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He told me that there was considerable talk among the Greeks that the Americans and British are actively working on the Albanian problem in Italy and in Cairo.

I told him that [] was our senior representative and would maintain contact with him in Greece. General Van Fleet seemed pleased with this and indicated that he had known [] before. He asked to be allowed to advise his five top staff officers of FIEND. I agreed to this. They are Brigadier General Jenkins, Colonel Phillips, Colonel Trimble, Colonel Bessette and a new G-2 yet to be assigned. In this connection he told me that one of the main purposes of his visit was to obtain the assignment of a top-notch G-2. He said he had been disappointed in the intelligence provided by other agencies, including CIA. He felt that there was a vast store of intelligence to be obtained if procedures were established for the full interrogation of all captured guerrillas and defectors.

I asked whether or not he had conducted any air reconnaissance over Albania. He said this had been strictly avoided, and although charges were being continuously made by the Albanians, Yugoslavians and Bulgarians he personally believes there have been no border violations either by aircraft or by ground troops.

As I left he asked whether or not I knew []. I told him [] was coming as Deputy Chief of Operations. He was thoroughly pleased with this and said that during the war [] had been his Operations Officer and that he regarded [] as a future Chief of Staff of the Army.

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