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SUBJECT: []

TO: Heidelberg "KNOXBY"
ATTN: []

REFERENCE: WASH 4102 (OUT 81983)

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1. After a lengthy study of []'s case --a study prolonged primarily by the desire of our personnel people to establish a sound precedent for future, similar cases-- this office came to the decision embodied in reference cable. It is believed that the procedure so set up will prove altogether satisfactory from your standpoint, []'s and ours.

2. In this connection the personnel people have advised me substantially as follows:

Procedurally, any orders [] requests on an officer now assigned to HUCOH have to be cut by HUCOH headquarters. Thus, [] is in a much more advantageous position to request such orders than we are, and can save considerable time, providing the security factor does not cause delay. There is the added advantage that, where such orders involve delicate security matters, [] probably can handle them on a personal basis without having the information flow through more than a limited number of hands.

The assignment of [] to Special Technical Unit 7989 appears ideal from our standpoint, and the Commander of the Army Detachment here believes that there will be no technicalities which might trip up [] or other members of the EDUCATOR Project. So long as [] remains in his present unit he will be carried on the morning report in the Army detachment here. His records should be pouched to the Home Office for transmission to the detachment. No further action is necessary at this time. [] certifies his own pay voucher, and needs no records other than those which he carries in his pocket such as his Pay Data Card and AGO Card to get his voucher paid.

In the event of transfer of other military personnel to your unit, it would be advisable to have [] designated as Detachment Commander of the 7989th and have him begin submitting a daily morning report by pouch addressed inter-

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"Commanding Officer,
Headquarters Detachment,
2430 I Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C."

[] could also publish special orders granting leave to military members of the Unit. This is a procedure now followed by []'s people, and it is recommended that we adopt it when additional military people join our Unit.

The only case when this office might assist [] in actually obtaining Army orders is one which would involve a military person not now assigned within ZUCON's jurisdiction.

3. I regret the delay in coming to a final decision on this matter, but feel that no particular harm was done to Laughlin's case in view of the fact that you were able to avail yourself of his services as soon as he was security cleared anyhow. Now that all of the necessary people know of the correct procedure, I am sure that there will be no further unwarranted delays in such matters in the future.

JEB/njh

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