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TO
Chief of Station, Rome

FROM
Chief, KUTUBE/D

SUBJECT

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De Tommaso
1. During Rabney's TDY in Rome in April 1961, Clarkson gave him the name of Tommaso CORBISIERO, owner of the Earl Marisa in Florence, as a potential spotter for the KUTUBE/D purpose explained to Desmond and Sheridan. We have now completed the tracing on CORBISIERO in all possible KUBARK files, Greenleaf, ODENVY and ODURGE files; results were negative.

2. We should appreciate your making Clarkson available to brief CORBISIERO and send him on his search mission. The criteria sheet left with Sheridan by Rabney is the basic reference document for Clarkson, but we should like to add two items: (a) On the basis of our recent experiences, it may well turn out to be the case that candidates contacted by Corbiserio through his friends in the underworld will be unwilling during the first contact to give their true names and other data. In fact, this would be normal, and we anticipate the necessity of Corbiserio's revisiting promising candidates to obtain data for tracing purposes and to make accurate assessments. (b) We stress quality; if Corbiserio returns from his first search mission with only a couple of candidates, we shall not be disappointed. Plenty of patience and a high degree of selectivity will net us more in the long run than aiming at quick accomplishments.

3. As we understood it from Clarkson, Corbiserio will start his search in Antwerp. Please insure that he does not search in France since we have activities underway there with which he may unwittingly cross wires. We also consider it inadvisable that he search in Italy.

4. We have obligated $1000 for Corbiserio's mission, to include travel and ops expenses and pay for his time. More is available if needed. Regarding the amount of pay, we leave this up to you and Clarkson on the basis of the time spent on the mission and the extent to which you are satisfied that he made a conscientious and secure effort. Costs should be charged to KUTUBE/D, citing Cost Center 1123-1030-1000.
5. To provide maximum security for this effort the following handling of traffic has been coordinated and established:

   a. Cables to and from Headquarters to be sent through the special channel only, TOP SECRET and slugged RYBAT ZERIFLE.

   b. Dispatches, which we consider far preferable to cables, will be sent from Headquarters to Rome in the original only in an envelope marked ‘To be opened by DESMOND or SHERIDAN only.’

   c. Dispatches from Rome to Headquarters to be sent TOP SECRET LAURICLE, addressed to Chief, KUTUBE/D, in a sealed envelope marked as follows:

      TOP SECRET – LAURICLE
      ZERIFLE
      Attn: Chief, KUTUBE/D
      To be opened by Daniel M. PRESLAND only.

We require the original and one copy only. Necessary Headquarters coordination on traffic will be undertaken by Chief, KUTUBE/D with Chief, WE.

6. It is requested that all copies of all traffic on ZERIFLE matters, including Station copies of CIRA-27542, be kept in an eyes only file in the office of CCS and that CCS arrange to have ZERIFLE cables delivered by the signal center to him only. This is the request we are putting to any station with which we correspond on ZERIFLE.

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