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1 April 1952

TO: Deputy Chief, NE(SO)

FROM: []

SUBJECT: Reply to French Query Re Use of Tashnaks

REFERENCE: French Memorandum to Chief, WE of 21 March 1952

1. The NE position re the above which is to be presented to [] of the French desk, to be used in his memorandum to the DD/P, is as follows:

CIA has maintained some contact with the Tashnaks for the past four years, during which time we have seen no positive results. We hold little hope for success in our future relations with the Tashnaks and feel that nothing could be gained from a Franco-American approach to them now.

2. [] desires that the following addition be made to the statement:

Should de Vosjoli persist in attempting to determine whether we have plans for collaboration with the Tashnaks, a non-committal reply should be given to the effect that we probably will continue to deal with them along the same lines as we have previously.

3. Your permission is requested to make the addition stated in para 2 above.

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1. NE Division requests that the following reply be given to the French SDECE representative in Washington, M. de VOSJOLI, regarding his query of 25 March 1952 on CIA use of the Tashnaks:

CIA has maintained some contacts with the Tashnaks for the past four years, during which time we have seen no positive results. We held little hope for success in our future relations with the Tashnaks and feel that nothing could be gained from a Franco-American approach to them now.

2. Should de VOSJOLI persist in attempting to determine whether we have plans for collaboration with the Tashnaks, a non-committal reply should be given to the effect that we probably will continue to deal with them along the same lines as we have previously.

*See memo to Rep ch NE (So)
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