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Operational Objectives Current Season

REFERENCES

SGAA-10337, (KAPOK 2547); DIR 11592

- 1. After reviewing the proposed operations for this season and in further consideration of the question raised in the first reference, Headquerters believes that the main objectives of the Tuesday and Wednesday missions if mounted, should be to recruit a resident agent and provide him with a clandestice means of communication with base. If the agent selected for recruitment has some potential for providing worthwhile information on Albania, the mission would be justifiable.
- 2. Readquarters would be satisfied to end up with a small but definite asset, a trained and reliable agent with whom we are in contact. The recruitment of a sub-agent, or sub-agents, should be secondary and should not be attempted until the above task is successfully completed. We realize that conditions may exise which render strict compliance with this proposal somewhat unrealistic. In any case, the number of people involved in any single operation should be kept at a minimum for reasons of security, and no recruitment by a resident agent should be attempted without prior approval from base. We fully appreciate your problems in convincing an agent of the necessity to go slow in establishing assets in Albania. We hope that because of your attempts this season to exercise more control over agent activities, this can be accomplished.
- 3. In the case of the Friday operation, Headquarters concurred with the plan for establishing a network limited to 2 sub-agents (pera 2, second reference) during this operational season because of the close family relationship involved. This favorable factor minimizes the danger to AIPIGEON in recruiting the two principal sub-agent candidates and also provides a natural cover for any communications between them. The logation of AIPIGEON near the Greek border and the residence of the two principal sub-agent candidates in strategic target areas

(Durres awi Tirena)

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(Durres and Tirene) adds even more to the value and potential of this operation. The successful completion of the first phase of the Friday operational plan for this year is particularly encouraging and a substantial step forward in re-establishing assets within Albania.

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