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KOLOD, Ivan & KOHALJ, Alexander

23 November 1949

RE: Suspected Soviet Agent and Visa Applicant

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1. SUBJECT, who has applied for immigration into the US, is suspected of being a Soviet agent. Regional Registry files disclosed unforwarded information to the effect that SUBJECT has been in close contact with known Soviet agent, Ilija JANUSCHOW, and has been appointed his deputy in running an espionage net. (Source: 427th CIC Report, dated 23 October 1948).

2. SYNOPSIS OF PREVIOUS INVESTIGATION:

a. Reference is made to Letter, Headquarters 7970th CIC Group, subject "BINGO", File 350.09, dated 8 July 1946, which contains the following information: "KOLOD, Some Kazans, AUGSBURG (M49/137), makes frequent visits to a Russian repatriation mission and disappears for a short time after each visit. Several unknown persons have visited him repeatedly in the camp."

b. Further reference is made to Agent Report, Sub-Region AUGSBURG, subject Project 113/15, File IV-24, dated 3 November 1946, and Agent Report, subject and file as above, dated 10 December 1946. Both reports deal with interrogations of SUBJECT concerning his connection with suspected Soviet agents and his contacts with Soviet repatriation missions. A summary of the derogatory information against SUBJECT contained in previous reports is as follows:

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- (1) SUBJECT, although interrogated on several occasions, usually gave a different account of his past history and present activities on each occasion. (A-2)
- (2) SUBJECT's correct name appears to be Alexander KOHALJ. He further appears to have served as an officer in the Red Army, who deserted to the Germans in 1941, and thereafter served in Germany, the USSR, and Czechoslovakia as an officer of the VLASOV Army. (B-2)
- (3) After 1945 SUBJECT, together with a Viktor MICHNER, organized a VLASOV Committee in the AUGSBURG area under circumstances which strongly indicated that the committee was formed to gather information regarding Soviet VLASOV men, RS, SS, and Gestapo collaborators for Soviet Repatriation officers. (B-2)
- (4) SUBJECT frequently visited the offices of the Soviet Repatriation Mission, associated with officers of that mission, and spread Communist propaganda in IP camps. (U-3)
- (5) SUBJECT was connected and associated with several other suspected Soviet agents, including Ilija JANUSCHOW. (F-3)
- (6) SUBJECT was connected with the founding in the AUGSBURG-MUNICH (M49/185) area of the "New Gallery", a quasi-religious Russian group which appeared to have been Soviet-sponsored. (F-3)

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3. PRESENT INVESTIGATION:

a. Background data on SUBJECT:

Name: Iwan KOLOS @ Alexander KOWALJ

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Date of birth: 3 May 1918 Place of birth: CHAPLINA/USSR

Nationality: Ukrainian Occupation: Tailor Present address:

DP Camp LEIPHEIM (L49/X88) Height: 5' 8" Weight: 150 lbs

Build: Slender Hair: Brown Eyes: Blue Identifying Marks:

Scar on neck; piercing blue eyes.

(P-3)

b. SUBJECT, according to his own statements, was employed as a bookkeeper, in CHAPLINA until the fall of 1941. In 1941 he joined German auxiliary troops, fighting against partisans. His wife and sister were captured by the partisans and burned to death. In 1943 SUBJECT joined the VLASOV Army and in the rank of 1st Lt. was in command of a squadron. In July 1944 SUBJECT was arrested by the Germans because he had refused to fight against the Allies in France, but he was released soon thereafter. In November 1944, SUBJECT retreated with his unit to MUENSINGEN (L49/X28), near NEM (L49/X68), where he stayed in training until March 1945, when he was transferred with his unit to PRAGUE (051/L78), where he gave himself up to the Americans. SUBJECT then made his way to AUGSBURG staying first in a Ukrainian camp in GOSCHINGEN (M49/Y37), then at the Some Kasern in AUGSBURG, and in August 1948, was transferred to the Ukrainian DP Camp at LEIPHEIM.

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4. Source A reported that he has known SUBJECT since the summer of 1948 and that SUBJECT told him that he had become an anti-Communist, more or less, by accident. In 1941, when the Germans occupied the Ukraine, SUBJECT was left behind by the retreating Soviets to carry on partisan activity. He had received orders from the Red Army to burn a village, but since it happened to be his home, SUBJECT refused and went over to the Germans, where he was taken into a Ukrainian police force and later into the VLASOV Army. (E-2) SUBJECT further told source, that prior to joining the VLASOV Army, he had changed his name to KOLOS and asked whether source also went under an assumed name. (P-2)

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5. Source A, who is a member of the executive committee of SWOD/AZODNR (Anti-Communist Center of the Liberation Movement of the Peoples of Russia), asked SUBJECT to suggest people who could be used for the AZODNR intelligence service. SUBJECT immediately recommended Ilija JAKUSCHOW, maintaining that JAKUSCHOW was very reliable, able and fanatically anti-Communist. (P-3)

6. SUBJECT, who had also joined the AZODNR, further came to source A's attention in that he was continually attempting to find out about the KEIs and plans of the AZODNR intelligence service. In the fall of 1948, during an AZODNR meeting at the Russian library in AUGSBURG, source had a roster of members lying on the table in front of him. He was called out for a few minutes and when he returned, the

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roster was missing. SUBJECT had been sitting next to him. Some time later, various members who had been present at the meeting, questioned source as to why KOLOS was asking them for their addresses, which he entered on a list. (P-3)

7. Investigation of JAKUSCHOW has revealed that he was always fully informed concerning the activities and decisions of the AZODNR, although he was never admitted to their meetings. At the time it was reported to source A, that regularly two (2) hours before a scheduled meeting was to take place, SUBJECT would leave on a bicycle, destination unknown. Source himself checked this report, and in three (3) instances observed SUBJECT departing on his bicycle a few hours prior to a scheduled AZODNR meeting. From that, source draws the inference that KOLOS would report the meetings to JAKUSCHOW since SUBJECT was in frequent contact with JAKUSCHOW. (P-3)

8. Source further reported that one (fmr) DUBKO, an acquaintance of his and a former VLASOV officer, who had known SUBJECT while serving in the VLASOV Army, stated that SUBJECT's real name is KOWALJ. (P-6)

9. Source B reported that he met SUBJECT in June 1945, in an Ukrainian camp in GOROGINGIN, where they had hidden to evade Russian repatriation attempts. In July 1945, the camp was officially organized under US sponsorship, for all Ukrainians who did not wish to return to their homeland. KOLOS was appointed camp leader by the UNRRA director, Mr. SHERMAN. Allegedly the Ukrainians opposed the appointment because SUBJECT was not a real Ukrainian but a white Russian, and after two (2) weeks SUBJECT was succeeded by another man. According to source, many false denunciations against SUBJECT were then circulated by the Ukrainians in order to depose SUBJECT as camp leader, and that all present allegations against him had their roots in this event, and that SUBJECT is in no way Communist oriented. (P-4)

10. On 8 November 1949 this agent interrogated SUBJECT at the LEIPERIN OF Camp. SUBJECT categorically denied all allegations, stating that he contacted JAKUSCHOW only two (2) or three (3) times and then for black market deals only. (D-5)

11. UNDEVELOPED LEADS AND FUTURE ACTION: Further observation of SUBJECT's activities in this area.

12. AGENT'S NOTES:

a. Background Information: The results of the Regional file check are noted above.

b. Comments and Opinions: SUBJECT's life history, as given to this agent, varies considerably from that given to the interrogator described in above mentioned report, dated 3 November 1946. Even during his previous interrogation in November 1946 SUBJECT's statements were frequently contradictory and it is this agent's opinion that SUBJECT has not been telling the truth and is making every effort to hid his real past. Source quoted in paragraphs 4 through 7, this report, is an influential personage in the Ukraine and Russian anti-Communist circles and known to this agent as a man not given to making rash or untrue statements. He has been in a position where it has been necessary for him to investigate SUBJECT and his statements are

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regarded as credible by this agent. As a moral person he stands head and shoulders above the source quoted in paragraph G.

G. Recommendations This agent recommends that the above information be taken into consideration when determining SUBJECT's eligibility for migration to the US.

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