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| DISPATCH | CLASSIFICATION | PROCESSING ACTION |
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| TO | : Chief of Station, Panama City | NO INDEXING REQUIRED |
| INFO. | : Chief, WH Division | ONLY QUALIFIED DESK CAN JUDGE INDEXING |
| FROM | : Chief of Station, Managua <i>LF18</i> | MICROFILM |
| SUBJECT | O: Sholomo CLIKSBERG | |
| ACTION REQUIRED - REFERENCES | | |
| REFERENCE: HZPA-17656, 26 June 1969 <i>56-6-4</i> | | |
| <p>1. The Managua Station has no traces on Subject.</p> <p>2. There are numerous traces on I. Irving DAVIDSON. One card shows that he announced the new location of his offices at 1612 K. Street, N.W., Washington, DC on 1 April 1959. Among those he represented at that time were the Nicaraguan Government and Israeli Military Industries. Another undated card shows him as a registered representative of the Nicaraguan Government at Suite 1224, Wyatt Building, Washington, D. C. There is one reference to his buying rifles from the Dominican Republic for sale to Indonesia, with the approval of the Nicaraguan president.</p> <p>3. Station contact ERWIG-1 knows Davidson well and classifies him as an unprincipled opportunist. At one time when Nicaragua was arranging to purchase a quantity of Staghound armored cars from Israel, Davidson made use of a Nicaraguan passport to travel from France to Israel since American citizens were at that time enjoined from travelling to the Mid-East. ERWIG-1 was shown this passport by then - French Ambassador to Nicaragua, Raymond PONS. ERWIG-1 told the American Military Attache about this unauthorized travel. The MA told the American Ambassador who, in turn, told Davidson that ERWIG-1 had squealed on him. Relations between ERWIG-1 and Davidson were strained after that. This took place about 1956.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>continued..</i></p> | | |
| <p>Distribution:</p> <p>O&I - COS, Panama City</p> <p>2 - Chief, WHD</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>201-41581</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">CS COPY</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>56-6-4</i></p> | | |
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4. FRWIG-1 says that Davidson made about \$50,000 (U.S.) on the Staghound deal which he invested locally in Plywood de Nicaragua to avoid paying U.S. income tax. He later sold his interest in this plywood firm.

5. Above is for information only and not to be passed on without Headquarters express permission in view of the restrictions of FP 51-1,c.

6. The Station has no recent information on Somoza involvement in Israeli arms dealings nor have any Uzi submachine guns been noted locally.

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