

CONTACT REPORT

26 April 1954

SUBJECT: Meeting with Cassowary 15

1. Following discussed:

a) Letter to Carthage 12: I told Cass 15 that we could now answer Carthage 12's two letters to us; that I had the necessary writing materials, etc. and that Cass 2 should come to Wash as soon as possible to write the answer letter. Cass 15 said he would call Cass 2 instructing him to come here. (Later learned that Cass 2 would arrive here on 29 April.)

b) German visa for Cass 2: I told Cass 15 that I was having difficulty in obtaining a visa for Cass 2; that the Germans are still not giving visas on Affidavit in Lieu of Passport and the arrangement I had mentioned to him earlier whereby this could be arranged fell through. Cass 15 was very unhappy about this to say the least; he even mentioned throwing in the towel because of the various difficulties him and his colleagues in such things. I told him I was still trying to make Cass 2 travel arrangements but could not promise anything.

c) Javelin Info re Koval; I gave the following excerpt from Javelin's OELA 6060: Pidhainy arrived in London from Munich on 7 April and told British he wrote to Uncle asking to see him to discuss recent internal difficulties in OUN/B and its possible repercussions in the homeland. British told him they did not consider such a meeting opportune ~~with~~ while Pidhainy insisted that such a meeting or desire for the meeting was motivated by desire to safeguard the security of the men in the field and particularly to clear with Uncle the position of Miron, which could be done only by personal contact. Pidhainy is anxious for Uncle to be informed without delay that Miron had reported at the beginning of April through our W/T link the alleged capture alive, in the fall of 1953, of the UHVR leader in the homeland, and of Miron's fears that Koval may have been compelled to disclose various details to the enemy. While the feeling is that this information (which has still to be confirmed independently) and Pidhainy's other reasons for desiring an urgent meeting with Uncle are not all that pressing, it is nevertheless our thought that it might be useful---indeed necessary---for British-American to get together for the purpose of reviewing the safety and security of these organizations in the field. Should such a meeting be agreed it would certainly assist if the Ukrainian heads could be at hand for consultations. The presence of Uncle would in that case be of considerable value. We should add that we can give no guarantee for Miron's information, but we have been promised supporting details which will be forwarded to you when received.