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SPECIFIC (C) CARBOHYDRATE Progress Report

- REF: A. SBRLN-2070
- B. DIR-32466
- C. EGBA-9597
- D. EGBA-7987

SYNOPSIS: This summary contains an elaboration upon the activities of CARBOHYDRATE since the undersigned assumed responsibility for his direction on 20 November 1953, just prior to the departure of (C) for home leave. The latest progress report is believed to have been submitted in EGBA 7987 (25 September 1953).

1. Since the submission of reference "C" (23 November 1953), the undersigned has been meeting CARBOHYDRATE regularly every three or four days in company of (C) of CADRAIN. A considerable portion of these meetings is expended in the clarification of matters relating to CADROIT security and the briefing of the new case officer on the ramifications of CARBOHYDRATE's position and functions both in the CADROIT organization and in connection with the GASTABIA program.

2. a) On 4 December 1953 (C) CARBOHYDRATE and the writer discussed the case of Ursula MICHALSKI, a CADROIT employee for the last three or four months. According to CADROIT officials, she is showily dressed and reminds one by her general demeanor more of a denizen of some disreputable entourage rather than a legitimate employee of CADROIT. It was even reported that certain DDR Mitarbeiter of CADROIT were notably disturbed by her presence, and vivid

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memories of the Ruth SCHRAMM affair have conjured up some distinctly unpleasant possibilities. As a result, CAGNA was contacted by the undersigned and requested to put a continual surveillance on this woman, in an attempt to ascertain what, if anything, she might be doing in the way of extra-curricular activities, as it were. The mother of one CADROIT staff employee had reported seeing MICHALSKI meet a gentleman for lunch, and on one occasion, MICHALSKI produced some papers from her briefcase and transferred them to the possession of this friend. Further checking into the matter has revealed that she has already submitted her resignation to CADROIT, since she has arranged by mail to marry a sheep-raiser in South Africa, and plans to emigrate about the middle of January. In the meantime, however, CAGNA's people will keep her under close surveillance, and will apprehend her should she commit any act which is clearly contrary to promulgated statutes. CARBOHYDRATE is to keep us advised of future developments, and it is presently hoped that the surveillance will furnish a positive identification of her gentleman friend, in order that further background investigation may be carried out concerning him.

b) At the same meeting on 4 December 1953, CARBOHYDRATE reviewed in detail such cases as had been routed through the CASTABIA program or were still pending, so that the case officer is now in a position to make specific inquiries regarding the development and progress of such SSD leads as have been produced up to the present.

3. On 8 December 1953 CARBOHYDRATE reported on a letter which was sent to one of the CADROIT letter boxes in the French sector of Berlin. Letters coming to this box were to be addressed to a fictitious name and address, and the sorters in the post office knew that all mail addressed in such fashion automatically was to be deposited in a given box. This particular letter, however, was addressed to the name employed, but bore the direct number of the post office box, rather than the fictitious address with which such letters were supposed to be provided, so that it is clear that the author had been able to ascertain that this fictitious name (and presumably the address as well) was a cover for a certain box at the Tegel post office. After discussing the matter at BOB, CARBOHYDRATE was instructed to drop this box, ignore the letter, and wait to see whether any additional correspondence was forthcoming from the source of this first letter.

4. At the meeting on 9 December, CARBOHYDRATE submitted a most interesting report from a refugee concerning letter-opening methods used by the SSD. Copies were made of this report and submitted to appropriate case officers at BOB, CADRAIN, and a translation is being prepared for forwarding to COM and EE in the immediate future.

5. A subsequent meeting on 18 December produced some recommendations prepared by CARBOHYDRATE for the increased security of the CADROIT establishment. Rather than forward these points separately, they were sent to [] []

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for incorporation into the master plan he has been preparing. Larrison's ideas have been discussed briefly with CARBOHYDRATE, and only await approval from higher authority before concrete steps are taken to implement this detailed and impressive outline for a general improvement of CADROIT security.

6. The precise details of the possible association with French officials of the Surété have been spelled out in SBRLN-2070 and in a pouch which is in the final stages of preparation. Pending further clarification from [] we intend to LCFLUTTER CARBOHYDRATE in the near future, and are requesting [] presence for that purpose. Results will be cabled in accord with the request contained in reference "B", and no further action is contemplated in the matter until we have some more definite information upon which to base carefully considered and logical recommendations. It is felt that at the moment the whole affair has far too many unclear points to permit a valid and objective analysis, yet BOB/CART is vitally aware of the possible ramifications inherent in any such outside connection, given the highly sensitive position which CARBOHYDRATE presently occupies. For the time being, therefore, it is planned to meet CARBOHYDRATE as has been the normal custom heretofore, and then examine the LCFLUTTER results in the light of such data as may become available. It is to be hoped that a definite positive or negative conclusion can be reached, yet the information presently in our possession suggests that it may be difficult to state categorically at any time that we know the precise extent of this connection.

7. Although the writer has been meeting CARBOHYDRATE only about one month, it is felt not inappropriate to offer some comments and suggestions concerning this operation for the consideration of the readers.

a) Although automatic inclusion of CARBOHYDRATE into [] security plans for CADROIT is only a question of time, the case officer intends to conduct some security indoctrination of CARBOHYDRATE on his own. One notes, for example, the distressing lack of security in telephone conversations, and a comprehensible vagueness concerning his precise functions and activities within the CADROIT staff. In coordination with [] we hope to prepare some specific points for discussion with CARBOHYDRATE, wherein we shall attempt to make clear the necessity for, and the activities of, the CADROIT security section.

b) The few meetings with CARBOHYDRATE have shown that he is an intelligent and adaptable person, who can be of considerable use to CADROIT and KUBARK in his present capacity, provided certain guidance, supervision and indoctrination are forthcoming. It has of course been necessary to devote much time and effort to a clarification of his status within CADROIT, yet it is felt that emphasis can now be shifted from this aspect of his position to a detailed study of his whole raison d'être: the security of CADROIT, and how he can most effectively contribute to it.

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c) These past weeks have in a large measure been devoted to the task of establishing rapport and the case officer's acquiring a certain familiarity with the personnel and operations of the CADROIT organization; now, however, it is high time that specific measures be implemented to train CARBOHYDRATE and extract from him the full measure of his capabilities. In this respect, [] will be asked to join in the preparation of materials for discussion and analysis with CARBOHYDRATE, so that we may take positive steps to achieve the desired results.

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