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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Contact with AECASSOWARY-4, 29 May 1958

During a meeting with Subject in New York on 29 May (contact was made to obtain from Subject information requested by [ ] of SR/3) the following was discussed.

1. Subject stated that AECASSOWARY-15 had informed him about the verbal report given him concerning the fact that the Kuk family was scheduled to be released from prison. Subject stated that the AECASSOWARIES had considered very carefully all the reasons the Soviets may have for doing this and came up with the following:

It is very probable that the Soviets have not caught up with LEMISH. As a last resort they are releasing his family, so that in case he is living in hiding, he may be destitute and would undoubtedly contact some member of his family were he to learn they are free and in an area accessible to him. Of all the UPA members, LEMISH was considered one of the most specialized in underground survival. The AECASSOWARIES consider it very doubtful that he could have been captured if living underground. If he is dead, they feel that the Soviets do not know it and that he must have died "privately"; i.e., from an illness or by accident, because he was too shrewd to permit the Soviets to catch up with him.

2. The foregoing information is being passed on to SR/3/CE.

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