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Jones, Louis Henry : No pertinent information

Inark, Richard Cyril : No pertinent information

Butkavicz, Joseph :

Information Report No. DD-A-3169910 Same as report in 201 file

Mitchell, Bernice F. and Martin, William H.

Information Report No. DD-A-3169975 : Report of information obtained during period of August 3-6, 1960 by U.S. business-woman who, in Yalta, overheard conversation of 2 American men who she later recognized (from newspaper reports & photos) as Mitchell & Martin who had just defected.

Halperin, Maurice H. : Contains only information from sources re Halperin in Cuba. No direct CIA contact. No info. re USSR

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ACD files (cont.)

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Ricciardelli, Yibew

- 10/3/60 Memo, Chief, Support Branch to Chief, FI/Plans/ISR;
RE: Air Force request of 9/28/60 re Ricciardelli - Files reflect no
present contact; CO/00 Field has been advised of Service interest
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- 7/11/63 Memo, Chief, Boston Field Office to Chief, Contact Division;
RE: Request for info. on R for purpose of facilitating contact.

To:
- 7/18/63 Memo, Chief, Boston Office (Capt. D.G. O'Connell) from Chief,
Contact Division; RE: Background on R (case 41096) from OS files
which date back to 1958 - Indicates no record of any other component
of Agency having an interest in Subject.

- Report OO - A-3, 269, 779 of info. developed during initial debriefing
on 7/18/63. Includes details in following subject areas:

1. Motivation to defect to USSR
2. Initial contact w/ USSR
3. Arrival in USSR
4. Written declaration of intent to become a Sov. citizen & subsequent
Soviet follow-up
5. Social activities during their stay in Moscow
5. Written statement absolving USSR of forcibly detaining them
7. Relocating from Moscow to Kiev & obtaining housing there
8. Residence controls, costs & maintenance

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- 9/24/63 Memo, Chief, Personnel Security Division, OS to Chief, Contact Division;
RE: No objection from FBI to proposed interrogation of Subject (Ricciardelli -

OCAD files

Rucciardelli (cont.)

#348295). Marked "Eye Only"; "OK to ~~continue~~ 3171152. Additional Information Furnished". Attached summary is not attached.

- 7/26/63 Memo, Chief, Boston Office to Chief, CA; Attn: EE/USSR (Dooley);
RE: Attached results of 1st debriefing session (7/15/63) indicate doubt as to feasibility of further debriefings as Subj. has submitted appeal to State Dept. to regain U.S. citizenship; therefore his story seems well-rehearsed.

- Suggests an independent interview with his wife as... "there is a feeling that much good information is available as a result of their residence in the USSR. It will be difficult to get it from her because of his appeal for citizenship but she, not being confronted with the same problem, may be willing to tell all."

- Some areas of info. that is readily available from either in addition to operational support data would be: cost of living details & family budgets, medical care, consumer goods, personal city plans & highways, new construction, public intra-city transportation system & use controls, restricted areas, etc.

- Report A-3,279,170 dated 10/22/63; RE: Letter received by ^{Professor Alexia. G. Lavchenko, a} source from Soviet citizen who had been R's next-door neighbor. Indicates possibility of using R as a source of info. on Lavchenko.

- 7/17/63 Memo, Chief, Boston Field Office to Chief, Contact Division. Reflects contact w/ R on 7/15/63 & preliminary screening w/ intent to thoroughly debrief R.

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Webster, Robert E.

File reflects:

- Correspondence between Webster and James H. Rand III of the Rand Development Corporation

- List of Koon's Retention Items from R.E. Webster

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- Report OO-B-3.232.798 ; Date of Distr.: 8/14/62 ; RE: Leningrad Scientific Research Institute of Polymerized Plastics - NIIPP

- Memos from 10/59 re Webster's defection & whether any ^{action was} attempts were being ^{taken} made regarding the defection.

- Memos from March & April 1960 re Webster's desire to return to U.S. & Rand's involvement (receipt of letters from Webster to N's father & Rand's intention to see Webster while in Soviet Union in May 1960.) Similar memos continue through May 1962.

- 6/20/62 Memo, Chief, Contact Division, EE/USSR to Chief, Pittsburgh Office; RE: DRR would like full debriefing on N's work; SR/6 and Air Force are interested in participating.

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- 1/23/67 Memo, Director, DC5 to Chief, Pittsburgh Field Office

- SB division of LS is interested in keeping track of Webster since one of the interpreters who assisted him in the USSR has now been assigned to the UN.

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Subsequent memos note Webster's whereabouts but do not show direct contact with him.

Hebster, Robt. E. (cont.)

[*] - 6/28/62 Memo, B.K. Stewart, Jr., Pittsburgh F.O. to HIES; RE: Case 38246 - Arrangements have been made to debrief Hebster on 7/2/62 in Pittsburgh w/representatives from SR/6, Air Force; Pittsburgh office of CO/C.

(E.M. Ashcroft)
- 7/2/62 Memo, Chief CD/OS to Chief, Personnel Security Division, OS;
RE: Field representative's report of initial interview (not attached).

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Hebster, Robert

CI/OA File **C-101715**

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8/10/62 Report of Covert Assessment of Robert Hebster during period of July 23 & 24, 1962 done on request of Rudy Balaban, SR/6

Report is based almost entirely on psychological tests.

Hebster was assessed to help in understanding him.

For the Director
Prepared of Training: Kenneth H. Bradt

Acting Chief, Assessment Branch

Assessment & Evaluation Staff

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Louis Henry Jones

WH 736 Information Report No. DD-A 3214522 CAC 2610

Information from Cuban source re Jones' employment in Cuba
from 6/61 to 7/62.

Frank, Richard Cyril

WH 69 Airline passenger manifests (some are not legible);
appears to show travel of

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interview with Walter P. Haltigan 3111157

Date: June 13, 1978

interviewed by: Mickey Goldsmith and Betty Wolf

A copy of the omnibus letter was given to Mr. Haltigan who read it and indicated that he understood the contents.

H Mr. Haltigan was given a copy of CIA # 435-173-A which consists of a cover letter dated 12/12/63 from Robert H. Hamprell to the Chiefs of SR and WE and to the Chief of Station in Paris forwarding a memo dated 11/25/63 which was written by Thomas B. Casasin to Walter P. Haltigan concerning C/s Casasin's prior interest in Lee Harvey Oswald. This document served as the basis for our questioning.

H Haltigan stated that in 1963 he served as Chief of the Soviet Section of the Paris station under [redacted] cover. He explained that Casasin was also an officer in the Paris station but he served [redacted] using cut-outs to make contact with others in the Paris station. Due to the nature of this arrangement, Casasin frequently wrote informal memos such as the one in #435-173-A which were then passed along to the station. These memos would then be forwarded to Headquarters, generally by Haltigan. In this particular instance, Hamprell, who served under Haltigan, forwarded the letter to Headquarters because Haltigan was in the hospital at the time.

H Haltigan explained the following portions of Casasin's memo:

- "REDWOOD" represents the Soviet Division.

- The "6 Branch" was the Operational Support and Research Branch for the Soviet Division. Its main function was the collection of

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information. Casasin was Chief of the 6 Branch until his transfer to Paris.

- KUTUMP was the cryptonym for the Office of Operations which is currently known as the DCO. If the CIA wished to contact a returning defector, it would have made contact through this office. However, Heltigan stated that it probably was not standard operating procedure to interview returning defectors due to a variety of factors such as a lack of proper follow-up measures or the fact that these cases would have fallen into the jurisdiction of the FBI.

- ODAID was the cryptonym for the State Department. Heltigan explained that it was not unusual that Casasin would have seen a State Department dispatch on Oswald as it would have been routine to receive most of State Department memos.

- Casasin's recollection of having discussed the Oswald case "in Summer 1960" as stated in the memo, must have been a mistake. Instead, he probably ^{meant the summer} ~~should have~~ of 1962.

- BI refers to biographic information.

- ~~DOVE~~ was a cryptonym for a cover which was probably a business firm. KUOOVE was the cryptonym for the DDP.

H. Heltigan explained that in paragraph 3, Casasin's ^{did not mean} ~~reference~~ that he was phasing out of the DDP altogether. Instead, his reference to phasing out of the DDP referred only to his Headquarters assignment within DDP.

- ~~DOVE~~ was the Legal Traveller program, whereby they (the DDP) gave ^{to} certain ^{persons} travelling to Soviet bloc countries operational requirements which they reported back to the Agency upon their return.

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The ~~NEOGEN/3~~ case was one in which a person picked up in Europe for the Regal Travellers program went to the USSR where he fell in love with a Soviet guide whom he married. He came out of the USSR in the summer of 1962 and his wife was permitted to join him some months later. Haltigan did not believe this to be a case where the couple was eventually divorced as this memo infers. Haltigan stated that it was unusual for Marina Oswald to be allowed to leave the Soviet Union as not many Soviet wives were permitted to leave during that time period.

- Haltigan was perplexed as to the reference to the "Harvey story" in the last line of the memo. He first stated that it must have been a typographical error which should have been the "Oswald story" instead. When it was pointed out that the sentence contains two other references to Oswald which makes it unlikely that this was merely a typographical error, he expressed confusion with respect to the reference. He could think of no explanation for this, nor did he remember ever speaking to Casasia about this point.

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Haltigan recalled that he arrived in Paris for his assignment in June, 1962 and that Casasia probably arrived there in September of the same year. Haltigan stated that he had never heard any rumors to the effect that Oswald had been used by the CIA at any time. He felt that because of his assignments within the Agency, he would have been in a position to know if Oswald had been used in any capacity. He mentioned that he had been  from 1951-1955 and that Casasia had been there from

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1955 to 1958 or 1959.

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From 1/58 until 4/61, Haltigan worked in SR/9 which was Special Operations within the Soviet Union. SR/9 was composed of 6 persons at this time. He explained that SR/10 was responsible for the Legal Travellers program which utilized U.S. citizens and that SR/2, 3, 4 & 5 ^{were} ~~were~~ responsible for running foreigners in that program. Since Haltigan was generally apprised ^{by SR/10} of those persons who were travelling to the USSR under the program, he expressed the belief that it was almost impossible for them not to have known if Oswald had had some involvement with the Agency in this capacity.

H. Haltigan advised that SR/9 was responsible for maintaining its own records which they kept in the same manner as DDO files. If someone needed to know if a particular person was being used, they would be able to check it through the files. However, Agency association would not be directly reflected in a 201 file. Instead, there would be a paper in the file ^{referring} ~~relating~~ to another file in which operational information would be stored. Haltigan explained that a 201 file documents the person but not what the person is doing. A 201 file ^{might} ~~would~~ contain a PRQ, Part I which is entirely biographical information, a security check and newspaper clipping concerning the individual. A case file, on the other hand, reflects the operational information. A case file would have a two part number, such as 74-6, where the first number reflects the country or area of interest and the second number refers to the specific operation. In regard to the accessibility of case files, Haltigan stated that the area of primary interest is reflected on a 201 file opening sheet and that ~~SR/9~~ ^{SR/10} go to that branch to seek operational information.

When asked about the significance of CI/SIC opening Oswald's 201

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file, Hattigan responded that he couldn't really say as he does not know what CI/SIG was doing at the time.

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Hattigan was asked whether it was possible to purge an individual's file of any operational information by removing any ^{such} reference cards in the 201 file and then removing the pertinent information from the case file. Hattigan ^{H.} stated that he does not know of this type of thing occurring in his experience. He stated that file maintenance was essential for the protection of the operation and stressed that SR/9 in particular was meticulous in its file maintenance.

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Interview with Marguerite D. Stevens

Date: June 13, 1978

Interviewed by: Mickey Goldsmith and Betty Wolf

Ms. Stevens was given a copy of the omnibus letter whereupon she read it and indicated that she had no questions concerning the contents.

Ms. Stevens stated that she was employed by the CIA from 1945 until her retirement in 1968, during which time she was assigned to the Security Research Staff within the Office of Security. She stated that she was specifically assigned to the CI portion of this staff as a Researcher. Eventually, she had seniority in her department which had a bearing on her specific job assignments, but she did not have any kind of supervisory authority. During the late 1950's and early 1960's, she believes that Sheffield Edwards was head of the Office of Security while Bruce Solie and his deputy, Jack Rempsey, were her more immediate supervisors.

Ms. Stevens advised that the purpose of the Office of Security is to ensure that the Agency is not penetrated. Its responsibilities were to conduct background investigations on all potential employees and to deal with defectors from other countries in establishing their bona fides and then gathering information from them. She had no immediate recollection of any dealings with American defectors.

Ms. Stevens was given a copy of a 10/31/60 Memorandum to the Chief, Security Research Staff ^{that} ~~which~~ she had written on the subject of American defectors. After reading the memorandum, she advised that she recalled having files on American defectors in order to determine whether those persons had penetrated the CIA and ~~then~~ ^{and} whether any of them presented a security risk to the Agency. She stated that

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she did not know whether other components within the Agency would have been apprised that files had been opened on ^{the} ~~these~~ individuals mentioned in this memo. When asked if she knew Ann Egster, Mrs. Stevens replied that she knew her and worked with her peripherally.

In regard to the 10/31/60 memo, Mrs. Stevens was asked about the significance of the line, "Several of the above referred to defectors have been of interest to CIA." The "above referred to defectors" included Simon F. Mitchell, William H. Martin, Robert E. Webster, Lee Harvey Oswald, Eberio Ricciardelli, Vladimir Sloboda and Joseph Dulkasiez. At first, Mrs. Stevens stated that LHO was of interest because of the assassination but when it was pointed out to her that the memo was written three years before the assassination, she stated that she could not recall the significance. She stated that "MS" indicated a miscellaneous Office of Security file which would be used for anything other than an employee file. She stated that a newspaper clipping on a defector would have been cause to open a file for future reference purposes.

Mrs. Stevens was shown a copy of the 10/31/59 Dept. of State telegram regarding Oswald's defection and his offer to give the Soviets information ^{and} ~~deposited~~ during his military service. This document, in the original, appears in the Office of Security's file on Oswald.

Mrs. Stevens stated that she had no recollection of working with the Oswald case until after the assassination, nor did she know who would have received this document in the Office of Security. She stated that she did not know whether, ^{in fact,} the CI staff would have received this information, but she thought that they should have had it.

Mrs. Stevens stated that she could not recall ever opening a 201 file.

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Ms. Stevens advised that she knew of no agency utilization of Oswald. She stated that she received much information regarding the Oswald case and none of it reflected an agency connection.

In regard to the Garrison investigation, Ms. Stevens stated that they were interested in anything that tied to LHO in any way. When asked if the CIA had an operational interest in Clay Shaw, she responded that she recalled nothing ⁱⁿ connection with Shaw other than the general "who struck John" issue. She explained that this phrase meant "who killed Kennedy" to her. She had no specific recollections regarding David Ferrie. Ms. Stevens stated that she knew of no action taken by the Agency to impede the Garrison investigation in any manner. She recalled spending a lot of time ^{on} this investigation, but considered it to have been perfectly normal to have done so in light of their interest in the Kennedy assassination and in LHO. She further stated that the Agency would have been vitally concerned to see whether any of Garrison's suspects had any connection with the CIA.

Ms. Stevens was asked about her knowledge of the HTXINBUAI program. She advised that she knew that the Office of Security had something to do with the project, but that she had no specific knowledge concerning it.

Volume I of file #351-164, the Office of Security file on Oswald, was shown to Ms. Stevens. She stated that she had no recollection of having opened that file and noted that the handwriting on the newspaper clippings at the beginning of the file was not her own. She did recognize her initials as being on some of the other documents and identified CIA #1249-1010 as being an Office of Security indices search request

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that she had ordered to be run on Marina Nicholaeвна Oswald, Lee Oswald and Marina Puzakova on 10/12/61. She did not recall what prompted this request at this time. She stated that this type of file was maintained in an Office of Security file room.

Ms. Stevens stated that in regard to the post-assassination investigation of Oswald, she had the basic responsibility for the Office of Security research.

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Interview with Mina Voellmy Vance

Date: 6/28/78

Interviewed by Betsy Holf and Dan Hardway

Mrs. Vance was given a copy of the omnibus letter which she read and indicated that she understood.

As to her employment with the CIA during the period 1961-1964, Mrs. Vance stated that she was employed in a full-time capacity as a contact specialist in the Los Angeles office of the Contact Division of the Office of Operations until June of 1962. At that time, she got married and moved to Denver where she worked part-time as a contact specialist.

She stated that her responsibilities in this position entailed interviewing people throughout the community who had traveled overseas. When asked how she became aware of such persons, she stated that they came to her attention largely through newspaper articles, referrals and academic publications. Most of her leads were developed on her own rather than ^{on} from instructions from Headquarters. She advised that travelers were not usually contacted prior to their departure since the Contact Division would not be aware of them at that point.

Mrs. Vance stated while she, as a contact specialist, elicited most any kind of information from her contacts, she primarily sought information that was not public knowledge. With regard to photographs, she advised that photographs of the Soviet Union were routinely checked to see if there were any of restricted areas, military installations, etc. If photos appeared to be of interest, they were sent to Headquarters. Although she advised that she did not know what happened with respect to the photos at Headquarters, Mrs. Vance said that the photos would ultimately

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be sent back to her, whereupon she would return them to her contacts. Mrs. Vance was given a copy of FOIA doc. # 614-261 which is the 3/20/64 memorandum to the FBI informing them of the photo of LHO which was found in the CIA's files. As Mrs. Vance read the document, her comment was that it was "amazing." She ^{just} stated that she had no recollection of the contact with ~~them~~ ^{Kramer} and Namau. She could remember going to Solvang but could not remember the nature of the contact. She also stated that she had never seen this particular document. She thinks that these persons probably came to her attention from the Los Angeles newspaper or from the academic community but she has no specific memory as to the circumstances surrounding this contact.

Mrs. Vance advised that, in regard to photographs, the Agency was not interested in tourist attractions but in photographs that might provide information of a military, scientific or geographical nature. When asked whether there were any regulations governing Contact Division contacts and collection, Mrs. Vance replied that they did have interest guidelines for people and photographs which would have been in the form of written requirements that were periodically updated. However, she could not recall the specifics of these requirements.

Mrs. Vance advised that she did not remember why photographs were taken from Mrs. Kramer or why the Agency would have kept them. She believes that she would have sent the photos to Headquarters ^{whereupon} ~~and~~ they would have been reviewed and returned to her for return to

Mrs. Kramer. She had never heard of LHO prior to the assassination of JFK and was not aware that there is any of the photos she had acquired.

Mrs. Vance was shown a copy of MH-A-29005 which is a Process Sheet for DOLC collections regarding the four cartridges of slides received by Mr. Vance

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(Mrs. Vellney) from Mrs. Kramer. Mrs. Vance advised that she would have prepared this and sent it to Headquarters. She doesn't remember whether Headquarters ever contacted her regarding the substance of the photos. She then looked at a 4/30/62 Presentation Form for Graphic Material concerning the above-mentioned cartridge along with an attached listing describing the contents of the cartridge. She advised that the Los Angeles office would have prepared this list based on her contact with Mrs. Kramer. In light of the fact that the list specifically notes the presence of an entrist guide in some photos, Mrs. Vance was asked whether entrist guides were a specific requirement in photo collection. Her response was negative.

A copy of a photograph marked HH-12546 was shown to Mrs. Vance. She advised that the categories listed along the top side of the photograph are probably filing system references but she stated that she was not familiar with the manner in which photos were filed or referenced at Headquarters. As to the significance of this particular photo, Mrs. Vance stated that she does not know why they would have copied this photo. ~~There~~^{The} only reason would have been the fact that there was a crane and therefore possibly construction in the background.

At this point, Mrs. Vance said, "Who on earth ever identified Oswald in that picture? Someone must have spent a lot of time going through photographs."

Mrs. Vance was shown a copy of WA-63368. She advised that it looked like a telegram from the Contact Support Division at Headquarters to the Los Angeles office. She stated that she was neither contacted by anyone in the Agency regarding the outstanding questions raised in this document nor regarding this photograph in general.

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In regard to Information Report # 00-B-3, 212, 967, a report of her contact with Kramer and Naman, Mrs. Vance advised that this is the standard form used for an interview report and that it was routine not to name the source on such a document as it was routinely disseminated to other agencies. The source's name would be used on a transmittal or process sheet because those were internal documents. She also stated that the reason that the photos weren't mentioned in the interview report was due to the different interests of the people receiving this type of report.

Mrs. Vance stated that she had never been contacted regarding her contact with Kramer and Naman and the photo containing Oswald by the CIA, the FBI or the Warren Commission. She further advised that this was the first time it had ever been brought to her attention.

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A memorandum dated May 25, 1978, from B. Hugh Looze, Chief, Counterintelligence Staff to the Special Assistant to DDO for External Oversight (Attn: Mr. Norbert Skpanek) regarding the HSCA's requests for information of April 6, 1978 and May 12, 1978 and standard operating procedures with respect to repatriating American defectors stated the following:

- 1) Only 10 of 117 returning U.S. defectors were interviewed by the CIA, primarily by the predecessor Domestic Contacts Division.
- 2) There was no policy to debrief returning American defectors from the USSR. The CIA relied on the FBI for reporting the results of interviews it may have conducted in connection with its responsibility for internal security matters.
- 3) There are no manuals or regulations for the period 1958-1963 which specifically address the subject of U.S. defectors.

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(Michael S. Sorenson)

893-910 (cont.) 2. 3/28/62 MFR, Subject: ~~TRAGWAL~~ Reg. for ?'s for interview w/ Pres. Sloboda

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11/2/64 Memo for: Asst. Chief of Staff, Intell. Dept. of Army, Attn.: Dir. of Sec.

Subj.: Text in WCR re Dutkany & Sloboda

Info. essentially same as that contained in 893-910.

986-927-BC
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Article entitled "Solons to Prepare Defector Study" by R.H.S. Allen and Paul Scott

988-927-BD
(Vol. 53)

2/2/65 Dispatch, Chief of All Stations from Chief, KU DOVE;

RE: Selected excerpts from N.C. testimony, pertinent portions of which have been side-lined.

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1249-1010 Indices Search Request of 10/9/61 re:

1. Oswald, Marina Nikolaevna
2. Oswald, Lee
3. Pussakova, Marina

Request produced following info. as of 10/12/61:

N/A E. Oswald (Wright, Raymond)

N/A FNU card - Mrs.

MS-11164 - Lee Harvey

1250-1010 9/28/61 info. on Marina Nikolaevna Oswald, nee Pussakova

1286-1018 7/29/64 MFR ; subject: Mark E. Martin

RE: 7/14/64 letter written by Mrs. Mark E. Martin to Sovietia, Moscow re U.S. govt. contact w/defectors, including Oswald.

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- ✓ 12. ADP Response to State, dated 11/21/60 (ADP 0-6003-Secret)
- ✓ 13. Internal CIA Reg. for Opening of 201 file, 12/9/60 (Secret)
- ✓ 14. State Memo of Conversation dated 1/26/61 (OUO)
- ✓ 15. State Instruction A-273, 4/13/61 (OUO)
- ✓ 16. U.S. Despatch 806, 5/26/61 (OUO)
- ✓ 17. " " 29, 7/11/61 (OUO)
- ✓ 18. AFB 82181, 7/13/61 (Conf.) [Rep. of John Fair]
- ✓ 19. Internal CIA MFR, 9/28/61 (Secret)
- ✓ 20. U.S. Despatch 317, 10/12/61 (OUO)
- ✓ 21. I & NS Name Check Reg., 12/5/61
- ✓ 22. Navy Message 20197/RB/3, 3/3/62 (Conf.)
- ✓ 23. DNA 1624, 4/26/62
- ✓ 24. Newspaper clipping, Nash Post, 6/9/62
- ✓ 25. DBA 20883, 9/7/62 (Conf.) [Rep. of John Fair]
- ✓ 26. DBA 51407, 9/10/63 [Rep. of Jas. P. Hasty]
- ✓ 27. DBA 52355, 9/24/63
- ✓ 28. DBA 55715, (# unclear), 11/7/63
- ✓ 29. DBA 55777, 11/8/63 [Rep. of H. C. DeBuege]
- ✓ 30. CIA Summary Report of Activities of D in M.C., dated 1/31/64

While your notes on Bulky file include some of above, it is obviously not same file though there are many pre-assess. docs. in it.

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(Secret - Eyes Only)

2) Second problem is that posed by 563-810 (in Vol. 26 of LHO's 201)
2/2/64 Memo for: Chief, CI/REA ; RE: Docs. Available in O's 201 file

1. Machine listing of docs. officially recorded as being in
O's 201 file was reg. i is attached (It is not att.) The
actual machine work of this type was begun in 1963,
but a few items of previous dates were also recorded.

2. "A comparison of the docs. physically available in the 201
file i those recorded as being in the 201 file has shown
that 37 docs. which should be in 201 file are not avail. in
it. This total is made up of:

2 dispatches

7 memoranda from FBI

1 CSI

2 SD docs.

25 cables

3. Machine inquiries for ^{the location of} these docs. have not been made.

Handwritten note: Plse. keep doc'dy in last vol. of O's 201

Another " " : File by date (initialled, but unclear)

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Betty Holf
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Statement RE Procedures in ~~which~~ CIA Debriefed American
Defector Repatriates to US (1958-63)

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4/20/70 Memo, B. Hugh Tovar, Chief, CI Staff to Special
Assistant to DDO for External Oversight; Attn: Mr. Norbert Shepach;
RE: HSCA Request for Information

In response, CI Staff has completed a review of files of 117
U.S. persons who had "defected" to the USSR between 1958 and 1963
and who have since returned to the U.S. Review shows:

- No procedure for systematic CIA debriefing of these persons;
 - Contacts appear to be based on opportunity and circumstance.
- Only 10 of the 117 persons have had contact with CIA as follows:

1. Thomas Mooradian (201-094398)

- Went to USSR in 1947; left USSR in July 1960.
- Interviewed first by FBI on 8/26/60.
- Series of interviews by CIA in 12/60 which revealed contact with KGB.
- No subsequent contact with Subject.

2. Joseph Marshall (201-290220)

- Employed in Lithuania in 1921.
- Arrested by Soviets in 1945; released from prison in 1956.
- Departed USSR on 12/9/60.
- Debriefed by ACD for positive intelligence; also by SE Division.
- No contact after 5/61.

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3. Tommaso Sgovio (201-289973)

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- Went to USSR with parents in early 1930's; departed in 1960 for Rome.
- Contacted initially by FBI.
- Debriefed by CIA in Rome in Jan. - Feb. 1962 after POA granted for purpose of possible use against other Italians returning from USSR and possible knowledge of operational leads in USSR.
- No contact after 5/63.

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4. Mary Mackler (201-761570)

- Went to USSR in 1931; worked there as translator & married a Soviet who allegedly was officer in NKVD or Red Army Intelligence. He later died.
- Returned permanently to US in 1965.
- DCD contacted her, on behalf of SE Division, in 11/72.
- SE interviewed for assessment as reporting source as she planned to travel to USSR in 3/73. Debriefed after trip in 5/73. She requested no further contact.

5. Sonia (201-239896) and Fred Aronian (201-143598)

- Renounced U.S. citizenship and emigrated to Armenia in 1948; returned to U.S. in 1964.
- Debriefed by DCD.

6. Jack Guralsky; aka Hural (201-063001)

- Departed for USSR in 1934; renounced U.S. citizenship
- Reportedly imprisoned in USSR ca. 1947 ^{for attempting to return to U.S.} released

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- Released from prison in 1955; became translator for Soviet Information Bureau.

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- Returned to U.S. in 1966 as immigrant.
- Interviewed by DCA in 1973.

7. Yibero Ricciardelli (201-289238)

- Went to USSR in 1959; returned to U.S. in 6/63 as immigrant.
- Debriefed by DCA in Boston.

8. Harold Litynell (201-275418)

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- Went to USSR via Czechoslovakia on 2/27/58.
- Departed USSR on 6/29/59.
- Unwittingly interviewed by CIA officer at U.S. Embassy in Copenhagen.
- Subject may have been interviewed by DCA sometime after his return to U.S.

9. Robert Edward Nebeker (201-265472)

- Disappeared in Moscow in 9/59 after participation with Rand Development Corp. in Moscow World Fair; Renounced U.S. citizenship on 10/17/59.
- Returned to U.S. as immigrant on 5/20/62.
- Debriefed by various elements of CIA.

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830-358-A
(Vol. 49)

9/11/64 Letter, Rankin to Helms, requesting confirmation that CIA rec'd. 8 State Dept. communications which were mentioned in 590-252 (3/6/64 Memo, Helms to Rankin re info. in CIA's Possession RE LHO Dir to 11/22/63) - also part of CA 692.

These docs. all do exist in Bulky Vol. 27 XAAZ-22595 w/exception of 3/3/62 Navy Message 20197/RB/3 which is listed as unavailable in file, but available at National Archives.

No new info. in this doc.

890-433

Re Joachim Joesten This doc. is CD 1532

892-909

10/2/64 MFR, Subject: H.C. Report - Info. on Dutkanyez & Sloboda, who were mentioned in HCR as having been attached to Army Int. Units in H. Ukr. prior to their defections in summer of 1960. This info, which was classified, was mistakenly released in ^{referred in} mentioned the HCR.

893-910

10/2/64 Memo for Chief, CI Liaison from SR/CI/R, Subj: Info. on Dutkanyez & Sloboda

1. Dutkanyez - mentions previous notations in 201 file suggesting Army assignment may have included intell. functions of some kind.

2. Both defectors had previous KGB connections.

3. Immed. cause of defection appears to be Army security investigations.

Attachments

1) Case Summary 2-62-2 on Dutkanyez; Prepared by Production Branch, Intell. Division, HQ USARBR, APO 403, US FORCES

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893-910 (cont.) 2. 3/28/62 MFR, Subject: [24] Key. for ?'s for interview w/ Pres. Sloboda

921-923
(Vol. 51)

11/2/64 Memo for: Asst. Chief of Staff, Intell. Dept. of Army, Attn: Dir. of Sec.

Subj.: Test. in NCR re Dutkany & Sloboda

Info. essentially same as that contained in 893-910.

986-927-BC
(Vol. 53)

1/16/65

Article entitled "Solons to Prepare Defector Study" by R.H.S. Allen and Paul Scott

988-927-BD
(Vol. 53)

2/2/65 Dispatch, Chiefs of All Stations From Chief, KUDOVE;

RE: Selected excerpts from W.C. testimony, pertinent portions of which have been side-lined.

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961-927-AG
(Encl. Vol. 51)

2/9/72 Letter, ~~Wentworth~~ to Asst. to Dir., CIA

Requests any records pertaining to "debriefing" of LHO by or on behalf of CIA after his return from USSR.

Refers to Helms' statement of 4/14/71 before Am. Society of Newspaper Editors in N.Y.C. (N.Y.T., 4/15/71, p. 30) that "... if there is a chance that if a private citizen travelling abroad has acquired foreign information that can be useful to the American policymakers, we are certainly going to try to interview him." ~~Wentworth~~ states that LHO appears to be such a person.

962-927-AH
(Encl. Vol. 51)

2/17/72 Draft of Letter, Angus M. Thuermer to ~~Wentworth~~

Response to 2/9/72 letter; Refers to testimony of McCone & Helms before N.C., starting at 5H120.

"This testimony, under oath, made clear that this Agency never contacted Oswald, interviewed him, talked with him, or received or solicited any reports or info. from him, or communicated w/ him directly or in any other manner."

This testimony is still valid; therefore, the info. you request does not exist."

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969-927-AD
(Encl. Vol. 51)

4/11/72 Letter, ~~Wentworth~~ to Angus M. Thuermer, Asst. to Dir., CIA

States that 2/18/72 letter ~~states~~ ^{states} conclusions "based upon statements of persons other than yourself." & asks for his (Thuermer's) position w/ respect to these records.

970-927-AP
(Encl. Vol. 51)

4/13/72 Draft of Letter, A.M. Thuermer to ~~Wentworth~~

Response to above 4/11/72 letter - that letter of 2/18/72 is "a simple ~~SECRET~~

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declarative statement on the best possible authority that this Agency never had any contact w/ Oswald & that, therefore, the info sought by you in your letter of Feb. 9th does not exist & never did exist."

(Vol. 52) 976-927-AV

12/1/64 Article in Wash. Post entitled "1960 Defectors Were Red Ex-Agents" RE: Sloboda & Butkiewicz

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1038-405-B 5/19/64 Letter, Malone to Rankin ; RE: Enclosure of affidavit to
the effect that LHO was not agent, employee or informant of CIA.
w/att. affidavit

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1063-964-B
(Bulky Vol. 54)
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6/30/71 Memo, Donovan E. Pratt C/CI/RE:A to C/CI ; RE: CIA
exp. Provided the H.C.

- States that CIA withheld no info. from W.C.
- some info. provided by Agency to Comm. remains class. & is not available to the public.
- Describes work of Commission
- States WR's coverage of WHO in W.C. & his contacts w/ Cub. & Sov. uncls. there
- States exs. provided by CIA are reviewed every 5 yrs. to determine declass. A list of those rel'd. & unrel'd. (as of '70) is avail. in CT/R & A (ready)

1073-964-L
Bulky Vol. 54
p. 3

2/1/73 insert for CI Staff History (Based on H.E.U. Memo, 1/30/73)
"The Assass. of Pres. Kennedy"

- Describes Agency's contribution to investigation by H.C., components involved such as:

SR 10 W. : David Murphy

WH " : J.C. King

Yours. Aubrey

Res. Station: Lin Scott

Rocca: Chief of AT/R&A ^{Attire} packed up by Doyle, - Shore Hall. & Paul Hartman

"The Agency's coverage of Oswald's activities at the 2 clubs in Mexico later proved invaluable to the Warren Comm."

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1134-993
(V61.56)

2/25/70 Dispatch, COS, M.C. to Chief, NOMUSE/REH; RE: Forwarding of personality file from Y.P. on LHO
[See BULKY] 6 vols.

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1173-432-W
(Vol. 56 BULKY)
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3/25/64 Letter, Slawson to Helms, Enclosing 3/19/64 Letter from Hoover to W.C. re Anton Endinger
3/26/64 " Rankin to Helms, " " " " " " " revealing

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3/18/64 Memo for J. H. Rankin, Subj: ^{Howkins, ACP,} Article Alleging O was interviewed by CIA in Moscow.

Repeats info in para. 1. of 609-786

States for record that "allegation carried in this press report is utterly unfounded as far as CIA is concerned."

Additional details for pursuit by W.C.:

a. Cable → despatched as in para. 2. of 609-786

b. Article also in Human Events

Attachments

- copy of article -

3/14/64 - Human Events

- copy of 2/28/64 article in North. Va. Sun

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(Vol. 54)

9/18/75 memo, Paul Hartman to Chief, CI Staff; RE: Allegations of LHO's connection w/Agency; Ref.: Memo. of conversation, Dan Rather / Gen. Wedgley & the DCT, Dated 9/6/75.

1. Memo contains 2 pts. which require comments. 1st pt. concerns allegations made shortly after assass. & state that LHO had been connected w/Agency. "The alleg. are totally unfounded."

2. Facts re this matter are as follows:

a. 11/24/63, instructed by R. G. Rocca to make a thorough check w/in Agency at HQS to determine whether LHO had ever been used by Agency or connected w/it in any ^{conceivable} way. Ordered me to make checks directly & personally to degree possible & not to accept stmts. of intermediaries. He explained he was following instructions from Helms, then DDP & who served as 1 of Agency's key contacts w/H.C.

b. Had checked Main Index of IP (then RIA) on night of assass., & rechecked Main Index & found no record beyond that which I had obtained before (plus it was integrated into records system since assass.). Nothing in DDO records indicating any Agency contact w/O.

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c. DCD - no record in HQS files. Arrangements made for me to check teleph. w/each DCD base in US. Chiefs of Base searched their records & spoke w/their officers. I was then advised by each of chiefs or their designees individually that there had been no contact w/O.

d. Then checked w/Division A, SE Div. & LA's Div's Lab. Ops. Group (COB)

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for any informal desk records. Results - neg.

e. Through Security Research Section (SRS) of OS I had sec. files checked - no record of O.

f. Altho, CRS keeps no recs. on Ans., I checked their Sov. Pres. & Cuban holdings - no record.

g. In my presence the chief of CI Staff's Admin. Office called OP & rec'd. word that there was no record on employee or applicant for employ. named LHO.

h. Checked Office of Medical Services - no record.

i. Court Action Staff - no record.

j. CI Staff's Operational Approval Group (CI/OA) - no record.

k. Checks completed on 12/4; sent brief informal note to Korea specifying checks made & stating results showed that LHO had never had any contact w/agency. Eventually a stat. to this effect was communicated to H.C.

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3. Similar checks re use or empl. of O had been ^{by} neg. foreign divs. of their appropriate stations, I was told, & results - neg.

4. Recall concern that O, as an Am. returning from USSR, might have been routinely debriefed by ACD, thus having estab. contact w/agency.

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Same pt. has now been made by 2 CBS newsmen. "Having some knowledge of this subject I have personally concluded that there is valid reason for DCD's lack of interest in O at that time. He would surely have been contacted & debriefed by DCD had he been to the USSR & ret. to the US before 1957/1958. Travel to the S. U. by Neutrals, particularly Am., before that time was quite uncommon. We were hungry for espionage info. in those days. ^{They} began in @ 1956 & by the end of that decade there were so many persons travelling to & from the S. U. that DCD was incapable of talking to all of them. Therefore, a program of selectivity & specific target applicability was instituted. In light of the above, it seems to me that O - if he came to DCD's attention at all - would have easily been by-passed, because he simply did not possess the type of info. that DCD was seeking at that time. DCD would surely have used its ^{ext.} manpower in travellers who ^{had} much greater access in the USSR."

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5. Should be added that above-described search produced no record or indication that any other U.S. govt. agency had used him as a source or had considered him for recruitment.

6. 2nd pt. concerns papers avail at HQS in O before the assass. Specifically, there were 5 docs. which had been sent to Agency before assass. - 2 by FBI, 2 by SA & 1 by US Navy. A 201 file had been opened on 12/9/60 on basis of receipt of 1st of these 5 docs. The 201 file contained no agency originated records. The MCS's reporting of monitoring of O's activities hadn't yet been included in 201 file. Pertinent cables from M.C. were del'd at Mex. Branch at HQS, while data contained in them had been dissem. to FBI upon receipt. Cables were

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incorporated into file following areas & were made avail. to all concerned, incl. H.C.

7. No parties great ^{attached} negatively was ^{path} to handling of records O before assass. because O's name had no part. meaning before then.

8. Facts re records we possessed before assass. as well as make up of our computerized records system were explained to ^{Chief Justice} ~~Chief Justice~~ Harlan, members of Comm. & group of Comm's staff members when they visited HQS in @ 3/64. 201 file on O also shows them there. Visitors were satisfied w/ records system & manner in which we kept our records.

Attached: 9/6/75 Memo of Conversation: ^{Don Ratten & Ken Ridgely} ~~D.R. & K.M.~~ 9/3/75
Written by H.E. Colby, Dir.

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- Discussed fact that CIA had not contacted ex-Marine who worked in the S.H. & returned.
- I stated that CIA had no contact w/O either during Russ. period or afterwards.
- Ratten pointed out Helms' agitation over class. allegations; I stated it was easily explained that Helms would be concerned that such false ^{he made} ~~he made~~ alleg. ^{he made} against CIA. Also stated he knew of no indication that H's agitation was because it was revealing info. @ Agency which Helms wanted to remain concealed.
- "W/ respect to O's 1 appearance in our records, I exp. that CIA might well have shield off from any interview w/ him if there was indication of prior FBI interest. As for the military, I said the Inter-Agency Source Register did not indicate Mrs. O. was a used source & that DCS Joint Debriefing Program w/ the mil. services from 1953 on

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would probably have indicated any met. debriefing for intell. purposes, but none appear in our files, so I believed none existed.

Comment: From this attitude, I believe there is a chance program will indicate no CIA connection w/o other than that noted above. Could make contrib. to knocking down paranoid belief in country. He must, however, insure that Mr. Ratten does learn anything which would cause the slightest doubt in the above acct. before he produces the programs in Nov. "

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Office of Security File - William A. Morgan

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10/31/60 Memo, M.D. Stevens to Chief, Security Research Staff; Subject: American Defectors

Refers to verbal request for info. re Am. citizens defecting to USSR, Red China or other Satellite countries during past 18 mos. - other than RF Mitchell & Wm. H. Martin & 5 other defectors regarding whom Mr. Ostepka of State Dept. already has info. (i.e. R.E. Webster, EE-18854; LHO, MS 11164; Liberio Ricciardelli, MS-8295; V. Sloboda, MS-18565; & J. Rutkany, MS-10724).

Security files reflect subjects of attached memos are additional Am. citz. who have defected during past 18 mos.

Several of above referred to defectors have been of interest to CIA:

Herbert Lee Northrup

R.E. Webster & Nicholas Petrucci, EE 19439, were subjs. of OO/C requests on 5/29/59 & 6/15/59, with a view to their being debriefed upon their returns from visits to Russia. Petrucci was interviewed by CIA, either before or after visits. Additional info. (unrelated) re a relative of Petrucci's

Vladimir Sloboda: currently of interest to Security in view of his assignment (prior to 8/3/60 defection to S.U. via Germany) to 513th MIG in Frankfurt, Germany, where he had contact w/ at least 1 representative of CIA & was in position to have learned identities of CIA personnel at EGIS Center. 3111190

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DLD Documents

4. (cont.) we will endeavor to get a more detailed description.
mailed parcel post 1 May 62
Please return insured to Mrs. Kramer at above address by 1 June 62

5. Presentation form for Graphic Material Dated: April 30, 1962

Area: USSR / Poland / Czechoslovakia

Subject: Automobile Trip through above countries

of items & category: 4 cartridges of 40 slides each

Date of exposure: summer 1961

Classification of photos, when separated from this form, designated as

1) for official use only 2) Confidential

Doc. # 3224213

Description of Material: See attached sheet

(Attached Sheet)

LA-29005

April 30, 1962

Lists description of film contained in each cartridge

Cartridge IV

1. Road to Smolensk

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2. Radar tower

3-5. Smolensk

6. Road marker 87 kilometers from Laska & 284 km from Minsk

7-8. Along road to Minsk

9-15. Minsk (#10 shows tourist guide Svetlana [Lau] in red blouse)

16-17. Trees obstructing road in border area near Brest

18-21. Warsaw

22-23. Composer Chopin's home near Warsaw

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24. Road marker 50 km past Warsaw toward Poznan

25-32. Ruins in Polish cities

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33 Czech Polish border - just through Polish customs, Czechs on other side of bridge
34-40 Austrian countryside & Vienna

6. CIA Graphics Register Transmittal Sheet Date: March 13

GR Control # R-106580

To: Frank Young From: Graphics Register, Office of Central Reference
Subject: Intelligence Photography - attached photos furnished in response
to referenced request (no reference)

Enclosed: 1 photo of Minsk Marked: USSR WAC 1680 Minsk 53 54 N 27 34 E

Intourist Guide Svetlana. Not crane in background.

Summer 1961. Official use only. (7, 8, 19, 25)

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LIA 840019

File: HH-12546

7. 3/5/64 Memo For: OO/Contact Division; Attn: Support Branch;
From: Yee H. Nigien, C/SR/CT/Research;
Thru: OO/OS; Subject: Request for info on Soviet Personalities -
Reference 2/17/64 memo re request for info on Minsk
- Memo requests that files be checked for info on specific Soviets
living in Minsk, including workers at Minsk Radio Factory,
Intourist guides, students, etc.

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8. 2/17/64 Memo. Yee H. Nigien C/SR/CT/Research to OO/Contact Division;
Attn: Support Branch, Shirley Stetson; Thru: OO/OS
1. In support of operational research presently being conducted,
this office would appreciate receiving any OO reports for
the period 1959 to present dealing with:
a. The Institute of Scientific Technical Information in Minsk, BSSR
b. The State Committee for the Coordination of Scientific Research

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8. (cont.) Work (GKKRIR) of the BSSR.

c. Scientific personalities, satirist personalities and other personalities encountered by travellers to Minsk, BSSR.

9. Process Sheet for OD/C Collections Report # 28615 Date Fwd.: 3/9/62

By: M.E. Voellmy

Movie Film of Automobile Trip Through the S.U. on the Vyborg - Leningrad - Novgorod - Kalinin - Minsk - Smolensk - Minsk - Bust route

Contact: Miss Rita Namon 596 Attidag Rd. Solvang, Cal.

Field Remarks: Much of film taken out of car window & is very jumpy.

May, however, provide some shots along the roadside which might not otherwise be available. There are some unidentified (radar?) towers to be seen occasionally.

10. 3/9/62 Presentation Form for Graphic Material

Area: USSR / Poland / Czech.

Subject: 1 reel of colour 8 mm movie film on automobile trip through USSR.

Classified: Confidential

Is source apt to make additional photographic material available? No

May source's name be revealed to Graphics Registry, OCR, if required? yes

Contains detailed description of film

Ex. # (illegible) ? E 212.627

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FROM SUPPORT (STETSON)

SUBJECT: OO-E-3224213 (LA, 29005)

REF: REIBALHER / STETSON TELECON OF 3/17/64

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11. (Cont.): 1. As indicated in referenced telecon, #10, Cartridge II of Subject report was retained by graphics because it shows an amateur guide in Minsk, USSR. One of the unidentified men in this picture bears a strong resemblance to Lee Harvey Oswald. SR/CI came across this picture and requested permission to forward it, together with OO-B-3212967 (1A-28641) and the sources' identities to the FBI and the Warren Commission. After checking with you, we gave CI staff permission to do so. The understanding is that the FBI will go back to the sources for further info on this subject.
2. CI now has two questions which we cannot answer from records available here: 1) Date & place where photo was made available to contact specialist; 2) CI is making statement that these 2 women weren't contacted before or during this trip. Believe this to be true statement but would appreciate confirmation. Also, advise as to date(s) & # of contacts of Miss Voellmy w/ these women.

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1. Unable to reach Voellmy; now attached to Revere office. Records show that she probably saw ladies in Solvang only once (after their return from USSR). Suggest you call her for details. But we are sure Tina did not see the ladies before the trip and certainly not (by us) during the trip.

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12 (cont.) 2. File cards indicate that Kramer & Naman were both debriefed on 3/7/62. Both were noted to be "very cooperative".

On 3/9/62 we sent LA Report 28615 (Passport on loan), 28615 (8mm movie on loan) & 28618 (brochures for attention).

On 3/13/62 Report 28641 (OO-B on Realities).

3/22/62 ^{letter} Mina to Kramer - Returning passport & awaiting slides.

3/27/62 - Return of film by Mina to Naman by mail.

4/30/62 - LA Report 29005 (4 cartridges of 40 35mm slides).

3. HQS routing slip indicates GMP staff returned slides directly to Kramer on 5/17/62 w/interesting comment, "Most of the slides are of the usual tourist variety and hence are of little value." Of the 160 slides 5 were "accessioned".

Handwritten notation: 3/19 copy to SR/LI X7735 Attn: 5C39 HQ

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12/12/63 Cover Memo, Robert H. Haspell, COS, Paris to
Chief, SR & Chief, WE forwarding enclosed memo as
follows:

Mr. C.

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11/25/63 Memo, Thomas B. Casasin to Walter P. Haltigan;
cc: LHO

1. REDWOOD had at one time as OT in Oswald.
... as Chief of the 6 Branch I had discussed
--- sometime in Summer 1960 --- with the then Chief
& Rep. Chief of the 6 Research Section the laying
on of interview(s) through KUTUMP or other
suitable channels. At the moment, I don't
recall whether this was discussed while O &
his family were en route to our country
or if it was after their arrival.

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435-173-A(cont.) 2. Remember O's behavior in USSR struck me from moment I had read 1st ODACTO dispatched on him, & I told my subordinates something amounting to, "Don't push too hard to get the info. we need, because this individual looks odd." Interested in BT O might provide in Minsk factory, certain sections of city itself & of course the usual BT that might help develop target personality dossiers."

3. I was phasing into ~~RUROVER~~ cover assignment, & out of RUROVER, at the time. Thus, I would have left our country shortly after O's arrival. Don't know what action developed thereafter.

Addendum

4. Has become increasingly interested in watching developing pattern witnessed in 6: the # of Sov. women marrying foreigners, being permitted to leave USSR, then divorcing & settling abroad w/out returning "home". ~~RUROVER~~ case was among 1st of these; also turned up @ 2 doz. similar cases. Established links bet. some of these women & KGB. KGBESK became interested in the developing trend. Partly out of curiosity if O's wife would accompany him to our country & partly out of interest in O's experiences in USSR, that we showed ^{intell} interest in the Harvey story.

[T.B.C.
Mr. C.]

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609-786 3/17 Memo for Chief, CI/RE A

Subject: Article alleging LHO was interviewed by CIA employees

1. 2/22/64 Northern Va. Sun article alleges that "State Dept. records show that O had several mtgs. with the CIA rep. in the US Embassy in Moscow. ~~During this period~~... On State Dept. cable, No. 234, dated 11/2/59, reports that O was interviewed by the CIA's other embassy officials."

2. Allegation is completely unfounded as follows:

a. Article cites S.D. "cable" No. 234, dated 11/2/59 - must mean S.D. despatch No. 234, dated 11/2/59.

b. "Despatch contains no statement or inference that Richard E. Smyer, the 2nd Secy. of the U.S. Embassy in Moscow, who talked w/O on 31 Oct. 1959, has CIA connection. S's name is the only name of a person who might have spoken w/O." Only other U.S. official (cont. on next page)

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mentioned in SO despatch was Edward E. Finers, who signed despatch.

ZE (201-748009) interest in sub.

c. Richard E. Snyder (DOB: 10 Dec. 1919, Passaic, N.J.)

applied for employ. in 6/49 & submitted complete PHS form.

Entered on 11/8/49 at GS-9; acc. to Personnel file, was

assigned to OPC & slated to serve in Tokyo (file doesn't

show he served there). Served in Heidelberg 3/50 until

resigning eff. 9/26/50 to assume position w/ HICOG.

No further entries in Personnel file. (High Commissioner in Germany)

SR Division has unofficial file on him, showing that Nelson

BRICKAM as SR Div. Staff emp. was in contact w/ Snyder for @

1 yr. (1956-57), whom he used as a spotter at Harvard where S

was studying Russian & had access to other students who might

be going to USSR. No record of TOA, OA or CSA action in that

connection. In 3/59 (prob. just before S's departure for Moscow), State

req. he be given 2 weeks of the OBS Course (prob. ORR's thing in Sov.

Order of Battle).

ZE (201-175339)

Brief history of Agency

d. Edward E. Finers was never an empl. of CIA.

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- SA emp. since 1941, serving in various countries.

- 1952, while a "Peripheral Officer" w/ SO in Rome, OPC req. "liaison

clearance" on him; clearance granted 4/52, interest dropped in

1955 & clearance cancelled.

- Sept. to Nov. 1956, IO Division officials in contact w/ him because

of his SA position → IO req. & need liaison clear. from OS.

- OS file contains following record of int. & clearance action re Finers:

4/59 - SE/TP

8/58 - C/PP/LO

1/62 - APO - AD/P

4/58 - OSI

8/59 - C/PP/LO

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3. Original article containing subj. allegation written by Pbt. S. ALLEN & Paul SCOTT.

- Article also appeared in Human Events - we have neg. info. on publisher & original founder.

4. ALLEN's & SCOTT's attacks on CIA are well-known & persistent.

- Have been sharpshooting at Mr. Dulles whenever opp presented.

- DS has a detailed biog. account of ALLEN & a copy of part of an investigative report on Scott. - no derogatory info. in either.

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Betsy Wolf

File: 00-B-3,212,467

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Subject: Realities / Lido Parade / Interrogation in Minsk following
the Spring Army of a U.S. News Magazine

Inclusive Dates: March 21, 1962

Date of Info: 7/31 - 8/13/61

Custodial Unit: DCD

Class & Date Rec: USSR / 7/31 - 8/13/61

No deletions

Information Report

#89 OCR

Source: US citizens; two women tourists.

Source, a college graduate, & an older companion, toured
the USSR for two weeks by car.

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Document is 4 pages long.

Lists 13 paragraphs describing trip through Russia w/ ^{points of interest} interesting

Describes encounter ^{in Moscow} w/ "Russian student", Peter to whom they
gave a Newsweek magazine & a business card, his subsequent
suspicious behavior, & their subsequent interrogation ^{in tourist} by ~~an~~
office in hotel in Minsk. Mentions that tourist guide, Svetlana
(Lau), was asked to interpret. Tourists were requested to take tour
of Minsk w/ Svetlana as guide, during which time their hotel
room was searched. Car was searched that night.

Describes search at Soviet-Polish border, where they appeared to
be looking for "papers" & showed no interest in film.

3rd traveling companion was questioned @ other two in Warsaw hotel.

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Kramer - Loose Documents

Same as

614-261

- 1) 3/20/64 Memo, ADP (Angleton) to Director, FBI ; RE: Photos of LHO taken in Minsk by Monica Kramer w/attached routing sheet
Also marked, "CSCI 3/780612"

- 2) copy of Information Report No. 00-B-3,212,967 ; Date : 3/21/62

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3/14/78

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1187-436 9/18/75 Memo, Geo. J. Kalanis, Chief CI Staff to Exec. Asst. to the DDO; RE: LHO

1. LHO's 201 file was 1st opened under the name of Lee Henry Oswald on 12/9/60 as a result of his "defection" to the USSR on 10/31/59 & renewed interest in Oswald brought about by his queries concerning possible reentry into the U.S.

2. File contains 2 FBI reports, dated 5/25/60 and 7/3/61, w/ interviews of D's mother & brother re his possible return to U.S. & his loyalty. Am. Emb. Moscow sent 2 telegrams in May & Oct. 1961 conveying his wish to return to U.S. & 5 of D's letters asking for compliance. Also an O letter sent to MC disputing his undeniable discharge. Above docs. probably circulated among FBI, SD, INS & ONI.

3. Also 10/16/63 memo, Wm. Scott to U.S. Amb. there re D's visit to M.C. & to Sov. Emb. there in late Sept. - early Oct. 63.

Subsequently, several M.C. cables in 10/63 which were passed on to FBI, SD & ONI while M.C.s were told to pass on info. to FBI, INS & Emb. in M.C.

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4. Several other FBI reports dated 10/63 re D's activities in FPCC & arrest in 10/63 which were passed on to INS. "There are no other substantive ^{docs.} files in his files prior to the assass. date."

3/10/78

Betsy Hall

1031-405

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

w/attached bing info on LHO extracted from FBI reports & 11/26/59 article in Wash. Evening Star

1004-400

3/2/65 Memo for: Director, FBI; RE: Marina Kantor; Possible connection to investigation of LHO & YHO.

a. Previous correspondence re Kantor indicates he reportedly was in Minsk for 6 wks. during summer of 1958 & during the period 6/2 - 9/8/59. Marina arrived in Minsk toward end of August 1959.

b. In interviews on May 3 & 4, 1961, in Copenhagen, Denmark, with an employee of this Agency who was known to Kantor as "a representative of American Intelligence", Kantor claimed to have been something of an oddity in Minsk since he was the only American residing there at the time.

c. Both Kantor & Oswald had served as enlisted men & technicians in the USMC.

d. According to a report from Detroit office (FBI), dated 8/14/64, Kantor is employed by U. of M. at Ann Arbor as a lecturer in Slavic lang. & lit. in the U's College of LS & A. According to press reports, MO is currently enrolled in a special Eng. language course at U of M in Ann Arbor.

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