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CONTACT REPORT

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2003

DATE: 20 Feb. 1954

TIME: Telephone

PERSONS INVOLVED: [] and JEsterline

DISCUSSION:

Re [] 0925 - it is your (LINC's) decision. Esterline and [] agreed that Hqs should have had only an INFO copy of that cable.

Next subject - The person discussed on 19 Feb. (SEEKFORD) is right were JE wanted him. The matter of his (SEEKFORD's) having left letters down there (Nicaragua) was discussed. JE said he planned to handle the matter of SEEKFORD personally, and said they were getting something out on the subject up at Hqs.

[] asked what JE's impression of reaction of people to this last bit of info was? [] and JE concurred with [] and JE made the statement that "the big boy is completely behind you."

[] mentioned that there is little we can do besides clean up the record. He asked if JCKing had been advised of this latest development. He was told that though JCK was not there he had been advised. There is not much he could do about it now anyhow.

[] said he had another problem which JE wouldn't get that night - it was an administrative problem and we would like to have early action taken on it Monday.

JE said he was trying to keep [] informed.

[] questioned JE as to whether he had gone over the questions which had been raised in the past about SEEKFORD so that they could be used for reference. JE said that by the time they are through, in about 10 days, they won't have missed anything.

Statement was made that "his" (SEEKFORD's) old buddy in Nicaragua, the governor of Nicaragua had told his buddy to be careful, that this sort of thing would happen and this information was in that recording which was sent up. [] said he would send this info along in the exact words so that there would be no misinterpretation.

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