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Progress Report AMTRUNK Team, Period 1-30 September 1963

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### 1. OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY

Project activity during the first eight days of September can only be described as hectic. As September began, AMTRUNK-9, who had been exfiltrated on 23 August, was being rushed through tradecraft and FI training, being further debriefed and briefed, and trained in S/W and OWVL in preparation for his re-infiltration on 9 September. At the same time, complications arose over AMTRUNK-9's POA when his first LCFLUTTER turned out inconclusively and when it was discovered that ODIBEX had laid prior claim to his services. The difficulty over the LCFLUTTER was straightened out following a second LCFLUTTER test at which time the results were much clearer to read and indicated no deception. ODIBEX relinquished all claim to AMTRUNK-9 after the Station had granted an interview to an ODIBEX case officer with AMTRUNK-9 in order that A-9 could be debriefed on his knowledge of AMFAUNA-3's activities. At the same time KUBARK offered to assist ODIBEX by exfiltrating AMFAUNA-3 on the same operation during which AMTRUNK-9 would be infiltrated.

In the midst of the rush to train and hold operational discussions with AMTRUNK-9, a newspaper article on changing trends among high level personnel within the AMTHUG-1 government written by AMCAPE-1 appeared in a major daily newspaper. AMCAPE-1 reportedly told a high level ODYOKE official that AMICE-27, the AMTRUNK team leader, was the source of his information. The debriefing of AMICE-27 had produced information at considerable variance to that in AMCAPE-1's article. Confronted with the article, AMICE-27 admitted talking to AMCAPE-1 but denied that most of the information in the article was based on anything which AMICE-27 had said. As this article was creating considerable furor in ZRMETAL, Irving N. PEGGINS escorted AMICE-27 on 5 September to ZRMETAL for further debriefings and operational discussions.

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Discussions with Headquarters personnel were held on 5 and 6 September, during which AMICE-27 continued to stick to exactly the same story which he had given during his JMWAVE debriefings. These discussions also covered the future direction and scope of the AMTRUNK project. No concrete meeting of minds between KUBARK officers and AMICE-27 was obtained during these two days. It was agreed that the discussions would continue in the JMWAVE area.

On late 6 September, AMICE-27 proceeded alone to New York City to contact <sup>DR</sup> ~~Dr.~~ Raul TRILLO Gomez, former comandante in the Rebel Army and personal physician of AMTHUG-1, to ask him to come to the JMWAVE area for discussions with AMTRUNK-9 and KUBARK officers on the general AMTRUNK concept. At the same time, PEGGINS and Willard R. NAUMAN from Headquarters returned to the WAVE area. On 7 September AMICE-27 accompanied by TRILLO arrived in that area. Discussions continued in the safehouse during 7 and 8 September. } Cordell  
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At the same time, preparations were going forward to infiltrate AMTRUNK-9 and to exfiltrate AMFAUNA-1, -3 and -34. AMICE-14 was to be acting team leader for this operation, accompanied by the two team guides, AMTRUNK-7 and -8. Late on 8 September AMICE-27 escorted TRILLO to the airport for his return to New York. Several hours later the infiltration team consisting of AMICE-14, AMTRUNK-7, -8 and -9 were loaded on board the M/V Neptune for their infiltration scheduled for the following evening, 9 September. The infiltration of AMTRUNK-9 and the exfiltration of four AMFAUNAS (AMFAUNA-13 was included in the exfiltration party at the last moment) went off very smoothly. Attached herewith as Attachment A is AMICE-14's log of this operation. Due to the fact that the infiltration area was rolled up because of an exile refugee infil in the same area, AMICE-14 decided to clear the area one night earlier than scheduled. He therefore headed straight for Marathon, arriving the following morning within one mile of that town. At this point he had the misfortune to run out of gas, to be picked up by the Coast Guard, and to be towed into the town dock where the boat was greeted by police, newspaper photographers and tourists. This created considerable stir but the team was eventually picked up from local authorities by the case officer without any team identities becoming known. Through liaison with two local newspapers, all photographs showing identifiable team member faces were suppressed and obtained for Station files. The rather spectacular nature of the AMTRUNK re-entry at Marathon somewhat obscured the precise, professional manner in which the team had carried out its assigned task during the entire mission, including the feat of sailing a 16' Boston Whaler with seven persons aboard across some 120 miles of ocean.

During the latter half of the reporting period considerable discussion continued between the case officers and AMICE-27 as to the future direction of the operation. AMICE-27 continued to hold out for very grandiose schemes. In essence he wanted carte blanche to recruit more infil-exfil agents, to organize an amorphous Rebel Army group in exile, to recruit, train and dispatch PM teams for resistance and sabotage on the inside, to establish a commando unit on the outside, and to run a propaganda program beamed from PBPRIME into Cuba. At one point in these discussions the COS, JMWAVE, was introduced to AMICE-27 and laid out the general parameters as to the Station's interest in AMICE-27's ideas. By the end of the reporting period we had been able to reduce AMICE-27 again to a manageable size and were proceeding to spot and recruit two candidates for the next AMTRUNK infiltration and to work out a propaganda program to be handled by the Station's } rate

