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MEMORANDUM TO: ADSO

FROM : T. G. Cassady, Chief
Special Procedures

SUBJECT : Liaison with State Department

1. On 18 March, Mr. Davies of State requested that we learn if it would be possible to obtain short wave broadcasting sets of low power for use in Italy before the elections of 18 April next. He outlined the following method of their use, viz:

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That if any were available they should be flown to Tunisia or Sicily; that the Rome Embassy (Mr. Page of State) could probably arrange for the reception of these sets by persons who would use them in support of political groups favorable to our viewpoint; that we would deliver them [redacted] to a designated place.

2. [redacted] reported that no instruments of this type were available within the compass of time necessary and anyway they questioned our right to "lose" property in the manner described. However, [redacted] they learned that the Rome Embassy, through a branch of USIS had about 5 such transmitters and that it might be worthwhile to point this out to Mr. Davies, as in large organizations it could be that one branch may not be aware of the resources of another.

3. This was done and Mr. Davies reported that he was aware of the existence of these instruments and that they had already been disposed of in the manner indicated in 1. above.

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