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BRIEFING OF [] ON PROJECT AERODYNAMIC

ACTION - SEE PARA 1

REFS - NONE

1. LINGOLD HAS ASKED THAT [] BE BRIEFED ON PROJECT AERODYNAMIC AND ITS FUTURE PLANS WHICH INVOLVE GERMANY PRIOR TO SUBMISSION OF THE LNLOFT PAPER ON THE PROJECT. THE PAPER IS NOW ON THE LNLOFT AGENDA AND MUST BE CONSIDERED IN THE NEAR FUTURE. WE REQUEST, THEREFORE, THAT THE STATION BRIEF [] AT HIS EARLIEST CONVENIENCE AND INFORM HEADQUARTERS BY CABLE OF HIS VIEWS.

2. THE PARAGRAPHS THAT FOLLOW SUMMARIZE THE HISTORY OF THE PROJECT, ITS CURRENT STATUS, AND FUTURE PLANS, PARTICULARLY THOSE TOUCHING ON GERMANY. THERE ARE PROBABLY NO CURRENT FILES ON THE PROJECT IN THE STATION BECAUSE OF THE ABSENCE OF CONTACTS BETWEEN THE STATION AND AERODYNAMIC ACTIVITIES IN GERMANY FOR THE LAST TEN YEARS OR MORE. [] IS FAMILIAR WITH THE PROJECT FROM HIS LAST HEADQUARTERS TOUR AND SHOULD BE ABLE TO SUPPLY MORE BACKGROUND INFORMATION TO COS IF DESIRED. IN REVIEWING THE PROJECT WITH [], WE BELIEVE THAT COS SHOULD EMPHASIZE THE SMALL SIZE OF THE ORGANIZATION INVOLVED, THE MINOR NATURE OF THE CHANGES CONTEMPLATED IN THE PROPOSALS FOR THE FUTURE, AND THE ALMOST TOTAL ABSENCE OF OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY OF THE SORT THE AEGIDEONS CONDUCT ON THE

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TERRITORY OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC.

3. WOFIRM RELATIONS WITH THE SIX WITTING AGENTS OF PROJECT AERODYNAMIC DATE BACK TO 1948 TO 1950 WHEN THEY CAME TO OUR ATTENTION AS BY FAR THE BEST MEN AMONG THE UKRAINIAN EMIGRES WITH THE BEST CONNECTIONS BACK TO THEIR HOMELAND. THEY WERE DISTINGUISHED FROM THEIR FELLOWS BY THEIR INTEGRITY, INTELLIGENCE, ABILITY AND SECURITY. THESE TRAITS ARE AS DISTINCT AMONG THEM NOW AS THEY WERE THEN. THEIR LEADER, AEGASSOWARY/2, /IDEN/1/ LEFT THE HOMELAND IN 1944 WITH THE MANDATE FROM THE MASSIVE PARTISAN FORCES OF THOSE DAYS TO REPRESENT THEIR CAUSE IN THE WEST. /AS A MEASURE OF THE PARTISAN MOVEMENT'S SIZE, ITS MILITARY SUPPRESSION REQUIRED OVER FOUR YEARS AND AT THE PEAK A FORCE OF TWENTY SOVIET AND TEN POLISH DIVISIONS./ IN AGREEMENT WITH WOFIRM IN 1950, THE SIX WITTING MEMBERS OF THE PROJECT BEGAN TO UNDERTAKE VARIOUS ACTIVITIES WHOSE PURPOSE WAS TO RELIEVE THE PRESSURE OF RUSSIFICATION UPON THE UKRAINE AND TO ENCOURAGE TOLERANCE AND DEMOCRACY THERE. THEIR ORGANIZATION /IDEN/9/ NEVER SOUGHT TO BECOM AN "EMIGRE GROUP," HAS NEVER EXPANDED THE CIRCLE OF ITS WITTING MEMBERS, AND HAS EMPLOYED ON A NON-WITTING BASIS ONLY THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF OTHER PERSONS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN ITS MODEST PROGRAM OF PUBLICATIONS AND CONTACT OPERATIONS. THEY HAVE DELIBERATELY STOOD ASIDE FROM ALL EMIGRE INVOLVEMENT IN THE POLITICS OF OTHER COUNTRIES WHEREVER POSSIBLE. IN WOLADY, FOR EXAMPLE, THEY HAVE CONSISTENTLY ADVOCATED A POLICY OF EXCHANGES, CONTACTS, TRADE, ETC. WHICH HAS CAUSED THEM TO BE DENOUNCED AS LEFT-WINGERS OR EVEN "CRYPTO COMMUNISTS," BY MANY OF THE RIGHT-WING ORGANIZATIONS OF THEIR FELLOW COUNTRYMEN IN EXILE. OVER THE YEARS THEIR ACTIVITIES HAVE CHANGED FROM RUNNING SECRET COURIERS INTO THE UKRAINE AND SUPPORTING THE REMNANTS OF THE PARTISAN MOVEMENT TO USING THEIR FRIENDS AMONG UKRAINIAN EMIGRES, PRIMARILY IN WOLADY AND SMADD ON AN UNWITTING BASIS TO TRAVEL TO THE UKRAINE TO ESTABLISH CONTACTS

WITH SOVIET UKRAINIANS, ALMOST ALL OF THEM AMONG THE INTELLIGENTSIA. MANY OF THOSE WITH WHOM THE AECASSOWARYS ARE NOW IN TOUCH ARE GRADUATE STUDENTS AND SCHOLARS, THE CHILDREN OR GRANDCHILDREN OF UKRAINIAN EMIGRANTS WHO HAVE BEEN ENCOURAGED TO REDISCOVER THEIR HOMELAND THROUGH THE AECASSOWARYS. IN 1953 THE LEADERSHIP OF THE ORGANIZATION MOVED FROM GERMANY TO WOLADY AND HAS BEEN BASED THERE EVER SINCE. /FIVE OF THE SIX WITTING PRINCIPALS ARE IN WOLADY, ONE IS IN MUNICH./ A SMALL OFFICE /IDEN/5/ HAS REMAINED IN MUNICH FROM WHICH THE ORGANIZATION'S MONTHLY LITERARY MAGAZINE /IDEN/2/ HAS BEEN PUBLISHED AND A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF SUPPORT GIVEN TO THE EDITING OF IDEN/3. THE TWO TO FOUR BOOKS A YEAR WHICH THEY PUBLISH UNDER THE NAME OF THEIR WOLADY OFFICE /IDEN/4/ ARE ALSO PRINTED IN MUNICH. OVER THE YEARS THE REPUTATION OF AECASSOWARY/2 AND HIS IMMEDIATE LIEUTENANT AECASSOWARY/29 /IDEN/8/ AND OTHERS OF THE GROUP HAS SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE UKRAINIAN EMIGRATION FROM AUSTRALIA TO CANADA. THROUGH THEIR PERSONAL CONTACTS, FRIENDSHIPS AND COMMON CAUSES, THEY HAVE BUILT UP A NETWORK OF FOLLOWERS WHO ASSIST THEM AND COLLABORATE WITH THEM IN THEIR CONTACT OPERATIONS--MEETING SOVIET TRAVELERS AND OFFICIALS ABROAD AND IN MEETING WITH TRAVELERS GOING TO AND COMING FROM THE SOVIET UKRAINE--AS WELL AS IN THEIR WORK OF DISTRIBUTING THE LITERATURE THEY PUT OUT. THEIR LITERARY JOURNAL /IDEN/2/ IS WIDELY RESPECTED, NOT ONLY AMONG THE EMIGRES BUT AMONG THE CIRCLES OF THE LIBERAL INTELLIGENTSIA IN THE UKRAINE AS AN IMPORTANT SOURCE OF INFORMATION ON THE COUNTRY TODAY AND ITS LITERATURE AND A MAJOR VEHICLE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THE WORKS OF SOVIET UKRAINIANS BANNED BY THE CENSOR AT HOME.

4. CURRENTLY THE BASE OF THE ORGANIZATION IS ITS INCORPORATED ENTITY /IDEN/4/ IN WOLADY, WHERE EIGHT OF THE FOURTEEN EMPLOYEES NOW WORK. THE VOLUMINOUS HISTORICAL AND PERSONALITY FILES FOR THE ORGANIZATION ARE KEPT HERE AND FROM THIS BASE ALL OF THEIR CONTACT

OPERATIONS ARE RUN. THIS WOLADY ENTITY HAS BEEN TAX EXEMPT AND FUNDED THROUGH A NOTIONAL U.S. FOUNDATION. ALTHOUGH, AS NOTED ABOVE, IT HAS BEEN A TARGET OF ATTACK BY RIGHT-WING UKRAINIANS WHO HAVE EVEN CHARGED THAT IT RECEIVES WOFIRM SUPPORT, IT WAS TOTALLY UNMENTIONED IN THE MHDOWEL CAMPAIGN AND ITS FUNDING MECHANISM WAS IN NO WAY LINKED TO THOSE EXPOSED. NEVERTHELESS, THE GUIDELINES ESTABLISHED SUBSEQUENT TO MHDOWEL REQUIRE THAT AERODYNAMIC NOW BE REORGANIZED AND RECEIVE ITS FUNDS FROM EUROPE. THE EUROPEAN OFFICE IS IDENTIFIED IN MUNICH. SIX PERSONS ARE EMPLOYED THERE WHOSE FUNCTIONS HAVE BEEN DESCRIBED IN THE PARAGRAPH ABOVE. THE TOTAL ANNUAL BUDGET IN RECENT YEARS HAS BEEN APPROXIMATELY \$C .), OF WHICH ABOUT 25 PER CENT HAS SUPPORTED THE MUNICH OFFICE. NEITHER THE OVER-ALL BUDGET NOR THE PORTION THEREOF TO BE SPENT IN GERMANY IS EXPECTED TO CHANGE SIGNIFICANTLY IN THE FUTURE.

5. IN ORDER TO REORGANIZE AERODYNAMIC TO CONFORM TO THE GUIDELINES GROWING OUT OF MHDOWEL, THE FOLLOWING PLANS HAVE BEEN PROPOSED IN THE LNLOFT PAPER WHICH HAS BEEN DISCUSSED WITH LNOLD OFFICIALS IDENTIFIED IN 6 AND 7/ WHO CONCUR IN THE PROPOSAL -

A. ALTHOUGH MOST OF THE FOURTEEN AERODYNAMIC EMPLOYEES NOW IN WOLADY WILL REMAIN THERE AND CONTINUE, INFORMALLY, TO SUPERVISE ALL AERODYNAMIC ACTIVITIES, ALL FUNDING WILL BE COVERTLY SUPPLIED TO THE MUNICH ORGANIZATION WHICH WILL IN TURN FUND, AS INDIVIDUALS, THE AERODYNAMIC PERSONNEL REMAINING IN WOLADY. /THE LEGAL TECHNICALITIES OF WORKING THIS OUT ARE NOW UNDER REVIEW. WE WILL ADVISE THE STATION FURTHER, AS PLANNING PROGRESSES, AND MAY CALL ON STATION ASSETS FOR LEGAL ADVICE AND POSSIBLY TO ASSIST IN EFFECTING CHANGES IN THE LEGAL STATUS OF THE ORGANIZATION IN MUNICH./

B. ONE OR TWO OF THE EMPLOYEES IN WOLADY MAY POSSIBLY MOVE TO EUROPE, PROBABLY MUNICH, TO INSURE THAT THE ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS WORKED OUT ARE PROPERLY PUT INTO EFFECT. THE ACTIVITIES

OF THE MUNICH OFFICE WILL CONTINUE AS BEFORE AND IN ADDITION IT WILL POSSIBLY BE USED AS THE ADDRESS OF THE PUBLISHER OF ONE OR TWO OF THE FEW BOOKS PUBLISHED BY THE PROJECT. MORE PROBABLY, THE NAME OF IDEN/4 WILL BE USED WITH AN ADDRESS IN SOME OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRY PROVIDED BY AN AERODYNAMIC COLLABORATOR. IN ANY EVENT, THE ACTUAL PRINTING OF THE BOOKS WILL GO ON IN MUNICH AS IT HAS IN THE PAST.

C. NO INCREASE IN THE ORGANIZATION'S CONTACT OPERATIONS IN GERMANY IS PLANNED. SUCH OPERATIONS HAVE NOT BEEN UNDERTAKEN BY THE MUNICH OFFICE IN THE PAST AND RARELY IN ANY WAY HAVE TOUCHED GERMANY.

6. IDEN 4 IN WOLADY WILL BE DISSOLVED AS A CORPORATE ENTITY, ALTHOUGH THE NAME IDEN 4 MAY BE RETAINED FOR PUBLISHING ABROAD. ALTHOUGH THE FILES AND SOME KEY PERSONNEL OF THE ORGANIZATION IN WOLADY WILL REMAIN THERE, THE ORGANIZATION IN GERMANY WILL SUPPLY THEIR INCOME. IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO HAVE A WOLADY SUBSIDIARY OF THE ORGANIZATION IN GERMANY SET UP TO MAINTAIN CONTINUITY FOR RETIREMENT PLANS AND HEALTH INSURANCE, ETC., BUT NOTHING BEYOND THAT.

7. IN SUM, THE CHANGES INVOLVING GERMANY AMOUNT TO HAVING THE ORGANIZATION IN GERMANY SEND MONEY TO WOLADY INSTEAD OF VICE VERSA, AN INCREASE OF ONE OR TWO PERSONS IN THE MUNICH STAFF OF THE ORGANIZATION, AND A POSSIBLE INCREASE IN THE PUBLICATION PROGRAM AMOUNTING TO ONE OR TWO BOOKS A YEAR. CATUSK HAS BEEN AWARE OF OUR INVOLVEMENT WITH THE PERSONALITIES OF THE AERODYNAMIC PROJECT, OR AT LEAST WAS AWARE IN THE EARLY 1950'S WHEN THE MUNICH OFFICE WAS MUCH MORE ACTIVE. SINCE THAT TIME THE VESTIGIAL NATURE OF THE PROJECT'S ACTIVITIES IN GERMANY HAVE BEEN SUCH THAT THEY WERE NOT EVEN BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE STATION, LET ALONE OR THE GERMAN AUTHORITIES.

8. WOFIRM IS STRONGLY CONCERNED TO MAINTAIN AERODYNAMIC AS A VIABLE PROJECT FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS -

A. ITS ACTIVITIES HAVE HAD A CLEARLY DEMONSTRATED EFFECT IN ENCOURAGING THE ADVOCATES OF LIBERALIZATION AND TOLERANCE IN

INTELLECTUAL CIRCLES, PARTICULARLY AMONG THE WRITERS OF THE SOVIET UKRAINE. ITS ACTIVITIES HAVE ESTABLISHED UNIQUE CONTACTS WITH LEADING UKRAINIAN INTELLECTUALS WHO HAVE SUPPLIED AERODYNAMIC WITH DOCUMENTS OF POLITICAL AND LITERARY SIGNIFICANCE ON THE SITUATION IN THEIR COUNTRY AND TO LOOK UPON AERODYNAMIC'S ACTIVITIES AS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE IN THEIR CAMPAIGN TO EXPAND THE HORIZONS OF CREATIVE FREEDOM. IN THE UKRAINIAN CONTEXT THIS NATURALLY MEANS A CERTAIN DEGREE OF UKRAINIAN NATIONALISM WHICH IS FUNDAMENTAL TO THE OUTLOOK OF THE AERODYNAMIC PERSONNEL. THIS DOES NOT MEAN, HOWEVER, THAT THE ACTIVITIES OF THE PROJECT COULD OR ARE EXPECTED TO ENCOURAGE VIOLENT OPPOSITION TO RUSSIAN AUTHORITIES, NOT TO MENTION THE FRAGMENTATION OF THE SOVIET UNION.

B. AERODYNAMIC HAS BEEN A SIGNIFICANT SOURCE OF POLITICAL INTELLIGENCE OVER THE YEARS. ITS PRODUCTION IN THE CURRENT YEAR HAS BEEN ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT.

C. AERODYNAMIC CONTACTS HAVE PROVIDED SIGNIFICANT CE INFORMATION TO WOFIRM AND LNERGO, THE LATTER PLAYING AN ACTIVE PART IN THEIR OPERATIONS IN WOLADY.

D. AERODYNAMIC ASSETS HAVE PROVED THEMSELVES UNIQUELY CAPABLE OF WINNING THE CONFIDENCE OF CERTAIN SOVIET UKRAINIANS, HAVE IN THE PAST AND ARE EXPECTED IN THE FUTURE TO PROVIDE ACCESS FOR WOFIRM TO TARGETS OF CONSIDERABLE SIGNIFICANCE.

E. THE DISCIPLINE AND THE CLOSE CONNECTIONS AMONG THE AERODYNAMIC PERSONNEL HAS MADE FOR HIGHLY SECURE AND WELL-RUN OPERATIONS. THEY HAVE NEVER HAD A FLAP INVOLVING THE ARREST OF A CONTACT OF THEIRS AND HAVE RARELY ATTRACTED ATTENTION OUTSIDE OF UKRAINIAN CIRCLES IN THE EMIGRATION AND IN THE UKRAINE.

F. AERODYNAMIC IS THE ONLY SOVIET MINORITY NATIONALITY PROJECT RUN BY WOFIRM. THIS INCREASINGLY SIGNIFICANT AREA NEEDS, AT LEAST, THE MONITORING THIS PROJECT PROVIDES.

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SPECIFICS OF THE PROJECTED CHANGES.

ABOVE, WE WILL COMMUNICATE FURTHER WITH THE STATION AS TO THE

10. FOLLOWING LNLOFT APPROVAL OF THE GENERAL CONCEPT OUTLINED

OF ITS STAFF AND BUDGET.

THIS PROJECT IS GREAT, ESPECIALLY WHEN COMPARED TO THE SMALL SIZE

IN GERMANY WILL BE NEGLIGIBLE, ON THE OTHER HAND THE UTILITY OF

9. IN SUMMARY THE CHANGES NECESSARY ARE SMALL, THEIR IMPACT

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