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DATE : 1 JUNE 54

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : GUATEMALA CITY

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TO: (OPIM) SLINC

INFO: (OPIM) DIR

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RE: GUAT 717 (IN 12965)

1. CLOWER REESTABLISHED CONTACT WITH ESCOBILLA AS MENTIONED REF. NO SURVEILLANCE.

2. ESCOBILLA EXTREMELY LOW SPIRITS WISHED QUIT. CLOWER LISTENED HIS COMPLAINTS, PROMISED REPORT THEM, GAVE HIM A STRONG PEP TALK, ASSURED HIM THIS BUT SKIRMISH NOT A CAMPAIGN, AND APPARENTLY CONVINCED ESCOBILLA NECESSITY CONTINUE FIGHT.

3. FOLLOWING COMPLAINTS ESCOBILLA:

A. PAST SYSTEM COMMUNICATIONS ENCOURAGED SEMANTIC COMPILE AND HOLD LARGE QUANTITIES NOTES WHICH PROVED FATAL WHEN HE DID NOT HEED ESCOBILLA-CLOWER SECURITY WARNINGS.

B. CONSIDERS KUHOOK PREPARATIONS HAVE FALLEN FAR BEHIND EFFECT PRODUCED BY KUHOOK MEASURES WITH RESULT THAT FRIENDS NOW MORE DISILLUSIONED THAN EVER AND BEGINNING WONDER IF ANY INTENTION ACTUALLY EXISTS ARM THEM OR WHETHER THIS ONLY "DIPLOMATIC OFFENSIVE".

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C. CITED VARIOUS CONFLICTING ORDERS RECEIVED BY COURIER THEN ALLEGEDLY AMENDED VIA PEPE CHANNEL.

D. WAS ESPECIALLY CRITICAL ABOUT CHOICE DROP ZONES AND INTENTION SENDING GEAR IN THROUGH ISOLATED PLACES WHICH REACHABLE ONLY BY NEARLY IMPASSABLE ROADS WHICH EASILY GUARDED BY ENEMY.

E. CRITICIZED APPARENT LACK UNDERSTANDING LOCAL DIFFICULTIES AS SHOWN BY ORDERS RECEIVED FROM [ ]

4. GLOWER POINTED OUT SOME ERRORS UNAVOIDABLE WHEN EMBARKED LARGE COMPLEX UNDERTAKING. SOOTHED HIM DOWN. PROMISED CORRECTIONS.

5. ESCOBILLA ASSURED HIM THIS NOT DIPLOMATIC OFFENSIVE BUT REAL THING AND URGED TELL DOUBTERS THEY BEING TAKEN BY UNSUBTLE ATTEMPT PART ARBENZ AND COMMIES WHO HOPING RELIEVE PRESSURE BY TALK ABOUT ODYOKE-WSBURNT AGREEMENT. HE ASSURED ~~GALLICERIS~~ [ ] KNOW THAT ODYOKE OPPOSITION COMMUNIST REGIMES IS UNALTERABLE. HE URGED TELL COLLABORATORS THEY MUST REMAIN CALM, QUIET, AWAIT INSTRUCTIONS, HAVE BOTH COURAGE AND FAITH. HE BLUNTLY TOLD THAT WEVERERS GOOD RIDDANCE AND THAT MEN ONLY NOW WELCOME.

6. ESCOBILLA BELIEVES HE NOT SERIOUSLY COMPROMISED AND SURPRISED [ ] HAD RECEIVED INCORRECT STORY FROM ESCOBILLA BROTHER CONCERNING RAID HIS HOME. BROTHER MEANT HOME ESCOBILLA FRIEND (SEMANTIC) RAIDED. ESCOBILLA WENT INTO HIDING ONLY AS PRECAUTION. NOW CIRCULATING FREELY.

7. DOES NOT KNOW WHEREABOUTS SEMANTIC BUT BELIEVES HE

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PROBABLY TAKEN REFUGE ECUADORAN EMBASSY.

8. STATED HE OUT OF FUNDS SINCE HAD DELIVERED REMAINDER TO [ ] WHO IN HIDING BUT EAGER CONTINUE FIGHT EVEN IF ENEMY HAS HIS NAME AND OTHER DATA. [ ] AND SECANT WISH HOLD MEETING WITH CLOWER SOONEST. ALSO WANT FUNDS AID THOSE WHO FORCED ESCAPE AND PAY FOR NEEDED SAFEHOUSES ETC.

9. BELIEVE ON BASIS ABOVE THAT WE CAN AND SHOULD ATTEMPT SALVAGE ORGANIZATION. INTEND HAVE CLOWER MEET [ ] AND THROUGH HIM SECANT, DEBRIEF THEM, ATTEMPT ASCERTAIN EXTENT COMPROMISE, AND REBUILD EFFECTIVE ORGANIZATION WITHOUT DELAY. UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED INTEND PASS ESCOBILLA FURTHER [ ] EVENING 1 JUNE. HAVE NOT PASSED HIM ANY OF [ ] PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED. [ ] INTEND TO PASS WILL BE COUNTED AGAINST JUNE EXPENSES. TOTAL OF [ ] PREVIOUSLY PASSED BY STATION CONSIDERED AS MAY EXPENDITURES.

10. SINCE DO NOT HAVE CLEAR UNDERSTANDING PAST OPERATIONS, PERSONNEL, NOR INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN SEMANTIC COMPLEX, SUGGEST ONTRICH MEET ME SOONEST IN DTFROGS FOR DEBRIEFING PURPOSES. WOULD HAVE ONE DAY MAXIMUM. PLEASE ADVISE.

11. AM OPTIMISTIC BUT WOULD NATURALLY WELCOME GUIDANCE OR CRITICISM YOUR PART.

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