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SUBJECT <input type="radio"/> Operational/Liaison <input checked="" type="radio"/> []'s Meeting with UTILITY		
ACTION REQUIRED - REFERENCES		
<p>1. Through arrangements made by [] [], the undersigned made his first call on UTILITY on the afternoon of 17 January 1973. [] [] had delayed calling on UTILITY until an appropriate time after the 19 November Federal elections in order not to create any impressions that the call had any political overtones. We had heard from several sources within CASCOPE that UTILITY had been manipulating behind the scenes re possible changes in the management of CASCOPE in case of a CDU election victory. The meeting with UTILITY took place in his home on the Starnberger Lake and lasted for about two and one half hours. [] was present throughout the discussion.</p> <p>2. This was [] []'s first meeting with UTILITY and his physical impression was somewhat surprising. Although alert and mentally awake, UTILITY shows his 70 years of age. He talked rather nostalgically about the past, and it was obvious more from innuendo than what he actually said that he was unhappy with changes in CASCOPE since his retirement and particularly with the management of his successor, [] []. A long discourse on the present state of West German politics took place during which UTILITY expressed his obvious concern for the Left trend of the present government. He spoke favorably of the more conservative SPD politicians he had known in the past such as Fritz Erler and Erich Ollenhauer. He described Erler as one of the best contacts in Bonn in the 1950's and a man who would have made an excellent foreign minister. UTILITY is obviously concerned about the young socialist movement (JUSOS) and is pessimistic about the ability of the present SPD leaders to keep them under control.</p>		
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3. UTILITY made few direct references to CASCOPE during this first meeting but did comment that if the CDU had returned to power, he would not continue the politization of the service initiated by the SPD. He had heard good things about the intelligence and competence of @BRITZ and @ HEINE, and, if he had to make the decision, he would not have replaced them with CDU appointees.

4. The lengthy tour d'horizon ended with [] remarking to UTILITY that he would like to meet with UTILITY periodically to exchange views with him regarding developments both within the Federal Republic and in Europe in general. [] added that BKHERALD valued UTILITY's judgment and after all of these years of close cooperation during UTILITY's active service as Chief of CASCOPE, we would like to maintain our relations with him even in retirement. UTILITY seemed flattered by this statement and expressed his appreciation for continued BKHERALD interest in him. The meeting closed with a mutual agreement that periodically [] and UTILITY would get together in a similar relaxed discussion.

5. Comment: [] later mentioned briefly to @BRITZ that he had paid a courtesy call on UTILITY and BRITZ agreed that it was a good idea for BKHERALD to keep in touch with UTILITY. We intend to maintain frequent contact with UTILITY and will utilize [] as a cutout if and when contact is desired by either party.

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