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<p>In regard to the CADO operation, there is general satisfaction with the progress made.</p> <p>Para 4. In connection with the Padwa-Mantello offer we quote from [] 1047 dated 11 Nov 51: "Arthur Ben Nathan now in Switzerland and on bad terms with Shileah, head of the IIS. Ben Nathan no longer has intelligence duties. He has collected following former IIS personnel: SHILEE, Sam ROSENFELD, Jack PADWA, MANTELLO, AVNI." We are unable to evaluate this information. "his Swiss group may be a rival faction intriguing against Tel Aviv, a Revisionist intelligence outfit, a deep cover element of the IIS, or have no intelligence connections at all. Whatever they are, they do present a worthwhile target for xxxx us which is under attack by us from other angles. If CADO-1 wants to accept their offer, we have no objection.</p> <p>Para 5. One possible step for arriving at some clarification of this tangle would be for [] to demand a meeting with Gilead, relate what MANTELLO has told him about the IIS and demand the Gilead produce evidence of his stature in the IIS - possibly even demand that Gilead's superior vouch for him. We make this suggestion with full realization of the danger that it might backfire. Your decision on it will have to take into account the nature of [] relations with his IIS officers and his and their psychological make-up. In addition there would be a question of timing - perhaps a couple more meetings with the Swiss group would produce info allowing a more precise approach. In no case should [] be forced to take any step against his better judgment nor to do anything which would raise our commitment to him. Rather than do this, we would prefer to see the whole operation die of inertia. In this connection we may say, fyi only, that info from another source indicates that the IIS may be taking action to protect BRAUDE vis-a-vis the U.S. Govt - with the possible implication that the IIS is aware of CADO's double role.</p>						
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