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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD.

SUBJECT: Meeting with AEPOLE/8

- 1. I met AEPOLE/8 in New York, New York, on 9 July 1954, to explore the possibility of his spotting recruits for Lithuanian REDSOX operations. (A covert security clearance to use him for such purpose was recently received from the Security Office.) During the course of a three-hour luncheon, the following topics were discussed with the results indicated.
- 2. Recruitment of Agents. Referring back to our last conversation, I asked AEPOLE/8 if he was willing and able to assist us in the spotting and recruitment of suitable agent candidates for dispatch into Lithuania. AEPOLE/8 said he was able and willing, but that he'd first like to discuss the following questions which had arisen in his mind.
 - a. The first question, he said, was whether there was, in fact, any need for dispatch of agents to Lithuania at this time. AEPOLE/8 emphasized he didn't believe in sending in agents just for the sake of sending them in. I answered his question by rephrasing his question and posing it to him. He thought for a moment, and then said he believed there was need for such work and that maintaining contact with the homeland alone was sufficient justification for dispatch of agents.
 - b. The next point AEPOLE/8 brought up was whether he'd have access to traffic originating with any agent(s) he furnished us. In this respect he referred back to his earlier relations with us in Germany when he was with _______ He remarked that the situation was not satisfactory at that time and that he believed better coordination could have been maintained between the Americans and _______ I ducked the matter of the _______ relationship in Germany and, with regard to the future traffic of any agents furnished by him, told him that:
 - (1) He would not be able to see any technical messages or messages which concerned intelligence matters.
 - (2) He would be furnished the gist of all other messages.
 - (3) If the agent concerned requested that a message be passed to AEPOLE/8, we would pass the exact text of such message.

AEPOLE/8 was satisfied with the above proposals and avowed he understood the need for limiting access to messages as a security measure.

c. AEPOLE/8's last question was not a question, in fact, but a

request. He said that recently a member of the "Lithuanian Front, "Professor Zeonas IVINSKIS (presently working in the Vatican Archives at Vatican City), requested a visitor's visa from the American Consul in Rome. The visa was not issued on the grounds that the Consul was hesitant to grant visas to "DP's" since many of them, once having entered the U.S., make no effort to leave the country and, in fact, attempt to remain permanently! AEPOLE/8 said that IVINSKIS wanted to visit the U.S. in connection with a conference of the Lithuanian Front being held in New York the latter part of August 1954. AEPOLE/8 wanted to know whether we could aid IVINSKIS in obtaining the visitor's visa. AEPOLE/8 indicated he and his organization would be deeply appreciative of such an effort on our part. told AEPOLE/8 that it was not within my purview to decide whether or not IVINSKIS could be admitted to the country or even whether my organization should make an effort to secure the necessary visa. I also stated that I, however, would discuss the matter with my superiors and personally urge them to authorize intercession with the proper officials. I also indicated that, even though intercession might be authorized by my superiors, there may not be enough time teft to insure issuance of the visa before the end of August 1954, in view of the time required for routine investigation of the visa applicant, etc. AEPOLE/8 promised to send me IVINSKIS' PRQ Part I by mail for our use in the event we are able to assist in this matter. (It was obvious to me that, although AEPOLE/8 did not so state, he felt that his assisting us in recruitment of agents warranted a return favor of this sort from us.)

After the above points were discussed, AEPOLE/8 agreed to start work immediately to locate prospective agent candidates. He felt confident he could furnish the necessary men in the near future. He indicated that he even recently received a letter from a Lithuanian residing in Canada who indicated he might be amenable to recruitment for intelligence work.

- 3. The ______ Controversy. AEPOLE/8 asked me how the difficulties between ______ and . _____ were coming along. I told him I didn't know too much about the matter personally, but that I was sure that, if there were difficulties, that each side of the controversy was probably guilty to some extent and that the problem could be resolved readily if each party really wanted to do so and put its mind to it.
- 4. REDSKIN Lead. AEPOLE/8 said that Juozas KAZICKAS, a member of the Lithuanian Front who is in the import-export business in New York, returned recently from a business trip to Western Europe. AEPOLE/8 said that KAZICKAS contacted many people engaged in international commerce in Europe. He mentioned one man in Paris--an American--who KAZICKAS said recently completed a deal to sell some goods to an Iron Curtain country to an intermediary. (I'm going to get more details regarding this matter in my next meeting with AEPOLE/8.)

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