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SUBJECT: Meeting with Jonas Brazaitis - 31 July 1956

1. The undersigned met subject on 31 July 1956 at 1500 hours in a NY downtown hotel. The purpose of the meeting was to establish the degree of progress subject has made in his negotiations with the Chairman of VLIK regarding subject's acceptance of the position as chief of the radio center.

2. Subject stated that, after his last meeting with Mr. Matulionis, he had mailed to Matulionis a formal letter in which he outlined his conditions for accepting the position. Subject gave the undersigned a copy of the letter. The conditions outlined in the letter are as follows:

- a. Officially the radio center is under the jurisdiction of the Chairman of VLIK.
- b. The radio center is autonomous as to its activities and implements its functions within the limits of an established budget.
- c. The radio center funds, according to policy directives of a consultatory organ which establishes the political line is to be followed in general matters as well as particular cases. The following will participate in this consultatory organ: Chairman of VLIK (or his representative), representative of the Diplomats, representative of ALT, and perhaps a representative of the Lithuanian community (in the US). The manager of the radio center is to participate in this organ (with or without voting rights).
- d. The manager of the radio center appoints all employees of the center. A contract should be signed with all these employees for a definite period.

3. Subject further stated that to date he had not received a reply to his letter from Mr. Matulionis.

4. Subject added, however, that a certain Mr. Salcius who presently writes scripts for VLIK recently met Mr. Matulionis. The latter told Mr. Salcius that Mr. Brazaitis is unacceptable as Chief of the radio section because his requirements are too rigid. Subject felt that Mr. Matulionis should have discussed these matters with him and not with a third party.

5. Subject further added that he agrees in principle to accept the position as head of the radio center, however, he would like to have autonomy and secondly, Mr. Matulionis must come to a certain working agreement with the Frontas organization. Subject thought that the second condition could be easily met if Matulionis writes a letter to Frontas explaining that he personally disassociates himself with any previous derogatory statements made by Mr. Karvelis concerning Brazaitis.

6. The undersigned discussed with subject at great length the present situation in VLIK and the necessity for subject to cooperate in the field of radio propaganda. The undersigned also emphasized our interest in this radio work. At the end of the meeting, subject promised

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to cooperate in his negotiations with Matulionis provided the latter agrees that the radio center be given a certain degree of autonomy. The undersigned indicated to subject that he may meet him again in a day or so.

7. Subject then informed the undersigned that Prof. Ivinskis, who planned to come to the US in order to attend the Frontas convention to be held at the end of this month, changed his plans and is not coming. Prof. Ivinskis again went to the US Embassy in Rome and this time was told that he would be given a visitor's visa provided he could obtain an extension of a permit from the Italian officials to remain in Italy for another year.

8. Subject further informed the undersigned that instead of Prof. Ivinskis, Mr. Pajaujis, who is residing in Stockholm, contemplates coming to the Frontas convention. He has already applied for the visa and the Frontas organization has sent him the necessary affidavit. Subject hopes that Pajaujis will receive the visa without any difficulty; however, subject asked the undersigned for assistance if the latter should encounter any difficulties.

9. Inasmuch as Mr. Pajaujis is a contact of   and the undersigned would like to meet him when he arrives in the US, the undersigned promised subject that he will explore the possibilities of rendering assistance in Pajaujis' request for a visa in case the latter encounters difficulties.

10. The meeting adjourned at 1700 hours.

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