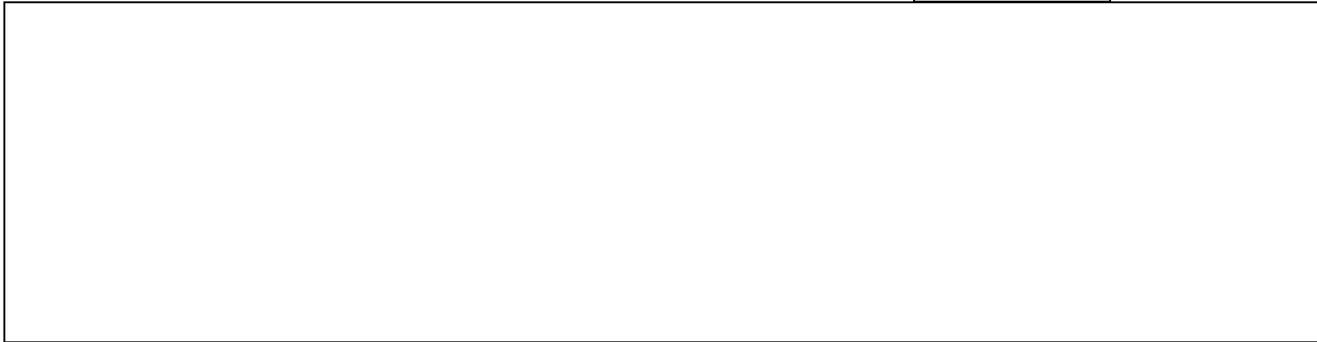


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1. DURING OPS DISCUSSIONS PRECEDING 5 DECEMBER [REDACTED] IN MALTA, [REDACTED] PRESENTED FORCEFUL RATIONAL ARGUMENT IN SUPPORT OF HIS PREVIOUS REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE IN COMPILING SHAM INTELLIGENCE REPORTING TO BUTRESS HIS ESO CAREER. P/1 WAS ACUTELY DISAPPOINTED [REDACTED] DID NOT HAVE INITIAL FI REPORTS IN HAND AT THIS MEETING. HE WENT ON TO EXPLAIN THAT HIS TENURE WITH [REDACTED] MALTA MAY BE IN THE BALANCE. SINCE HIS ARRIVAL, SENIOR [REDACTED] REPRESENTATIVE KHALIFA ((SANUSSI)) HAS BEEN LEARNING THE ROPES QUICKLY. IN A FEW MORE MONTHS HE SHOULD BE ABLE TO OPERATE INDEPENDENTLY OF P/1 AND AT THAT TIME COULD CALL FOR P/1'S REPLACEMENT, WITH LITTLE ADVANCE NOTICE, BY ONE OF HIS OWN PROTEGES IN THE ESO.

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2. P/1 IS CONVINCED THAT HE COULD DEVELOP A REAL "ACE-IN-THE-HOLE", AND PROLONG HIS ASSIGNMENT IN MALTA IF HE IS ABLE TO DEVELOP AN FI REPORTING RECORD OF HIS OWN. REPORTS WOULD BE FORWARDED IN SEALED ENVELOPS AND HANDCARRIED BY LAA SKY MARSHALS FOR DELIVERY TO NEW ESO OPERATIONS CHIEF ABDULLAH ((SANUSSI)). P/1 ALREADY HAS LONG STANDING PERSONAL RELATIONS WITH SANUSSI AND BELIVES LATTER WOULD EXTEND HIM IN MALTA IF HE WERE TO DEVELOP AN ACTIVE FI NETWORK THAT REPORTED TIDBITS UNAVAILABLE THROUGH THE LPB'S ESO SECTION. IN REVISITING THIS SCENARIO, P/1 WAS INSISTENT THAT WE HELP HIM BECOME MORE VALUABLE TO THE ESO. HE HAS NO OTHER IDEAS AND DOUBTS HIS OWN ABILITY TO INVENT TANTALYZING INTEL THAT HAS THE RIGHT RING OF CREDIBILITY.

3. IN LIGHT OF HIS SUBSEQUENT FAVORABLE [REDACTED] AND P/1'S DEMONSTRATED ACCESS AND POTENTIAL, [REDACTED]

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WOULD LIKE HQS TO RECONSIDER THIS PROPOSAL. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] WOULD ASSIST IN DRAFTING THE "FEED" INFORMATION AND PENDING
HQ'S FAVORABLE REACTION, WE WILL SUBMIT FURTHER REFINEMENTS ON
THE PROPOSAL, INCLUDING MORE SPECIFIC TOPICS AROUND WHICH
REPORTS COULD BE CRAFTED. [REDACTED]

4. AS HE WALKED TO THE DOOR FOLLOWING THE LENGTHY
DEBRIEFING AND [REDACTED] SESSION, P/1 REITERATED HIS ATTACHMENT
TO THE "FEED INFORMATION" SCHEME AND PLED WITH [REDACTED] AND
[REDACTED] "FOR A BIT OF ACTION AFTER ALL THE PLANNING". WELCOME
HQ'S EARLY RESPONSE IN ORDER THAT WE CAN BEGIN DRAFTING TWO OR
THREE REPORTS IN TIME FOR NEXT [REDACTED] TDY TENTATIVELY
SCHEDULED FOR 16 JANUARY 1989.

[REDACTED]
END OF MESSAGE

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[REDACTED]
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