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31 March 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR SPECIAL OPERATIONS

SUBJECT: Albanian Operation

1. Reference is made to Mr. Wisner's memorandum to you dated 30 March 1950 on the above captioned matter.

2. In view of the fact that liaison has already been established between OPC and the French I can see no objection to paragraph 2 b. Paragraph 2 c is in accord with our views with the exception of the "at this time". We completely disagree with OPC's views in paragraph 2 d. We have repeatedly protested any such action and have pointed out to them that we can furnish them any facilities they need for their operations. We can see no reason why a joint OPC-British approach for exfiltration is necessary. If the British want to approach the Greeks to exfiltrate their agents, it is their business. As to OPC agents, we can handle them without the slightest difficulty. In view of this fact we cannot understand why OPC wants to go jointly with the British to the Greeks and mess up our relationship. They would at least have some ground for argument if they were going to mount a joint operation from Greek soil.

3. You will recall that our position regarding a joint approach to the Greeks was set out in my memorandum, which you reviewed with the Director. As I recall, the Director said that our position was correct.

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