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TO Chief of Station, Lincoln

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FROM Chief, WH

SUBJECT { GENERAL Operational
SPECIFIC Fernando GALLO and Walter OSBORNE

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1. A KUJUMB report to this office concerning subjects reported the following:

Fernando GALLO, not to be confused with Fabio GALLO, is a personable young WSBURNT citizen of about 30 who arrived in San Francisco in late 1953 as a political refugee. GALLO is a protege of [redacted] and previously studied at Stanford University. GALLO told friends in San Francisco that he and one Walter OSBORNE hope to get PBPRIME individuals (not companies) in the oil industry interested in promoting a WSBURNT revolution in return for which the backers eventually would receive WSBURNT oil concessions. OSBORNE'S citizenship has not been definitely established, though GALLO says he has Costa Rican papers. OSBORNE worked with Standard Oil of Ohio in 1948 when Ohio was seeking Central American concessions.

GALLO is coming to Washington at some undetermined future time. He has a letter of introduction to several members of ODACID, and says he will seek ODYOKB approval for the Dominican Republic to give aid and comfort to DTFROGS and WSHOOFs in an attempt to overthrow the WSBURNT government.

2. Headquarters traces on subjects are as follows:

Walter OSBORNE. A memo from ODENVY dated 2 February 1948 reported that Walter OSBORNE, possibly identical with subject, was formerly a member of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade. Until recently OSBORNE was connected with several publications in New York City, such as International Digest, Readers Scope, and The Woman. At the time of the report, OSBORNE was said to be in Santo Domingo with a

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man named ROSS, who is connected with these publications. The purpose of the trip was to set up a "free press."

Fernando GALLO: [] 1270 reported that one Fernando GALLO was a Cuban communist employed by the Cuban Telephone Company. He was reported to be Secretary General of the Comité Lucha Telefonica. A WSBURNT dispatch dated 10 October 1953 reported that a Fernando GALLO, a KMFLUSH citizen residing in WSBURNT, had delivered a letter to the local ODACID installation which was addressed to Fabio GALLO in WSBURNT and had been erroneously delivered to him. The letter, dated 17 August 1953, was from [] 42nd St., New York. GALLO brought the letter for inspection since he had recently read in the papers about Fabio GALLO's connections with the story of the alleged escape of Beria to Spain. [] indicated in the letter that he was interested in having Fabio GALLO communicate with him. The information was turned over to ODENVY by Headquarters.

3. Additional information, if obtained, will be forwarded for your information.

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