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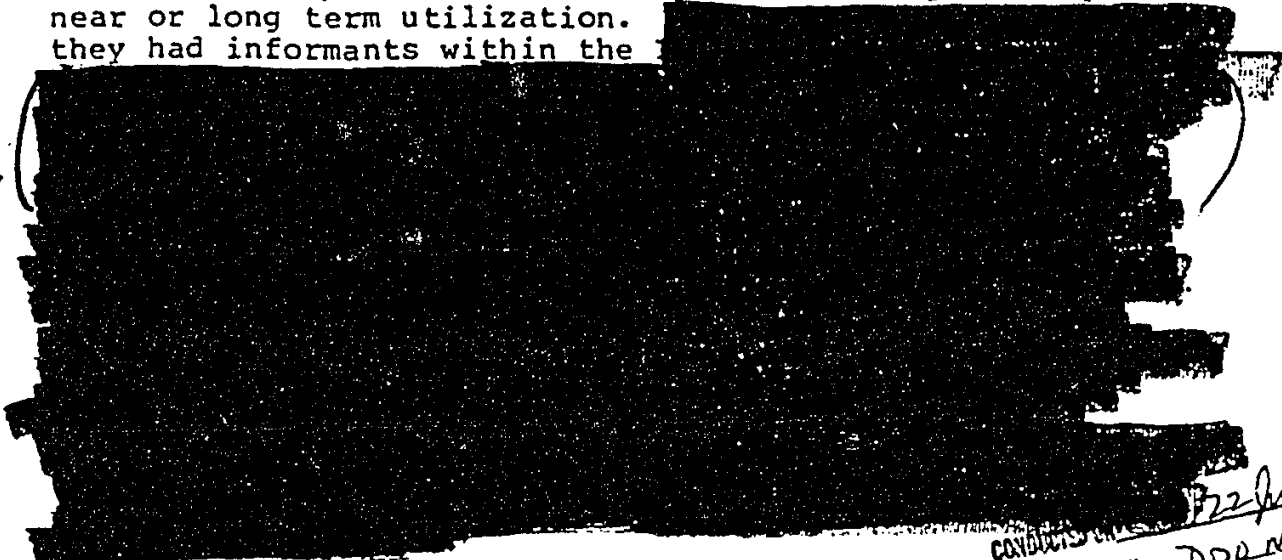
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Subject: Briefing of FBI Representatives (U)

1. (U) On 24 September 1980, two key officials of the Federal Bureau of Investigation were briefed by the undersigned on intelligence needs in support of operations against Iran. Mr. Ed O'Malley, Deputy Assistant Director (Intelligence), FBI, responsible for coordinating use of non-US persons in the United States for intelligence purposes and Charles P. Monroe, Deputy Assistant Director (Criminal), FBI, responsible for anti-terrorist activities and under whose purvue the Iranian activities in the US are monitored.

2. (TS) The officials were informed that the DOD was continuing to plan for hostage release operations against Iran and this is extremely sensitive information. They were informed that they were the only representatives of the FBI privy to that information. The purpose of the discussion was to solicit their assistance in developing information relative to the hostage situation which they may have surfaced through their internal information program; seek their help in establishing bona-fides of potential leads surfaced in DOD operations; and seek any potential Iranian leads that they may spot for exploitation in the conduct of their programs. The FBI representatives asked when and if operations were planned and were informed that we have to plan for six days, six months or six years. That the intelligence operations must be professionally developed for near or long term utilization. they had informants within the



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3. (S) Several hypothetical situations were described to examine the types of assistance which the FBI may be capable of providing.

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Concepts were discussed and ideas voiced; however, no decisions were made nor agreements established. The FBI representatives voiced their full support, however, cautioned that certain outlined actions would require prior approval.

4. (U) I stated that any requests for formal tasking would be approved at DOD prior to passing to the FBI. Mr. O'Malley stated that it would be necessary for him to brief Judge Webster, Director FBI.

5. (U) The purpose of this memorandum is to review the discussions with the FBI and outline potential operational opportunities which could be developed through existing FBI resources.

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