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SUBJECT: GENERAL—

SPECIFIC—   Assignment of Cryptonyms for PASTIME Operations

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1. To date, we have been using WRINKLE followed by a letter in the telephone alphabet for use in describing radio-set burial points in PASTIME Operations in the Soviet Zone. FOLD-BOB followed by a number has been used to designate safe houses set up by us for this same program. It is felt that in order to properly name the component parts of an expanding PASTIME series of nets, these cryptonyms will no longer prove satisfactory. We find the need has arisen for assigning a name to an entire stay behind net which will include several individuals all handling different functions within the net; functions which should also be indicated in referring to the individual by a cryptonym. The advantage of such a system would be the provision of a means for including all the component parts of a net in one file, whether those parts be individuals, physical burial points or facilities, former agents, new agents hired for PASTIME purposes only, or other factors in the set-up.

2. A suggested scheme for handling the above question of assigning cryptonyms follows. This new method will not require renaming or changing the cryptonyms assigned up to the present time.

    a. Each base will be given a color for the first part of the cryptonyms they are to use for PASTIME nets being organized in their area. For example, Berlin may be assigned the cryptonym "Blue".

    b. Each individual net will be assigned the name of some fruit. For example our first net in Berlin may be assigned the cryptonym "Apple", the next "Berry", etc.

    c. Each function of the nets will be assigned a number according to a fixed schedule. For example, the numbers may be assigned as follows to cover minimum requirements:

Function	Number
Head - or resident - Agents	1
Cut-outs	2
Live letter drops	3
Safe houses	4
W/T operators	5
Dead letter drops	6
Agent-observers	7

Distribution:
2-FDM (direct) 2-COS (Ops)
1-SRFG(via FOB)
1-KOB   1-FOB
1-FOB   1-BOB

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Radio-burial point   8
Radio-sending point   9

If one location or individual has two functions, they will be assigned the number referring to their principal use.

     d. Each separate individual or location will be assigned a letter in order of assignment to the net by function. Thus the first W/T operator to be assigned the "Blue Apple" net would get the designation 5A and be called "Blue Apple 5A". The fourth live letter drop assigned to this net, would receive the cryptonym "Blue Apple 3d", and so on.

     3. Such a system would permit us to file all components of a net in one folder and as each separate piece is added, use the above form of assigning numbers and letters as a check list, keeping us up to date on what has been furnished and what remains to be done. The entire folder and record of the network can be forwarded to Headquarters when it is felt to be complete. Change of assignment can be handled by moving the individual's separate file from one net folder to another. Checking the functions of thenet should be carried out at Headquarters' request from time to time by specific actions to be carried out here. Individuals who have already been assigned cryptonyms will have their file kept in a net folder from now on, and will in addition receive a net cryptonym. We should appreciate your consideration of this or any similar system for PASTIME cryptonyms and request your reaction by cable.