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TO DIRECTOR

FROM MEXICO CITY

AUTOMATIC C/SR 2 (MR. RAYLE (SR/CA) NOTIFIED AND COPY SLOTTED AT 1620, 21 DEC 63) (M)

DAYS ADDP, C/CI, C/PI, C/FI/D, CDC, C/EE 2, C/WH 2, (R)

21 Dec 63 11:855

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PRIORITY DIR CITE MEXI 7493

INFO COMMENT: DISSEMINATED & RELEASED 210-301 CASLES.

REDWOOD

REF INTERVIEW WITH MANJILA.

REF DIR 98614

1. C/O NET [POPOVICI]⁰⁵ WITH MORN MORN 21 DEC. [POPOVICI]⁰⁵ FULLY COOPERATIVE, WILL TRY ESTABLISH CONTACT WITH TIKHONOV AFTER RECEIVE BARBU LETTER, WILL DETERMINE IF TIKHONOV WANTS DEFECT OR IF RECRUITABLE. HAS AGREED FOLLOW STATION INSTRUCTIONS IN ATTEMP MANAGE ALL ABOVE, AGREES HAVE SESSIONS WITH TIKHONOV BUGGED IF FEASIBLE.

2. PRELIM ASSESSMENT [POPOVICI]⁰⁵ INTELLIGENT WORLDLY SYMPATHIQUE GENTLEMAN, VERY WELL AS ACCESS AGENT TIKHONOV IF HIS DURAGE HELDS OUT. TIKHONOV MAY HAVE EVEN HEARD OF [POPOVICI]⁰⁵ WHO FORMERLY PROMINENT [ROMANIAN]⁰⁵ DIPLOMAT, WRITER, ACTIVE EMIGRE AND CHURCH CIRCLES.

3. PARA 5 REF, STATION WANTS BY MORN 23 DEC HRS GUIDANCE ON RECRUITMENT AND FINANCIAL TERMS. STATION ASSUMES FROM REF THAT WILL ACCEPT TIKHONOV IN PEPRIME. PLS CONFIRM.

4. PLS ADVISE IF LETTER TO ULLOA SENT SPECIAL DELIVERY.

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