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1. POLITICAL COUNSELLOR ADVISED [COS] MORNING 2 JUNE THAT HE MET WITH HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS' (HSCA) MEMBERS (MESSRS FONZI AND GONZALES) ON PREVIOUS EVENING. HE ADVISED THEM OF [WKS] SCARLET-3 RTACTION ASSOCIATION AND REF B GROUND RULES AND RESULTANT LOCAL EMBASSY CONCERN. HSCA REPS STATED THAT GROUND RULES WITH RTACTION CALLED FOR HSCA TO ADVISE RTACTION HQS WHEN IT INTENDED TO INTERVIEW AN AGENT, PAST OR PRESENT, BUT THAT THEY WERE NOT PRECLUDED FROM CONDUCTING SUCH INTERVIEWS. IN THE CASE OF [WKS] SCARLET-3, HSCA REPS INDICATED THEY INTENDED TO PROCEED WITH INTERVIEW. QUESTIONING OF [W] 3 WILL RELATE TO ALLEGED ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT AGAINST PRIME MINISTER CASTRO DURING 1971 VISIT TO CHILE.

2. HSCA REPS WERE ALERTED TO FACT THAT INTERVIEW WITH [W] 3 AND ORLANDO BOSCH WOULD LIKELY BE MONITORED BY VENEZUELAN AUTHORITIES. ACCORDING TO POLITICAL COUNSELLOR, COMMANDER OF MILITARY PRISON HAS INDICATED HE LIKELY WILL ACCOMPANY HSCA REPS DURING INTERVIEW.

3. ALSO DURING EVENING MEETING WITH HSCA MEMBERS, THEY INDICATED THIER INTEREST IN MEETING WITH [WKTANGO-1]. THEY WERE AWARE OF [WKTANGO-1]'S RECENT TRIP TO MIAMI AND MEETINGS WITH CUSTOMS REPS AND WISH TO QUERY [WKTANGO-1] WHETHER HE WAS THE SOURCE OF [WKS] SCARLET-3 ADDRESS BOOK WHICH PRESENTLY MAKING THE ROUNDS, BOTH OFFICIALLY AND UNOFFICIALLY, IN MIAMI CIRCLES THESE DAYS (CONTEXT OF INTEREST NOT FURHTER INDICATED).

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4. AMBASSADOR HAS BEEN BRIEFED ON ABOVE BY POLITICAL COUNSELLOR. IT APPEARS HSCA MEMBERS ARE TAKING BROAD INTERPRETATION OF THEIR INVESTIGATIVE CHARTER, AND HAVE DIFFERENT INTERPRETATION OF THEIR COORDINATION REQUIREMENTS WITH RTACTION. [STATION] INTENDS NO CONTACT AND WILL RELY ON POLITICAL COUNSELLOR FOR BRIEFING ON INTERVIEW OUTCOME.

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