

MEMORANDUM

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NO: VM/VLM/008

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DATE: 8 April 1949

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FROM []
SUBJECT []
REF VM/SLZ/1444

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There are a few points I should like to clear up regarding our procedure from here on in this operation.

1. You indicate in reference memorandum that you are afraid of the Budapest letter box because STOKHFFY might be frightened off unless he were approached by someone he knew and trusted. This is certainly a valid objection; but would not the same apply to one of Milano's messengers? Or would the fact of his carrying VILLAX' letter sufficiently identify him?

2. In this connection, do you believe Milano's man (once we get the channel set up) should go direct to STOKHFFY or to Bela RAUMAN, who would pass the word on to Barna? In either case, is there any special recognition signal which the messenger could use to identify himself to either man beyond any doubt?

3. Since you have already indicated that Barna had an idea in 1948 of what you were doing, what objection would you have to his being able to identify you as the sender of a message? Or is it that you regard his sister, wife or stepson as security threats?

4. What are the details of the manner in which Barna would communicate directly with VILLAX? If the regular mail were used, could it not be assumed that it would be read not only by Hungarian, but also possibly by French censors? Is there any objection in principle to his sending back word by the messenger who delivers VILLAX' letter to him, as to whether or not he will cooperate? If he accedes, he can be given secret writing agents, with which he could then communicate with someone a little nearer than VILLAX, and avoid the circuitous route. This last is not a positive objection on our part, since the VILLAX - to-SKIBNIEK-to-you route may be the best after all. We should be interested to hear your reactions on this subject.

5. Regarding HENSTREIT, is there any special recognition signal for getting in touch with him? How often does he call at the letter box, and how

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are letters to him in this box to be addressed?

6. We will need your answers to these questions in order to be able to talk intelligently to about our requirements.