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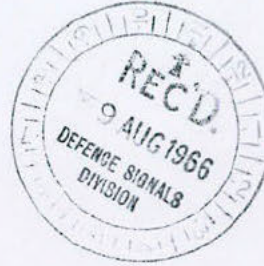
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DATE : 8th August, 1966

TO : AUSLO(W) (2)

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CLANDESTINE COMMUNICATIONS - COMMUNIST TERRORIST ORGANISATION

The following collateral has just been made available:

" [redacted] have a source who was in the jungle with the C.T.O. up to early 1961. Before he left the jungle in 1961 he became aware that there was a wireless section at HQ 12 Regiment located in the area [redacted], not far from the [redacted] in the [redacted]. (This appears to be in square [redacted] on the [redacted])

The set was located in a clearing about 30 feet square, some distance from the main camp and was operated by a section of three operators. No one else was allowed near the section except for very senior officers. The set operated between 2000 and 2350 hours on two or three days a week; it was operated by tapping (and the description sounds like a hand operated Morse key; an aerial consisting of a wire was slung between two trees about 50 to 60 feet apart; to his knowledge the set had been operated for two years before his departure from the jungle (i.e. since 1959) and he was told that sometime after the [redacted] in 1955 wirelesses had been bought for the C.T.O. in [redacted] each.

In addition to this communications set the camp had a Philips battery set over which they obtained news from Radio [redacted]

2. The information above evidently originated from [redacted] sources; DSD obtained it unofficially from a [redacted] official integrated in the [redacted]

It is requested therefore that [redacted] use particular discretion in handling the collateral.

3. We should of course be interested in any views [redacted] has on the subject - we wondered whether the jungle terminal was an outstation on a WIAA link controlled by [redacted] but tend to reject the idea on the basis of too-frequent contact (i.e. two or three days a week).

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