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DATE: 15 AUG 61

TO : DIRECTOR
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FROM : [redacted]

ACTION : SR 60

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*Nothing in
C. B. still - discussed*

1. SOVIET VICE CONSUL KLIMOV WHO KNOWS HIS OFFICER MET CLAYTON BERRY
 FOR FIRST TIME AT CONSULAR CORPS FUNCTION ON 9 AUGUST AND INVITED LATTER
 TO LUNCH SAME DAY. KLIMOV USED LUNCH AS PRETEXT OBTAIN PRO 1 INFO AND
 DISCUSS BERLIN. HE ASKED NO QUESTIONS RE UNITED STATES POLICY BUT
 PRESSED SOV POSITION STATING BERLIN WILL BE TEST OF SOVIET DASH UNITED
 STATES FRIENDLY RELATIONS AND INSISTED SOVS WOULD SIGN PEACE TREATY.
 HE DID NOT MENTION TITOV FLIGHT OR SOV MILITARY POWER. POUCHING
 DETAILS.

2. VIKTOR ZEGAL, SOV SECOND SECY WHO KNOWS HIS OFFICER INVITED
 EMBASSY SECOND SECY SELLIN TO LUNCH 8 AUGUST FOR FIRST TIME. MAIN TOPIC

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THE BERLIN CRISIS. ZESAL ASKED BELLS REPEATEDLY WHY U.S. WILLING FIGHT
OVER BERLIN AND WHY USSR AND AMERICANS WHO FORMER ALLIES NOW IN OPPOSITION
ON THIS ISSUE. ZESAL QUOTED NEWS STORIES STATING FRENCH AND
ITALIANS NOT WILLING RISK WAR OVER BERLIN. REPEATED ATTEMPTS
DISCOUNT U.S. POSITION GAVE IMPRESSION ZESAL VIEWED REPORT
CONFIRMATION FROM U.S. OFFICIAL OF VALIDITY SOVIETS IN GERMANY. FULL
REPORT ON CONVERSATION IN AMEMBASSY AIRGRAM A-18 DATED 13 AUGUST 61.

END OF MESSAGE

E/O COMMENT: ACTION UNIT DETERMINED AS THOUGH INDICATOR REDUCED USED.

**Requested all FBI and details needed to interpret the significance
of Soviet use of agent secrets and other intelligence channels for estimate of U.S. and
Allied position and intentions in Berlin.

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