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Fig Tree Report on HTGRUBBY

1. Fig Team was recently interrogated by [] and among other information of use to HTGRUBBY supplied the following information pertinent to an evaluation of HTGRUBBY's audibility and effect on the Albanians in the Korca district:

a. Dilaver Ali of the village of Zvarisht, district of Gora, prefecture of Korca, informed Fig in late September that he was able to hear all transmissions of HTGRUBBY clearly in spite of the "noise", with the exception of the 1330 broadcast. A day or so later Fig received a message from Headquarters asking for specific information as to the audibility of HTGRUBBY, consequently they again asked Ali to report on the audibility of every transmission. Ali then reported that now all transmissions were audible.

b. Qerim Spahu from Debrove, Mekra, a captain of the police in Korca reported that he and other police in his district listened to HTGRUBBY regularly.

c. Imas Sokollari, a recent inmate of the Korca prison, reported that the prison C.O., Captain Bektash Melcani, allowed HTGRUBBY to be heard occasionally.

d. Beth Rapush Agelli from Mocan, Korca, and Dilaver Ali told Fig that they and other villagers had been very much aroused by HTGRUBBY's supposedly announcing that an important piece of news would be given soon, and then not hearing any particularly important item that day or the next. The HTGRUBBY scripts were checked for the period that this announcement was supposedly made, and it was found that we did use the phrase important news in conjunction with the defection appeal and other important world events, but it appeared that the Albanians had been far more aroused than we intended. It is possible that as a result of interference of various kinds, the meaning of some of our items are not too clear. We are taking measures to prevent this in the future.

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- 3 - Washington
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