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Copy No: 205

REFERENCE TO "NEAR AND DISTANT NEIGHBOURS".

From: MOSCOW

To: BOGOTA[i]

No.: 270

31 October 1945

To all Soviet Ambassadors and Ministers.

With a view to cutting down cipher correspondence we have given instructions to the near and distant neighbours[ii] to advise their representatives through their own lines of remittances of funds in foreign currency. You are to issue funds which are remitted to them without our confirmation.

DEKANOZOV[iii]

[Comments overleaf]

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- Comment: [i] Known to have been sent also to ADDIS ABABA, BAGHDAD, BEIRUT, BELGRADE, BRUSSELS, CAIRO, CANBERRA, COPENHAGEN, THE HAGUE, HAVANA, LONDON, MEXICO CITY, MONTEVIDEO, OSLO, OTTAWA, PRAGUE, ROME, SAN FRANCISCO, STOCKHOLM and WASHINGTON.
- [ii] Now known to be longstanding terms used by the Soviet Ministry of Foreign Affairs to refer to the MGB and the GRU respectively.
- [iii] DEKANOZOV, Vladimir Georgievich, at this time deputising for MOLOTOV, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

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From: MOSCOW

To: BOGOTA

No.: 32

12 February 1945

[In reply] to No.41. Permit YAKUBOVICH O.I.[i] to deal with secret correspondence.

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Comment: [i] Presumably Ol'ga I. YAKUBOVICH.  
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M948

From: MOSCOW

To: BOGOTÁ

No.: 107

18 May 1945

To AFANAS'EV.

Stop working with the special-communication [or: special-link] pads [BLOKNOTY SPETSIAL'NOJ SVYaZI][a]. Seal these pads in a separate package and keep them until you receive instructions from us. Telegraph compliance.

RYZhIKh[i]

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Translator's note:

[a] In cryptography, a pad [BLOKNOT] is an assemblage of leaves of keys.

Comment: [i] RYZhIKh was the chief of the Tenth Department [DESYaTYJ OTDEL], the NKID cipher office in Moscow.