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1. ON 17 MAY ALIAS REICHLIN SAID HE PLANNING REPLACE HIS BERLIN REPRESENTATIVE SUMMER 67. HE ASKED THAT VISIT HIM MUNICH PREFERABLY WITH WIFE DURING MAY OR JUNE ORDER MEET NEW REP AND ESTABLISH SOLID RELATIONSHIP. REICHLIN HIMSELF PLANS VISIT BERLIN LATER THIS YEAR WHEN NEW REP ESTABLISHED. REQUEST REACTION INCLUDING DATES WHEN MIGHT BE AVAILABLE COME MUNICH. REICHLIN SUGGESTED FRIDAY EVENING SOCIAL AFFAIR WITH WEDNESDAY SECOND CHOICE, AND HE IS OBVIOUSLY QUITE ANXIOUS THAT ACCEPT.

2. REICHLIN CLAIMS NO INSIDE INFO ON UTILITY'S SUCCESSOR BUT THINKS WESSEL HAS BEST CHANCE OF KNOWN CANDIDATES WITH HOLM HAVE VERY POOR CHANCE. HOWEVER HE WOULD EXPECT A POLITICIAN TO FILL JOB IF ONE CAN BE FOUND.

3. REICHLIN SEES NO HOPE OF OUR GETTING BETTER SOURCING DESCRIPTIONS HIS AGENTS UNTIL UTILITY LEAVES, IF THEN. HE THEREFORE RESIGNED TO MORE OR LESS PRO FORMA OPERATIONAL LIAISON WITH US FOR IMMEDIATE FUTURE. ACCORDING HIM, OUR

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EFFORTS GET BETTER SOURCING INFORMATION WILL BE OBSTRUCTED BY STONE WALL OF OLD-TIME OFFICERS WHO ARE HIGHLY SENSITIVE RE THEIR FORMER SUBSERVIENT ROLE WOFACT AND INSIST MAINTAIN NEW-FOUND INDEPENDENCE EVEN IF UNPRODUCTIVE.

4. HE IS CONVINCED THAT WE HAVE STORES VALUABLE INFORMATION ON SOVIET UNION AND EAST BLOC WHICH WE HOLD OUT FROM CATUSK AND WILL CONTINUE DO UNTIL BASIC RELATIONSHIP CHANGES FUNDAMENTALLY WHICH NOT ABOUT TO HAPPEN UNDER PRESENT CATUSK ADMINISTRATION. HE REGARDS CITY PLANS AND PHOTOS WE RECENTLY GAVE HIM ONLY POLITE CONCESSION TO KEEP UP APPEARANCES CLOSE LIAISON.

5. HE HOPES WE WILL SANCTION CLOSER CATUSK OPS TIES WITH U.S.A.F. ON SANDT CONFERENCES.

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