

AMLASH-1

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		PROPOSED	ACTION	ACCOM PLISHED
TO	Chief, Special Affairs Staff		MARKED FOR INDEXING	
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FROM	Chief of Station, JMWAVE <i>AKK</i>		ONLY QUALIFIED HEADQUARTERS DESK CAN JUDGE INDEXING	
SUBJECT	TYPIC/Operational Status of AMTRUNK MHAPRON Recruiting Efforts		ABSTRACT	
ACTION REQUIRED	REFERENCES		MEMORANDUM	

Action Required: FYI

1. Three AMTRUNK operations, the foremost objective of each of which has been to re-contact AMTRUNK-10 to broaden the base of MHAPRON recruitment in the AMTRUNK project, have been mounted in 1964. Two of the three have been partially successful but to date AMICE-14, the AMTRUNK leader, has been unable to make contact with AMTRUNK-10.

2. Operation AMTRUNK VI was mounted in January 1964. This was the operation in which AMTRUNK-9 and his family were exfiltrated. The unexpected presence of AMTRUNK-9's wife and small children forced AMICE-14 to vacate the infil/exfiltration area prematurely. All three attempts to launch Operation AMTRUNK VII in February were unsuccessful largely because of rough seas and the resultant difficulty in towing the AMTRUNK Intermediate Craft. The firefight with the patrol craft in the first stage of the infiltration phase on Operation AMTRUNK VIII in March forced the team to wait out the alert which their encounter had precipitated. The team was able to emplace the AMLASH cache and to add to it an OWVL receiver with instructions and schedules for AMTRUNK-10 as well as additional S/W supplies for AMTRUNK-10 and -11. An S/W message containing the cache recovery plan was sent to AMTRUNK-10 shortly after the team's return to the JMWAVE area.

3. With one notable exception, the above failures and partial successes have constricted the AMTRUNK effort toward MHAPRON recruiting at least until AMICE-14 should attempt another infiltration or until a subsequent AMTRUNK recruiting team should be formed. The one notable exception is the attempt soon to be made to recruit Jose Alberto SEMIDEY Isalgue, a Cubana pilot with considerable influence in civil and military aviation and the clandestine aspects thereof. To this effort, AMTRUNK-13, a close friend of SEMIDEY for over 20 years, will be sent to Mexico City to seize the opportunity to throw SEMIDEY a recruitment pitch during a Cubana turnaround flight. Discussions at JMWAVE between

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Lawrence F. BARKER of the MEXI Station and Irving N. PEGGINS have paved the way for AMTRUNK-13's handling and safehousing in Mexico City while he awaits his recruitment opportunity. Through the excellent cooperation of MEXI, MADR and OTTA Stations, JMWAVE has been able to maintain a precise log and to establish somewhat of a pattern of SEMIDEY's flight schedule. By virtue of the fact that, during February and March, SEMIDEY made four flights to Mexico City, it is presumed that AMTRUNK-13 should have the opportunity to attempt to recruit SEMIDEY within two weeks of his (AMTRUNK-13's) arrival in MEXI. The false documents which show AMTRUNK-13 as a PBPRIME citizen nearly are completed and AMTRUNK -13 should be dispatched to MEXI within 10 days. In the event that AMICE-14's presence in MEXI is required to cement the recruitment pitch to SEMIDEY, false documents for AMICE-14's travel have also been requested.

4. For the time being then, AMTRUNK recruiting for MHAPRON will be restricted to the attempt against SEMIDEY. The issue of a subsequent infiltration attempt by AMICE-14 is still in limbo. The AMTRUNK case officer, Reuben A. HANNULA, is currently investigating several leads for a subsequent two-man infiltration team to expand MHAPRON recruiting efforts under the AMTRUNK project.

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