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Defectors - 201 openings

late 1961
Jones 1954
Gundliger
5/25/62 on 9/2/61 FBI dec.
9/1/63

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Jones	325363
Gundliger	734499
Meyer	857071
Martinek	809022
Gold	840021
Dubinsky	761429
* Ricciardelli	289238
Pittman	843597
Cottrill	275418
Buttelli	761354
Amron	

Opened earlier

Block, Morris & Moore

Frank 2 yrs. before this

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Name	Defective	Ret. to U.S.	201 - Opening	Defining
Jones, Louis Henry	Cuba 1961 MOSCOW 1963 - on business	8/25/66	5/25/62 on 9/29/61 FBI doc.	No Record
Hundinger, Martin	1957 to USSR; married there 1958 Ret. to U.S. 2/1/60	7/23/59	9/1/63 - No source doc.	No Record
Seyler, Karl Henry	E. Germany - Ret. in USSR sometime Oct. 6-10/61	5/66	9/4/69 on 2/25/66 FBI doc.	No Record
Lock, Mollie (see Morris Block)			No date; on 3/28/62 Army doc.	
Antinkus, Anthony Vitas	By Jan. 19, 1961	2/64	12/12/66 - No source doc.	No Record
Old, Robert	1961; contacted Sov. Emb. in D.C. in Sept. & Oct. 1967	1961	9/17/68; on 8/2/68 FBI doc.	No Record
Wiken, Jas. Dudley	10/23/60	?; in Cat. B. 8/2/65	11/1/60 - No source doc.	No record
Winsky, Shirley	1961 - Ren. U.S. cit. & neg. Sov. cit.; arrived Moscow Nov. or Dec. 1962	Rep. for ret. to U.S. in 2/63	Eligible; on 1964 FBI doc.	No record
Giardelli, Kibero	7/59	6/28/63 on nonquota immigrant visa	12/21/60 - SE/SIG as source doc.	1) 7/12/63 Report of info. telephonically furnished Regional Intelligence Officer, Bur- lington, VT.

2) Chronology indicates co field office in Boston debriefed him on 7/10/63.

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Name	Defective	Ret. to U.S.	201-Opening	Debriefing
Wack, Susan	China 12/59-5/61; in USSR @ 1961 en route to U.S.	6/61	8/9/57 on FBI doc.; Active CP member	No Record

Wman, John	Am. Moscow 10/6/59	Rep. Moscow 8/62	12/10/68 on 10/10/68 FBI Report	No Record
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[From machine listing - not to be filed]

Winston, Henry	9/61	2/64	No date; no source doc.; probably issued by early 1950's	No record
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Went to USSR as CPUSA delegate to 22nd Congress of CPSU

Wynell, Harold	2/27/58	Am. Copenhagen w/family from Moscow on 6/29/59	4/6/60 on 7/23/59 FBI doc.	1/7/6/59 Cable from Copenhagen to Director;
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Indicates they were unable to obtain complete or coherent story. "Consider full & controlled debriefing by CIA; FBI desirable".

2) 7/16/59 Memo, Angleton to Dir., FBI; re: Wynell. Includes paragraph stating CIA requests results of any investigation by FBI. "He would be pleased to give any assistance necessary, including joint participation in the debriefing of Subject in precise details as his experiences in the USSR and his contacts while abroad."

3) No CIA docs. ^{actual} re: debriefing. FBI Report of: a) 7/9/59; b) 7/23/59; and c) 8/21/59.

Woda, Vladimir	8/2/60		1/17/60 on 8/7/60	Life interviewed after Cable leaving husband in USSR - by [redacted] on 3/19/63; CIA was provided a report of interview
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Wok, Morris	7/59	6/64	8/20/57 on 8/20/57	1) Report of seaman source who talked with in Odessa in 4/64; 2) No Record of CIA contact after their arrival; 3) 4 FBI reports on blocks following their return to U.S.
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Name	Defection	Ret. to U.S.	24-Opening	Debriefing
Anthony, Joseph	8/60 (minister) Source/also met w/ Jim in Moscow	11/30/63 - A.D.A. as reported by Sov. Govt. to CIA East.	12/21/60 on CI/SIG as source doc.	10/24/60 CIA debrief Signee Report from
Kuller, Nicholas	Entered USSR - 8/10/59 Decided to remain there - 8/13/59 Ret. U.S. cit. - 9/2/59	9/22/59	10/1/64 on 1/21/64 FBI doc.	No record
non, Irving	Lived in USSR 1933- 1962	9/26/62	9/17/64 on 2/25/64 FBI doc.	Interviewed on 9/3/64
Wise, Bruce	8/19/60 - defected from U.S. Army in E. He is asked for asylum in USSR	Left USSR for W. H. in 7/63	12/21/60 by AE on CI/SIG as source doc.	Debriefed by SOO in Kiev on 8/24/63 by 66th MED.
Alperin, Maurice Hymen Edith Hymen	1953 - defected to Mexico 12/58 - moved to USSR	Left USSR for Cuba in 10/62	9/3/57 9/24/56	Telephonic surveillance 1957-8 Mail interception No Record of debriefing
Artin, Min Hamilton	Disappeared 6/24/60 8/6/60 while - believed to have gone behind Iron Curtain		8/3/60	—
Chen, Robert Edward	Oct. 17-19, 1959	2/6/62	10/20/59	Yes

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Louis Henry Jones 325363

Personal File Action Reg.

Date: 5/25/62 From: Anita Potocki for TFW/CI

Source Doc. DBF-90969 9/29/61

Action Desk: Cuba

Comments: Suspect Cuban agent

Travelled from Moscow in April 1961 at invitation
Cuban govt. ~~PROHIBITED~~

Everything else in file is 3rd agency - all FBI. (Field File # 105-42974) (Bur. File 105-98177)
1st FBI doc. is 8/28/61; next one is 9/21/61; then 6/11/62

As per machine listing, he defected to Cuba in 1961.

Was in Moscow in 1963, possibly on business for Cubans

Ret. to US ^{Aug. 25,} 1966

No appearance of direct debriefing by FBI or anyone - info. comes from other sources.

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Gruendlinger, Martin - 734499

Personality File Action Request

Date: 9/1/63 From: Verda Larson CI/SP Action Desk: CI/SP

Comments: Now living in Moscow. Married to Elena Ivanovna Pyatnitskaya

Source: None

12/5/66 MFR; RE: "Am. Defectors to the USSR"

Att.: Info re Gruendlinger from: 1) 8/7/61 FBI Report

2) pre-11/60 AEFIRWAY (SR/10)

? Chronology: References in chronology to Embela., 201 & CI/SIG

9/8/69 MFR by H. Sandel re: G's impending arrival to conf. in U.S. in 1969 -
no ops. interest

Chron. indicates: G went to USSR in 1957; marr. there in 1958

Ret. to U.S. alone 7/23/59

Ret. to USSR

No indication

of CIA debriefing ^{while} in U.S.**DO NOT REPRODUCE
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Meyer, Karl Henry 857071

201 Pers. File Act. Reg.

Date: 9/4/69 From: Anne Lee Smyth Office: CI/KIA

Source Doc.: DBB-39905 2/25/66

Comments: Construction Objective: Visited Saigon in '66 on pacific mission

3rd Agency Docs: 2 FBI reports from 1966

Block, Mollie 761424

Pers. File Act. Reg.

Date: ^{None} 6/28/62 From: A. Egerton

Source Doc.: DCA 5374 3/28/62

Action Desk: CI/SIG

Comments: Appl. to Am. Emb. Moscow for visa for self to U.S. for herself, husband & daughter in 3/62

(Another)
Doc. same as in 201-194231

Martinkus, Anthony

201 Pers. File Act. Reg.

Date: 12/12/66 From: RHO/201/COB Office: CI/RA 2

Source Doc.: None

Comments: Sov. authorities refused to accept visit visa appl. to USSR

Info. from Mos. Reported 486 - 1/19/61 states Sovs. refused to accept visit visa - consider him to be stateless
3rd agency - looks like 1 doc.

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Gold, Robert

201 Pers. File Action Reg.

Date: 9/14/68 From: D.J. D'Aiuto CI/KA

Source Doc.: DBC - 24928

Comments: Reader USSR 1961 Contracted Sov. Emb. 9-10/67.

Last add. 4100 N. Dearborn Chicago Sep. 3/68 Present location unknown

Country of location: USA Act. Desk: C/NA Sec. Desk: SB/CL

3rd Agency Docs.: Not indicated as to contents.

Parker, Jas. Audley 287270

Pers. File Act. Reg.

Date: 11/14/60 From: Ruth Kippert CI/SI

Source Doc.: None Action Desk: CI/SI

Comments: None

Info. on J.D.P. (Ref. 10/60) according to AD Ingram G-252, 10/26/60, he traveled on plane from Budapest USSR on 10/23/60.

11/9/60 Bio. sheet - Info. from DBF - 61279 11/60

11/11/61 Office Memo, Chief, Contact Div. OO to Chief CI Staff; Re: Possible defection of U.S. cit. (Parker) in Moscow as related by source who was traveling on same plane

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12/5/66 MFR re Am. Defs. in USSR

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No attach. on JDP
No record of act. or of debriefing

3rd Agency - no indication of contents

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Dubinsky, Shirley

Per. File Act. Reg.

Date: Illegible

From: Anna Egerton CI/SIG

Source Doc: - FBI ? 11/64

Action Desk: CI/SIG

Comments: U.S. address - Miami, Fla.

Applied for passport 4/23/61 - Daughter of ? Dubinsky born in 5/95 in Russia & naturalized in U.S. - Rose D. born in Poland

1961 - Renounced U.S. cit. & reg. USSR cit.

(see)
Rev. in Moscow Nov. or Dec. 1962

2nd No other docs. other than 201 file review sheet.

3rd agency - no indication as to contents

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Vibero Ricciardelli 289238

Personality File Action Log

Date: 12/21/60 by CI/SIG Ann-Spencer

Source Doc: CI/SIG Action Item: CI/SI

Comments: Residence in USA: Houston, Texas.

in USA: 1947-1952

Defected to the USSR while in USSR as tourist in July, 1959.

- Uncl. info. re V.R.: 8/3/59 New York - In 1959, V.R. sold house & belongings in Fla. & said he was going to new job in Barbados - last anyone heard of him until he turned up in Moscow.
- News articles re R.
- Doc. X-ref. sheet on XAHZ-12952 dated 10/2/62 Report of Helen Howard Putridger who met R. & his wife while serving as guide w/ Medicine-USA exhibit in USSR from Mar-July 1962.
- 7/4/63 W.P. account of R family's ret. to U.S. at end of 6/63.
- 7/2/63 Report, ^{by H.T. Flagg, Chief File Officer} ^{by info} telephonically furnished by Mrs. Chas Johnston, Regional Intell. Officer, Washington 24.
- Subj., whose sec. is in file, left US in 2/59 to go to USSR.
- On 6/28/63 he entered US at N.Y. w/ non-quota immigrant visa - visa petition was submitted by wife, approved in Chicago 5/23/63, & the visa was issued on 6/14. He was traveling on Sov. passport. Wife is US cit. & they have 3 children.
- Subj's visa now located in Boston where he's living (S lived in Moscow in 1959; in Kiev from 1959-63).

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R. Ricciardelli

12/5/66 MFR RL: Am. Defectors to USSR

Chron. on L.R.

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Susan Frank 191098

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Personality (201) File Request (Amend)

Date: 3/13/59

From: RTA/201 Signed: X44d

Source Doc.: DBF-19795

Action Desk: CI/ICA

Comments: LIT: USA

In contact with CP members in 1958

Residence 11/58, 110 Christopher St., N.Y.C.

Per. (201) File Reg. (Open)

Date: 8/9/57

From: P. Luffie

Source Doc.: DBF 87904

Action Desk: CI

Per. (201) File Reg. (Amend)

Date: 9/29/59

From: RTA/201 Signed: L. S. S.

Source Doc.: DBF-33269

Action Desk: CI/ICA 2nd Country Int.: UK

Comments: LIT: USA

Husband: Frank, Richard Lytle

Passport # 42431

Renewed 8/58

Wouldn't answer ?'s relating to past or present membership in CP. Subj. has been member of CP(NY) but denies being one now because of husband's position w/ CBS-TV program "Conquest".

(Comm. Party member, suspect.

201 Per. File Reg. (Amend)

Dated: 4/10/68

From: Richard Olm

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No Source Doc.

Action Desk: CIOP/100

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Frank (cont.)

12/30/59 Dispatch, COS-Bern to Chief FE: RE: Report that Frank is in Bern 12/10/59 → 10/12/59, left for Zurich, where inquired for flight to Prague. Also had contact w/ Cheom Emb. in Bern.

2/2/60 Memo, DDP to Dir, FBI: Frank - often person desiring to go to Comm. China from Party. go to Prague

No info. in this file indicates that they ever went to China or USSR

Machine listing indicates that SH6 lived in Peking ca 12/59-5/61.

- Was in USSR ca 1961 en route to U.S.

- Ret. to US @ 6/61.

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Pittman, John Owen 843597

201 Personality File action request

Date: 12/10/68

From: ~~Robert Ober~~ CI/S

Doc. opened in: ~~AB~~ 10/10/68 FBI Report

Machine printout indicates suby. ^{arrived} departed Moscow 10/6/59; departed ca 8/62
to ref. to US - San Francisco

^{also}
File contains:

8/23/69 Daily World article

9/23/69 " " article

Card on TOP indicates he visited N. Korea in 1969

FOIS News Service printout - Korean trip 1969

No debriefing by CIA.

All 3rd agency docs. re FBI reports

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Henry Winston

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201 Personality File Action Request

Date: None

From: ~~Winston~~ ^{Obs - FK}

Comments: Delete ~~Winston~~

Doesn't give doc. or which file was opened

File indicates (in 10/16/65 Message, Dir. to Santiago) that ^{in 1949} 1 suby. was convicted & sentenced to 5-yr. term for conspiring to advocate overthrow of U.S. govt. Not apprehended until 1956 when imprisoned w/ add'l. 3 yr. sentence. Reld. 1961.

Travelled to S. U. 9/61 as CPUSA delegate to 22 Congress CPUSA. Ret. USA 2/64. Long history as Communist (since 1931).

File probably opened by early 50's.

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Litynell, Harold

Personality (201) File Request

Date: 4/6/60

Signed: R. Del Vecchio

From: SR/2

Source Doc.: DBF 28658 - FBI Report of 7/23/59

Country of Residence: 100 Primary Risk Interest: 702

Agency file contains

- Does dated early 7/59. Copenhagen to Secy. State and/or Dir. CIA; RE: Litynell - States L arrived Copenhagen w/ family 6/29 from Moscow claiming invol. detection USSR from 10/28/58. States L entered USSR via Czech. 2/27/58 as tourist but intend. est. residence & acquire Sov. cit. Emp. in Kharkov as Design Engr., became disillusioned w/ Sov. cit & attempted to ret. US

Consider full & controlled briefing by CIA; FBI desirable

- 7/16/59 Memo, Langston to Dir., FBI; RE: Litynell - Agency reqs. results of any FBI invest.; states "He would be pleased to give any assistance necessary, inc. joint participation in the debriefing of Subj. in precise details as his experiences in the USSR & his contacts while there."

- Next does. begin 4/1/59. SA Peg. for info which shows Litynell w/ addresses in Bulgaria & in West Berlin, Bonn.

Third Agency Docs.

FBI Reports: 7/23/59 (DBF 28658)

: 7/9/59 (DBF-27585)

Not more 3rd Agency docs. until 6/3/65 FBI report

8/21/59 (DBF-32518) File N.Y. 105-36682

also

±? may be FBI debriefing?

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Sloboda, Vladimir

Personality File Action Request

Dated: 11/11/60

From: [redacted] EE/6/CE

Source Doc: IN 34582 (8/7/60)

Comments: Former 513 MTG & contact

Action Desk: EE/6/CE [redacted] Desk: [redacted]

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Does prior to opening of 201 include:

- Many press reports & reports from armed forces in Germany re Sloboda's defection (early Aug./60) Ref. to USSR 8/2/60.

up to 8/1/62 re
chronology

- Undated, unmarked (except for - 572 Moscow, Enclosure 1) report of visit to Mrs. Sloboda in Nov. - to inquire, on behalf of Consular Section, about progress of visa application for their son.

- Source doc. (8/7/60) indicates S's defection; info. that ops officer believes subj. had very limited access to 513 MTG files or operations.

- Several docs. (dated Aug. - Nov.) re S's access to class. info, knowledge of persons serving in specific intell. ops.

- 8/10/60 Green List Check - indicates info. on S in FI/D.

- 5/22/62 Dispatch, Chief SR & Chief NE to COS, London, re list of questions for Mrs. Sloboda who left England in USSR & ret. to London.

No response in file as to date of question Mrs. S.

- Chronology indicates [redacted] was interviewed by [redacted] on 3/19/63

- 4/19/63 Dispatch, COS, London to Chief, SR & Chief, NE; RE: [redacted] Attached report of 3/19/63 interview w/ Mrs. S.

- Denied that she was recruited by Sov. intell. or ever approached by them.

Third Agency Docs.:

Earliest

State Telegram # 76, 8/6/60

U.S. Army Report 9/11/60 RE: Sloboda

" " 9/30/60 " "

Other State, Army & FBI docs. in 1961 & 1962.

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Block, Morris & Mollie

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Morris Block -

Dated: 8/20/57

Source: [redacted] 88460 8/20/57 FBI (Hask) to CIA, 8/15/57, file

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1st doc. is:

- 5/9/49 Dispatch, Chief, London Station to Chief, BCD; RE: Alleged Communists, M & M Block, en route to Hawaii via Southampton.
- 8/20/57 doc. lists Morris Block as an American en route to the Moscow Youth Festival via France
- Defected to USSR in 7/59 after an unsuccessful attempt to defect in the summer of 1958.

4/29/64 Dispatch, LOS, Oslo to Chief, WE; RE: Forwards a report from a seaman source who, while in contact on 4/2/64, had a 5-min. conversation w/ Block & family.

Newspaper articles indicate that Block family returned to U.S. in mid-June 1964.

No CIA reports of contact w/ Blocks after their return.

File shows 4 reports of FBI on Blocks following their return.

: 1 Navy doc. (NIO), 5/10/65. Op-921 E/jb Ser 002237P92

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4 vols. of 201 file contain primarily third agency docs. (mainly FBI), starting 7/11/50 — 4/4/66

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Dutkiewicz, Joseph

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Personality File Action Request

From: Ann Egerton

Dated: 12/21/60

Source Doc.: CI/SIG

Comments: A Communist ~~in~~ served in U.S. Armed Forces reported missing in 1960 after having been dis part in N. Germany since 7/16/60. ~~11/60~~

Contains:

- Various news dispatches & articles re Dutkiewicz's defection dating from July 27, 1960.
- 7/29/60 Army Intell. Report re articles on D's alleged defection
- 8/19/60 Dispatch [] to Director, RE: USAREUR doesn't feel that D's reported defection has any great significance re US intell. effort.
- 10/24/60 CIA Intell. Report; RE: Info. from source (a U.S. minister) re meeting w/ D in Korea.
- Remainder of docs. re D's defection prepared for S.A. 11/60 dates after 5/62

No indication of CIA ~~involvement~~

Third Agency Docs:

- Earliest doc. is State Dispatch #497 dated 12/11/61 re Mrs. D.
- Other docs. include FBI reports; S.A. docs.; Report by Production Branch, Intell. Div., HQ USAREUR; Army Study; dating from 12/27/61 - 1/31/66

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Petrulli, Nicholas

Entered Soviet Union as tourist on 8/10/59;

Decided to stay in S.U. & not continue w/ travel group on 8/18/59; informed ^{Emb officials} on 8/28/59;

Renounced U.S. citizenship on 9/2/59;

Ret. to U.S. Emb. on 9/8/59. ^{Emb officials} dissatisfaction w/ S.U.; desire to return home.

Ret. to N.Y. on 9/22/59.

Immunity File Action Request:

Date: 10/1/64

Source Doc.: DBA-62069 FBI Report # 100-32163, 100-431848 of 1/21/64

Comments: Ren. Am. cit., Moscow, 1959. Applied for Sov. cit., never rec'd.

Ret. to USA, 1959.

File consists primarily of 3rd agency docs:

1) 1 State Dispatch from Emb Moscow 9/25/59

2) 10 FBI docs. from 9/1/59 to 5/6/62

No other CIA generated docs. other than info. based on above docs. & newspaper articles.

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Amron, Irving

Amron was residing in USSR from 1933-1962. This was not reflected in machine listing from which request was made.

Amron applied to Agency for employment in letter dated 6/21/64.

" submitted Personal History Statement dated 7/5/64.

Biometric File Request dated 9/8/64.

Source document: FBI F# 105-2862; B# 105-100312 2/28/64

Newark, N.J. (DBA 78100) Sealed as 3rd Agency doc.

10/22/64 MFR indicates Amron was interviewed (debriefed) on 9/3/64 by
intell. officer using DDA cover.

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Bruce Davis - 201-289235

Personality File Action Request, 12/21/60 by ^{and Egger} 201-289235

Comments: Deserted U.S. Army in Germany, 8/60.

: Deserted to East 5/1/60

Undated report on ~~Page~~ Bruce Frederick

Contains info. on defection from:

1) Dept. of Army dispatch from Moscow on 10/22/60;

2) Articles from 10/22/60 Nash. Evening Star and 10/23/60 N.Y. Times

Dept. of State, incoming Telegram ^{10/22} dated 10/22/60, Moscow to Secy. of State re

Soviet press statement on defection of Davis

Earliest sealed 3rd agency doc. is ~~dated~~ his Force doc., dated 7/12/62.

Copy of above doc. is in file:

Dept. of his Force Intelligence Report dated 7/12/62; Subject: Encounter w/ 2 U.S.

Defectors during ^(Am.) USA Medical Exhibit in Kiev, USSR

- Details encounter of source who served as guide at U.S. Medical Exhibit held in Moscow, Kiev & Leningrad from March to July 1962, w/ Bruce F. Davis and Vibero Ricciardelli.

Cross Reference Sheet for ^{10/21/62} ~~above~~ doc. on Helen Howard Partridge who served as a guide w/ Medicine - USA exhibit in USSR from March to July 1962.

She executed a statement on 9/13/62, detailing her contact w/ Am. defectors Bruce Davis & Vibero Ricciardelli. Also mentions names of other guides who had contact w/ Davis.

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B. F. Davis (cont.)

DDO Intelligence Information Report dated 10/24/63

Report contains limited NIS information concerning the city of Kiev, where SOURCE (Burr F. Davis) spent approx. 3 mos. from 10/60 - 7/63. Info.

was acquired at Frankfurt, Germany on 8/7/63

6/11/62 Internal Report of Burr Davis

Looks like details of contact w/ George Humphrey & Helen Partridge.
(Both guides at Medical Exhibit in ^{USSR} Moscow in 1962.

6/24/62 Memo, COS Moscow [] to Chief, SR; Subject:

Security; Encounter w/ Am. defector. Attached copy of report prepared by 2 indivs. who encountered an Am. defector who deserted from the Army in Berlin. ... name was not familiar to us here in Moscow, & did not appear in my files, the info. has been reported...

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Halperin, Maurice Hymen

Halperin has 7-volume 201-file.

- 201 file begins with employment records during 1940's.
- Indicates that during his employment w/ OSS in Wash., D.C., Halperin was passing info. to ~~Tamara~~ ^{known} Soviet espionage agent. Apparently, FBI was investigating case until late 1953, when Halperin left U.S. for Mexico.
- 201 file requests on M.H. Halperin and Edith Fried Halperin are dated 9/3/57 and 9/24/56, respectively. Files indicate heavy telephonic surveillance on Halperins during 1957 & 1958.
- Files also contain copies of correspondence to Halperins.
- Left Mexico in 1958.
- Lived in Soviet Union from 12/58 until 10/62, when they moved to Cuba.
- + ~~Believed to be~~ Employed as ~~professor~~ at Simon Fraser U. in Vancouver.

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Mr. Hamilton Martin

Disappeared 6/24/60.

Wash. D.C. Star of 8/6/60 : presumed to have gone behind Iron Curtain

N.Y.T. - 9/7/60 : Text of statements read by Mr. M in Moscow

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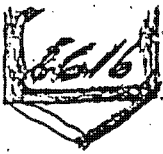
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From: Mr. K. Hawley

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Robert E. Webster file

DOB 23 Oct 28 - Ohio

CIA has no operational relationship with Mr. Webster - letter from Dulles to Bundy dated 15 Apr 61

Was employed as plastic expert by the Rand Development Corp. of Cleveland Ohio

Sub enlisted electronics specialist in U.S. Navy.

Traveled to USSR in connection with the American Exhibition in Moscow, 1959

17 Oct 59 officially renounced his U.S. Citizenship

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dated 10/17/20/59 -

Probably opened on 10/20/59 from news articles - earliest 3rd agency was AF doc. 10/23/59.

Webster, Robert E.

Vol. I

Bio sheets & newspaper articles provide following info.:

- Webster made a series of trips to Moscow during March-July 1959 in conjunction w/ Rand Corp. exhibit at the Moscow Exhibition.
- Webster ~~reappeared~~ ^{REPRODUCTION PROHIBITED} on a trip on 9/10/59 when the Rand Corp. personnel ~~was~~ ^{was} in Moscow.
- N reportedly renounced U.S. cit. @ Oct. 17-19, 1959. Was informed by Sovs. that if he accepted Sov. cit., he wouldn't be able to leave country.

10/6/59 SA Telegram, ^{+1082, (H. memo)} Moscow to Secy. State; RE: Receipt of letter from Webster stating his decision to remain in S.U. to live & work. Enb. unable to determine N's whereabouts in Leningrad.

10/8/59 MFR by Emmett J. McMortley - SR / COP / FI; RE: Attempts to locate Webster; receipt of (above) Enb. cable.

- AIC Cleveland ~~advised~~ ^{REPRODUCTION PROHIBITED} N was carrying out clandestine work for CIA which ~~had~~ ^{had} been coordinated w/ them. Has assumed that this was not ~~an~~ ^{an} to ~~our~~ ^{our} knowledge. N had not been briefed by & was unknown to either DDP or OO offices.
- Check made w/ Mr. Mills; had encountered N in a few social occasions; he will consult w/ Messrs. Vinkelman & Rayson to produce a more complete picture of N.

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10/20/59 MFR by Bruce K. Solie, OS / SRS; RE: Webster

- Egerton advised Papich called Roman re Agency interest in N.
- OS files - no clearance; was an OO/c int. in N in late May '59, but N wasn't contacted by OO/c prior to trips to USSR.
- CI/OA files - no record.

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- 10/21/59 Office Memo, E.S. Rittenburg, Cleveland to Chief, ^{Contract Div.} DCM, Attn: Support Br. (Crowley); RE: R.E. Webster case at recent Machine Searching Conference on 10/20/59 - ^{Contract Div.} has no interest in matter.

- 10/22/59 Office Memo, Rittenburg to Resident Agent to Chief, ^{Contract} Div.; Attn: Support Br. (Crowley); RE: Webster - Questions asked by Major R.H. Lerman of OSI:

- a) Is this office doing anything re W's defection?
 - b) If not, do they contemplate doing anything?
 - c) What would this office have done if W ret. normally?
- Rittenburg called next day w/ response that they knew only what was in newspapers re W; (not very cooperative)

- 10/30/59 Office Memo, Rittenburg to Crowley; RE: Kent (of WRU) conversation w/ H.J. Rand re R.E. Webster

- 10/26/59 Memo, ^{Agency interest in} Sheffield to ^{Agency} FBT; RE: Webster

- W has never been seen by Agency; was considered for debriefing May-June 1959, however he wasn't contacted prior to dep. for USSR
- Agency does have a ltd. contractual relationship w/ Cleveland office of Rand Develop. Corp. on develop. of tech. material of int. to Agency. In view of W's empl. w/ RDC, please forward any info. obtained in investig. of W.

10/23/59 Info. on Vera Lorkenko, W's girlfriend

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✓ 10/28/59 Report on W:

W was given sec. clearance 6/5/59 but never had access to military info.

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Report of interview of N by Snyder, ^{on 10/17/59} in presence of H.T. Read & Geo.
Bookbinder at the DBVIR in Moscow. - reasons for defection; also signed
renunciation of U.S. cit.

3/22/60 Off. of Defense Intelligence to Asst. Chief, Contact Div.; Attn: Support Branch (Crowley) re: indication (from 3/22/60 Cleveland Press article) of W's desire to ret. to U.S.

3/25/60 Om. Ketterburg to Gravie

- Rand contacted by W's father to aid in bringing W home.
- Rand indicated he would contact SA & Sov. Emb. Wash. to see what could be done.
- R quoted Snyder of US Emb Moscow as saying there would be no difficulty from U.S. side. Even though W is Sov. cit., Sov. quota is never filled & since he's broken no laws, he should be able to enter US as alien if necessary.
- R indicated may be value in bringing W back for intell. reasons.

Several Office ~~has~~ ^{has} its interest & actions in return to US.

12/20/60 File Review of Office of Security files, SD reflected (besides doc. re N's defection) the following:

5/4/60 Telegram (#2697) Am Emb Moscow to SD: RE: Visit of W that afternoon; interviewed by Security & Consular officers; asked for advice re act. to US.

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- States that W's father should be advised to execute visa petition & also forward notarized letters of invitation from self & Mrs. W. for W's use in making sov. and visa appl.
- W was given standard invit. letter to facilitate future entries into Ent.

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17 FBI Reports -

2 Rept. of AF Memos

• 4 SA docs. - 11/12/59; 3/22/60; 1/18/62; 6/8/60

Vol. II ✓

- PRQ - Part I

Handwritten note: *Handwritten note: someone after return to US.*

- News articles re W's ^{permeation} network to act. to US @ 5/16/62.

- Undated Memo, Jax. B. Yare, Assessment & Evaluation Staff, Office of Ling. to Mr. Rudy Balaban, SR/6 Attacking:

Report of Court Assessment of R.E. Webster - assessed on 7/23-24/62

- Report based on psych. testing

- Attach. to Pitt Report 21345 - "List of Room & Retention Items from R.E. Webster"

3rd Agency -

1 FBI Report of 1/8/62
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Office Memos from Cleveland re Reed & W's net.

Correspondence bet. H & Janeke

CIA Info. Report

Country: USSR

Subj: Reassigned Soviet. Res. Sect. of Poly. Plastics (NIIPP)
Res. & Org. of Sov. Plastics Tech.

Date of Info.: 11/15/59 - 4/18/62

Report # 00-B 3232798

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CA/00 Case 38246

Joint report of Foreign Tech. Div., AF Systems Command, & CIA

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6/4/62 Request for Approval or Investigative Action

To: CI/Op. App. & Supp. Div.

From: AC/SR/6/Supp.

: Sec. Supp. Div. /DS

R. T. Balaban

Reqs.: Provisional Cover Security Approval

Spec. Area of Use: Debriefing & other Sov. realities data

Clearance req. to debriefing & experience as a resident of S.U. prior to
during defection @ 9/10/59.

6/22/62 Memo, DD Security (Invest. & Oper. Supp.) to Chief, SR Div.; Attn: Balaban

- A PCSA may be granted for use as described; subj. is not to represent
himself nor to be represented as an emp. of CIA. If change in status is desired,
new request should be made.

7/5/62 Author. to expend funds ^{for Debriefing} of Soviet Associate ^(EOW) of int. to SR Div.

Funds for use of safe house approx. 14 days. Chargeable to Project

DDA

7/11/62 Memo: Request for Handwriting Analysis

7/12/62 Telegram to Stuart Pollock, to EE, USSR (Koolay), Att.
data recorded on Sov. realities

7/16/62 Personal History Statement of Webster

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7/18/62 Memo, J. F. Marzani, Chief TS&GARBB to Chief DA/P/SR; RE:
Handwriting analysis as per req. of 7/11/62.

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7/24/64 MFR ^{by Howard J. Stark;} RE: Assessment of R.W. in area of plastics

7/24/62 Interview Report by Dr. Chas. L. Bohner, 10pp.; RE:

Background info. of N; ^{info. on} ~~assess~~ ^{in S.W. & ret. to U.S.}

7's: Is this man ^{so} controlled? Highly unlikely.

If not, could he become a security, if things don't go well in future & he is offered suitable financial reward.

Undated MFR of 7/19/62 Debriefing of R.E.W. by Ned Bennett, CA/PROP/OB;
RE: Views on Sov. attitudes W/other additional notes

8/1/62 MFR by Victor F. Zimin; RE: Area in interrogation which cast a shadow on W's bona fides.

8/27/62 Memo, Mr. Stone, IR/CR to Eleanor Reed; RE: Appraisal of Stern.

8/30/62 Memo, S. Duncan, SR/CR to W. J. 8/16/62 support; RE: Photo Ident.

11/1/62 Memo, Virgil L. Davis, Chief, SE/L RE: Debriefing of REW 7/16-17/62

I. Outline of Life Story of REW - complete chron.

II. Wide info. on Sov. Realities 1959-62: TV, ^{sociological i.e. conditions, prices,} taxi, mail, medical treatment, voting

III. Biog. info. on Sov. Personalities known to W-1959-62

IV. Assessment of REW

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2 SW telegrams - 5/4/62 and 3/27/62

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4/16/63 memo, Balaban to Chief, SR/6 ; RE: Debriefing of R. E. Webster

1. Subj. debriefed by undersigned together w/00/Contact Div. &
AF reps. in Pittsburgh during 7/2-3/62.

Balaban = Rudy Valentino

other used names

= Keller, Stuart

= Robert Sterling

= Jack [unclear]

= Major E. J. Zortina

= Mr. F. G. Taylors

00 Office, Pittsburgh

AF Foreign Sec. Div., Wright Patterson
AFB, Ohio

Recommended that subj. be brought to A.C. for detailed debriefing.

Arrangements for 2nd debriefing made by OS

Subj. stayed at Marriott Hotel, Key Budge, during 7/15-28/62.

Enclosure A: List of staff personnel who participated in debriefing.

" B: Notations made by Balaban during various phases of debriefing

" C: Secrecy agreement, dated 7/16/62, signed by subj.

" D: " " Statement of truthfulness, signed by subj.

" E: Short drug on subj.

Refs. to Oswald

5/11/64 memo, Angleton to Dir., FBI re LHO

- Attached copy of names, addresses & phone #'s re S.U. - one address
in denigral of Lev Prizentsev is same or similar to W's address
here.

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12/5/66 MFR, from [] re "Am. Defectors to USSR" w/attached chron. re W.

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5/10/67 Memo, B. Keller Stewart, Jr. (Chief, Pitts. Office) to Dir. DCS; RE: REN

- We've had no contact w/H since 1963 when we completed handling of him
under [unclear] 1966

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RE W.

Defection:

How aided by Sovs? Popov & Shukel - high govt. officials (KGB)

How aided in obtaining employment?

Any contact with Sovs? (3/60) After attempts to return to U.S.? After ret. to US?
Contacts at Sov. Emb. in Moscow

- SA

- CIA

PRQ- Pt. I - why; when (1st deb.)?

Debriefing

Did debriefing indicate any desire by agency to use him

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