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Chief of Station, Karlsruhe

Attn: BOB

Chief, FDM

Staybehind Commo Matters

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1. The undersigned has, as you may know, been given the task of pulling together some of the loose strings in the Headquarters part of staybehind activities. It is then hoped that some one person, probably the undersigned, will handle these activities on a continuing basis.

2. We are therefore engaged in the task of checking through our files in order to discover aspects of PASTIME which need attention. In so doing we encountered the referenced memos, about which we have some questions which you may be able to answer.

3. Have you received the guidance which you requested in MIRA-27934 with respect to the "how" and "when" in the case of staybehind signal plans? BOB, recently asked many of the same questions posed in your memo; his questions also remain unanswered as far as we know. We have, however, been in contact with ZACADY in order to obtain guidance on these matters, and we therefore hope to send to you and further information within the not-too-distant future. In addition, as we wrote a re-evaluation of the staybehind program is now under way here. When this is completed we hope to have a somewhat clearer picture of the situation. We feel that the attention which has been given the staybehind program here has not been commensurate with its considerable importance; this too we hope to remedy.

4. With respect to MIRA-29819, was Washington approval, as requested, ever given for the project mentioned in Para. I? Since we assume that this is not the case, and that you have thus been forced to proceed on your own, please regard this memo as constituting retroactive approval.

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5. Have you received answers to the questions posed in Paras. 3, 4 and 5 of MKKA-29819?

6. It seems to us that the dissertation of Kibitz 13 contains some very valuable suggestions, particularly concerning the localities which he considers ideal for staybehind operations. We will give some further thought to this dissertation in our re-evaluation of PASTINE.

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