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SUBJECT: Lecture Texts

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1. Under separate cover is an additional lecture text covering the General Mission of your Pixie candidates. Its logical sequence in relation to the material delivered by [] just before that section titled "Internal Security and General Conditions within Pixieland". Thus assembled, this addition becomes a part of the complete text for a Background-Intelligence course.

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BACKGROUND-INTELLIGENCE TEXT

1. First, it is well that you become intimately familiar with the immediate objective of the Free Albania Committee. They are the same as the objectives of your mission. In simple terms - terms which should govern your every action at every turn - they are:

a. To form a center for all anti-Communist forces in Albania.

b. To organize these forces secretly into one cohesive force that will be capable of overthrowing the present Communist regime.

It is axiomatic that a campaign is best waged and the problems that may beset it best solved whenever the objectives of the battle are faithfully honored as guiding principles. Let the mission of the Free Albania Committee be your constant guide.

2. There are two main parts to the team mission. Both are clandestine and, as such, must be stealthy and passive. You are not returning to your land to commence a one-man war; such intemperate action only invites disaster to the Free Albanian Committee's cause and dooms an early return of freedom to your countrymen. The two phases, then, are:

a. To serve as a reconnaissance party. You will observe the activities of the Communist regime that keeps Albania captive; you will collect all information that tells us the little and the big of life in that country, the police, the military, the plain people, our friends and enemies; you will report all that you have seen and gathered in a factual manner, always careful to avoid personal feelings. Report the cold truth.

b. To serve as an organizing party. You will be the focus and the leadership that will bring together the many, little groups and the scattered individuals who will join in to one, great resistance movement. This is no task of magic, but a responsible mission that demands care, hard work, long hours, keen vigilance, and tenacity. You will find many friends but they will be unorganized; it follows that you must knit these

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friends together, in secret, under the banner of the Free Albania Committee - into a loyal resistance force that, at the appropriate signal, will rise to smash the Hoxha tyrants. Here, again, your orders are the same: remain passive. Be clever to organize to be able one day to be held.

This important phase of your coming mission requires that you exercise every precaution when approaching any group or individual. Always be assured of their reliability and sincerity and beware of resistance organizations that may be Communist tricks. Some of Hoxha's police are "agent provocateurs", some acquaintance might whisper to the Sigurimi; an indiscrete remark of yours could lead to your discovery. We will provide you with names of known resistance leaders, their location, and strength in a later briefing. We will tell you of small organizations who want contact with the Free Albania Committee; you, of course, are that contact. But beyond that, there will be many patriots you will meet of whom we have no real news. You alone must judge their genuineness.

As you meet with the various resistance groups that have grown in Albania and explain your mission to their leaders, the Committee insists that you clearly establish the fact that the Committee has held open a place in its council for the strongest and most outstanding resistance leader in Albania. They are, through you, seeking such a man. It is within your province to search out good men, weigh their qualities, and recommend them for this high and trusted position.

You may ask, exactly how do I organize this force?

1. Establish yourself as the officially recognized Committee contact in your area. To help you, the Committee will provide you with identifying documents and friendly contacts now there.

2. Move to mold the little pieces of resistance into one effective resistance force with the same aims and the same will. In building this single movement you must caution all to remain quiet so that a real, effective strength can be quietly developed that can rise in concert and strike in unity when the Committee signals.

3. All the while you are mustering this underground army, report to us the names of the groups you encounter, names of their leaders, their locations, and the true strength they possess. In this conjunction, you must appraise their honesty and reliability, arms they already command and the aim now given by the local population.

4. Always keep us informed of the progress or the difficulties - you meet in the organizing task. In this way, you are serving on a valuable liaison between the Committee and the resistance force you are welding together. Such liaison is keenly desired.

5. Concentrate your sharpest efforts in creating defection in the Army. Work on the military; when individual soldiers - with their weapons and information - swell into platoons, companies, and whole regiments with your cause, then the greatest of all has been achieved. The importance of military defection to the success of the eventual overthrow of the Hoxha puppets cannot be over-emphasized. Perhaps it may be the most delicate feat; perhaps not, for we know for sure of many officers and men who would join you. Again, we will tell you who they are at another meeting.

6. As your organization becomes stronger and begins to assume the definite shape of a single force you must study the physical needs to support it with arms, ammunition, materiel, clothing, medical supplies, food, and communications equipment. These studies must be made from time to time, whenever the situation demands. Be accurate; be factual.

7. Then, you must prepare to receive these supplies. You must determine the best drop zones, locate storage places, and provide security for both. In the same way, you should locate the best areas where other teams can be dropped - areas away from villages and people, easy to identify from an aircraft (near contrasting terrain or streams that reflect moonlight), flat and treeless and rockless, and near enough to forests so that the teams can safely escape after they are assembled and have collected their supply packs. Of course, we must be told these exact locations as they are found.

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3. There is still a third phase in your mission, or better, an extension of your reconnaissance duties. It is strictly an intelligence job. You must act as our eyes and ears inside Albania so that we will have all the proper information necessary to plan future operations. This entails special attention to many things. At this time we are particularly anxious to know more about the following:

a. Military and tactical intelligence on units, fortifications, build-ups, maneuvers and movements, location, identification, insignias, equipment, and state of training as well as news of any special training.

Any signs of general mobilization.

Any indications of war preparations in equipment or the firing of an offensive spirit.

Names of important military leaders and unit commanders.

Location and description of military targets such as unit headquarters, barracks, ammunition, fuel, and supply magazines.

Any specialized or intensive training of officers or men.

Names, ranks, units, and specialities of all officers or men trained in Russia.

Construction of fortifications; location, size of the project, kind of fortification and materials used.

Tanks and armored cars; number, type, weight, armament, year built, general condition.

Number, location, and condition of airfields and the amount of activity on the aerodromes.

Number of aircraft by type and location. We desire to know the nationality of the crews, whether Albanian, Russian, Bulgarian or what.

The state of the Albanian Air Force.

Any indication of radar installations, air raid warning systems, and - important - the existence of any fighter control system. (NOTE TO INSTRUCTOR: This last may be unreasonably difficult).

Any evidence of construction of guided missile launching sites.

Navy coastal patrol: number of craft, speeds, size of crew, bases, area of patrol.

b. Internal security measures used by the Hoxha government; routine procedures, documents required (we wish to know the length of validity of all documents, new or old, and would like samples of all identification documents used. NOTE TO INSTRUCTOR: We are looking to the day, should open hostilities burst, when an entirely new identification system may be inaugurated. This may be too far-sighted, but you should allude in some manner to this possibility and to our vital need for complete information on all new documentations, special numbering systems by locality or dates, special marks for authenticity), and those procedures especially geared to counteract resistance to the regime. It is well to report any police activities that reflect unusual concern of the government, how, where, when, and why.

Names, ranks, biographical details, and duties of Sigurimi personnel.

New travel controls.

Location, strength, armament, travel methods, senior officers, and specific duties of the Special Pursuit Brigades (old DMP Division).

The loyalty of the police, especially in the small gendarmerie stations and in those villages where plain citizens are selected and armed to stand watch at night. Also, to what extent do the patrols stray? How far do they leave the villages and roads?

Any biographical information on Communist personalities.

New or intensified activities of the Communist party, as differentiated from those of the government.

c. Public sentiment. (Be unemotional and guard against wishful reporting.) We are interested in public feeling toward Hoxha and his government. Are some cliques hated more than others? Are some personalities liked more than others? We are interested, also, in events that have been kept hidden from the world that involve purges, travels of government or party leaders and visits by Russian or other satellite figures; and the scornful names attached to Hoxha leaders by the populace; in brief, we want to know of anything that is done or has happened that has been kept from the public deliberately.

Names of people (stooges) who may report to the Sigurimi those people who are sympathetic to any resistance move.

Any indications of dissension in the government or the Communist party.

Any manifestations of rivalry between Hoxha and Mehmet Shehu.

~~The existence of any Xoxe movement.~~

Purges: party, government, army.

Organization and scope of non-Communist parties apart from the resistance groups.

Public sentiment toward the parties and leaders abroad.

Any evidence or knowledge of disaffection on the part of any responsible official.

Opinions on the National Committee for a Free Albania, Voice of America, BBC, leaflets, NATO.

d. Economic Information.

The Qukes oil fields south of Labinot; number of wells, tanks, equipment, refining facilities, production, quality, method of transportation.

Tirane-Elbasan road (condition and amount of traffic).

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Pequin-Elbasan railway (gauge, state of completion).

Pequin-Durres railway (kind and quantities of current shipments).

e. The presence of Russians: number in the country and their reasons for being there. This could apply for citizens of Bulgaria as well, and would include any biographical details available.

What are the functions of the so-called Soviet "advisers"?

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