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Chief, Munich Operations Base

29 January 1951

Acting Chief of Station, Karlsruhe

Operational/RHAPSODY Searching for CARAMEL

1. I would like to make of record the suggestion made in a conversa-
tion between and on 16 January 1951.
at that time suggested that CAISSON 19 be sent to Munich
in order to investigate through his trade connections the whereabouts of
CARAMEL.
2. CAISSON 19 was instrumental in recruiting, and had
some dealings with the entire Haselgruber complex and therefore knows
something about the general business connections of former
office. I feel that a definite attempt should be made to try to investi-
gate   idisappearance, since I cannot find a logical explanation
to his whereabouts short of his having returned to Russian physical contro
3. I therefore suggest and recommend that we commission CAISSON 19
to go to Munich for a period of approximately two months, that we fully
brief him on our knowledge of the Haselgruber business connections as well
as _ general traits of character and behavior and that we then
finance him liberally in order to get acquainted with the illegal trade
circles in Munich and possibly Austria in order to possibly dig up some-
thing about [ ] I do not know how great an effort has been made to
date, but I believe that this type of investigation can best be handled
through a businessman rather than through regular American investigative
facilities.
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4. The operation would be costly inasmuch as this type of operator has lots of ready each and stories are only told late at night under the influence of alcohol. I believe, however, that a financial outlay of between 3,000 and 5,000 marks is justified, even if there is only 5% likelihood of CAISSON 19 locating \_\_\_\_\_\_ I personally will not feel happy about the \_\_\_\_\_\_ incident until it is cleared up or until we have tried every means available to us to clear it up.

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5. CAESON 19 is moving to Frankfurt on 1 February and will be available to us on short notice for any job we will like to assign to him. Request both Washington and Munich forward their reactions to this letter so action can be initiated before any more dust settles on this case.

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