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Reference is made to your letter dated March 10, 1965, your file 146-12-3212, and to our letter dated March 15, 1965, both concerning the captioned case.

The matter, as outlined in your letter, was discussed with Harry Zerbell, Economic Officer, United States Embassy, Mexico City, Mexico, on March 16, 1965, by our Legal Attache there.

Zerbell advised that approximately three weeks ago he was informed that a representative of the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Texas would come to Mexico and contact him for the purpose of discussing this case and the possibility of obtaining the documents referred to in your letter. Zerbell stated that as of March 16, 1965, the United States Attorney's representative had not come to Mexico.

Zerbell was of the opinion that it would be premature at this time for our Legal Attache to contact the Attorney General of Mexico and he requested that we take no action in this regard until he receives additional instructions from the United States Department of Commerce and from the aforementioned United States Attorney's office.

In view of the foregoing and in the absence of a specific request from you, we plan to take no further action in this matter at this time.

- 1 - Legat, Mexico City
- 1 - Foreign Liaison Unit (Detached)

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NOTE:

Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, by letter 3/10/65, requested our assistance in securing information from Mexican Government in connection with a case being handled by Department. Subjects in violation of embargo shipped American-made automotive parts from Texas to Mexico and subsequently to Cuba. Cortez, who is President of Transcontinental S. A., was granted prosecutive immunity and is scheduled to be a key Government witness. He told USA for Eastern District of Texas that certain documents of his firm would serve as corroborative evidence. Cortez's firm, however, has been liquidated and liquidator has declined to show records to U. S. Government representatives. AAG, in referenced letter, indicated that he was aware our Legat was in contact with AG of Mexico on almost daily basis and requested that we have our Legat request AG of Mexico to persuade liquidator to make his records available. AAG suggested we have our Legat contact Harry Zerbell, referred to above.

In addition to information in this letter, Zerbell confidentially told Legat that someone in Washington sometime ago approached CIA about obtaining instant documents as CIA in Mexico City has Clandestine means of obtaining documents if necessary. Legat advised AG of Mexico personally known to him and would probably be cooperative in attempting to obtain documents providing framework of Mexican law would permit him to do so.

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