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From : Chief of Base, [redacted]

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SUBJECT: GENERAL- Administrative  
SPECIFIC- Comments by former PM Staff Members on Their  
Recruitment, Training and Assignments

1. During the period of rapid build-up of KUBARK during 1950 and 1951, a number of young men who had finished university training in those years were brought into KUBARK immediately after graduation; most of them took para-military training after entering KUBARK. These individuals have, probably because they are of the same age group and because they shared certain experiences in KUBARK, regarded themselves as a distinct "group" within KUBARK.

2. Late in 1953 I learned that some individuals of this group in Washington were preparing a constructive critical study of their experiences after joining KUBARK. Since there are several former PM staff members who fall in this category at [redacted] and because I did not feel that worthwhile comments could securely be transmitted by anything but official secure channels, I suggested to these individuals that the views they wished to contribute could most appropriately be forwarded as an enclosure to a letter from the Chief of [redacted] with the specific request that the enclosure be delivered to the Inspector General's office which, I understand, was giving some attention to the matter. The attached enclosure contains personal accounts of the staff employees concerned; it is requested that they be delivered to [redacted].

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3. I have discussed all the problems concerned with each of the individuals and consider this particular chapter closed with the forwarding of the attachments. I consider each former PM staff employee assigned to the [redacted] as an individual staff member of KUBARK and no longer identifiable as the member of any particular group. At the same time, I fully appreciate the difficulty to the individual that resulted from misunderstanding regarding draft status and PM training. In general, I have found that these individuals are intelligent, extremely well motivated, industrious in learning both languages and tradecraft and well suited to careers with KUBARK.

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