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SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON AN ARMS MERCHANT IN  
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- REFS: A. DIRECTOR 743582
- B. DIRECTOR 740616
- C. [ ] 57754
- D. [ ] 88991
- E. [ ] 71935
- F. [ ] 88892

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1. ACTION REQUESTED: SEE PARA FOUR BELOW.

2. REFS PROVIDED INFORMATION ON WILLEM ((SASSEN)), AN ARMS MERCHANT IN BUENOS AIRES OF INTEREST TO VNDAGGER LIAISON, AND ON HIS BROTHER, ALPHONSO ((SASSEN)) WHO LIVES IN QUITO.

3. [ ] PASSED THE [ ] THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL INFO 6 NOVEMBER 1987 ON THE SASSEN BROTHERS:

A. WILLEM SASSEN HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS DJETHART JAN HENDRIK CYRIEL ((SASSEN)), ALIAS JACK ((JENSEN)). HE HAS ARGENTINE IDENTITY DOCUMENT NUMBER 92437859 AND LIVES AT ALMIRANTE BETBEDER 1231, BOULONGE, PROVINCE OF BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA, TELEPHONE NUMBER 747-0994.

B. SASSEN IS A DUTCH NATIONAL, PRESUMABLY BORN IN MASSTRICHT, AND ALTHOUGH HE NEVER LIVED IN WEST GERMANY, IT IS PROBABLE THAT HE HAS IN HIS POSSESSION A WEST GERMAN DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT.

C. DURING THE SECOND WORLD WAR, SASSEN WAS AN SS OFFICER IN THE NETHERLANDS AND WAS SENTENCED TO 20 YEARS IN PRISON IN 1945. IN THAT YEAR, HE ESCAPED FROM PRISON.

D. ON 24 MAY 1947, SASSEN TRAVELLED TO DUBLIN WITH A PASSPORT PROVIDED BY PNWORLD IN THE NAME OF JACK ((JENSEN)).

EXEMPTIONS Section 3(b)  
(2)(A) Privacy   
(2)(B) Methods/Sources   
(2)(G) Foreign Relations

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E. ON 23 SEPTEMBER 1948, HE LEFT (EUROPE) ON THE SHIP "DE ADELAAR" ACCOMPANIED BY HIS DUTCH WIFE, MIEPJE.

F. IN 1951, HE SERVED IN BUENOS AIRES AS AN INTERPRETER FOR THE THEN PRESIDENT OF ARGENTINA, JUAN DOMINGO ((PERON)) WHEN PERON MET WITH PRINCE BERNHARD OF THE NETHERLANDS DURING THE LATTER'S VISIT TO ARGENTINA.

G. SASSEN IS CURRENTLY MARRIED TO HIS SECOND WIFE WHO IS A BELGIAN NATIONAL AND THE COUPLE HAS A SMALL SON.

H. HE CURRENTLY IMPORTS ARMS THROUGH HIS COMPANY, "BUSY S.A." LOCATED AT AVENIDA CORDOBA 475, FIRST FLOOR, BUENOS AIRES, TELEPHONE NUMBER 311-7094 AND 311-2573, TELEX NUMBER "23648 SETBL". THE FIRM HAS THREE EMPLOYEES. SASSEN IS THE LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE SOUTHERN CONE OF SOUTH AMERICA FOR THE AUSTRIAN ARMS MANUFACTURING COMPANY "STEYR-DAIMLER-PUCH."

I. HIS BROTHER, ALFONSO SASSEN, ALIAS "VAN AALST", HAS AN OFFICE LOCATED AT CALLE 9 DE OCTUBRE 520, QUITO, ECUADOR.

J. DJETHART JAN HENDRIK CYRIEL SASSEN, ALIAS WILLELM SASSEN, GAVE 200 FAL RIFLES, EACH WORTH USD 450, TO ROBERTO ((SUAREZ)) GOMEZ, KING OF THE COCAINE TRAFFICKERS IN BENI, BOLIVIA. THESE ARMS WERE USED DURING THE 17 JULY 1980 COUP D'ETAT IN WHICH COLONELS LUIS ((ARCE)) GOMEZ AND LUIS ((GARCIA)) MEZA OVERTHEW THE CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT OF HERNAN ((SILES)) SUAZAO.

K. SASSEN HAS A MERCEDES 300 SEC COUPE WITH CD (DIPLOMATIC CORPS) LICENSE PLATE 1857.   COMMENT: THE   REPORT DID NOT IDENTIFY THE EMBASSY TO WHICH THIS LICENSE PLATE IS ASSIGNED.

L. DJETHART SASSEN IS IN CONTACT WITH THE FOLLOWING PERSONS: FEDERICO ((SCHWIND)), ALIAS WENCESLAO ((TURI)), COUNTERFEITER (US DOLLARS AND POUND STERLING) WHO HAS TELEPHONE NUMBER 352-356 IN LIMA, PERU; ECUADOREAN ARMY LIEUTENANT HERBAS ((CHIRIBOGAS)) IN QUITO; AND (FNU) ((MINGOLLA)), AN OFFICIAL OF THE ARGENTINE STATE INTELLIGENCE SECRETARIAT (SIDE) IN BUENOS AIRES). (NO   TRACES ON THESE PERSONS.)

4. PLS ADVISE IF SASSEN'S 201 FILE CONTAINS ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ALLEGATION IN PARA THREE (D) ABOVE. ALSO REQUEST HQS TRACES ON THE PERSONS MENTIONED IN PARA THREE (L) ABOVE.

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