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DATE: 5 February 1948

TO : FBM  
FROM : Chief of Station, Heidelberg  
SUBJECT: GENERAL - Administrative  
SPECIFIC - Return of CARRYALL  
Reference: WASH 1968

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1. The contents of reference cable have been reviewed with Carryall and arrangements are being made for him to proceed to the United States at his own expense.

2. Carryall recognizes that the organization cannot make any commitments beyond clearing his travel to the States, since, as he puts it, "no one wants to buy a cat in a bag". You should, however, be aware that an extremely difficult situation will arise if Carryall arrives in the States, cannot be employed by us and cannot find suitable employment elsewhere. This will result in his being separated from his family with no way of supporting them and no certainty that he can obtain clearance and passage to Italy. You will recall that he is stateless and does not have an Italian visa.

3. I bring the foregoing to your attention because it is the final result of a certain amount of loose thinking and loose handling on the part of our organization. Carryall points out, for example, that in the four years that he has served our organization he has been assured repeatedly that we have a long range interest in him and that our efforts to get him to the States were inspired by a desire to make him more useful to the organization. It thus became natural for him to regard the trip to the States as a step in his work for us. He has passed up opportunities for other employment and for Italian citizenship. In fact, on his last trip to Italy he completely burned his bridges behind him by announcing that he was going to the United States.

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4. I must confess that I fell into the habit of accepting this line of thought. For example, my letter of 30 September (MGH-A-1410) was based on this assumption; and since no reply was received, I was left to believe that the organization did have a long term interest in Carryall.

5. In explaining the source of this misunderstanding I did not wish to imply that the organization's present policy is under dispute. It should be understood, however, that we are in an embarrassing situation with Carryall and that a clear statement of the organization's interest in the case is necessary before we take another step. It is not enough to state simply that no commitment was made; either we are interested in getting Carryall to the States in order to review him as a prospect for future employment or our interest is simply that of paying off an agent who has served us well. If the latter is true, I shall urge Carryall to swallow his pride, obtain Italian citizenship and settle there, since I believe his chances for success in the United States are remote, and, more important, that it is unlikely that he will be able to support himself and his family while trying to get his feet on the ground in a new country. If the former is true, we should indicate whether or not he will be retained and paid in Washington during the debriefing period.

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