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TO: DIRECTOR, CIA

FROM: [REDACTED]

ROUTINE

ACTION: [REDACTED]

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INFORMATION: [REDACTED]

TO DIR [REDACTED]

CITE: [REDACTED]

1. FORMER [REDACTED] OFFICER, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHO ONCE ASSISTED US [REDACTED], ARRIVED [REDACTED]

2 MAY FOR THREE WEEKS FOR PURPOSE DETERMINING WIFE [REDACTED] CAUSE OF DEATH. SINCE CAUSE MAY BE TRACEABLE TO ONE OUR OPS, WISH ASSIST HIM.

2. *Wife* ACQUIRED FIRST SYMPTOMS HER SICKNESS 1949 SHORTLY

AFTER SEVEN SOVIET DEFTORS WERE ADMINISTERED UNKNOWN POISON (BY SOVIET AGENT WHO ESCAPED) [REDACTED]

PROMPT MEDICAL ASSISTANCE SAVED VICTIMS, BUT THEY HAD RECURRENT WILDFR ATTACKS.

3. EXAMINATIONS AT [REDACTED]

removed U.S. medical facilities

[REDACTED] IDENTIFIED SICKNESS AS MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS. AUTOPSY CONTRADICTED ANALYSIS BUT FAILED IDENTIFY ILLNESS WHICH CAUSED PARTIAL DISSOLUTION BRAIN TISSUES.

[REDACTED]

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4. NOW ~~HE~~ HIMSELF DEVELOPING SIMILAR SYMPTOMS. IF WE COULD
DETERMINE PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OR FATE REF DEFECTORS, IT WILL HELP
~~US~~ DECIDE WHETHER PLACE SELF AT DISPOSAL MEDICAL SCIENCE FOR
RESEARCH ON UNKNOWN SICKNESS PRESUMABLY CAUSED BY UNKNOWN SOVIET
DRUG.

5. REQUEST ~~US~~ LOCATE REF DEFECTORS WHO SENT ~~US~~ FOR
INTERROGATION AND DISPOSAL MARCH 1949. TWO OF THEM ~~WERE~~ ^{are} NAMED
~~THESE~~ (OUR REPORT ON THEM NOT AVAILABLE HERE.) SHOULD
DETERMINE IF THEY SUFFER, WHAT SYMPTOMS, AND IF DIED, OF WHAT
SYMPTOMS.

6. COPY ~~OF~~ ^{was} AUTOPSY BEING POUCHED.

7. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS RE FURTHER ACTION.

END OF MESSAGE.