

~~SECRET~~RIS ACTIVITY

- SSS-53-265
6/5/53
- 23/3/53
- Memo to
DCI 12/3/48
- 15 Sep 54
- 6A1-545
17 AUG 53
1. During COPIOW trial, U.S. Govt introduced info indicating that Ruth GRUBER, "secy to ICHES" had been contact of Subject.
 2. Subject was an associate of Abel Rolf FLENN, associate of numerous Communists, pro-Soviet individuals and persons suspected of Sov espionage, in 1946 in US.
 3. Subject has been implicated in Sov Intelligence activities; it is thought that in 1945 he replaced GRUBER as MGB legal resident in U.S.
 4. RASTVOROV i/d photo of GARANIK as i/d with individual whom he had seen in offices at MGB Center in Moscow between 1944-46. He stated he did not know him personally but that his ~~look~~ face is familiar to him.
 5. Army Attache, Finland reported that subj is apparently identical with individual who to all appearances received material from a spy ring in Washington. Last seen by Army Attache at Red Army Day reception at Sov Leg on 23 Feb 53.

CONTACTS

- WPHA 168
- sd 919
21/6/51
1. Corwin 6/52
 2. H. Bartlett WELLS of American Legation invited by MARCHUK for dinner 19/6/51 at which he was the only guest. Both Subject and MARCHUK were careful to avoid asking questions or to cite points of controversy between 2 countries.

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- REPORTER
31/3/53
1. visited Porkala 22 Sept. 51 w Lebedev (SO db 45644)
 2. Subject was invited to dinner by American diplomatic official, which was also attended by an American professor Daniel AARON. Subject appeared alone, saying his wife was ill. Subject at first gave the impression of quiet, self-possessed man of scholarly bent, pleasant manners. It was discovered later that he had no intellectual interests to speak of, and really liked fishing. Subject a few weeks later gave the professor tickets to an Soviet entertainment and made an appointment to lunch with him. They met at the Royal Restaurant. Subject stated that he was the son of illiterate parents, had been educated by the state and owed everything to his society. He attempted ~~to~~ to recruit the professor, trying to convince him that life was much rosier in the SovUnion. He asked who was head of FBI in Finland, and made series of mauldering appeals to his humanitarian and liberal sympathies. Attempts to counter Subject's opinions made no impression. The lunch ended with hope that they would meet again, but they did not.