NAVY DEPARTMENT

(ACTION) RELEASED BY

(INFO)

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FM ALUSNA CANBERRA
TO RULCH/DN

CHATTER

PASS ALSO TO CIA

POSSIBLE SOVIET INFORMER

1. ASST ALUSNA RECEIVED TELEPHONE CALL 23 NOV FROM PERSON CLAIMING TO BE MOST OF CONVERSATION RECORDED BY ALUSNA. INFO TOUCHED ON SEVERAL AREAS INCLUDING: POSSIBLE CONNECTION SOVIET GOVT SUPPLYING MONEY TO INDIVIDUAL IN U.S. TO ASSASSINATE PRESIDENT; POSSIBLE SOVIET IMPLICATION IN U.S.S. THRESHER INCIDENT; SYSTEM OF USSR EMBASSY PERSONNEL MEETING MIGRANTS TO AUSTRALIA, PROVIDING FALSE PASSPORTS AND SENDING THEM TO OTHER COUNTRIES; RUSSIAN MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO CUBA AND INDONESIA; RUSSIAN CONTACT WITH COOPERATIVE IN INDO EMBASSY CANBERRA; EMPLOYEE IN AMEMB CANBERRA (WOMAN) WHO IS GIVING INFO TO SOVIET EMB; SENDING OF AGENTS FROM AUST TO U.S. PERSON GAVE CONSIDERABLE DETAIL ON MODUS OPERANDI OF TWO SOVIET AGENTS IN SYDNEY.

2. PERSON HAS AGREED TO MEETING WITH ASST ALUSNA IN SYDNEY IN NEAR FUTURE. HAS ASKED FOR ASSURANCE HE WILL BE PROTECTED IF HE COOPERATES. TOLD THAT THIS COULD BE DISCUSSED AT FIRST MEETING.

3. AMBASSADOR INFORMED CONDUCTING SURVEILLANCE FOR WELL DESCRIBED CAR AND DRIVER WHO CLAIMS TO BE IN CANBERRA NOW; KEEPING SOVIET EMBASSY UNDER SURVEILLANCE

92(1) ACT VIA IP

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DD 92(2) PER 92/5/4/64/TEH/3

Enclosure (5)

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