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Operational/STELANT-1

Future Operational Use of STELANT-1

References: (a) FINT-2280, dated 1 February 1954
(b) FINT-1193, dated 31 December 1953
(c) DIN-1976, dated 19 September 1953
(d) FINT-1861, dated 19 May 1953

1. With the proposed termination of the Japan segments of Project LFATHERS and the transfer of the remainder to the and the termination of LFATHERS, the reorientation of Project STELANT is required. STELANT was set up to support LFATHERS and LFATHERS, and that task obviously ends with the above mentioned terminations. Therefore, it is requested that the second stage of Project STELANT, which calls for sending him to the United States for training now be implemented. (See reference (d), paragraph 12) We also see the advisability of sending STELANT-1 to India (FINT-2280, paragraph 6) at a later date, after his scholastic and technical skills have been sharpened through a year or two of study and he has been thoroughly trained and indoctrinated for his future assignment. The period in the states will provide him with excellent cover and enable him to move into India (or perhaps some other Asian country, except Japan) legally and convincingly.

2. In the FYD, FINT-1361 approved by Headquarters in DIN-1976, dated 19 September 1953, paragraph 12 raises the possibility of sending him to the states, stating that a new FYD will be submitted. We will do so in the near future. STELANT-1 is an accomplished linguist, speaking five languages, and should specialize in teaching in this line.

3. FINT-2280, dated 1 February 1954, mentions some of the problems involved in sending STELANT-1 from Japan to the states. Technically, STELANT-1 is dead and is here under an alias and documented as a Chinese alien. The impossibility of him obtaining a Japanese passport is pointed out by Headquarters. Going through the Taiwan authorities entails a risk to STELANT-1 and LFATHERS which we prefer not to take. We suggest, as an alternate, that STELANT-1 be taken back from Japan to China, or perhaps there where presumably we could provide documentation and a...
visa to the states. If this is not possible, then we recommend KUBARK sponsorship in line with paragraph 5, PJIN-2200. The problem there is only an internal KUBARK one, and if KUBARK decides to implement the plan as outlined in general above, we can see no difficulty.

In the interim, we request the [redacted] to look into the Okinawa and Guam possibilities as soon as possible. Upon a favorable response from the [redacted], on this general plan and some data on Okinawa and Guam entry-exit procedures, we will prepare an FTOP for the future use of STRAIT-L, calling for black infiltration into Guam or Okinawa first, or for KUBARK sponsorship.

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