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1 June 1950

Mr. D.P. Madalia
Acting Director, Enforcement Staff
Office of International Trade
Department of Commerce
Washington, D.C.

SUBJECT: (fms) Ashinsky or Ashinaki;
Iryna Davidson, Complainant
File: 17-1310-JWP 23-01

Dear Mr. Madalia:

1. In reply to your letter of April 6, 1950, we have no information at the present time concerning the import and export of ball bearings through Mexico or other South American countries. However, we will make every attempt to check into the matter and will notify you as soon as any information is received by this Agency.

2. In the meantime, the following information may be of interest to the Department:

a. The correct Polish spelling of the name ANTIMY would be ANIM I. However, since this is an unusual form of a Polish name, it is quite likely that it may be a garbled version of JANUS I. (A phonetic spelling of this would be JANNEY).

b. It is possible that the Subject of your memorandum, ANIM I, may be identical with one Eugene JANUS I, an American citizen of Polish descent. Eugene JANUS I was employed until October 1948 by the Polish (Warsaw) Embassy in Washington as personal secretary to Oscar Laska, the former Polish Ambassador to the United States. JANUS I allegedly stated that as a result of Laska's influence, he obtained the exclusive right of importing Polish beer and vodka for distribution in the United States. In 1947, JANUS I reportedly made a trip to Poland.

c. In addition, a report on the American-Slav Congress, published in June 1949 by the Committee on Un-American Activities, listed the name of Eugene JANUS I as a

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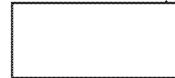
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member of the Polish delegation of the American-Slav Congress.

Very truly yours,



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To: Mexico, Cuba, Brazil, Argentine

1. The following request was received from the Department of Commerce:
2. Our reply to Commerce was as follows:
3. In addition to the above, the following information, ~~was not~~ which was not sent to Commerce, is ~~now~~ submitted for your information only:
 - a. Recent information received from FBI indicated that Eugene JASINSKI belongs to several Polish communist-front organizations in the United States; that he is in touch with Polish manufacturers in the United States; and that he reportedly is an agent of the Polish (Warsaw) Military Intelligence Service. In view of his activities on behalf of the Warsaw Government, it is quite likely that he is acting as intermediary for POLASCO (Polish-American Supply Company) in ~~the~~ ball-bearing transaction. *POLASCO*
4. If these ball-bearings are sold in some South American country and shipped to an iron-curtain country, it is most likely that they *will* ~~will~~ be transported on Polish ships touching the various South American ports.

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Dept. of Commerce
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Re: (fnu) Ashinsky or Ashinski;
Irving Davidson, Complainant
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State Dept. (cross-ref)
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Re: Davidson, I. Irving