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[ES]DEW [ES]MICA

REFS: A. [GUATEMALA CITY] 19510 (IN 937052)

B. [GUATEMALA CITY] 19375 (NOT SENT [LA/MIAMI]) (IN 890367)

1. [ES]MICA-68 (E-68) PASSED [STATION] WRITTEN REPORT AND MADE VERBAL REPORT IN DETAIL, ALL WITH KNOWLEDGE OF PRESIDENT LAUGERUD, ON REF A CASE AND RESULTS. ACCORDING REPORT AND [E-68], NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENT (MLN) WAS INVOLVED WITH JORGE ANTONIO "COKIE" ZIMERI/SAFIE, WHO HAS BEEN LIVING MIAMI SINCE AUGUST 75, IN PLOT TO ASSASSINATE LAUGERUD. PLOT WAS TO HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT 15 SEPTEMBER 75 BUT ZIMERI WAS VICTIM OF ATTACK ON HIS LIFE LATE AUGUST AND AS RESULT WENT TO MIAMI FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT. REPORT AND [E-68] CLAIM THAT TWO AMERICANS, BROTHERS ROBERT AND GERALD PATRICK HEMMING (NO [STATION] TRACES), WERE ALSO INVOLVED WITH ZIMERI IN PLOT AND THAT THEY ASSISTED HIM IN ACQUIRING ARMS, AMONG OTHER THINGS, WHICH FLOWN TO GUATEMALA ILLEGALLY IN SMALL AIRCRAFT. REPORT ENDS WITH FIVE (5) REQUESTS BY LAUGERUD FOR INFO AS FOLLOWS:

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- A. IS ZIMERI STILL IN THE UNITED STATES.
- B. DOES HE RECEIVE ANY KIND OF P^REFERENTIAL TREATMENT BY AUTHORITIES THERE WHICH PERMITS HIM TO CARRY FIREARMS, AS WELL AS PURCHASE ARMS AND AMMUNITION FOR SHIPMENT TO GUATEMALA. THEY CLAIM HE HAS CLOSE RELATIONS WITH POLICE OFFICIALS IN NEW ORLEANS AND MIAMI.
- C. IS HE RECRUITING MERCENARIES THERE FOR POSSIBLE USE IN GUATEMALA.
- D. REQUEST FOR INFO ON ROBERT AND GERALD HEMMING.
- E. IN EVENT ZIMERI NOT IN STATES LEGALLY, THEY REQUEST HE BE DEPORTED TO GUATEMALA. ⁰²E-68 SAYS HE LEFT GUATEMALA ILLEGALLY BUT ARRIVED IN STATES LEGALLY, BUT GOG THINKS HIS VISA HAS EXPIRED AND HE THERE ILLEGALLY.

2. ¹⁶⁻²[STATION] PLANS DISSEM INFO ON ZIMERI CASE BUT WITHOUT MENTIONING HEMMINGS BY NAME. PLAN PREPARE MEMO FOR CHARGE AND RSO AND WILL SUGGEST THAT LATTER ATTEMPT ANSWER QUESTIONS FOR LAUGERUD.

3. ⁰²[ESDEW-4 AND ⁰²E-68 ALSO REPORTED 7 JUNE IN SOME DETAIL ON SOLUTION OF NOVELLA KIDNAPPING CASE (REF B). THERE POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS THIS CASE ALSO SO WE DISSEMING. ⁰²E-68 CLAIMS

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THERE AMERICAN POSSIBLY INVOLVED THIS CASE, ONE FRANK BUCK (PROBABLY IDENTICAL TO SUBJECT OF 201-0819515, A REGISTERED [DEA SOURCE], WHO CLAIMS BE DOCTOR BUT DOES NOT PRACTICE HERE, HE ALLEGEDLY LOVER OF SISTER OF INTELLECTUAL AUTHOR OF NOVELLA KIDNAPPING PLAN, JORGE ALFONSO LOBO DUBON, IN WHICH ANOTHER LOBO BROTHER, JOSE FERNANDO LOBO DUBON, ALSO INVOLVED.

[E-68] HAS REQUESTED WHATEVER INFO WE MIGHT HAVE ON BUCK. [STATION] PLANS INCLUDE THAT NAME ALSO IN MEMO TO CHARGE AND RSO BUT WILL OMIT IT FROM DISSEM.

4. FOR [MIAMI] ONE SOURCE OF INFO ON ZIMERI CASE MAY WELL HAVE BEEN [ESDEN-1]. [COS] SAW LETTER BY ACCIDENT 8 JUNE. [ESDEN-1] SAID THAT HE HAD BEEN PROVIDING INFO TO GOG ON ZIMERI FOR PAST SIX MONTHS OR SO AND ADDED THAT TWO AMERICANS INVOLVED WITH ZIMERI, ONE OF WHOM RUNS A GUARD SERVICE IN MIAMI. HE DID NOT MENTION NAMES BUT DESCRIBED ONE AS ABOUT SIX FEET FOUR INCHES AND WEIGHING ABOUT 230 POUNDS. [ESDEN-1] PLANS RETURN MIAMI WITHIN TWO WEEKS SINCE IN OVER TWO YEARS HERE HE HAS BEEN UNABLE TO FIND JOB WITH SUFFICIENT SALARY PERMIT HIM LIVE COMFORTABLY.

5. PLS ADVISE IF YOU CONCUR WITH THIS METHOD OF HANDLING REQUESTS FOR INFO ON AMERICANS AND OTHER LAUGERUD REQUESTS.

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