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SPECIFIC— FRIDAY Mission Progress Report for the Period
15 July - 14 August 1954

REF: A. SGAA 10871, 19 July 1954
B. SGAA 11239, KAPOK 2775, 14 August 1954

Headquarters' Action Required

None - for information and files.

Synopsis of Events

RNDOLLAR and AIRBRED were assembled, briefed, and trained in water discipline during the week of 19 July
FRIDAY infiltrated 23 July contacted and recruited AIPIGEON, and exfiltrated, 26 July without incident.
Team was debriefed 29 July through 4 August and sent to Patras on 6 August.

Account of Developments

19 July

1. AIRBRED arrived in Athens per our request and was removed to the Anapolis house to join RNDOLLAR.
2. 1, RNDOLLAR and AIRBRED drove to the approved training area near Marathon Lake in the evening and began a 12-hour exercise designed to demonstrate water discipline. We charted a substantially more arduous hike than the team would make on infiltration. A canteen of water was issued with an "anti-thirst" pill mentioned in reference b, when the most grueling mountain climbing was over. We explained that the pills retarded perspiration and, therefore, delayed acute thirst. Another pill and of water were issued in the early morning of the 20th. carried the only canteen to insure that he and

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were not the sole benefactors from the experience of enduring thirst.

3. In addition to depriving FRIDAY of water, no cigarettes were permitted on the exercise nor were they to be permitted on the infiltration. We explained to AIRBRED and RNDOLLAR that their excessive smoking was most conducive to thirst. Both boys normally smoke about three packages per day.

20 July

4. FRIDAY received briefing.

21 July

5. See enclosed memorandum on the mounting of FRIDAY team and reference b, the debriefing.

26 July

6. Team exfiltrated and was moved to a KYP safehouse south of Ioannina.

27 July

7. [] left Athens for the Emin Aga rendezvous point with a covered 1½ ton truck. The rendezvous was made at 2200 hrs. and AILMENT was permitted to debrief the team on the questions he had submitted prior to the trip. [] [], and FRIDAY then repaired to a campsite for the night.

28 July

8. FRIDAY was returned to Annapolis safehouse.

29 July - 4 August

9. FRIDAY was debriefed at the Annapolis safehouse.

6 August

10. RNDOLLAR and AIRBRED were removed to Patras.

Comment:

11. Comment pertaining to this period may be found in reference b.

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1 memorandum

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MEMORANDUM TO: [] []

FROM: [] []

SUBJECT: Mounting of FRIDAY team mission of 23 July 1954

1. The team was conducted to the border on 23 July 1954. After successful observation the team infiltrated at 2045 hrs. of the same day.

2. Itinerary from Athens to the border:

- a. departed: Kifissia 21 July 0600
arrived: Emin Aga 21 July 1930

The team was transported in operational vehicle JMP No. 117, driven by [] and [], [], who substituted at the last minute for [] because of the latter's sickness, returned to Athens from Emin Aga along on the 22nd.

- b. departed: Emin Aga 22 July 1145
arrived: Filiates 22 July 1900

The team and [] were picked up by Greek conducting officer at Emin Aga and were driven in KYP vehicle to Filiates Battalion area. The delay was intentional so that the conducting detail would approach the border area at dusk. The trip normally takes four hours (by car).

- c. departed: Filiates 22 July 2045
arrived: road junction of Smerto 22 July 2130

From that point on the road is commanded by the enemy post of Mali Likojanit. The conducting detail continued the trip on foot.

- d. departed: Smerto 22 July 2130
arrived: Skala, Sayadas 22 July 2315

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e. departed: Skala 22 July 2330
arrived: (R 413532) 23 July 0330

This trip normally takes about two hours. The delay was caused because the detail was carrying large amounts of water plus food and equipment.

f. About 0700 hours of 23 July RNDOLLAR, the Greek conducting officer, and [] climbed to (R 415535) for observation. This hill affords excellent observation of that part of the border and the mountain of Saraqin but approach must be very cautious because it is barren and under enemy observation.

g. departed: (R 413532) 23 July 2000
arrived: (R 407543) 23 July 2030

At that point the team separated from the conducting detail. The conducting detail remained there until 24 July 0100 and subsequently returned to Skala via the same route.

Comments:

1. The conducting detail consisted of Capt. Skouras of KYP Ioannina, one KYP soldier, and a guide furnished by the Filiates battalion and whose services amounted to those of a bearer.

2. AILMENT with [] met [] at Emin Aga but no intelligence was passed over at that point. They, therefore, escorted the conducting detail up to Filiates and attempted to collect border intelligence from an officer who had just taken over at Headquarters. The result was that little border intelligence was furnished to the team and that, as was proved later, erroneous.

3. The team and the conducting detail avoided all Greek Posts this time.

4. Capt. Skouras is very security conscious and was co-operative in every respect.

5. Water was discovered at (R 413532) which probably lasts throughout the summer. (It needs purification).

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