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L. INTERVIEW WITH MANUEL PARCE, AS FOLLOWS:

A. TIKHONOV TELEPHONED MANUEL DANIEL PASCU WHO IS PASTOR ROMANIAN BAPTIST CHURCH CLEVELAND ABOUT TEN DAYS AGO. STATED PURPOSE CALL WAS TO FIND OUT IF POSSIBLE ADDRESS OF BARBU, WHOM TIKHONOV KNOWS AND WISHES TO CONTACT. TIKHONOV SPOKE FLUENT ROMANIAN, STATED BORN AND RAISED KALORASH NEAR KISHINEV, IS SOV CITIZEN BUT CONSIDERS SELF ROMANIAN. INVITED PASCU ATTEND PERFORMANCE AND ATTEMPT MEET HIM. AFTERWARDS WHEN PASCU URGED CAUTION TIKHONOV REPLIED THAT RUSSIAN LANCERS IN GROUP WERE KICKING SELVES OUT MINT RUSSIAN EMIGRES, SO HE HAD RIGHT TO MARRY HIS OWN PEOPLE. SAID HE THOUGHT COMPANY WAS STOPPING IN DENMARK ON WAY TO MOSCOW, AND MIGHT HAVE OPPORTUNITY CONTACT BARBU WHILE THERE. PARCE KNEW NOTHING OF BARBU BUT PROMISED TRY FIND HIM.

B. CONVERSATION GAVE NO INDICATION OF ANY DIRECT ACTION OR DECISION DEFECT.

C. PASCU ATTENDED PERFORMANCE AND IS COMPLETELY UNARMED.

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CONTACT TIKHONOV. ENTIRE COMPANY WAS AWAYED ANGEL BUSES RIGHT AFTER PERFORMANCE AND LEFT TOWN. DURING THIS TIME, TIKHONOV MET MANUILA AND ASKED THAT HE ATTEMPT CONTACT TIKHONOV WHEN COMPANY REACHED NEW YORK. MANUILA SENT MIROBUTARIU WHO ALSO REMAINED ENIGRE TO WATCHESTER WHERE BALLET WAS PERFORMING TO ATTEMPT CONTACT. BUTARIU KNOWS AND CORRESPONDS WITH BAREU, AND TOOK LETTERS TO NEW TIKHONOV. HOWEVER, PUBLIC WAS NOT ALLOWED TO APPROACH DANCERS, AND CONTACT ATTEMPT FAILED.

D. THEREFORE, MANUILA WROTE HIS CLOSE FRIEND POPOVICI TO ATTEMPT CONTACT NEXT. PERHAPS EXAGGERATED LIKELIHOOD DEFECTION DUE TO "INTUITIVE FEELING" THIS WHAT TIKHONOV HAS IN MIND. EVERYTHING BASED TIKHONOV PHONE CALL TO PASCU WHICH ONLY CONTACT TO DATE.

2. ABOVE INDICATES PROSPECTS LESS KNOWN ORIGINALLY HOPED BUT FOLKS FEELS CONTACT ATTEMPT USING BURGARIAN EMIGRE WELL WORTH WHILE. POA APPLIED FOR TO USE POPOVICI THIS PURPOSE. CONSIDER DARK INUSITABLE FOR ANYTHING EXCEPT INTRO TO POPOVICI.

3. BUTARIU PROVIDED INCIDENT LETTER FROM PARBU IN HUMANIAN WHICH DISCUSSES HIS ARTISTIC SUCCESSES, FAIRFARE IN WEST, HOPE FOR A

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FREE ROMANIA, ETC., AND READS LIKE A LOW KEY DECEPTION PITCH.
 ALSO GAVE POST CARD WITH PICTURE BARBU ON BACK. COMMENTS OUR
 USE THESE ITEMS IN APPROACH TO TIKHONOV. BOTH ITEMS AIRMAILED
 SISTER LYDIA ULLOA. HOME ADDRESS.

4. SUGGEST POPOVICI ATTEMPT MEET TIKHONOV CITING LATWER'S
 PHONE CALL TO PASCU AND FAILURE OF ATTEMPTS BY PASCU AND BUTARIU
 MEET HIM PERSONALLY. CAN SAY BUTARIU FORWARDED LETTERS WITH
 REQUEST POPOVICI SHOW THEM TO TIKHONOV. BUTARIU REQUESTS RETURN
 THESE ITEMS IF POSSIBLE. INFO OBTAINED BY POPOVICI ON TIKHONOV
 PERSONAL SITUATION AND ATTITUDES WOULD DETERMINE FUTURE COURSE.

5. IF SITUATION SEEMS FAVORABLE SUGGEST AIM FOR DECEPTION IN
 MMKI. CABLE HQDC FOR GUIDANCE ON RESettLEMENT AND FINANCIAL
 TERMS.

6. IF NO MEET POSSIBLE SUGGEST POPOVICI WRITE NOTE TO TIKHONOV
 IN ROMANIAN ENCLOSING BARBU LETTERS AND EXPLAINING PER PARA 4
 ABOVE. ATTEMPT PLACE IN TIKHONOV'S HOTEL ROOM, IF POSSIBLE TO
 DO SO WITH MINIMUM RISK COMPROMISE OR MISADVENTURE.

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 ATTEMPT FIND ANOTHER SUITABLE STRUCTURAL SMIGER. THIS SITUATION

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AS WE CURRENTLY KNOW IT JUSTIFIES APPROACH ONLY IN HUMANIAN
EMIGRE CONTEXT FOR ADDITIONAL ASSESSMENT. DIRECT APPROACH
BY KUBARKER OR OTHER NON-HUMANIAN ASSET NOT DESIRED.

8. PLS ATTEMPT DETERMINE IF COMPANY ACTUALLY STOPPING DENMARK
OR OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRY IN SOUTH MOSCOW. IF SO CAN FOLLOW
UP THERE AND PERHAPS ARRANGE PARIS MEET.

9. VIEW CIRCUMSTANCES W/ HQS TELL C/O NOT NEEDED. HOWEVER,
SHOULD DEVELOPMENTS WARRANT HQS WILL PROVIDE ANY SUPPORT
REQ'D.

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