

CONTACT REPORT

SUBJECT: GOMACE Meeting
TIME : 1000 hours, 21 September 1958
PLACE : Room 1237 - Hotel Statler, NYC
PRESENT: GOMACE and []

1. After a short discussion on administrative and financial matters the remainder of the meeting was spent on operational matters of interest to ZERNAUTILE and the Bulgarian desk.

2. GOMACE was in New York to attend the convention of the Anti-Bolshevik League convening in New York City 19-21 September. His morale was high and it appeared that he may have been successful in winning the sympathy and confidence of other candidates attending the convention. Whether this related to the BNF, ZERNAUTILE or his own selfish interests and intrigue is unknown.

3. GOMACE stated that the BNF was holding a Board Meeting in Niagara Falls, Canada on 4 and 5 October 1958. Headquarters for the BNF during this meeting will be the Sheraton-Brook Hotel on the Canadian side of Niagara Falls. All meetings will be conducted in the American Room of the hotel. The tentative scheduled meeting times are:

4 Oct - Saturday - 1700-2400 hours
5 Oct - Sunday - 0900-1400 hours

GOMACE will check into the hotel at 1400 hours 4 October. Presidents of all the chapters in the United States and Canada will be present for the meeting. Those chapters outside the United States and Canada will send letters of proxy as representative of their chapter at the meeting. The following representatives and their chapters will be in attendance:

Dimitri MIKOV -----representing the New York Chapter
Dr. Siryan SYARAV-----representing the Chicago Chapter
Dr. Wasil WELEFF-----representing the Detroit Chapter
Gen. Anton BALZAKOFF--representing the Toledo Chapter
Dr. Georgi GATEFF-----representing the Cleveland Chapter
Sava BEROFF-----representing the Pittsburgh Chapter
Dimitri KOLEFF-----representing the Buffalo Chapter
*Dr. Christo POPOFF----representing the Los Angeles Chapter
Pancho PRITEKOFF-----representing the Toronto Chapter
Asparukh KINKOLOV-----representing the Montreal Chapter
Georgi MUTAPOFF-----representing the Sudbury, Ont. Chapter

*Due to distance will not attend. Will send letter of proxy.

Since all ZERNAUTILE team leaders (both American and Canadian) will be in attendance, I intend to visit the American Niagara Falls and make arrangements to personally meet them. This should also enable me to get the results of this meeting -- i.e., GOMACE vis-a-vis BNF.

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3. The agenda

3. The agenda for the BHF Board meeting is as follows:
 - a. Question of the resignation and subsequent disavowal of the Supreme Leadership of the Central Committee. Task -- how to remedy this for the future--may make temporary election until next convention in March 1959.
 - b. The BHF question re support of the ERA.
 - c. The BHF and membership policy, i.e., membership cards, files, publishing magazines and papers, etc. (Comment: No mention was made how this would be financed.)
 - d. Prepare agenda for next convention including time and place.
 - e. Question and answer discussion period. (Comment: More appropriately -- a dog eat cat time.)

4. GOMACE has moved lock, stock and barrel out of Toronto. He now resides 30 miles from Toronto and is employed as a machine operator in the KRUG Furniture Mfg. Co. in Chesley, Ontario. His hours of employment are 0800-1630 Monday through Friday at a take home salary of \$45.00 per week. He is renting an 8-room house in Chesley at \$50.00 per month. His new address and phone:

Dr. Ivan Docheff
 P. O. Box 158
 Chesley, Ontario
 PHONE: 387

5. To date, GOMACE has not received any word from Sokol SELVILIEV regarding receipt of money sent to S. S was to notify GOMACE immediately upon receipt of letter and money. GOMACE recommends not sending any more letters with money until he can check this out.

6. GOMACE brought up question of guidance re TODOROV case (attached). I told him that we were still studying the case.

7. GOMACE reports that information from his Vienna contact (name not stated) states that [] has appointed Badoe VELCHEV as [] representative in Vienna. GOMACE stated that during the Russian occupation of Austria, VELCHEV worked for 10 years in the employment of the Soviet I.S.

8. GOMACE presented statements signed by 11 ZERHAUFLE(?) team members. However, he requested that he be permitted to keep them for the Niagara Falls meeting, as in his words, the situation may change. I gave my permission with a mention that I expected GOMACE to certify that he had witnessed the signing of each statement. The following individuals had signed the statements as of the date of this meeting:

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- a. Stefan MARINOV
- b. Yoncho STOYANOV
- c. Siryan SYAROV
- d. Asparukh NIKOLOV
- e. Tolo ZLATKOV
- f. Teonyu GRADINAROV
- g. Khristo PULEV
- h. Demyan GEORGIEV
- i. Kalin KOYCHEV
- j. Pavel PAVLOV
- k. Nedalkov ZANOV (probably same as N. TSANOV)

COMMENT: It is interesting to note that all the W/T operators trained by us for ZEMBAUTLE are conspicuously missing from the above list.

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EE/PM ZEMBAUTLE Case Officer

Operation TODOROV

The project for the operation with Todorov TODOROV is as follows:

He will depart, together with his son, for Bulgaria as a visitor, to visit his parents.

His departure date will be around Christmas, so that he would have a normal reason for his trip.

Todorov is one of my loyal men from Bulgaria and is now located here among the emigrants. You have received information concerning him since he became a member of the Canadian team. Also he is a Canadian subject (citizen), and he is aware of the risks which he is undertaking, that it is possible that he will not be permitted to return. In that case he will offer no resistance and will ask for work and express his readiness to remain. Also he is not under ~~any sentence~~ sentence for any political crimes by the Communists and there is no risk that he would suffer more. If he is required to remain later he will seek an opportunity in order to leave the country illegally.

His task inside Bulgaria will be as follows:

1. In general to gather information, in accordance with the requirements given to him, as far as this is possible without exposing himself.
2. To determine and access the bona fides of members of the ~~former~~ former organization the National Legion, my personal loyal persons, what is their situation, what is their address and present occupation and what are the possibilities that they would be useful to us. TODOROV knows personally the following members of the organization:

Boris STRUMZHEV - from the Central Committee - Sofia
Petur Vutov - Section Leader - Sofia
Borislav TUTEV - Section Leader - Sofia
Slavcho SHKURTOV - Legion leader - Plovdiv
Petko HRISTOV - Legion Leader - Kerdzhali
Bori MILANEZI - Legion Leader - Lom
Zhorsh (George) EVTIMOV - Asst. Legion Leader - Lom
Ivan LILOV - Legion Leader - Vidin
Tsvatan KUTEV - Legion leader - Kula
Georgi Botsov - Legion Leader - Inkovit
Georgi SPTIPALOV - Legion Leader - Cherven Breg

besides these individuals TODOROV knows many other members of the organization.

3. Through these persons and through the individuals they specifically:

recruit and others now known, they will attempt to organize shelters for concealing people entering the country, also to organize an underground channel for illegally entering and leaving the country.

TODOROV has experience in this type of activity, because he has helped many Bulgarians, who defected from Bulgaria through Yugoslavia since he is from the village of Gramada-Kulsko, near the border.

Requirements for the Operation

1. Assistance to TODOROV for the support of his son and preparation for departing. In general up to the departure date \$100 per month or total sum of not more than \$500.
2. Travel expenses for him and his son, airline ticket for a round trip for which he will require about \$1,100.
3. To guarantee his maintenance in Bulgaria at cost of \$100 per month, ~~prior to his departure~~ prior to his departure he will receive a one year advance, and he will make arrangements there to received one-half of the amount and he will take the other half with him legally, generally about \$1,200.
4. Todorov has bought here furniture for which he has invested a large amount and which must be stored at a monthly cost of \$55.00, until he returns, eventually all year- \$660.00.

5. Since Todorov when he leaves will lose his job and that when he returns he will have to be supported with about \$250 per month until he finds another job or for this purpose a sum of about \$1000 should be reserved.
6. In case that Todorov leaves Bulgaria illegally he must be given assistance at once so that he can reenter Canada for which purpose there must be provided not less than \$1000.

In general the financial expenditures will be about \$5,500. I'm taking care of the preparation of Todorov by keeping in frequent contact with him, however before his departure, he must undergo some training in order to assure the success of the operation. We'll discuss this later. Of course during the period of this training we must accept all costs in connection with Todorov's maintenance.

Will discuss with Dean. Do not have too much confidence in this type of i.e. Returning a child behind the Iron Curtain with slim hopes that it would be worth the effort operationally. I wonder whether GOMACE may be applying pressure on Todoroff to return and thus benefit GOMACE personally?
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