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]CHAOS

FROM COLBY

SUBJECT: TERMINATION OF [ ]CHAOS PROGRAM

1. THIS MESSAGE IS TO NOTIFY YOU OF THE TERMINATION OF THE [ ]CHAOS PROGRAM AND TO PROVIDE GUIDELINES UNDER WHICH HQS HAS BEEN OPERATING FOR SOME TIME ON CERTAIN ACTIVITIES FORMERLY INCLUDED IN [ ]CHAOS.

2. GUIDELINES

ALL COLLECTION TAKES PLACE ABROAD. COLLECTION IS RESTRICTED TO INFORMATION ON FOREIGN ACTIVITIES RELATED TO DOMESTIC MATTERS. CIA WILL FOCUS CLEARLY ON THE FOREIGN ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED AND ONLY INCIDENTALLY ON THEIR AMERICAN CONTACTS. IN DOING THIS, FOLLOWING WILL APPLY:

A. WHENEVER INFORMATION IS UNCOVERED AS A BYPRODUCT RESULT OF CIA FOREIGN-TARGETED INTELLIGENCE OR COUNTER-INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS ABROAD WHICH MAKES AMERICANS

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ABROAD SUSPECT FOR SECURITY OR COUNTERINTELLIGENCE  
REASONS, THE INFORMATION WILL BE REPORTED BY CIA IN  
THE FOLLOWING MANNER.

(1) WITH RESPECT TO PRIVATE AMERICAN CITIZENS  
ABROAD, SUCH INFORMATION WILL BE REPORTED TO THE  
FBI.

(2) WITH RESPECT TO OFFICIAL U.S. PERSONNEL  
ABROAD, SUCH INFORMATION WILL BE REPORTED TO  
THEIR PARENT AGENCY'S SECURITY AUTHORITIES, AND  
TO THE FBI IF APPROPRIATE.

IN BOTH SUCH CASES, UNDER THIS SUB-PARAGRAPH, SPECIFIC  
CIA OPERATIONS WILL NOT BE MOUNTED AGAINST SUCH INDIVIDUALS:  
CIA RESPONSIBILITIES THEREAFTER WILL BE RESTRICTED TO  
REPORTING ANY FURTHER INTELLIGENCE OR COUNTERINTELLIGENCE  
ASPECTS OF THE SPECIFIC CASE WHICH COME TO CIA ATTENTION  
AS A BY-PRODUCT OF ITS CONTINUING FOREIGN-TARGETED  
OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY. IF THE FBI, ON THE BASIS OF THE RECEIPT  
OF THE CIA INFORMATION, HOWEVER, SPECIFICALLY REQUESTS  
FURTHER INFORMATION ON TERRORIST OR COUNTERINTELLIGENCE  
MATTERS RELATING TO THE PRIVATE AMERICAN CITIZENS INVOLVED  
IN THE SPECIFIC CASE, CIA WILL RESPOND ACCORDING TO THE  
GUIDANCE IN SUB-PARAGRAPH B BELOW. IN PERFORMING THESE  
FUNCTIONS CIA WILL BE DISCHARGING ITS RESPONSIBILITIES FOR  
PRIMARY FOREIGN COUNTERINTELLIGENCE COLLECTION ABROAD,

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PARTICULARLY AS ASSIGNED IT UNDER PARAGRAPHS 1B AND  
3B OF NSCID 5.

B. CIA MAY RESPOND TO WRITTEN REQUESTS BY THE FBI FOR  
CLANDESTINE COLLECTION ABROAD BY CIA OF INFORMATION ON  
FOREIGN TERRORIST OR COUNTERINTELLIGENCE MATTERS INVOLVING  
PRIVATE AMERICAN CITIZENS. SUCH COLLECTION ACTIVITY MAY  
INVOLVE BOTH LIAISON SERVICES AND UNILATERAL OPERATIONS.  
IN THE CASE OF LIAISON SERVICES, WHENEVER FEASIBLE IT SHOULD  
BE PLAINLY DEMONSTRATED IN THE TRANSMISSION OF THE REQUEST  
TO SUCH LIAISON SERVICES THAT CIA IS ACTING AS A CHANNEL OF  
COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE FBI AND THE APPROPRIATE FOREIGN  
SERVICE. ANY UNILATERAL OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY WILL REQUIRE  
SPECIFIC PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE DDO, AND THE DCI WILL BE  
ADVISED THEREOF. PERTINENT INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE  
PROVIDED BY CIA TO THE FBI.

3. THE ACTIVITIES DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH 2 ABOVE WILL BEAR THE  
CRYPTONYM [            ]. TRAFFIC WILL BE IN [            ] STAFF CHANNELS  
SLUGGED [            ]. DISPATCH TRAFFIC SHOULD BE  
ADDRESSED TO CHIEF, OPS/ITG (2 COPIES) WITH ONE INFO COPY FOR THE  
CHIEF OF THE AREA DIVISION (EYES ONLY).

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