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REF: YOUR TELEPHONIC REQUEST DATED 6 JUNE 1975 FROM DIANE HENSHAW

1. SUBJECT: GENOUD, FRANCOIS

DOB: 26 OCTOBER 1915

POB: LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND

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2. THE FILES OF THIS OFFICE CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING SUBJECT WHICH WAS OBTAINED FROM RELIABLE SOURCES BETWEEN MARCH 1957 AND MARCH 1975.

3. SUBJECT IS CURRENTLY ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ARAB COMMERCIAL BANK IN GENEVA, SWITZERLAND AND THE SECRETARY/ GENERAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FRIENDS OF THE ARAB WORLD.

4. SUBJECT WAS ALIGNED WITH THE NAZIS AND THE FASCISTS DURING WORLD WAR II AND WAS ALLEGEDLY AN ABWEHR AGENT. AFTER THE WAR HE WAS DIRECTOR OF A PUBLISHING HOUSE PROFESSING NEO-NAZI SYMPATHIES. FROM INFORMATION OBTAINED IN 1953, SUBJECT WAS A SWISS LITERARY AGENT WHO SOLD "HITLER'S TABLE CONVERSATIONS" TO THE FLAMMARION PUBLISHING COMPANY HAVING ACQUIRED POWER OF ATTORNEY FROM BORMANN'S

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7. SUBJECT ALLEGEDLY MAINTAINS CONTACT WITH LIBYAN REVOLUTIONARY COMMAND COUNCIL MEMBER, FOREIGN MINISTER AND GENERAL INTELLIGENCE CHIEF, MAJOR ABD AL-MOUNIM AL-HUNI, VIA A SPECIAL CONTACT IN PARIS, FRANCE. HE WAS REPORTEDLY ASSIGNED A SPECIAL MISSION BY THE LIBYANS TO MAKE CONTACT AND ASSASSINATE UNNAMED "REVOLUTIONARY GROUPS" IN VENEZUELA WHERE HE EXPECTED TO TRAVEL IN MID-MARCH 1975.

8. IN FEBRUARY 1975 SUBJECT REGISTERED HIS HOLDING COMPANY, VALCOMAR, S.A., IN SWITZERLAND. THE COMPANY WAS CAPITALIZED BY THE LIBYAN GOVERNMENT AND SERVES AS A COMMERCIAL FRONT AND FUNDING CHANNEL FOR LIBYAN POLITICAL INVESTMENTS.

9. IN A REPORT DATED JUNE 1974, A TRUSTWORTHY SOURCE SUSPECTED THAT SUBJECT CONTRIBUTES PROPOSALS AND SERVES AS SUPPORT ASSET FOR ARAB TERRORIST OPERATIONS.

10. NO FOREIGN DISSIMINATION.

11. CLASSIFIED BY [C]. EXEMPT FROM GENERAL DECLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE OF E.O. 11652, EXEMPTION CATEGORY: PARA: 5B(2). AUTOMATICALLY DECLASSIFIED ON DATE IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE.

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