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1. REF A. KUBARK PURCHASE OF AIRCRAFT INVOLVES CLEAR HAZARDS. PRIVATE PURCHASE BY CALLIGERIS IN FACT SO EXTRAORDINARILY DIFFICULT THAT NO COVER STORY LIKELY TO BE PLAUSIBLE. ALSO NOT CLEAR HOW OR BY WHOM PILOTS COULD BE OBTAINED. REGARDLESS OF COVER STORY, PRESENCE OF ODYOKE-TYPE MILITARY AIRCRAFT AND PILOTS WOULD CONSTITUTE PERSUASIVE EVIDENCE OF OFFICIAL ODYOKE SUPPORT. WE FEEL THAT OTHER MEANS TO OBTAIN DESIRED RESULT SHOULD BE DEVELOPED. ALTERNATIVE COURSE PROPOSED REF B, WITH MODIFICATIONS DESCRIBED BELOW, APPEARS FRUITFUL.

2. WE BELIEVE THAT THE SUPPLY OF F-47'S TO CALLIGERIS SHOULD BE PART OF LARGER PLAN TO SUPPLY AIRCRAFT TO [] WHICH IS CLEARLY IN ODYOKE INTEREST. PLAN OUTLINE:

A. SUPPLY OF PLANES. [] TO OBTAIN AS MANY PLANES AS HE CAN OR REQUIRES, EITHER BY PURCHASE FROM ODYOKE OR, LESS DESIRABLY, AS

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ADVANCE INSTALLMENT OF MILITARY AID FROM ODYOKE.

B. PILOTS. [] TO ARRANGE FOR THEIR EMPLOYMENT. ORDWAY'S JUDGMENT IS THAT LATINO PILOTS UNDESIRABLE SINCE THEY MIGHT NOT BE SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINE. THEREFORE WOULD PREFER FOREIGN PILOTS RECRUITED BY [] TO INCLUDE IF POSSIBLE EUROPEANS AND CANADIANS AS WELL AS FBPRIMES. PRESUMABLY IT COULD BE SAID THAT FOREIGN PILOTS THERE TEMPORARILY PENDING INDOCTRINATION TRAINING OF INDIGENOUS PILOTS.

C. APART FROM ANY ARRANGEMENT WHEREBY [] OBTAINS PLANES, THERE SHOULD BE CLEAR UNDERSTANDING THAT TWO SHOULD BE AVAILABLE CALLIGERIS' PURPOSES FOR PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS.

3. WE BELIEVE BEST WAY ACCOMPLISH RESULT IN 2. C. WOULD BE FOR [] TO PURCHASE PLANES EVEN IF PART OF COST ADVANCED BY ODYOKE AND FOR CALLIGERIS TO STATE THAT SKIMMER WILL PAY TOTAL COST OF TWO PLANES IF THESE AVAILABLE TO CALLIGERIS, IF URGENTLY NEEDED, OVER PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS. THEN OWNERSHIP REVERTS TO [] WITHOUT OTHER STRINGS. WE ARE EXPLORING POSSIBILITY OF

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SECURING FINANCING FOR BALANCE OF TRANSACTION FOR C] IF HE UNABLE TO
PAY COSTS OR IF HE CAN PAY ONLY PARTIAL COSTS.

4. WE ARE DISCUSSING THIS PLAN WITH ODACID AND ODUNIT. IF ARRANGEMENTS
ALONG THESE LINES ACCEPTABLE TO C] AND CALLIGERIS, AND IF OTHER DEPARTMENTS
OF ODYOKE AGREE, HQS WILL OBTAIN RELEASE OF PLANES, EXPORT LICENSES, ETC.

5. IF THIS PLAN CAN BE FOLLOWED, MODIFICATIONS ARE REQUIRED IN APPROACH
TO E] SUGGESTED IN REF B. WE BELIEVE IT UNDESIRABLE TO SUGGEST THAT
SKIMMER WOULD PROCURE AIRCRAFT FOR C] SINCE THIS REVEALS ODYOKE BACKING
AND THEREFORE SEEMS DANGEROUS. ODYOKE HAND BETTER CONCEALED IF CALLIGERIS
PROPOSAL TO C] IS THAT SKIMMER WOULD PAY FOR TWO PLANES IF C] COULD
OBTAIN.

6. LINC VIEWS REQUESTED. MEANWHILE NO FURTHER LINC ACTION REQUIRED.

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