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CIA files on these persons were requested and reviewed by HSCA

staff members.

their contact with the defector to the Agency. <sup>Ernest Baker (Rothman) 2 blocks</sup> One file reg. a former military person <sup>contains a debriefing</sup> who defected to the U.S. & report of a debriefing conducted by mil. intell. (Lansing) <sup>One of the remaining 4 indivs. was</sup>

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[Redacted]  
file

Rice: int. in info. in several areas

Webster:

of the remaining 4 indivs. <sup>who were directly debriefed</sup> had a direct ag. contact upon their ret. to the U.S., the

The circumstances of the Agency's contact w/ the 4 remaining indivs. were diff. in each case. <sup>Another returning H.C.</sup> One of the defectors was [unwittingly] interviewed [by a CIA officer] [Redacted] upon his departure from the S.U. en route to the U.S. While L's file indicates that the Agency considered a full & controlled debriefing by the CIA & FBI de conducted & Angleton wrote to the FBI suggesting a joint debriefing, there is no evidence in L's 201 file nor any [Redacted] does which suggest further contact on the part of the CIA.

One of the individuals <sup>who had actually been living</sup> had actually been living in the USSR since 1932 <sup>returned to the U.S. in 1962.</sup>

[Redacted]

Open debriefings were conducted of the other two defc. <sup>a plastic expert with</sup> <sup>whose defection</sup> <sup>the Road Rev. Corp. in 1959</sup> <sup>was highly publicized,</sup> was in

More extensive debriefings were conducted of the other 2 defc. <sup>Shortly thereafter, components</sup> <sup>of Webster in his home territory.</sup> <sup>Webster had been employed in the S.U. at the Leningrad Scientific Inst. of Polymeric Plastics</sup>

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(This fact was corroborated by <sup>Ronald Beasley</sup> another CIA employee <sup>worked</sup> who worked in the FAD in the Sov. Branch of the Directorate of Intelligence in 1962 told the HSCA that he specifically recalled collecting intelligence info. regarding the Miami Radio Plant. In fact, Beasley claims <sup>believes</sup> that, during the summer of 1962, he reviewed a contact report <sup>from</sup> of an interview <sup>from</sup> of the CIA's [redacted] who interviewed a former Marine who had ~~been~~ worked at the Miami Radio Plant following his defection to the USSR. This person who Beasley believes may have been Oswald had been living w/ his family in Miami. Beasley advised the Committee that the contact report was filed in a volume concerning the Miami Radio Plant which should be retrievable from the Industrial Registry Branch which, in 1962, was a component of the OLC.

The HSCA <sup>made a request</sup> requested <sup>to the</sup> the CIA. The HSCA requested that the CIA provide the Committee <sup>both the</sup> above-described contact report & the vol. of materials concerning the Miami Radio Plant. <sup>(with the latter)</sup> <sup>the latter</sup> was a review of the docs. in the volume in the M.R.P. <sup>indicated</sup> that no such file existed. The CIA provided the volume regarding the M.R.P. but no contact report existed in that file. (OLC). The file review did indicate that in 1975, Daniel Schorn had made a similar request <sup>and on info</sup> <sup>from Beasley</sup> <sup>was informed</sup> by the CIA that <sup>such report</sup> no <sup>such report</sup> existed.

Of the 29 persons requested, <sup>the Ag. was not able to locate</sup> <sup>no</sup> <sup>files</sup> <sup>for</sup> <sup>one</sup> <sup>indiv.</sup> <sup>in</sup> <sup>the</sup> <sup>case</sup> <sup>of</sup> <sup>6</sup> <sup>other</sup> <sup>indivs.</sup>, the file review did not indicate that they ever met to the U.S.

The HSCA reviewed <sup>the</sup> <sup>CIA</sup> <sup>files</sup> <sup>on</sup> <sup>the</sup> <sup>29</sup> <sup>indivs.</sup> who fit the above-described criteria & <sup>the</sup> <sup>CIA</sup> <sup>has</sup> <sup>provided</sup> files on <sup>the</sup> <sup>28</sup> <sup>of</sup> <sup>the</sup> <sup>29</sup> <sup>indivs.</sup> on whom they maintained records. <sup>201</sup> <sup>files</sup> were reviewed as <sup>well</sup> <sup>as</sup> <sup>any</sup> <sup>existing</sup> <sup>OLC</sup> <sup>files</sup> <sup>regarding</sup> <sup>these</sup> <sup>indivs.</sup> In the case of 6 indivs., there is no indication in their files that they ever returned to the U.S. Even so, there were occasional reports from sources who observed or spoke w/ these persons while in the S.U., but there is no indication of direct contact w/ them by the CIA.

In regard to the other 23 defectors, <sup>the</sup> <sup>file</sup> <sup>review</sup> <sup>indicates</sup> <sup>that</sup> there is no record of direct CIA contact w/ 18 of them. Again, some of these files contain a report from a source who reported

It becomes clear from the review of files on these defts. that debriefing of defectors was in fact somewhat of a random occurrence. However, <sup>the CIA requested</sup> instances <sup>where</sup> <sup>the deft. appeared</sup> <sup>to be interested</sup> in <sup>usually</sup> topics of general interest <sup>reg. life in certain</sup> areas.

of the S.U. <sup>in the</sup> <sup>regard</sup> <sup>of</sup> <sup>you</sup> <sup>where</sup> <sup>are</sup> <sup>you</sup>.

the persons who were debriefed were similar to D in that they def. & ret. W in the same general time periods and spent their time in the S.U. in areas of interest to the CIA.

More ext. deb. were conducted of the other 2 defts. R. E. W., a physicist expert w/ R.A.C. whose def. to the S.U. in 1959 was highly publicized, ret. to the U.S. in 6/63. He had been employed in the S.U. at the Res. Scient. Inst. of Polytch. Elastic. Shortly after his return, He was debriefed in his home territory <sup>USA</sup> by <sup>one</sup> from DO/E, SR/6 & the R.F. It was decided that a more ext. debriefing was in order & W was subseq. brought to the Washington when he was deb. for a period of 2 wks. The deb. reports incl. a chron. of W's life & the CIA's access. of him as well as a log. body of info. regarding life in the S.U., W's work there & being info. on persons he had met during his residence <sup>there</sup>.

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Like-wise, <sup>contacted</sup> <sup>for</sup> <sup>purpose</sup> <sup>of</sup> <sup>debriefing</sup> shortly after his ret. to the U.S. in late June of 1963. His initial debriefing included such subjs. as his motivation to defect to USSR as well as activities engaged in during Moscow stay, relocation from Moscow to Kiev & general aspects of life such as residence conditions & costs, <sup>on such topics</sup> <sup>reg. life</sup> <sup>in the S.U. as cost of living, med. care, consumer goods, highways, transport, & restrictions w/ Kiev.</sup>

While the CIA felt it was unfeasible to debrief R. more thoroughly due to his current status of trying to regain U.S. cit.,

the CIA felt

1622-1125-B: Index cards

#1623-1125-C Dated 30 Oct. 1975

Discusses letters intercepted

States that copies of intercepted letters were passed to FBI in course of normal exchange of intelligence. substance doesn't relate to JFK <sup>assass.</sup>

"The records examined to date do not disclose whether or not this information was made avail. to the N.C. by the FBI or CIA."

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Copies of letters <sup>written by LHO to Justice</sup> were forwarded to CIA by letter dated 17 March 1964 from J. Lee Rankin, M.C. of N.C. to R. Helms, ADP

Intro - questions

Deil. Backgd.

Auth. file or LHO - items

Index cards

HSCA questions

Agency response

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I CIA statements to N.C. <sup>testimony</sup> (#988-927-BD), <sup>affidavit</sup> #1038-405-B, CIA info. provided W.C. (#1063-964-B, #1073-964-L) <sup>Insert for CIASS History</sup>

II CIA statements to ~~Guatemala~~ (#961, 962, 969, 970)  
CIA statements to HSCA; ALC;

III T.B.C. memo & interviews (#435-173-A)  
[#3369]

IV Defectors

M.K.  
S.O.P. - ACO

(#1004-400)

V G.R.B. request

VI ~~S.O.P. - ACO~~ <sup>#609</sup> <sup>#610</sup> See #1188-1000 p.3

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