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ARMENIAN TERRORIST MATTERS, [IT-ARMENIA], MIAMI FILE [199B-410] (S)

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SARKIS SOGHANALIAN, [IT-ARMENIA] OO: MIAMI, MIAMI FILE [221-4,] (S)

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THIS COMMUNICATION IS CLASSIFIED "~~SECRET~~" ON ITS ENTIRETY.

SARKIS SOGHANALIAN IS INTERNATIONALLY KNOWN AS ONE OF THE LARGEST INDEPENDENT ARMS DEALERS IN THE WORLD. HE IS THE OWNER/OPERATOR OF PAN AVIATION LOCATED AT MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, MIAMI, FLORIDA, FROM WHICH HE CONDUCTS BUSINESS. HE HAS AN ADDITIONAL OFFICE IN BERN, SWITZERLAND

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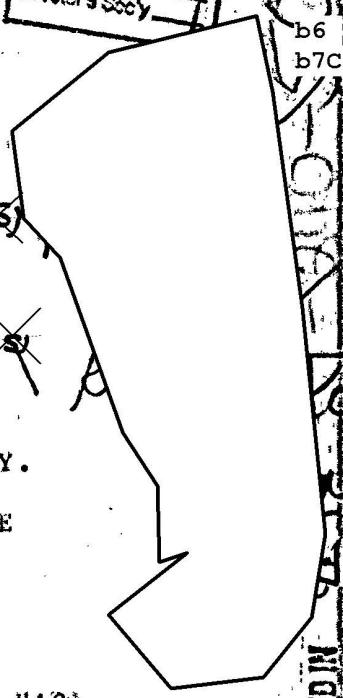
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CRITICAL ROLE IN AN ATTEMPT TO TRANSPORT FORMER PRESIDENT FERDINAND MARCOS FROM HONOLULU, HAWAII TO THE PHILLIPINES IN POSSIBLE COUP ATTEMPT.

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SARKIS SOGHANALIAN WAS BORN ON FEBRUARY 6, 1929, AT ALEXANDRETTE, TURKEY, AND IS OF ARMENIAN HERITAGE. HE IS STRONGLY DEVOTED TO THE ARMENIAN CHURCH AND IS THE PRINCIPAL FINANCIER OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW ARMENIAN CHURCH IN SOUTH FLORIDA. NO INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED CONCERNING HIS ESCORTING OF ARMENIAN POPE VACKEN I DURING HIS UPCOMING VISIT TO CANADA NOR HIS ASSOCIATION WITH THE ARMENIAN HUNCHAK PARTY.

SARKIS SOGHANALIAN IS CURRENTLY OUT ON \$1,300,000.00 BOND PENDING THREE SEPARATE FEDERAL TRIALS (NOT INCLUDING A FEDERAL GRAND JURY INVESTIGATION IN NEW YORK AND A SEPARATE FGJ INVESTIGATION IN HONOLULU). ON DECEMBER 2, 1987, SARKIS WAS INDICTED ON CHARGES HE CONSPIRED TO SMUGGLE 103 COMBAT-READY HUGHES HELICOPTERS, MODEL 500 MD/TOW TO IRAQ; IN SEPTEMBER, 1986, HE WAS ARRESTED BY BATF FOR ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF TWO ROCKET LAUNCHERS AND FIVE MACHINE GUNS; IN ADDITION U.S. PROBATION AND PAROLE HAS FILED A MOTION TO REVOKE SARKIS' CURRENT PROBATION.

SARKIS SOGHANALIAN IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

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NAME: SARKIS G. SOGHANALIAN, DATE OF BIRTH: FEBRUARY 6,
1929, PLACE OF BIRTH: ALEXANDRETTE, TURKEY, ADDRESS: 305 NORTH
HIBISCUS DRIVE, HIBISCUS ISLAND, MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, TELEPHONE
NUMBER: (305) 672-1262, OCCUPATION: OWNER/OPERATOR, PAN AVIATION,
MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, MIAMI, FLORIDA, COLT FIREARMS
REPRESENTATIVE, DEFENSE INDUSTRY CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

RE: BUAIRTEL TO NEW YORK, CLEVELAND, LOS ANGELES AND MIAMI

DATED NOVEMBER 30, 1987

FBI MIAMI IS IN RECEIPT OF NO INFORMATION CONCERNING SARKIS
SOGHANALIAN'S ASSOCIATION WITH THE ARMENIAN HUNCHAK PARTY AND THE
IMPENDING VISIT OF ARMENIAN POPE VACKER I.

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ADDITION, MIAMI IS OF THE OPINION SARKIS IS IN CONTACT WITH
HUNCHAK PARTY LEADERSHIP WORLDWIDE AND IF THE HUNCHAK PARTY SEEKS
ARMS/MUNITIONS SARKIS IS A LIKELY SOURCE OF SUPPLY.

MIAMI DIVISION WISHES TO EMPHASIZE TO FBIHQ THAT THE FBI
CURRENTLY HAS AN EXCELLENT RAPPORT WITH SARKIS SOGHANALIAN AND
COULD FREELY DISCUSS WITH HIM HIS ASSOCIATION AND KNOWLEDGE OF

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THE ARMENIAN HUNCKAK PARTY AND THE IMPENDING VISIT OF ARMENIAN
POPE VACKER I TO CANADA. ~~(S)~~

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