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MEMORANDUM FOR: CCB/MOC

SUBJECT: Non-Official Cover Request

The following information is provided for your information:

A. General Information

- (1) Kenneth W. Deane, (P); Sergei Serevich; NOSTRIL. Non-official cover has never been requested previously.
- (2) Contract Agent on salary, \$600 per month plus rent, post differential and other standard emoluments.
- (3) No dependents accompanying; no cleared dependents.
- (4) Yes.
- (5) Yes.
- (6) No previous cover involved.
- (7) Available immediately.
- (8) Proposed departure 1 October.
- (9)

B. (1) Age 37, male, Caucasian, Russian, married, 2 children.

- (2) No dependents accompanying.
- (3) Little formal education.
- (4) Current employment field underwriter for Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York; \$400 per month plus commissions, making total of between \$500 and \$600 per month.
- (5) Fighting communism and aiding Circassian refugees.
- (6) Smooth operator.
- (7) Believed sound.
- (8) Subject was born in Russia in 1920, fled during WW II; traveled through southern Europe as an immigrant refugee; finally settled in Jordan where he attained full citizenship in 1948; immigrated to the USA in June 1955; now here in permanent resident alien status; applicant for US citizenship.
- (9) By virtue of residence in Jordan 1948-55, has wide area knowledge, contacts, language, etc.

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- (10) Speaks native Circassian, fluent Russian, adequate Arabic and English and some German.
- C. (1) Subject was recruited as an indigenous agent of [] Station in 1953 and continued in that position until immigration to the USA June 1955. February 1957 was placed under contract for covert training by SR Division at \$600 per month plus room and board. Termination of this contract in August 1957 placed him in reserve status; he is being paid a retainer fee of \$50 quarterly by SR.
- (2) Has never entered CIA installations except covert training facilities.
- (3) No.
- (4) No.
- (5) No.
- (6) At termination of the proposed contract Subject will revert to his retained reserve status with SR Division and will return to his normal overt non-official employment with the insurance company.
- (7) [] art. 4617.
- (8) No, except that he will be given certain health benefits during the duration of this contract.
- D. (1) Subject will be engaged in primarily FI-type operations for the next three months. These will be extremely sensitive and may ultimately lead to political action operations in the Middle East. No one else will be made witting of Agent's CIA affiliation.
- (2) Agent will be operating in Amman, Jordan and Beirut, Lebanon.
- (3) Mobility will be as discussed by [] , NSA/7-J and Mr. [] CCB/MOC.
- (4) Subject has built-in access to the required groups.
- (5) \$600 per month for three months.
- (6) Agent will be devoting full-time operational duties except for minimum amount of cover activity.
- (7) Agent is accustomed to operating as a clandestine indigenous agent without support facilities other than a case officer he will be assigned.

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(8) Communications will be through the Agent's case officers in Amman and Beirut.

(9) Cover has been ~~discussed~~ and tentatively arranged between [] and [] .

The proposed cover facility will be notional, backstopped only to the extent of bank account, mail address, cable address, stationery, calling cards and routine phony correspondence.

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Chief
Division of Near East
and Africa []

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