

1. (C) CANARY EFFORT: (OACSI Revalidation - 4 Feb 75)

a. Location: Fort Ritchie, MD.

b. Confidential Source Utilization: Three confidential sources.

c. Information obtained Off-Post and/or Reported on Non-Affiliated Civilians: None.

d. Useful Information Obtained:

(1) Information was surfaced pertaining to the alleged abuse of drugs on the part of seven (7) individuals assigned sensitive/critical duties. Additionally, adverse suitability information concerning nine (9) individuals was reported. This information involved indebtedness, alcohol abuse, moral improprieties and mental instability. As a result of the information furnished, four individuals had their access to classified information suspended; investigations were requested on three individuals; and the activities of the other individuals are being monitored.

(2) Information was reported concerning an individual who resembled a suspected KGB member. The individual has paid an inordinate degree of attention to the activities of a US civilian firm and a sensitive shipment destined for Fort Ritchie. Another individual reported conversations that occurred in August 1974 in a bar in Waynesboro, PA where he learned that an individual believed to be a contract employee claimed to have had contacts with Soviets who worked in Hagerstown, MD. Both incidents were reported to the FBI with a request for investigation.

e. Operational Status:

(1) On 25 June 1975, the PLO briefed COL Harold G. deMoya, Cdr, Fort Ritchie, and COL John J. Plosay, Jr., Deputy Cdr, Fort Ritchie.

(2) COL Donald E. Clark assumed command of the 7th Signal Command (which includes the Pentagon Telecommunications Center) on 18 July 1975 and was briefed on CANARY EFFORT. The 902d MI Group which is conducting the ICIP at Fort Ritchie prepared a revised operations plan reflecting changes in mission and target areas which resulted from the reorganization of the US Army Communications Command (USACC) into the 7th Signal Command. Prior to the reorganization the Telecommunications Directorate, located at Site "R" and the primary target for the ICIP, was under the operational control of the Cdr, Fort Ritchie. Under the new organization, the Telecommunications Directorate, as well as the telecommunications centers throughout CONUS, are under the operational control of a new established activity, the USACC Operations Command.

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