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- a. Since 1952 he has been suspected by Belgian authorities in Liège of trafficking with iron curtain countries in strategic materials.
- b. In 1952 he was implicated in an affair involving the theft of nickel in Herstal.
- c. In 1953 he was suspected by the authorities of having dealt in the smuggling of demonetized pieces of Belgian currency.
- d. In January 1954 he received a court summons involving a charge by the frauds section of the Parquet de Liège that he was implicated in a fraudulent transaction which concerned a shipment of cast iron instead of ordered nickel to an Adwert firm. He was sentenced on this charge by the Correctional Court of Liège on 22 October 1954 to a suspended prison term of four months and a fine of 100 Belgian francs.
- e. In 23 March 1954 VINCENT was arrested in Luxembourg on the charge of having participated with Jose Marie HANGEL and Jan HAAGLOREN in the fraudulent exportation of nickel. (Luxembourg ODACID reported in July 1954 that the arrestees were released on bail in June 1954. [OSMA-1759] indicates that HAAGLOREN succeeded in fleeing to Switzerland on 22 15 November 1954. The result of the case so far as VINCENT was concerned has not been reported. [this station])
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- 5. The [VINCENT] post in Liège has reported that BARRA is aware of her husband's business activities and approves of them. However, neither VINCENT nor BARRA is known to that post as a member of any extremist organization or as assisting any such group. 24
- 6. It is regretted that the [VINCENT] report does not permit [this station] to provide a more definitive analysis of the veracity of VIV's original story. We shall, however, report any further information which tends either to confirm or refute his claim. [this station] feels, as noted in [OSMA-1759], that Luxembourg ODACID, which reported the VIV story originally, should be requested by ODACID to provide an evaluation of VIV and otherwise contribute to determine whether or not the story has any basis in fact.

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