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1. FOLLOWING ODENVY REP AND STATION VIEWS RE POSSIBLE CONTACT WITH GIBSON IN SUISSE BY OSTENSIBLE CONSULAR OFFICER

REF: B. ODENVY, REP CABLED PLAN TO HIS HQS AND ASKING APPROVAL.

A. JUDGE INANITION WILL NOT BE CONCERNED THAT APPROACH TO GIBSON MIGHT EXPOSE THEIR TECH OP AS LONG AS AMERICAN REP REFERS TO STATSIDE INVESTIGATION AS SOURCE OF INFO RE GIBSON CONTACT WITH OSWALD.

B. BASED ON ODENVY BERN FILES APPEARS GIBSON GENERALLY UNCOOPERATIVE, THUS POSSIBLE HE WILL NOT AGREE TALK RE OSWALD. ODENVY REPORTS RELATE HIS PHILANDERING AND BLACKMAIL ACTIVITIES, CITE HIS STATEMENTS THAT HIS FIRST CONCERN IS HIMSELF, THEN THE NEGRO RACE AND THAT HE WANTS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE UNITED STATES.

REPRODUCTION BY OTHER THAN THE ISSUING OFFICE IS PROHIBITED
C. IF APPROACH MADE IN SUISSE IT BEST DONE WITHIN CONSULAR CONTEXT AND BY GENUINE CONSUL IN ORDER TO AVOID ANY APPEARANCE OF SECRECY OR STEALTH IN EVENT GIBSON PRESENCE SUISSE AND CONTACT BY AMERICAN AUTHORITIES SUBSEQUENTLY PUBLICIZED.

D. INTERVIEW BY CONSUL NOT LIKELY TO BE AS COMPLETE AS IF HANDLED BY EITHER O'DENNY OR KUBARK REP BUT ON BALANCE FOR REASONS CITED ABOVE BELIEVE APPROACH BY GENUINE CONSULAR REP PREFERABLE.

E. CONTACT WITH GIBSON COULD BE MADE (1) BY HAVING CONSUL GO LAUSANNE AND TRY CONTACT GIBSON AT RESIDENCE (2) HAVE CONSUL PHONE AND ASK GIBSON COME BERN FOR INTERVIEW (3) HAVE CONSUL PHONE AND ASK IF GIBSON WILL RECEIVE CONSUL FOR INTERVIEW AT LAUSANNE. TEND FAVOR COURSE (1) BECAUSE OTHER COURSES WOULD ALERT GIBSON AND GIVE HIM CHANCE REFUSE ANY CONTACT.

F. BELIEVE INTERVIEWER SHOULD NOT TRY ELICIT INFO FROM GIBSON BUT IMMEDIATELY INDICATE REASON FOR CONTACT IS TRY CLARIFY ALL BACKGROUND RE PRESIDENT KENNEDY DEATH, THAT INVESTIGATION IN STATES HAS REVEALED THAT GIBSON FORMER ASSOCIATE OF OSWALD AND THAT STATE DEPT HAD ASKED INTERVIEWER DISCUSS OSWALD WITH GIBSON.

G. IF INTERVIEW HELD IN AMCONSUL BERN OFFICE WOULD COVERTLY RECORD IT.

2. AMB DAVIS AND DCM KELLERMANN BRIEFED RE CASE ON
9 NOVEMBER. THEIR VIEWS AS FOLLOWS: ALTHO THEY BELIEVE
9 BETTER INTERVIEW JOB COULD BE DONE BY ODENVY OR KUBARK REP
4 THEY APPRECIATE THAT CIRCUMSTANCES MAY MAKE USE OF CONSULAR
6 OFFICER ADVISABLE. (FYI ODENVY REP RELUCTANT UNDERTAKE
1 TASK BECAUSE OF STANDING INSTRUCTIONS HE NOT TO BECOME
3 INVOLVED IN ANY MATTER WHERE HE MIGHT LATER HAVE TO APPEAR
18 WITNESS IN COURT PROCEEDING.) THEY WILLING MAKE CONSULAR
3 OFFICER AVAILABLE BUT WISH HAVE INSTRUCTION FROM STATE DEPT
3 TO THIS EFFECT. (FYI AMB WHO HAS JUST TAKEN CHARGE DEFERS
3 TO KELLERMANN VIEWS RE ACTION ADVISABLE.)

3. IT MADE CLEAR TO AMB AND DCM THAT ODENVY HAS EXECUTIVE
1 RESPONSIBILITY FOR OSWALD CASE BUT THAT KUBARK COOPERATING
3 CLOSELY. DCM SUGGESTED THAT VIEW SLOWNESS OF ODENVY
3 COMMUNICATIONS CHANNEL IT PREFERABLE HAVE CONTACT WITH
3 DEPT RE USE OF CONSULAR OFFICER BE HANDLED THRU KUBARK
3 CHANNELS. ELMARD REPLIED STATION PREPARED TRANSMIT ANY
4 MSG AMB DESIRED BUT SUGGESTED AMB WAIT UNTIL ODENVY REP RECEIVED
3 GUIDANCE FROM HIS HOS RE CASE. AMB CONCURRED.

4. ELMARD INFORMED AMB AND ODENVY REP HE INTENDED
3 REPLY TO QUERIES WHICH HE HAD RECEIVED FROM KUBARK HOS,
2 WOULD FORWARD FOR HOS INFO ONLY VIWS OF AMB, ODENVY REP
4 AND ELMARD RE POSSIBLE APPROACHES RE GIBSON INTERVIEW, ASK
HOS DEFER ANY APPROACH TO DEPT UNTIL ODENVY REP RECEIVED
3 GUIDANCE FROM HIS HOS.

5. KUBARK ONLY. ODENVY REP CONCERNED AND EMBARRASSED
That five days have elapsed since he sent first msg to his HQS and no reply recd yet. He has sent additional NIACT cable requesting immediate reply.

6. Check Asemb Bern files reveals no info re Gibson.

7. EPIAN IN REPPORTS THAT INFO FROM LAUSANNE INDICATES GIBSON TENTATIVELY PLANNING GO FRANCE WHEN DEPARTS SUISSE PRIOR TO 15 DECEMBER. DATE HIS DEPARTURE NOT KNOWN.

8. FURTHER INFO FROM INTELLIGENCE CONFIRMS THAT ALBERT SCHNEITZER COLLEGE, CHURWALDEN IS REPUTABLE SCHOOL WHOSE CURRICULUM PLACES EMPHASIS ON HUMANISTIC STUDIES AND WHOSE GENERAL ORIENTATION IS AWAY FROM LEFT IN POLITICS. NO INFO HAS EMERGED AS TO WHY PROCLAIMED MARXIST OSWALD WOULD SEEK TO ATTEND SUCH A SCHOOL.

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CS Comments: *Station information on Gibson.
**Questioned Station on wisdom and security of having overseas LC Consular officer call in Gibson and question him about a possible connection with Oswald.