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January 16, 1981

TO: SAC, SALT LAKE CITY

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (196-A-1056) (P)

SARKIS G. SOGHANALIAN;  
ET AL  
FEW; MF; ITSP  
(OO: MM)

Re Salt Lake City airtel to Miami, 10/20/80.

Enclosed for Salt Lake City is the original and  
one copy of a FGJ subpoena to be served on [redacted]  
Note appearance date is set for [redacted]

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SALT LAKE CITY:

AT OREM, UTAH

Serve enclosed subpoena on [redacted]  
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SARKIS ~~PARABET~~ SOGHANALIAN, DBA UNITED TRADE INTERNATIONAL, ETC;

[REDACTED] - VICTIM; FBW; MF; ITSP. OO: MIAMI.

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RE BUREAU CABLE, JANUARY 13, 1981).

LEGAT, PARIS ADVISED BY TELETYPE DATED 1/16/81 AS FOLLOWS:

SET FORTH BELOW FOR CONSIDERATION BY FBIHQ AND U. S.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (USDJ) ARE COMMENTS OF LEGAL ATTACHE, PARIS

CONCERNING CONDUCT OF INVESTIGATION REQUESTED BY REFERENCED

BUREAU CABLEGRAM:

INVESTIGATION AT ANTWERP, BELGIUM, SPECIFICALLY INTERVIEWS OF

[REDACTED] AND OBTAINING OF

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DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE REQUIRED, CAN ONLY BE CONDUCTED UNDER

INTERNATIONAL LETTERS ROGATORY IN CONFORMITY WITH BELGIAN LAW. NO

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ALTERNATE PROCEDURE WILL MEET BELGIAN LEGAL REQUIREMENTS AND SHOULD NOT BE ENVISAGED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES BY FBIHQ OR USDJ.

INVESTIGATION AT PARIS, FRANCE, SPECIFICALLY INTERVIEWS OF [REDACTED] DESCRIBED ONLY AS FRENCH BUSINESSMEN WHO SERVED AS [REDACTED] AND THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF MAURITANIA, SHOULD ALSO BE CONDUCTED UNDER LETTERS ROGATORY BY FRENCH NATIONAL POLICE TO SATISFY FRENCH LEGAL REQUIREMENTS AND TO PRECLUDE A POTENTIALLY SENSITIVE CONFRONTATION WITH FRENCH NATIONAL INTERESTS. FBIHQ AND USDJ SHOULD BE AWARE THAT ALL MAJOR ARMS TRANSACTIONS IN FRANCE ARE CONTROLLED BY THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT OR CONDUCTED WITH SPECIFIC FRENCH GOVERNMENT AUTHORIZATION AND THAT "SPECIAL RELATIONSHIPS" EXIST BETWEEN FRANCE AND ITS FORMER COLONIAL POSSESSIONS IN AFRICA. ~~INTERVIEW~~ ~~BY FBI PERSONNEL OF THE DIB/IG/MS, DESCRIBED AS WILLING TO COOPERATE IN REFERENCED BUREAU CABLE, SHOULD NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR~~ REASONS SET FORTH ABOVE AND [REDACTED] SHOULD BE FULLY IDENTIFIED AND THEIR SPECIFIC ROLE IN THIS TRANSACTION CLEARLY SET FORTH IN REQUEST TRANSMITTED TO FRENCH AUTHORITIES, ESPECIALLY SINCE THEY MAY HAVE BEEN ACTING EITHER UNDER DIRECTION OF OR WITH APPROVAL OF FRENCH GOVERNMENT IN THIS MATTER.

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CONCERNING INVESTIGATION SPECIFIED IN PORTUGAL, INTERVIEWS  
OF [REDACTED] OF AVITEXTIL, DESCRIBED IN REFERENCED  
BUREAU CABLE AS UNCOOPERATIVE, AND THOSE OF OFFICIALS AT THE  
FABRICA MILIATR DE BRACO DE PRATA, WHO APPEAR TO BE PORTUGUESE  
MILITARY OFFICIALS, SHOULD ALSO BE CONDUCTED UNDER LETTERS ROGATORY  
FOR SAME REASONS SET FORTH IN PRECEDING PARAGRAPH CONCERNING FRANCE.

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~~IT WOULD APPEAR TO PARIS THAT PORTUGUESE ATTORNEY [REDACTED] RETAINED BY [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] FOR THE CONCOMITANT CIVIL ACTION, HAS BEEN LESS THAN  
SUCCESSFUL IN OBTAINING COOPERATION OF PORTUGUESE POLICE AUTHORITIES  
ALTHOUGH INDICATIONS TO THE CONTRARY ARE LIBERALLY SPREAD  
THROUGHOUT BUREAU CABLEGRAM.~~

AS VIEWED BY PARIS THROUGH BUREAU CABLEGRAM, IT IS LIKELY FRENCH  
AND PORTUGUESE AUTHORITIES WILL VIEW INSTANT MATTER AS ONE ARMS  
DEALER OF QUESTIONABLE REPUTE BEING RIPPED OFF BY ANOTHER AND WILL  
LOGICALLY AFFORD THIS MATTER THE ATTENTION IT DESERVES IN THIS  
CONTEXT.

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