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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. ROBERT P. JOYCE ✓
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SUBJECT: Destruction of OPC Agents by Albanian
Security Forces.

REFERENCE: Dept. of State Telegram #563 from Belgrade
dated 26 October 1951.

1. It is assumed that the source of reference is a Radio Tirana broadcast of 24 October 1951. This broadcast reported the "annihilation of 13 spies dropped by parachute on Albanian territory by United States Espionage Services." Eight of the thirteen spies were mentioned by name. Seven of the eight mentioned have been identified as OPC agents. The identities of the five spies not mentioned by name in this broadcast have not yet been announced.

2. The seriousness of this successful counteraction by Albanian security forces dictates an immediate review of Albanian agent operations. To this end, all training and infiltration plans have been suspended pending a thorough examination of the agent program and the development of necessary remedial measures.

3. The Policy Planning Staff will be advised when OPC is prepared to recommence infiltration into Albania.

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