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Security Information

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Discussion: Security Clearance of [] and "Rufus"

I advised [] that I had prepared the biographical outlines which were to be submitted together with a request for provisional clearance from Staff "C". Also I had checked both names with [] who handles all matters with Staff "D". I told [] that there was no derogatory info on Rufus and that there was no info on [] in Staff "D" files according to []

I asked [] how the request through staff "C" should be handled, specifically who would sign the attached request. He advised me that he would check with Col. King. Later in the same day, [] advised me that Col. King had told him that no ~~security check~~ ^{operational clearance check} with staff "C" was necessary, ~~too~~ since the Director had already approved the use of the two subjects. [] advised me that a simple covert name check would be sufficient.

I told him that the covert name check would include a check of Subjects Communist sympathies or information which reflected that these people were not friendly to the U.S.A. I further advised him I would ~~not~~ indicate that only these limited security steps had been taken in the final assessment of the two individuals involved. I advised him that under these circumstances as described to me, the ~~responsibility of full operational use of these two~~ responsibility of full operational use of these two individuals would of course then belong to the director, since the normal channel of security clearance was not being complied with.

~~I advised~~

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