

CONTACT REPORT

8-9 April 1954

SUBJECT: Operational meeting with CASSOWARY 2 and 15.

1. Cass 2 visited Wash on 8-9th April for the purpose of discussing with the CO various ops topics. In the order in which they were discussed, they are as follows:

a) Javlein report (OELA 5794): I informed Cass 2 that the British had notified us of the following: summary of the split in the ZCh; Bandera 's attack on the ZP and the printing of the document on "US Policy re the Ukraine" in the Ukrainets-Chas; summary of the British relations with OUN/B; Bandera ouster by the British and British recognition of the "Duo". Showed Cass 2 the five points of future ops collaboration between the Britihs and ZCh as follows: ~~the~~ Statement that Matla had agreed with Rebet, ~~X~~ Prodiuk and Hrionich, that subject of British concurrence, future collaboration with the British over ops matters should be governed by the following principles: i. The new leadership does not want to interfere in any way with operational work, and in fact does not want ot know anything of what is being planned, or what is being carried out operationally. It has complete confidence in Pidhainy, and once more confirms his appointment.

ii. The new Leadership, on the other hand, wants to ensure that ~~may~~ any political mail which is sent out agees in every respect with its views, and conforms with any mail which is sent out via US sponsored channels.

iii. The new Leadership thinks it would probably be necessary for the Americans and the British to agree on their attitude towards the political problems, in order to avoid disagreements and misunderstandings.

iv. Any coordiantion between British and American sponsored operations to avoid clashes or confusion it considers mainly an Anglo-American coordiantion task.

v. The question of security of operations and security in general it leaves entirely to Pidhainy and the British.

b) After reading these five points, Cass 2 said he doubted that Matla had presented the British this plan of operations. He questioned Cass 3's participation in thier formation if in fact they were drawn up formally by anybody from the ZCh side. He said he would question Matla on the matter and in the event Matla admits that he did present these points to the British, then Cass 2 will have to change his thinking regarding the ZCh contact with the homeland. He stated, however, that since the new ZCh wanted the British to remain favorable to them and not return to Bandera, at least operationally, Matla, et. al., might have made some vague commitments to the British pending Cass 2's participation in the operational aspect, ie. talks with the British and Pidhainy. This is also the reason they had delegated Pidhainy to remain as contact man with the British.

c) Javelin-Ukrainian contact: I told Cass 2 that I still did not ~~know~~ know from the British their reaction to the information that their net across Poland into the Ukraine is contaminated. Cass 2 felt that the net is controlled and can't understand why the British are taking so long in confirming or denying it to US. He wasn't sure that they had told Pidhainy the info we gave them re control. At least, Pidhainy has not said anything to Cass 2 about it.

d) Re Joint US-Javelin Ops. I told Cass 2 that the British sounded as though (according to the 5 points listed under 1a) they were probing for a way to enter into joint ops with the US-ZP net according to the homeland directive. That they are aware that Pidhainy is prepared to subordinate himself to Cass 2 for ops into the homeland, etc. Cass 2 said, re this, that he would only go along with a joint deal if the British would recall Miron from the Ukraine; would direct that the clean portion of their net in the Ukraine (near Turka) subordinate itself to the Homeland HQ. Cass 2 is convinced that the British run net into Miron territory is contaminated therefore he is against its continuation; that he would certainly not consent to send ZP-ZCh traffic via this link as suggested in one of the five points for future ZCh-Javelin cooperation. In the event the US-British did not get together on ops and the British wanted to pass political mail via ZP channels i.e., statements to the HQ re British support of or recognition of OUN -UPA there, then Cass 2 would go along with this even with out joint ops cooperation. As to future two-net contacts with the Homeland, Cass 2 said this would have to be decided by the Homeland itself; but in the mean time, only one net is authorized and that is via ZP. Asked what ~~the British~~ the British will do if Pidhainy pulls out from the British to honor ZP contact and if no joint US-British effort comes to pass, Cass 2 said that maybe the British will find some independent Ukrainian to continue the net now in existence. And, if Pidhainy does not go along with Cass 2 authority to maintain contact, then Cass 2 will have nothing to do with him. He doubts, however, that Pidhainy would remain with the British to run the net against the wishes of the Homeland and the " Duo".

e) Cass 2 said also that the new ZCh is playing ball with the British for fear that the British will cut them off from the some 30,000 Ukrainians now residing in England.

f) Re Cass 2 trip to see Pidhainy. One of the primary reasons for Cass 2 visit to Wash was to arrange his trip to Europe to see Pidhainy and possibly the British, as well as Cass 3 and other members of the ZCh. I told him that he could go as soon as the necessary paper work had been completed. He said that he wanted to talk to Pidhainy in order that he could have the latter pass on to him Miron w/t traffic; to check on the courier that arrived in Nov; to see what the British had in mind for future ZCh ops. Cass 2 said that since he is

responsible for all contacts with the homeland according to Homeland mandate which the new ZCh recognized, that he must talk with ZCh members re this and especially Pidhainy who is prepared to subordinate to him in this respect.

g) On 9 April we received word from Javelin that ~~Pidhainy~~^X returned to London from Munich and that British learned from him that on his own initiative he had requested Cass 2 to visit London. That purpose of visit was to resolve certain security problems with respect to Miron. British did not agree that visit was necessary and felt that problems could be solved through correspondence. Accordingly the British will on or about 13 April pass to us certain questions for Cass 2. This info was passed on to Cass 2 who could not understand the meaning of it for Matla, and Pidhainy, and told him that the British were anxious to see him. Nevertheless, Cass 2 said he would go to Europe but not to England as he had planned. He will go to Germany instead to speak to Pidhainy and if the British still want to see him they can get in touch with him there.

h) US support of ZCh: Cass 2 said that the British are giving only a negligible financial support to the new ZCh and that he thought the US should give it some backing. I told him that we (Kubark) looked upon the reorganized ZCh favorably but that pending ZCh official notification to US Authorities of its new Democratic line, our support would have to wait. (Matla was asked to submit to us the new ZCh line without his signature which we would present to State. Later, when he registered as agent of foreign govt. he could do this himself. This was according to PP-Natirbov suggestion). Cass 2 said it would be ideal if both we and the British could support the ZCh.

i) Carthage 12 letter: Cass 2 wanted to know how soon we could answer Carthage 12 s/w letter. I told him that it would be several weeks yet. In the meantime, though, I said that we probably could connect him with Carthage 5 via the dead drop he ~~msg~~ gave us.

j) Msg to Mak. Cass 2 gave me text for msg. # 170 to Mak. This was transmitted on 11 April.

k) Other: I told Cass 2 to visit Wash again prior to his departure for Europe. This he said he would do.