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Notes for transmittal to Stephen R. Lugton

1. The attached sterile notes, one copy of which has an attached ESI, are for transmittal to Stephen R. LUGTON. The notes are to be destroyed by LUGTON after reading or returned to the Station.
2. Sterling D. PRINCEP should familiarize himself with the contents of the notes.

JEROME C. DUNBAR

JGD/ MHD/ egw
17 March 1954
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1. Reference Cable we sent you on the Major. The decision has been reached by the Group that it is absolutely essential to bring the Major out at this time and assure ourselves just what we do or do not have in the Target Country before the equipment starts arriving. [

Advise Pancho that JJ and the Group feel very strongly on this point and it must be followed out. Tell Pancho the Group cannot start delivering the equipment until this point of the Major is fully resolved. Also mention to him that the Major will be of much help to him at this time in getting the RRO's in, the arms in, and as a source of badly-needed operational info [

The Group fully realizes all the complications and the benefit of having the Major inside doing his work but the time has come when we have to be sure of all our moves. The Group strongly feels the Major can find a replacement and continue to run his nets from the outside.

2. All efforts are being made to have [

] on 25 ✓

March [] will be there for approximately 10 days. [] and [] will arrive [] on or about 25 March and will stay at the [] hotel. They will have instructions to contact []

[] shall arrange future contacts with them from there. Before the arrival of these two men [] must do the following:

a. []
b. Have a safe house ready where these men can work.

c. []

d. []

e. The two men will be traveling as tourists. After they are through [] they will return to the States and then proceed to [] around 8 April []

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f. []
g. There are definite indications there is a high-level leak in Pancho's organization. We must find it.

- b []
3. JJ will also try to be in [] on 25 March to debrief the Major and help in this other work.
 4. Anxiously awaiting biographic information on all our top people both in and out of the Target Country. []
 5. Have you been able to ascertain any more information on the \$10,000.00 double? Send the information as soon as it is available.
Find out from Pancho what he knows about two Salvadoran communists, Rafael Guerrero and Jose Antonio Garcia. We have received reports they have indicated willingness to double; this need not be passed to Pancho.
 6. A report received by the Group states that "Manuel Orellana Cardona is suspected and under surveillance by Guat G-2 to determine if Cardona has any contacts with active duty army personnel." Ask Pancho for his opinion of the situation and for him to forward any information available.
 7. Please send complete detailed information as to who knew, who saw, and the exact time when the tourist card which Pancho used was returned to you. Must have detailed information on this subject.
 8. In reference to Delgado, check with Pancho to see if he can do anything about the situation through []
 9. Tried to catch you before you left [] for [] but evidently message did not reach you in time. Hope you received the

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\$20,000.00 sent from Managua on the 16th.

10. Send full information on [] who, according to Pancho's original chart, is our intelligence man in [] and who is, according to other information, also Military and Propaganda. [] is very upset about [] claims he is talking and ~~under~~ Guatemalan surveillance, cable sent to you on this matter.
11. Information which has been received recently indicates that your father was connected with the communists. Further checks are being made and all forthcoming information will be forwarded. As I warned you before, be very careful she doesn't see any of our information.
12. Still trying to track down information on cub recorder you wanted; hope dictaphones serve purpose until something shows up on recorder. Sending you paper, film, and some developer, plus cord for machine.
13. I am sending you some more EEI's: fill in what you have readily available and return them to us. You can send the rest of the information as it becomes available.

Have your boys prepare a detailed report on information available re labor unions, size, arms, equipment, strength, leaders, training, location, motivation, organization, etc. Pancho reported a man who had come out of Panizama recently with information of this kind.
14. Follow up on our conversation and make sure Pancho sends word to [] through [] to cooperate fully with the Group outfit and pass him all details he needs. Word from the Group man indicates [] waiting for instructions from Pancho.
15. Start preparing [] for the trip we discussed. Have him start preparing studies on Guat intelligence organizations, labor unions and our own set-up in Guatemala, to include definite names, places, etc. [] If possible would like to have him get a passport under a different name. Discuss with Lou about getting him a visa; sure Lou won't have any trouble doing it. Make sure Pancho does not send him up until word is received from us.
16. Discuss with Pancho the radio operator situation. Tell him to start rounding up trained R/O's wherever he can get them, provided he is satisfied they will work out. Submit all their biographic information to us before he sends them to the training camp. If

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about

he has any doubts/any of the Radio Operators we can train a man Pancho trusts as crypt man and have a two man team instead of just one. This actually is the best: to have a crypt man and an operator. This step being taken since it takes much longer to train green operators and much less time to train trusted crypt men.

17. Following information was received from Manuel. Please check it out with Pancho.

Guatemalan Exile, Alfonso de la Vega, resident of Salvador, was apprehended at Managua Mercedes airport 11 March by Nicaraguan authorities because of improper documentation. [] was called by the immigration chief (Garcia) to identify subject. [] could not identify [] states [] recommended subject be brought to training site in presence of Vega for identification by trainees. Garcia refused. Garcia inferences were that Vega aware of personnel in training areas.

Sierra aware of all these facts but did not inform Manuel. According to Gonzales, Sierra approved Subject go to training area, [] refused. Subject is a personal friend of Sierra's.

[] passed the following information to Manuel. The following exiles from Guatemala, residing in Salvador and organized attempting to establish contact and penetrate Pancho's movement. Military Personnel: General Idigoras Fuentes, Col. Pablo Garcia y Garcia (also uses first name, Julio), Capt. Raul Enriquez, Julio Sandoval, Guillermo Putzeys. Trainees believe Vega possibly member of above group.

[] stated to Manuel one trainee fully aware of Salvador group; supposedly he visited Group in Salvador prior to departure for training, reason unknown.

[] also stated to Manuel that a Lt. Jose Fernandez, presently in Tegu, had told a friend of [] that he desired to go to Guatemala and expose Pancho.

18. Does [] Airfield in [] have night lighting facilities? Since field is under construction, are night lighting facilities being installed? If so, will they be ready prior to 1 April? Answer yes or no by cable.

19. Much work has to be done. Good luck.

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