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ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

SUBJECT: (Optional) Return of John Whitten to Testify SSC

FROM: Norbert A. Shepanek
A/SA/DDO
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EXTENSION
9018

NO.
DATE 23 April 1976

TO: (Officer designation, room number, and building)

DATE
RECEIVED FORWARDED

OFFICER'S INITIALS

COMMENTS (Number each comment to show from whom to whom. Draw a line across column after each comment.)

1. Review Staff
Attn: Walt Elder

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O-1:
Attached is exchange of cables on John Whitten.²⁶ Please note that although retired he is blocked to EOD. He is also concerned about his safety since he is living more-or-less permanently in Vienna.¹⁰ (He may be afraid that they will turn on him if they run out of oil ministers.) Kidding aside, I think he has a legitimate cause for concern so we want to handle this matter as securely as possible.

Please let me know ASAP how SSC wants to handle the finances for the trip. We have less than two weeks if they want him before 10 May.

File: SSC/EUR *Shep*

Cost of ticket
Rd Trip 1st class TWA:
#1,414. + \$3. airport tax
Economy: \$808 + 3. airport tax
Elder plans to ask for \$1,500.
also for Jack
John A. Seeloo

S E C R E T 231709Z APR 76 STAFF

CITE ¹⁵⁻¹⁴ (WIENNA) 30082

TO: PRIORITY DIRECTOR.

RYBAT ⁰¹ (PLMKBALD)

REF: DIRECTOR 843029

1. REF MESSAGE DELIVERED TO MR. (WHITTEN) ²⁶ 1600HRS LOCAL,
23 APRIL.

2. MR. (WHITTEN) ²⁶ STATES HE DESIRES COOPERATE WITH REF REQUEST,
HOWEVER, HE DOES NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT FUNDS PURCHASE AIRLINE TICKETS.
IF SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE WILL ADVANCE TRAVEL COSTS, MR. (WHITTEN) ²⁶
WILLING APPEAR IN WASHINGTON AT COMMITTEE'S CONVENIENCE BY THE 10TH OF
MAY.

3. MR. (WHITTEN) ²⁶ WISHES PLACE ON RECORD HIS EXTREME CONCERN
THAT ANY LEAKS RE HIS PAST ACTIVITIES MAY CAUSE HIM AND FAMILY PERSON-
AL DIFFICULTIES IN (AUSTRIA) ¹⁸ WHERE THEY AT PRESENT RELATIVELY PROM-
INENT MEMBERS OF LOCAL COMMUNITY. E2 IMPDET.

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