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1. ESCONSON has advised that ESQUIRE was in contact with him on 7 and 8 October 1952, and during the course of their conversations he learned that ESQUIRE had recently arrived from QKCIGAR (since 1 October) and that his principal interest in contacting him was to determine if ESCONSON had, in fact, a means of communicating with Bob JACKSON. ESQUIRE furnished ESCONSON the telephone number of JACKSON.
2. ESQUIRE advised ESCONSON that a "timetable for action" was to be sent to him by Bob JACKSON some time between 16-25 October. ESCONSON ascertained that ESQUIRE's principal preoccupation has been the fusing of the opposition groups which he identified by code names which are apparently those used within the groups but are herein referred to by cryptonyms used in DECLAIM communications. We have recorded in our files the referred to code names.

One is the ~~KMPAJAMA~~ group headed by RNDINDLE and the other the group lead by [] and John H. CALLIGERIS, the latter stated by ESQUIRE to be presently in WSHOOPS. ESQUIRE explained to ESCONSON that the [] CALLIGERIS group claims considerably more men and arms than the RNDINDLE group, but all or almost all of their support is outside the country, whereas the RNDINDLE group has its men and materials inside the country.

He said that the principal difference between the two groups is that the RNDINDLE group cannot accept CALLIGERIS as the future president and the [] CALLIGERIS group is insisting that CALLIGERIS should have sole power after the revolution takes place. He said that both recognize the advantages of working together, but the RNDINDLE group wants a junta of 5-7 men. ESQUIRE mentioned that the groups have been talking over their differences since RNDINDLE returned from his trip to KMPAJAMA and QKCIGAR, but because of the insistence by both groups on having their way it appears that in the immediate future neither group will strike singly or in concert.

ESQUIRE mentioned to ESCONSON that part of the strategy of the [] CALLIGERIS group is the landing at and taking by force of the principal east

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coast port of WSBURNT. ESQUIRE said that insofar as he knows nothing has been done to get support from the WSBURNT Army or from DTFROGS; that the groups cannot trust army officers.

3. ESQUIRE said that the RNDINDLE group has plans for bringing in arms by means of an air lift and that this group claims to have an air strip which could be used, but its whereabouts is unknown to ESQUIRE.
4. ESQUIRE mentioned that RNDINDLE's recent trip to KMPAJAMA and QKCIGAR was the result of an arrangement made by ESQUIRE and his brother in BGTOWN to discuss plans for the movement; that his brother had previously been in contact with the Dominican Consul in BGTOWN although he, ESQUIRE, had never met the Consul. He said that when he, ESQUIRE, recently went to QKCIGAR he discovered that he was on the same plane with the Dominican Consul by reason of the Consul's having shown him his passport; that they did not talk in New Orleans because of the presence of citizens of WSBURNT but they later had a chat in the airport in Mobile, Alabama. ESQUIRE mentioned visiting the consul's office in BGTOWN which he says is a few floors above the WSBURNT Consulate.

He said that RNDINDLE went to KMPAJAMA first and contacted a DYCLAIM man who referred him to a British agent and the purpose of RNDINDLE's visit to KMPAJAMA was to arrange for trigger men; that apparently such can be supplied at the appropriate time.

ESQUIRE stated that the Dominican Consul said his government was willing to give half a million dollars in arms or in cash to oust the WSBURNT government. It is ESCONSON's impression from his conversation with ESQUIRE that the Dominican Consul told RNDINDLE the same thing. ESQUIRE said that the Consul's reaction toward RNDINDLE was favorable at the outset but when ESQUIRE last contacted the Dominican Consul, just before leaving BGTOWN, the Consul was impatient and said he would support anyone who had a satisfactory plan and would move first.

5. ESQUIRE further stated that the RNDINDLE group has arms for some 300 men cached close to the principal city of WSBURNT in a secure place. ESQUIRE indicated that he was considerably concerned for his personal security as a result of his personally having been in contact with the Dominican Consul and because of an article appearing in the DIARIO DE CENTRO AMERICA, pro-government Guatemala City newspaper, on 7 October, relating to an interview with Enrique C. HENRIQUEZ, brother-in-law of ex-President PRIO Socarras of Cuba.

Air travel lists reflect that Enrique C. HENRIQUEZ arrived in Guatemala on 3 October 1952, and the lists do not reflect that he has as yet departed.

ESQUIRE stated that he and RNDINDLE were not to be in contact in the immediate future—would let things cool off; that he, ESQUIRE, was going to his farm on 9 October and would return about 16 October and contact ESCONSON on 17 October.

6. ESQUIRE further mentioned to ESCONSON that he personally had given some \$2500 to the RNDINDLE group and the total amount of contributions to that group has been approximately \$38,000.
7. ESCONSON assures me that he did not solicit the above information and that ESQUIRE revealed it to him voluntarily. ESCONSON advised that, in accordance with my instructions, he told ESQUIRE that he, ESCONSON, was strictly a two-way messenger, i.e., he was to receive what ESQUIRE desired to transmit and that he was to deliver to ESQUIRE whatever message he was instructed to deliver.
8. ESQUIRE mentioned that an associate of the RNDINDLE group is a WSBURNT woman employed at the [] ESCONSON knows of this woman as being of an old WSBURNT family of modest means. This woman was previously suggested by RNDINDLE as a cutout between him and Norman VALENZA when VALENZA was initially setting up the TPREDUCE project.

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