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Issue

From: MOSCOW
To: CANBERRA
No: 142(a)

12 September 1943

1. A change in circumstances - and in particular the dissolution of the "BIG HOUSE [BOL'SHOJ DOM]" [i] - necessitates a change in the method used by the workers of our residencies to keep in touch with the leaders of the local FELLOWCOUNTRYMAN [ZEMLYACHRSKIJ] [ii] organizations on intelligence matters.

2. Our workers, by continuing to meet the leaders of the FELLOWCOUNTRYMEN, are exposing themselves to danger and are giving cause [1 group unidentified] [b] local authorities to suspect that the "BIG HOUSE" is still in existence.

3. We propose:

a) That personal contact with leaders of the local FELLOWCOUNTRYMAN organizations should cease and that FELLOWCOUNTRYMAN material should not be accepted for forwarding to the "BIG HOUSE."

b) That meetings of our workers may take place only with special reliable undercover [ZAKONSPIROVANNYJ] contacts of the FELLOWCOUNTRYMAN [D% organizations], who are not suspected by the [1 group unidentified] [b] local authorities, exclusively about specific aspects of our intelligence work (acquiring [1 group unidentified] contacts, leads [NAVODKI], rechecking of those who are being cultivated, etc.). For each meeting it is necessary to obtain our consent.

[1 group unrecovered]
[1 group missing]

representative of the Soviet Union.

No. 4048

VIKTOR [iii]

Notes: [a] This message is known to have been sent also to NEW YORK, SAN FRANCISCO and OTTAWA.

[b] The unidentified group is the same in both cases. ^{anyone} _{of}

Comments:

- [i] BIG HOUSE: The COMINTERN.
- [ii] FELLOWCOUNTRYMAN (-MEN): Communist(s).
- [iii] VIKTOR: Lt. Gen. P.M. FITIN.