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Status Report on Agent Standbys for Period  
1 - 31 July 1955

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Information Requested: None; for information and files.

andby Agent Developments:

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1. There are eight OBHUNT agent standbys.

2. AIRWISE and AIRBORNE arrived back in Athens on 20 July. AIRWISE telephoned this office and a meeting was arranged for the next day at the "Cave." [ ] met both men on the 21st and instructed them to locate living quarters outside Athens.

3. On the 25th of July, [ ] and [ ] met AIRWISE at the "Cave" again and proposed the WEDNESDAY Mission to him. He accepted and was advised further instructions would be forthcoming. In order to cover his removal from this area for the WEDNESDAY Mission he is "developing" his old stomach ailment again. It is intended to send him "to a special hospital for treatment by our doctors."

4. Two more meetings were held with AIRWISE and on the 30th, [ ] met with AIRWISE and AIRBORNE to pass them their pay.

5. RNORDAIN and AIRSLACK have contacted this office ten times in the past month. On the 5th of July [ ] and [ ] interviewed RNORDAIN to propose his participation in the WEDNESDAY Mission. Both [ ] and [ ] were not satisfied with RNORDAIN's reaction.

6. On 7 July, [ ] met RNORDAIN at the Cave again for further discussions about the Mission. [ ] also was not pleased with RNORDAIN's suitability as a third member for the WEDNESDAY Team. It was subsequently decided not to include RNORDAIN in the operation.

7. [ ] met RNORDAIN at the Cave on 30 July to pass him his and AIRSLACK's pay for July.

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8. AIRBLOWN, with AIRWAY, is again living in Pireaus near the Benchfitters School they are attending. Both men have contacted [ ] regularly this past month. Arrangements were made for AIRBLOWN to receive diagnostic treatment at a clinic in Athens to determine the trouble with his knee.

9. On the 18th of July AIRBLOWN entered the hospital where he remained for three days. He was released on the 21st and [ ] met him at the "Dig" the following day. He was informed the doctors had recommended an operation to remove a chip located in his knee joint. He was told the Mission he was concerned with was finished and the decision on the knee operation was entirely up to him. He was not convinced of the need for an operation so [ ] arranged to get further details from the doctors.

10. [ ] met AIRBLOWN again on the 25th and advised him the worst he could expect from his knee was an eventual stiffening of the joint in years to come. The least he could expect would be irritating pain if he used the leg too much. His final decision was not to have the operation and see what developed in 6 months or a year. [ ] advised AIRBLOWN that if he were interested in immigrating we were prepared to assist him.

11. [ ] met both men on 30 July again to pass them their pay.

12. AICCOOL was contacted eight times in this past period. Of the eight contacts, five were personal meetings. On 19 July [ ] met him at the "Dig" at which time AICCOOL requested a winter suit of clothes. On 29 July he was passed his pay and some mail this office had received for him through BOCANTAR. During this month AICCOOL has received mail from his brother in Yugoslavia. He had not heard from him in several months. The brother is now in the Gerova Refugee Camp.

Resettlement Developments:

13. A special report is being prepared to advise Headquarters of the present status and developments in our resettlement program. The situation is much more encouraging than at any time during the past 18 months. We anticipate the settling of many of our cases through the ERA and the Australian Mass Migration Plan.

14. On 26 July, AIPUMP's younger brother and AISOAR departed for the United States. They were flown to the States with others of a large group in a plane chartered by ICEM. The week before, AIDETT, who was also on our priority list, left for settlement in Canada.

15. Arrangements were made to have AIRBRED report to Athens to make him available for final screening by the Australian Migration Commission. If his departure appears imminent, he will remain in Athens to expedite the processing.

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