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C/S COMMENT: *AMSPORT PLAN MEET WITH AMLASH 4 OCT.
**NO RECORD IN CABLE SECRETARIAT AS OF 1900, 7 OCT 63.

1. AMLASH/1 MUCH MORE RELAXED THAN PORTO ALEGRE. PETER J. KYMINGHAM AND AMSPORT DID EXCELLENT JOB PROTECTING AMLASH SECURITY AND PREPARING HIM PSYCHOLOGICALLY FOR FRANK DISCUSSION WHICH TOOK PLACE WITH ONTRICH 5 OCT. MAIN POINTS CONVERSATION ARE:

A. AMLASH STATES HE WILL RETURN PRRUMEN BY CHRISTMAS.

B. DESIRES CONTINUE REST AND FULLY UNWIND BEFORE STARTING DISCUSSIONS RE DETAILS HIS RETURN AND PLANS AFTER HIS RETURN.

2. MAJOR PART OF MEETING SPENT LISTENING AMLASH POSITION AND WHAT HE CLAIMED HONEST EXPOSE HIS FEELINGS WHICH BUILDING UP OVER PAST YEAR. THIS STATED IN MANY WORDS BUT BOILS DOWN TO POINT AMLASH HIGHLY DEPRESSED OVER BELIEF ODYOKERS DID NOT RECOGNIZE OR APPRECIATE VALUE HIS POSITION (AND MAJ AMLASH) AND WHAT HE PROPOSED UNDERTAKE. THIS FEELING WAS RECONFIRMED IN HIS MIND EVERYTIME HE ASKED UNDERTAKE UNIMPORTANT TASKS SUCH AS COLLECTING AND REPORTING INTELL BY S/W ON SUBJECTS HE DID NOT BELIEVE OF SUFFICIENT IMPORTANCE RISK EXPOSING HIMSELF. AMLASH ALSO USED PHOTOGRAPHS AND ARTICLE LAST

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ISSUE BOHEMIA ON CAPTURED AR-48 TO SUPPORT HIS POINT. BASED ABOVE SENSITIVITY COMMO TRAINING NOT DISCUSSED. BELIEVE NEED FOR SECURE RAPID COMMUNICATIONS WILL BECOME OBVIOUS WHEN AMLASH PREPARED DISCUSS OPS DETAILS AND SUPPORT. (WILL LEAVE RADIO PARIS FOR POSSIBLE FUTURE USE).

3. AS AMLASH IN CONFESSIONAL MOOD, ONTRICH SAT AND LISTENED PERMITTING AMLASH GET ALL OFF CHEST. TOWARD END OF CONVERSATION AMLASH THANKED ONTRICH FOR LISTENING AND STATED THIS FIRST TIME SINCE HE IN CONTACT THAT HE FELT HIS POSITION UNDERSTOOD. BEING UNABLE TO TALK THIS FRANKLY TO ANYONE ELSE AMLASH CLAIMED SUCH STRAIGHT TALK NECESSARY RELIEVE PRESSURE BUILDING UP INSIDE. ONTRICH PROVIDED NECESSARY ASSURANCES HIS FEELINGS NOT IN FACT TRUE AND THAT HIS CASE RECEIVING CONSIDERATION HIGHEST LEVELS. ALSO INFORMED AMLASH THAT DELICATE COLLABROATION WHICH EXISTED BETWEEN US COULD ONLY BE BASED ON COMPLETE HONESTY AND FRANK EXPRESSION BETWEEN PARTIES AND AS THIS APPEARED BE HIS POSITION WE PREPARED REITERATE OUR STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR HIM AND FOR A SUCCESSOR REGIME WHICH WILLING DECLARE ITSELF ANTI-COMMUNIST. PREPARED REJOIN FAMILY OF FREE NATIONS OF THE AMERICAS AND ASK FOR DEPARTURE OF SOVIETS. AMLASH DECLARED HE EXTREMELY PLEASED HEAR THIS AND SURE THAT ON SUCH BASIS WE COULD CERTAINLY DISCUSS AND AGREE ON DETAILS HIS TASK PBRUMEN, WITH THIS PROBLEM, WHICH HAD UNDOUBTEDLY BEEN BOTHERING AMLASH CONSIDERABLY, OFF HIS CHEST A MUCH MORE RELAXED AMLASH DEPARTED RESTATING HIS DESIRE RETURN PBRUMEN TO UNDERTAKE "THE BIG JOB."

4. CONSIDERING AMLASH'S MERCURICAL TEMPERAMENT WE QUITE AWARE WE RUNNING RISK HE MAY PACK BAG AND RETURN ON SHORT OR NO NOTICE, BUT BASED ON PURPORTED HONEST CONFESSION AND REQUEST WE DELAY FURTHER TALKS UNTIL AFTER NEEDED REST WE DECIDED LEAVE THINGS AS ARE UNTIL

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HE DECIDES HE IS READY. WE NOW CONVINCED EVEN MORE THAN BEFORE THAT PLANNED HANDLING DISCUSSED AND AGREED TO PRIOR ONTRICH DEPARTURE HQS IS BEST AND AT THIS TIME ONLY WAY CONTINUE RELATIONSHIP WITH AMLASH. "WE DO NOT CONSIDER HIM WORKING FOR US BUT AS WE HAVE COMMON OBJECTIVE WE WILLING RENDER SUPPORT."

5. AMSPORT VERY HIGH ON AMLASH AND FEELS AMLASH ONLY MAN STILL CLOSE TOP LEADERSHIP CAPABLE DOING JOB. AMSPORT ADMITS AMLASH WEAK AS ORGANIZER AND WILL NEED MUCH HELP STABILIZE POST SITUATION BUT FEELS HE WOULD IMMEDIATELY CALL ON SUCH MEN AS RAY AND PAZOS FOR HELP. ALSO CLAIMS ONLY MAN IN CUBA WHO CAPABLE PROVIDING NEEDED LEADERSHIP IS HUBER MATOS IF HE COMES OUT OF PRISON ALIVE.

6. AMLASH AND AMSPORT AGREE THAT ONLY POSSIBILITY FOR SUCCESSFUL OPERATION IN PBRUMENTODAY IS ONE ORGANIZED BY AS FEW HIGH RANKING OFFICERS AS POSSIBLE, IN ORDER PREVENT BEING PENETRATED, AND STRIKE BLOW WITH LIGHTNING SPEED AT STRATEGIC POINT. THEY ALSO AGREE THIS WILL CAUSE CHAOS AND REQUIRE STRONG SUPPORT WITHIN HOURS TO HELP STABILIZE SITUATION. (PLS UPDATE ~~YTE~~ MHAPRON TARGET STUDIES ON MAJ. RAUL DIAZ-ARGUELLES GARCIA AND MAJ ANTONIO CASTELL AS THEY CLOSE TO AMLASH AND WILL PROBABLY PLAY KEY ROLES.)

7. UPON AMWHIP ARRIVAL PARIS AMLASH PLANS TRAVEL WITH HIM ROME AND PRUSSELS THEN TRY ARRANGE TRIP NORTH AFRICA. WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT THROUGH AMSPORT AND NOTIFY US WHEN HE READY FOR DETAILED TALKS. HE ALSO READILY AGREED TO CONTACT BY US IF ANYTHING IMPORTANT DEVELOPS. UNLESS DEVELOPMENT IS OF UTMOST SIGNIFICANCE RECOMMEND WE PERMIT AMLASH TAKE INITIATIVE.

8. ONTRICH PLANS REMAIN PARIS UNTIL HE ABLE CONFIRM ABOVE STORY THROUGH AMWHIP. WILL TRAVEL HAMB PER REF B. WILL ADVISE ETA LOND.

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