLE ARE NOT AWARE. (S)

ON JANUARY 5, 1982, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE NUMBER TWO, WHO HAS  
PROVIDED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST AND WHO AT THE SAME TIME  
EXHIBITS KEEN PERCEPTIVENESS REGARDING ALBANIAN POLITICAL  
AFFAIRS, PROVIDED THIS INFORMATION REGARDING ALBANIAN POLITICAL  
SITUATION. SOURCE STATED THAT THERE ARE RUMORS CIRCULATING  
AMONGST THE ALBANIAN EMIGRE COMMUNITY WHICH INDICATE THAT AN  
INTENSE PUREK STRUGGLE IS PRESENTLY TAKING PLACE WITHIN  
THE ALBANIAN GOVERNMENT. RELATIVES OF ALBANIANS OVERSEAS IN  
SWEDEN, TURKEY, GREECE AND YUGOSLAVIA HAVE INDICATED THAT  
A "RAY OF THINKING" EXISTS IN MANY QUARTERS OF ALBANIAN  
THROUGHT WHEREIN THE DEATH OF MEMMET SHEHU IS A STRONG  
INDICATION THAT ENVER HUXHA IS LOSING HIS CONTRUL WITHIN  
THE ALBANIAN COMMUNIST PARTY. (S)

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CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE NUMBER TWO STATED THAT PHONE TIES  
BETWEEN GREECE, ITALY AND ALBANIA HAVE BEEN CUT OFF. (S)

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE NUMBER TWO STATED THAT MEMMET SHEHUS HAS TWO

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CLOSE RELATIVES WHO ARE RANKING POLITICAL INDIVIDUALS IN THE ALBANIAN COMMUNIST PARTY. ONE OF THESE INDIVIDUALS IS A VERY STRONG ARMY OFFICER AND THE OTHER IS IN CHARGE OF THE SECRET POLICE IN ALBANIA. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE NUMBER TWO SPECULATES THAT THESE TWO INDIVIDUALS, ALONG WITH SHEHY, ARE A PART OF A FACTIONAL GROUP THAT HAS BEEN GROWING AND HAS UNDERMINED SOME OF HOXHA'S IRON FISTED CONTROL IN THE ALBANIAN COMMUNIST PARTY. (S)

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE NUMBER TWO STATED THAT THE INFORMATION THAT HE HAS HEARD REFERENCING AN APPARENT INTERNAL STRUGGLE WITHIN THE ALBANIAN GOVERNMENT AS WELL AS ANY ALLEGATION AS TO HOXHA'S DEATH, ALONG WITH OTHER INDIVIDUALS, HAS CIRCULATED BY WORD ONLY AND THE SOURCE OF SUCH INFORMATION CANNOT BE PIN POINTED OR CORROBORATED AT THIS POINT. (S)

YOU WILL BE PROMPTLY FURNISHED ANY FUTURE DETAILS CONCERNING THIS MATTER WHICH MAY COME TO OUR ATTENTION. (U)

C AND E BY 7585, REASONS 2 AND 3, DRD JANUARY 7, 2002.

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