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FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - ARGENTINA; IS - ARGENTINA;

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ON SEPTEMBER 28, 1976, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ABROAD

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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION: *4*

"OPERATION CONDOR" IS THE CODE NAME FOR THE COLLECTION

EXCHANGE AND STORAGE OF INTELLIGENCE DATA CONCERNING SO CALLED

"LEFTISTS," COMMUNISTS AND MARXISTS, WHICH WAS RECENTLY ESTABLISHED

BETWEEN COOPERATING INTELLIGENCE SERVICES IN SOUTH AMERICA IN ORDER

TO ELIMINATE MARXIST TERRORIST ACTIVITIES IN THE AREA. IN ADDITION,

"OPERATION CONDOR" PROVIDES FOR JOINT OPERATIONS AGAINST TERRORIST

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TARGETS IN MEMBER COUNTRIES OF "OPERATION CONDOR." CHILE IS THE CENTER FOR "OPERATION CONDOR" AND IN ADDITION TO CHILE ITS MEMBERS INCLUDE ARGENTINA, BOLIVIA, PARAGUAY, AND URUGUAY. BRAZIL ALSO HAS TENTATIVELY AGREED TO SUPPLY INTELLIGENCE INPUT FOR "OPERATION CONDOR." MEMBERS OF "OPERATION CONDOR" SHOWING THE MOST ENTHUSIASM TO DATE HAVE BEEN ARGENTINA, URUGUAY AND CHILE. THE LATTER THREE COUNTRIES HAVE ENGAGED IN JOINT OPERATIONS, PRIMARILY IN ARGENTINA, AGAINST THE TERRORIST TARGET. DURING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 20, 1976, THE

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WITH RESPECT TO "OPERATION CONDOR." 4

A THIRD AND MOST SECRET PHASE OF "OPERATION CONDOR" INVOLVES THE FORMATION OF SPECIAL TEAMS FROM MEMBER COUNTRIES WHO ARE TO TRAVEL ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD TO NON-MEMBER COUNTRIES TO CARRY OUT SANCTIONS UP TO ASSASSINATION AGAINST TERRORISTS OR SUPPORTERS OF TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS FROM "OPERATION CONDOR" MEMBER COUNTRIES. FOR EXAMPLE, SHOULD A TERRORIST OR A SUPPORTER OF A TERRORIST ORGANIZATION FROM A MEMBER COUNTRY OF "OPERATION CONDOR" BE LOCATED IN A EUROPEAN COUNTRY, A SPECIAL TEAM FROM "OPERATION CONDOR"

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WOULD BE DISPATCHED TO LOCATE AND SURVEIL THE TARGET. WHEN THE
OPERATION AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATION HAS TERMINATED, A SECOND
TEAM FROM "OPERATION CONDOR" WOULD BE DISPATCHED TO CARRY OUT
ACTUAL SANCTION AGAINST THE TARGET. SPECIAL TEAMS WOULD BE
FORMED USING FALSE DOCUMENTATION FROM MEMBER COUNTRIES OF "OPERATION
CONDOR" AND MAY BE COMPOSED EXCLUSIVELY OF INDIVIDUALS FROM ONE
MEMBER NATION OF "OPERATION CONDOR" OR MAY BE COMPOSED
AS A MIXED GROUP FROM VARIOUS "OPERATION CONDOR" MEMBER NATIONS.
EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED FOR POSSIBLE
OPERATIONS UNDER THE THIRD PHASE OF "OPERATION CONDOR" WERE
FRANCE AND PORTUGAL. U

A SPECIAL TEAM HAS BEEN ORGANIZED [REDACTED] b1

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PREPARED FOR POSSIBLE FUTURE ACTION UNDER THE THIRD PHASE OF
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IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT NO INFORMATION HAS BEEN DEVELOPED INDICATING THAT SANCTIONS UNDER THE THIRD PHASE OF "OPERATION CONDOR" HAVE BEEN PLANNED TO BE CARRIED OUT IN THE UNITED STATES; HOWEVER, IT IS NOT BEYOND THE REALM OF POSSIBILITY THAT THE RECENT ASSASSINATION OF ORLANDO LETELIER IN WASHINGTON, D. C. MAY HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT AS A THIRD PHASE ACTION OF "OPERATION CONDOR." AS NOTED ABOVE, INFORMATION AVAILABLE FROM THE SOURCE INDICATES THAT PARTICULAR EMPHASIS WAS PLACED ON THIRD PHASE ACTIONS OF "OPERATION CONDOR" IN EUROPE, SPECIFICALLY FRANCE AND PORTUGAL. THIS OFFICE WILL REMAIN ALERT FOR ANY INFORMATION INDICATING THAT THE ASSASSINATION OF LETELIER MAY BE PART OF "OPERATION CONDOR" ACTION. ~~SECRET~~ 14

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