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Manouchehr Ghorbanifar - aka Djafar Souzani, Ja'Far Suzani, Manouch, Manuel Pereira, Manouchehr Korbanifar, Nikol [redacted] DPOB: 9 May 1945, Tehran, Iran; also 1942, Isfahan and 1938. He is an Iranian citizen. His occupation is export/import businessman. Formerly a Managing Director of Isrseff-connected Star-Line Shipping. He is a former Iranian Army Officer. He claims to have worked for SAS. He is believed to be in periodic contact with U.S. intelligence service [redacted]

[redacted] He is a self-proclaimed wheeler-dealer to his early 20's. Speaks excellent American English. He has had a Portuguese Passport in name of Manuel Pereira issued on 3-October 1980 and valid until 3 October 1985, number 10596/80. Greek Passport number X-10723 in the name of Nikolaos Kralis issued 27 October 1981 in Stockholm and valid until 26 October 1986. Iranian Passport Number 11652209 in name of Ja'far Suzani. As of 1982 was said to have an Iraqi passport in an Afab name. He claims to be in a position to produce genuine passports of various nationalities.

Prior to the Iranian Revolution, Ghorbanifar had been an informant for Iranian Intel and claimed to have access to many senior ranking officers in the military as well as access to Iranian underworld characters of various illicit hues. As of late 1979 he was a member of Tehran Komite and was able to travel freely between Europe and Iran in connection with his import/export business. He and his brothers Ali and Reza became implicated in abortive coup of 9 July 1980 which resulted in curtailment of this trips to Iran. Since that time he has been located primarily in Paris with his brother Ali but travels to Athens, Turkey and Iran for purpose of meeting with other exile leaders in support of his "group" in Iran. He claimed at one time to be closely affiliated with Shahpour Bakhtiar but later said he and his "group" were monitoring Bakhtiar, Madani and other exile groups.

On 17 March 1984 Ghorbanifar met with a CIA officer [redacted] and volunteered information on the Beirut kidnaping of COS, Beirut and on a plot to assassinate presidential candidates. He said he had stopped dealing with CIA in 1981 because the U.S. Government was not going to act on intel he was giving to bring down the Khomeini regime [redacted]

On 18 March 1984 he was polygraphed [redacted] to determine the veracity of his information. He failed the exam on significant issues of fabrication and he deliberately provided false info on the Beirut kidnaping and assassination plot. At the request of U.S. Secret Service he was re-polygraphed on 12 June 1984 and again failed the exam. His reactions indicated he was practicing deception on all relevant questions concerning plot to assassinate presidential candidates.

In 1985 Ghorbanifar was cited by Cyrus Hosheni as one of the latter's influential contacts and as an official of Iranian Intelligence who was interested in negotiating a settlement of the hostage issue.

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