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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Operations

FROM : Chief, Counterintelligence Staff

SUBJECT : Mr. Mario Brod

1. On 3 September 1975, Mr. Mario Brod confirmed his appointment with the DDO for 1430 hours, 9 September 1975.

2. Mr. Brod is a U.S. citizen and attorney-at-law in New York who is an independent contractor and former staff employee of CIA. Mr. Brod was separated from the U.S. military service with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel on 29 April 1946, and as of that date entered on duty with the SSU, under U.S. Treasury cover, until 1 June 1947. He then was employed by CIA in (Rome) as a contract agent until 14 June 1948 at which time he was converted to a career agent. From 25 May 1952 until his retirement under CIARDS on 31 May 1971, he was a CI Staff agent in New York City. While assigned to (Rome) (1946-52), Mr. Brod was involved in investigations of Italian politicians and fascists, political parties, Nazi fugitives, CP activities and Soviet and Chinese activities. He also was an agent handler. From 1952 to his retirement in 1971, Mr. Brod handled two sensitive CI Staff agents, (Jay Lovestone) and Herbert Itkin, in a deep cover capacity, the latter case in conjunction with the FBI and the Department of Justice. From 1971 to the present, he is the financial handler of PDLADLE and acts as a buffer surrogate case officer for PDLADLE in New York

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3. Mr. Ernest Tsikerdanos, Chief, CI Operations Group, Special Operations, has arranged with the DCI Security Staff to have Mr. Brod admitted into the Headquarters building via the DCI's elevator. Mr. Tsikerdanos will escort him to your office.

George T. Kalaris

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Chief
Counterintelligence Staff

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