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- REDSOX/AEQUOR/Operational

- Action to be Followed if AEQUOR TEAM II is Surfaced

1. In view of the fact that there has been no further W/T or S/W contact with AEQUOR TEAM II since the 7 January 1955 broadcasts, there is an excellent possibility that the team, if under RIS control, may be surfaced. Should this prove to be the case we will recommend that the following course of action will be followed by KUBARK, ODACID and AECAMBISTA 1:

a. KUBARK to continue its 'no-comment' policy.

b. ODACID to deny the Soviet accusations, adding to these denials any material which would be little the Soviet claims.

c. AECAMBISTA 1, as sponsors of the team, should be made to accept the responsibility for dispatching the team. They can state that the team was infiltrated a number of years ago with Western assistance in conjunction with AECAMBISTA 1 assets; or that this group of individuals was a stay-behind team which had been active prior to the end of the war. They should further state that the team members surfaced are not the only anti-communist elements within the AECAMBISTA homeland, adding that those who have remained will continue the incessant struggle against the communist usurper.

2. It is requested that AECAMBISTA 4 be contacted and the eventuality explained in order that he may be prepared to act in accordance with paragraph 1c above, if it becomes necessary. He should not be led to believe, however, that KUBARK has completely given up AEQUOR TEAM II as an operation. It should be stressed that the thinking is merely a precautionary measure to ward off any Soviet accusations which could be detrimental to the AECAMBISTA 1 cause. He should be told that the approach is realistic and is predicated upon the inherent risks of any REDSOX-type operation.

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3. One W/T Message was transmitted on the 9 April 1955 blind broadcast. It stated: "ONE PART MESSAGE NO 73. FIN, AWAITING RADIO CONTACT. GIVE BLIND APRIL AND MAY. CHRIST HAS RISEN".

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