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Chief, WE
Attn: Chief, SE

SHAM/OBOPUS

Minutes of Recent OBOPUS/VALUABLE Meeting

REFERENCE: SLOND-9069

1. Attached are copies of the agreed minutes of the recent OBOPUS/VALUABLE meeting. Quoted below is the covering letter from AIRCERT that accompanied these minutes.

"Herewith 6 copies (Nos. 1-6) of the agreed minutes of last week's OBOPUS/VALUABLE Conference. I have also attached to each copy a note on the points requiring action, which may possibly be convenient for those of your officers dealing with these papers.

"There are two points concerning the proposed re-organization of HINEIGH in para 20 of the Minutes on which we would like to clarify procedure. When BRAHAM, RNLUMPIT and [] have finally agreed names of the Albanians to be asked to sit on the new Consultative Committee we wish to be informed so that we can signify Head Office approval of the personalities involved before any intimation of the proposed changes is given to the Albanians and before any invitations are actually issued. I hope that you will agree to such a step and presume that your Headquarters will also wish to vet the final list.

"Our second point concerns the tactics of the approach to the Italian and Greek authorities informing them of the broadening plans. The question was not discussed at the Conference. We presume that the approach should be made through existing clandestine liaison channels in Rome and Athens and we propose asking our local representatives if they agree to such a move. We would appreciate KUBARK's views on this question."

2. As stated

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2. As stated in the reference, London will await Headquarters views on these proposals. It is suggested that Headquarters' reaction should be forwarded to the field prior to the BTNEIGH broadening meeting scheduled for 9 November.

3. [] states he has checked the minutes as carefully as possible but has looked them over so many times he may have missed something through this very repetition. He hopes there will be no errors but solicits the correction of any which might have escaped him.

Attachment (s.c.)

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