

## MEMO ON MEETING WITH DCI SOURCE

On 24.6. I spoke to this source at his home after being referred to him by the AG office.

He worked at DCI and later at PAIC with A. Niewoudt. At present he is running his private business from Pretoria.

He provides the following information on the understanding that it will be treated confidentially as revelation might endanger his life.

### LUBOWSKI

The source worked in Windhoek for DCI up to about 2 or 3 months before AL's death. His job initially was to monitor foreign secret services active in Namibia. He says that there was general disorder and soon the work was to do whatever you could to disrupt the election campaign of SWAPO. The military op. was called AGREE. He felt useless there and at his own request was sent to DCI.

While in Windhoek he bought a red Golf GTI under probably a cover (can't remember). He suspects that this car was used in the murder of AL. He is sure that there were no other similar vehicles, or very few, at that time in Windhoek. We can get the number and a repair invoice for new parts from Torie.

This car could have been obtained by CCB members. Joe Verster knew a commandant in Special Forces, a simple request to him for a car would have sufficed.

Source says that Windhoek was crawling with DCI, CCB, police and other guys from RSA at the time. He says at one stage many entire CCB cells were gathered there, one cell was stationed at Hentiesbaai. He saw Verster and some cell 6 members there on occasion.

The man to speak to urgently is Rieg Verster. He was most probably in Windhoek at the time and should have the full story on the murder and the MI link. Also Verster is very vulnerable right now and might want to talk. He has already approached the AG. Anton is due to see him soon, if not right now, and we should act fast on this one.

Another source is Johan Erasmus. He was a navy W/O at DCI and Chief Filing Clerk. He is an alcoholic and vulnerable. He cracked when approached by the AG team. He knew all agents and handlers and their files and can give first hand info. He is retired on a farm in the Cape somewhere. Source could help to trace him. He is likely to co-operate if we put up a show of force.

Source says that AL was definitely not a DCI agent. There was a handler, Rob Coleski, who tried to get close to him, under cover of being a furniture salesman. He did some business with AL, and got a specimen of his signature. But he had not recruited AL.

The money paid was most unusual. It was against all DCI principals to pay such large sums in order to hook people or pay for services, and they never did it in a traceable way. The fact that AL did not use it shows he was unaware or did not trust this money.

Source believes that the payments were made only as set-up, ie to later "prove" to the world he was an agent. The payment would have been made with the view to elimination. This would have been set up between Joe Verster and Special Forces, for example.

He remembers that there was a flurry of activity at DCI before Magnus made his revelations in Parliament. DCI then prepared the brief for Magnus.

Source feels that Louw is a "good" person, as counsel has claimed, and that he would distance himself from the AL type of killing. He should tell the truth; if he does not, it is out of old perceived loyalties. It would be best to put pressure on him, e.g. through statements by R. Verster and Erasmus, before approaching him. If he says AL was an agent that would be false.

MI was definitely not involved in the hit. They were not an operational unit but collected info. But they sometimes knew that in compiling a profile on someone that an assassination was intended. After source left Windhoek, DCI did start to compile a profile on AL.

He is sure that the murder was committed by CCB members, but has no proof. DCI guys like himself disliked and mistrusted the CCB guys and avoided them. He says that everybody in DCI knew of the CCB's existence but not specifics of their operations. An order like that to eliminate AL would never have been committed to paper, but passed on verbally and indirectly. It would not have been discussed at TREWITS, but at other closed meetings within the SADF.

#### **ACTION:**

- statement of Rieg Verster;
- statement of Johan Erasmus;
- possibly discuss Louw's statement with source for verification;
- obtain red car details from Torie;
- check on red car angle, refer it to Col. Jumbo Smit.

#### **PETER BOTES**

Source says that PB is good friends with Anton Niewoudt, who is working with the TRC in EC. It might be a good idea to approach him through AN, to establish our credentials. He will try to get AN and inform him, AN then to contact me on the cell phone. He agrees that PB might be a good source, who has no love lost for the SADF, and has already spoken to the press.

**ACTION:** approach AN before approaching PB, if possible.

#### **E. DE KOCK**

He knows him and has met him. There was co-operation of DCI and Vlakplaas at information passing level, or socially, but DCI held Vlakplaas in low esteem.

Eugene once told him that the Anc approached him and asked him to eliminate a prominent IFP leader. He did not do it but someone else did. The AnC then came to de Kock, said he did well and paid him R 20 000 which he accepted.

**ACTION:** raise this point with de Kock at the next meeting.

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