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TO Chief, WE

DATE 7 December 1956

FROM []

SUBJECT { GENERAL Operational/TIEBAR
SPECIFIC [] and [] Meeting with TIEBAR/20, 5 December 1956,
1400-1500 hours

REF: DIR 42183

ACTION REQUIRED: For information and for possible notification to Station re paragraph 2.

1. I accompanied [] to subject meeting at the TIEBAR safehouse, partly as a gesture of courtesy to TIEBAR/20 and partly for the sake of getting to know him better. I felt certain, moreover, that the regular []-TIEBAR/20 pattern of contact is now sufficiently established as to guarantee that my presence on this one occasion would not disturb it. TIEBAR/8 had not yet returned from about a week's trip to Switzerland, and I presume other places, to collect all the intelligence he can from other liaison contacts. Apart from the routine delivery of intelligence items, to which TIEBAR/20 himself did not contribute, two topics of conversation were of sufficient interest to report.
2. I presented TIEBAR/20 with a sanitized copy of reference from which I had eliminated the query as to whether the Swedish diplomat in Bulgaria could make a trip by rail to Bucharest to report on the volume and nature of traffic between Rumania and Bulgaria, because I preferred to handle this part of the request orally. TIEBAR/20 did not seem to be exactly certain as to what Swedish diplomat might be accredited to both Bulgaria and Rumania, but it was the belief that the present Swedish Ambassador to Moscow, Rolf Ragnarsson Sohlman, covers both those satellites and possibly some others. (We have just confirmed that Sohlman is not only Ambassador to the USSR but to Bulgaria and Rumania as well, and also Afghanistan!) His comments concerning this Ambassador, Sohlman, were of particular interest. He stated that this man who has a Russian wife, likes Moscow and hopes to spend the rest of his life there. There were strong overtones of pro-Soviet views on the part of Sohlman in TIEBAR/20's statement that this man is quite useless for accurate reporting purposes and that serious consideration is being given to kicking him upstairs into a

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Swedish Ambassadorship at the United Nations. When I discussed this matter later with [] the latter said that this report was totally at variance with the official line he received from the Foreign Office where Ambassador Sohlman is regarded as a great Russian expert, very close to the Foreign Minister Uden and frequently called back to brief the Foreign Office. The Foreign Office ostensibly, at least, desires to retain Sohlman in his present post at Moscow as long as possible because of his great value. A vacant Swedish Ambassadorship at the United Nations (the ECE) has moreover very recently been filled. The discrepancy between these two accounts is so startling that it deserves investigation, which will be pursued as discreetly as possible here, but any Headquarters information or views should be welcome. It may be that Ambassador Bohlen has already reported on Sohlman. One possible explanation for this divergence is the rabidly partisan nature of TIEBAR/20's conservative politics. It is quite conceivable that any friend of Uden is anathema to TIEBAR/20 who, moreover, has also from time to time made critical comments to [] concerning the Foreign Office generally.

3. TIEBAR/20's comments concerning the Raoul Wallenberg case on which he worked personally for the Foreign Office were also of considerable interest. He said that the Foreign Office energy in pursuing this case was largely the result of the strong pressure of public opinion both through the press and through the special Raoul Wallenberg association. TIEBAR/20 made it clear, as he had previously stated to [] that the Swedish Government expects another rejection for their latest note to the Soviet Union on this subject, and that the Swedish Government would be left with no recourse but to publish a White Paper. (TIEBAR/20 had previously stated to [] that such publication might be somewhat embarrassing to the Foreign Office because of its probable revelation that until approximately 3 years ago the Foreign Office had not pursued the question with sufficient vigor, although since that time the Foreign Office has been extremely vigorous in its notes of protest and inquiry.) TIEBAR/20 further revealed that he had personally spent 3 months in Germany about a year ago interrogating German returnees from the Soviet camp at Vorkuta and was satisfied of the positive identification of Wallenberg and verification of his presence in Vorkuta by at least one German who had been Wallenberg's cell mate. TIEBAR/20 was therefore positive that he could trace Wallenberg's actual existence up to a certain date, though when [] suggested that this might be as recent as 1949-51, TIEBAR/8 replied "No, much earlier, but I am not at liberty to tell you the exact date" when Wallenberg's actual survival was last certified. TIEBAR/20 is certain that Raoul Wallenberg is now dead.

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