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DATE: 26 September 1949

FROM : Chief, Contact Branch

SUBJECT: Information on ex-King Zog

REFERENCE: (a) OO/C memorandum to OSO dated 19 September 1949
 (b) OO/C memorandum to OSO dated 21 September 1949
 (c) OO/C memorandum to OSO dated 22 September 1949

1. The following is a quotation from Geraldine's letter to her grandmother which letter was described in Reference (c):

"My husband is much too preoccupied, poor darling, for any social duties. Things are, as perhaps you have noticed, anything but bright and then it gets him down that the powers will not listen to him or use him and have formed a certain Albanian committee which does not represent any of the Albanian - just some instruments who are already squabbling among themselves. They are going, however, to Washington and perhaps it is something that Albania is represented no matter how badly. It could have meant the outbreak of war the trouble there, the last three weeks, but it won't as the Russians showed much too strong a front on the other side. Financially too we have achieved nothing."

2. Mr. Church believes that Zog can be brought into more friendly liaison with the group or committee referred to above. Church is going to London and Paris on a short legal trip within about three weeks, and is willing to make a quick side trip to Alexandria if the expenses of the side trip are paid.

3. The last line of the first answer in Reference (a) should be amended to read as follows:

"about \$450,000 left of the \$3,000,000 in gold louis which he took with him from Albania."

4. Please advise us if we can be of any further assistance in the above matter.

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