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SUBJECT: PROTECTION OF POLISH OFFICIALS IN US

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1. YOU MIGHT REVIEW WITH SPASOWSKI OUR EFFORTS AS FOLLOWS:

A. WHEN "FREE POLAND" PUBLISHED THE FIRST LIST OF "SPIES" WE OFFERED AND THE POLES INITIALLY ACCEPTED PERSONAL BODY-GUARDS FOR CERTAIN PERSONNEL. AFTER SIX DAYS BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT THE GUARDS WERE WITHDRAWN.

B. WHEN AMBASSADOR TRAMPCZYNSKI DREW OUR ATTENTION TO "FREE POLAND'S" SECOND LIST ON JUNE 3 (STATE 136871) WE ARRANGED WITH THE EXECUTIVE PROTECTIVE SERVICE FOR INTENSIFIED SPECIAL ATTENTION FOR POLISH OFFICES. THE SAME DEGREE OF PROTECTION IS BEING AFFORDED TO POLISH OFFICES DURING THE FRELEK VISIT. FYI: ONCE THE SEJM DELEGATION DEPARTS, ASSUMING THERE IS NO INTELLIGENCE TO INDICATE A POTENTIAL THREAT, THAT PROTECTION WILL BE DOWNGRADED TO NORMAL. EPS PROTECTIVE SERVICES ARE CONSTANTLY REVIEWED IN LIGHT OF EXISTING INTELLIGENCE, AND ARE DOWNGRADED AND UP-GRADED ACCORDING TO THE POSSIBILITY OF THREAT. END FYI.

C. THE SEJM DELEGATION IS RECEIVING SPECIAL ATTENTION ON ITS TRIP. LOCAL POLICE AND THE FBI, AS WELL AS STATE SY OFFICES, HAVE BEEN INFORMED OF THE SCHEDULE. (THE EMBASSY'S SECURITY PROBLEM WAS MENTIONED ONCE BY ONE OF THE SEJM DELEGATES TO A DEPARTMENT OFFICER; THE ISSUE HAS NOT BEEN RAISED DURING ANY OF THE DELEGATIONS TALKS).

2. YOU MAY ASSURE SPASOWSKI ALONG LINES ARMITAGE DID WITH TRAMPCZYNSKI THAT WE ARE SERIOUSLY CONCERNED WITH THE SECURITY AND WORKING CONDITIONS OF POLISH OFFICIALS IN THE US, AND THAT WE ARE DOING EVERYTHING WE CAN UNDER US LAW. "FREE POLAND'S" ACTIVITIES ARE BEING WATCHED BY U.S. AUTHORITIES. AT THIS TIME THERE IS NO EVIDENCE ITS ACTIVITIES ARE ILLEGAL UNDER US LAW. WE HAVE ASKED TRAMPCZYNSKI TO INFORM US IMMEDIATELY SHOULD THE EMBASSY

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PERCEIVE ANY THREAT THAT RESULTS FROM THE LATEST PUBLICATION OR FROM ANY SOURCE, SINCE TRAMPCZYNSKI'S CALL ON ARMITAGE, WE HAVE HAD NO WORD FROM THE EMBASSY ON THE SECURITY PROBLEM.

3. IN THIS REGARD, POLISH OFFICIALS NEVER CONTACTED THE DEPARTMENT RE ANY PLOT TO ASSASSINATE ANY POLISH OFFICIAL IN CHICAGO, AND THE DEPARTMENT WAS NOT INVOLVED IN THAT CASE. FYI: WE ARE REVIEWING OUR FILES TO SEE WHETHER THE FBI EVER INFORMED STATE OF THE ALLEGED "PLOT" TO ASSASSINATE MICKIEWICZ (WARSAW 4105.) END FYI.

4. STRICTLY FYI: ON DISTRIBUTION OF SECOND LIST AS PRESS RELEASE, WE CONTACTED REPS OF TELEVISION NETWORK WHICH HAD BEEN INVOLVED IN PUBLICITY GIVEN TO FIRST LIST AND REPEATED OUR EARLIER EXPRESSION OF CONCERN OVER PROBLEMS CREATED BY PLACING LIST OF THIS KIND BEFORE MASS AUDIENCE, END FYI. YOU MAY INFORM SPASOWSKI THAT AS FAR AS WE ARE AWARE, NO PUBLICATION OF LIST NUMBER TWO HAS OCCURRED IN ANY NEWS MEDIA.

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