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PROJECT OUTLINE

Project EGDROVE No. 1B-10.1

Type Operational

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SOURCE/METHOD/EXEMPTION 3B2B
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1. Reference

- a. Various staff discussions and BGFIEND Project Outline which is in final stage of development.

2. Project Proposal

- a. Purpose of this subproject is to send [] and [] to London to discuss joint effort with British counterparts in arranging operational plans for BGFIEND. This is in accordance with agreements which were reached with the British representatives during recent conferences in Washington.
- b. In addition to conferences with the British, an attempt will be made to have [] meet [] in London for instructions and briefing, and in order that he may carry certain documents under cover of his diplomatic passport to Greece.

3. Operational Control

- a. [] will proceed to London to enter into preliminary conversations with the

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British pending the arrival of []
who will carry full instructions from OPC as to the
American position.

- b. [] will fully understand that he is not
authorized to make even tentative commitments until
the arrival in London of [] He
will endeavor to learn all possible details of the
British Plan.
- c. Upon the arrival in London of []
the group will enter into further discussions with
the British and will make tentative commitments only.
All details of proposed commitments and plans will be
subject to confirmation by OPC Headquarters Washington.
- d. It is expected that certain important policy decisions
with regard to BGFIEND will be made within the next
few days which will permit completion of project out-
line. Instructions with regard to these decisions will
be carried to London by []
- e. [] will have at their
disposal in London an OSO communications expert who
will participate in the discussions with the British
when communications matters are on the agenda.
Arrangements have already been made with OSO for the
dispatch of this expert to London.

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4. Area of Operation

- a. Policy direction will be given from Washington Headquarters and conferences will take place in London. Upon completion of conferences, which will last approximately two weeks, [] and [] are to report back to this Headquarters and [] will proceed to Athens.

5. Cover

- a. Cover for [] will be that of an official of the []
- b. The ostensible cover for [] will be that of a []
- c. Cover for [] and the OSO communications expert will be that of []
- d. All of the above are authorized to reveal their true affiliation to the following:
- (1) Appropriate British officers who participate in conferences.
 - (2) []
 - (3) OSO representative in []
 - (4) Such other persons as may be specifically authorized by COP.

6. Staff

- a. Operations officer is []

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b. Plans Officer is []

c. Approving Officer is []

7. Support to be furnished by Headquarters

- a. Assistance in arranging transportation.
- b. Financial arrangements covering expenses to be incurred.

8. Support to furnished by Field

- a. Arrangements will be worked out with OSO to provide secure cable and pouch facilities.

9. Coordination

- a. With other agencies.
 - (1) Arrangements have already been made for these conferences with appropriate British officers.
- b. Within CIA.
 - (1) Arrangements will be made for communications as set forth above.
 - (2) Arrangements will be made with Legal Counsel and Confidential Funds Officer for contract and fiscal support.

10. Budget Estimate

It is estimated that this subproject will require the following expenditures:

- a. Compensation, \$1200.
- b. Operational expense, \$1500.
- c. Transportation, \$2500.
- d. Contingency, \$1000.

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11. Current Status

This project has been drafted as a preliminary plan to enable this Headquarters to proceed with operational development of BGFIEND in accordance with our previous agreements with the British. Upon completion of this preliminary activity, BGDROVE will be terminated and agent will be transferred to BGFIEND Project.

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