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SUBJECT: Sending of ARTICHOKE Team to [REDACTED]

Reference is made to discussions concerning the sending of an ARTICHOKE team to [REDACTED] for application of appropriate techniques in regard to [REDACTED]. The availability of the following facilities for ARTICHOKE have been discussed with the interested case officers. However, it is suggested that the requirements of ARTICHOKE be officially made known to the [REDACTED] in order that appropriate advance arrangements and preparations might be made. The ARTICHOKE team is prepared to depart around 22 May. However, a definite date will be established when agreed upon, but it should not vary more than two or three days from the 22 May date.

It is requested that the [REDACTED] make the necessary advance arrangements to procure facilities as directed below in preparation for the arrival of the ARTICHOKE team. The facilities desired are as follows:

(1) House. A safe house should be obtained in which all actual operations can be carried out. The house should be large enough to accommodate a team of four persons, [REDACTED], one or two case officers as determined by the chief of station and guards. Arrangements should be made for all personnel to have meals on the premises so that operations can be carried on without the necessity of constant coming and going from the safe house for ordinary living purposes.

(2) Working area. Within the house the team will need two large-size bedrooms with a full bath adjoining or nearby. The rooms should be on the second floor of the house. It is preferred that the rooms be well carpeted and with drapes if possible in order that there will be no outside noise, interference and the proceedings in the room can be properly monitored.

(3) Location of the house. The house should be located in a safe and reasonably isolated area. However, it should be within reasonable distance of the station location for communication purposes and for the obtaining of any equipment and supplies deemed necessary in the course of the proceedings.

(4) Guards. Security cleared guards should be provided on a twenty-four hour basis while [REDACTED] on the premises. The team is not in a position nor does it have the facilities to serve as guard for the subject, and, accordingly, when the subject is not being processed, guards must be available for the security of the subject and the house itself.

(5) As a suggestion it is possible that the [REDACTED] arrangement of guards at a central mass facility might be suitable for this operation without the necessity of going outside the official family and bringing in new personnel for this specific purpose.

(6) Knowledge of the arrival of the team and the location of the safe house and the proposed work of the team should be limited to only those personnel at headquarters and in the field who of necessity must have knowledge of this operation. Under no circumstances should the mission of the team be circularized and become the subject of general discussion within the station.

(7) The team will bring with them all necessary equipment for the actual carrying out of the operation. The equipment referred to represents photographic, recording and other devices utilized by the team. The station will not be called upon to furnish any equipment in this line unless some unforeseen emergency develops.

(8) Required time for the operation. After arrival of the team, two or three days should be allowed for the team to set up the safe house and confer with the case officers as to the techniques to be utilized. The team can then agree upon the time the subject should be delivered to the safe house. It is estimated that a minimum of four days will be necessary to conduct the processing of the subject, with a possibility of extending three or four more additional days.

The team is desirous of running other subjects selected and approved by headquarters and the field station. If other subjects are provided, the team will continue to stay at the safe house and arrangements can be made by the team and the chief of station for the briefing on each new case with the case officer and the establishing of time of delivery of the subject for processing purposes.

(9) Disposal. The techniques applied by the team will be in direct consideration of the disposal facilities available to the chief of station, and in those cases as [redacted] where definite disposal facilities exist, the team can utilize many forms of techniques. In other cases that might be presented where the disposal facility is weak and the subject may have full or limited degree of freedom following the processing, the team techniques will be adapted to this situation. In each case, however, the team will discuss with the case officer and the chief of station, as necessary, the disposal factors prior to the running of a case.

(10) Techniques. It is the full responsibility of the [redacted] officer in charge of the team as to the techniques to be employed in each case, and such techniques as have been stated are predicated on the security factors involved, disposal facilities available and the character of the subject.

(11) Composition of the team. The team will be composed of a [redacted] specialist who will be in charge of the team, a professional consultant to [redacted], a technician and a medical officer. A medical officer may be provided from headquarters or he may be assigned to the team from the field personnel by headquarters.

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(12) [REDACTED] The team desires to use the services of [REDACTED] who has had some experience in [REDACTED] techniques and is actively working on [REDACTED] in [REDACTED]. Appropriate authorization should be granted for the use of [REDACTED] by the team during this period.