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Subject: Possible Reestablishment of Selected Former MOB Contacts.

Purpose: The purpose of reestablishing contact with former MOB contacts listed herein, is the desirability of utilizing them as (a) cutouts, (b) scouts for agent material, and (c) informers on the activity of minority groups, as well as (d) legmen. It should be noted that at the present time MOB does not possess an agent capable of performing such work.

Individuals listed below /among them Viktor LARIONOV/ were originally contacts but were turned over to and run by [redacted] for the great part of our relationship with them. They established a close personal relationship with [redacted] and collaborated in a most willing and satisfactory manner. Upon [redacted] transfer to Berlin in June 1947, our relationship with these contacts was simply dropped. It is most probable that they have been recruited by RUSTY. However, it is [redacted] opinion that we will have no difficulty in prying them loose, provided we are prepared to match whatever inducements they receive from RUSTY.

Consideration should be given to reestablishing contacts with the following individuals, listed in order of preference:

- a) George GEREBKOV
- b) Leonid TSCHOVONORSKY
- c) Victor LARIONOFF. Subject fought in the Russian Civil War and at its end, went to Finland where he was a member of General KUTIEPOFF's anti-Soviet group. He performed an act of sabotage against the Soviets in Leningrad and was forced to flee from Finland to France. In Paris in 1928 he organized the "White Idea," an anti-Soviet Youth Organization which was to combat Soviet terror tactics with their own methods. He was expelled from France in 1938 and went to Germany where he worked as a journalist in Russian-language newspapers until 1944, at which time he joined the VLASSOV movement. He was placed as an "intelligence and security officer" in the ROA intelligence section under Major KALUGIN. In 1945 he moved into the French Zone of Germany. In 1946 he established contact with the "most secret council" of the NTS, but the whole matter was dropped due to our lack of interest in such organizations. He is well known and thought of throughout the Russian emigre groups, including the "new emigres," of the VLASSOV group. He could be utilized as an agent scout, an informer, on NTS activities, and a general legman.

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