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MEMORANDUM FOR: C/IOD

SUBJECT : Use of Church Contacts for WSBURNT Program

1. The inability [ ] within WSBURNT to respond forcefully and positively to the Communist promises of heaven on this earth has left them in a defensive position. It is believed that, to put weight behind the position [ ] and to accomplish the objectives of KUBARK, [ ] influence be brought to bear on the local [ ]
2. Your division maintains contact with [ ] groups in this country that have had previous contact with Latin American [ ] and, in fact, were instrumental in calling a Rural Life Conference in the area last year.
3. Specifically, it is believed by this division that [ ] could be used to enter upon a positive program utilizing the services of local WSBURNT [ ] It is further believed that an organization of the type [ ] would have most logical access to WSBURNT.
4. [ ] has numerous contacts in the Latin American area that have engaged in positive anti-communist activities and, at the same time, utilized propaganda devices to accomplish their mission. In particular, one [ ] as a close contact of [ ] In addition, [ ] has appealed to another of your contacts, the [ ] for funds to continue his work in the Latin American area. [ ] was in direct contact with the Communists in China and is well versed in their tactics.
5. The following basic items are suggested to institute a program directed at revitalizing [ ] in WSBURNT in taking action against the Communists:
  - a. [ ] representative enter WSBURNT for the purpose of determining [ ] attitudes and potential for engaging the Communists.
  - b. WHD will spotlight the visit of the representative in such a manner as to impress upon the public at large that the visit is to determine what exactly have been the results of the Communist experiment with Land Reform in WSBURNT. Emphasis of the entire trip should be-- [ ] interest in the problems of the country [ ] in these problems.

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c. While in the country [ ] representative, should attempt to consolidate [ ] opposition into one force and indicate outside interest and desire to help these groups.

d. Investigate the possibility for establishing regular means of transmission of information and propaganda ideas to be utilized in connection with KUBARK objectives [ ]

e. The problem [ ] engaging in activities similar to those conducted by [ ] should be discussed. In this connection it might be well worth while to have [ ] induced to make a trip to WSBURNT. There he could impress [ ] the need for positive action and teach them methods of accomplishing same.

6. An early reply as to the feasibility of this approach through your contacts would be appreciated.

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