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TO " [ ] FROM KIRKPATRICK BY ALIEN CITE WA-2472

REUR MEMORANDUM NUMBER 262 RPT 262, DATED 29 RPT 29 JULY,  
CONCERNING NIKOLAI POPPE RPT NIKOLAI POPPE: YOUR HANDLING OF THIS  
SITUATION HAS LEFT AN EXTREMELY FAVORABLE IMPRESSION HERE. THERE  
IS NO QUESTION THAT IT WOULD HAVE HELPED YOUR OFFICE GREATLY HAD  
WE GIVEN YOU INFORMATION ON THIS CASE TWO MONTHS AGO. HOWEVER, THERE  
ARE SO MANY RAMIFICATIONS, BOTH WITHIN THE AGENCY AND INCLUDING OTHER  
BRANCHES OF THE GOVERNMENT, THAT IT MAY STILL BE SOMETIME BEFORE  
WE KNOW WHERE WE STAND. IT IS LITERALLY TRUE THAT HAD WE TOLD YOU  
YESTERDAY OUR BEST ESTIMATE OF THE PRESENT OUTLOOK, WE WOULD HAVE  
TO REVISE THAT ESTIMATE AS OF TODAY. WE CAN GIVE YOU COMPLETE ASSURANCE  
THAT THE MINUTE WE REALLY KNOW WHERE WE STAND AND WHERE SUBJECT  
STANDS, WE WILL FORWARD THAT INFORMATION TO YOU. MEANWHILE, IF YOU  
FEEL YOU ARE LEFT SOMEWHAT IN THE DARK, WE CAN GIVE YOU THE FURTHER  
ASSURANCE THAT THE ONLY LIGHT THAT WE CAN SHED WOULD BE FITFUL AND  
UNCERTAIN. THANK YOU FOR HANDLING THE MATTER SO SUCCESSFULLY WHEN YOU  
HAD SO LITTLE TO GO ON.

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