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1. ACCORDING THREE SEPARATE [] CONTACT REPORTS

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JOSEF MENGELE ARRIVED PARAGUAY FOR FIRST TIME AROUND

1951 AND LIVED ALTERNATELY PARAGUAY, BRAZIL, ARGENTINA AND

URUGUAY. HE WORKED FOR SOME TIME AS SALESMAN WEST GERMAN

FARM MACHINERY FIRM PARAGUAY AND ARGENTINA. DURING TIME HE

WAS IN PARAGUAY, MENGELE NEVER TRIED TO HIDE IDENTITY OR

USE FALSE NAME, EVEN DURING FREQUENT TRIPS TO ARGENTINA UND

BRAZIL. ON 27 NOV 59 WAS NATURALIZED AS PARAGUAYAN CITIZEN

UNDER NAME JOSEF MENGELE, WITH BIRTHPLACE GUNZBURG, BAVARIA,

Dob

16 MARCH 1911, WIFE MARTHA MARIA WIL, SON RUDOLF OR ROLF.

ACCORDING [] HAD BEEN TRYING ACQUIRE AGRICULTURAL

LAND IN ZONE OF ALTA PARANA, ACROSS FROM ARGENTINE PROVINCE

OF MISIONES. (THIS IS THE SAME AREA AS FARM MENTIONED REF

AS OWNED BY MENGELE, BECKSR AND VARELA.) MENGELE DISAPPEARED

MYSTERIOUSLY IN 1960 AND WAS RUMORED TO HAVE GONE TO MATTO

GROSSO, BRAZIL. ISRAELI AGENTS DURING THE MIDDLE OF 1960

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MADE AN INTENSIVE SEARCH BOTH IN ASUNCION AND INTERIOR PARAGUAY, DIDN'T FIND MENGELE AND FELT HE HAD GONE TO BRAZIL. WEST GERMANY REQUESTED MENGELE'S EXTRADITION 11 AUG 62 AND PARAGUAYAN COURT ISSUED DETENTION ORDER FOR HIM 7 NOV 62. 16 NOV 70 A PARAGUAYAN JUDGE STATED THIS ORDER STILL IN EFFECT. MENGELE ALSO HELD ARGENTINA CEDULA NO. 3,940,484^L ISSUED BUSNOS AIRES 27 NOV 56.

2. CARLOS MEYA CHEBLIC REPORTED 19 NOV 70 HE HAD HEARD FROM UNNAMED FRIEND THAT DR. JOSE (SIC) MENVELE WAS RESIDING VILLA CURUGUATY AS RECENTLY AS 25 OCT 70. (CURUGUATY LOCATED N.E. OF ASUNCION APPROX 45 KM FROM BRAZILIAN BORDER IN DEPARTMENT OF CAAGUAZUCU.) MENGELE WAS WORKING AS AUTO MECHANIC.

3. [REDACTED] TELEGRAM 1819, 20 NOV 70 REPORTED [REDACTED] AND HIS GERMAN AND ISRAELI COLLEAGUES AGREE WITH PRONOUNGEMENTS OF GOP TO EFFECT NO INFORMATION HAS COME TO LIGHT IN RECENT YEARS TO INDICATE MENGELE IN PARAGUAY.

4. RECURRING RUMORS ARE THAT MENGELE AT WELL-GUARDED RANCH, REPORTED EITHER NEAR ENCARNACION, IN EASTERN PARAGUAY, OR IN CHACO, AND THAT HE IS PROTECTED BY STROESSNER, COLEMAN OR RODRIGUEZ.

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