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REPORT MADE AT <b>SAN FRANCISCO</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>10/31/55</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>9/29; 10/17, 20, 24/55</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>WAYNE K. WELCH - bjn</b>
TITLE <b>CHANGED</b> <b>VALENTINA ONICK, nee BELOBRODSKI, aka. Mrs. FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>INTERNAL SECURITY - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

VALENTINA ONICK resides with her husband, FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK, at 3717 - 26th Place, Seattle, Washington. VERA ORLOFF, former wife of FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK, was member of Russian American Society, San Francisco, in 1944, and her parents, ALICE and JOHN ORLOFF, have been identified as members of RAS. WILLIAM FREDERICK ONICK, father of FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK, was member of RAS from 1943-45. WILLIAM FREDERICK ONICK reportedly visited at Soviet Consulate, San Francisco, during World War II. VERA ORLOFF and her family were reportedly acquainted with representatives of Soviet Consulate prior to the closing of the Consulate in 1948. WILLIAM FREDERICK ONICK, a carpenter, resides with wife, ANISIA, at 26 Rocklyn Court, Corte Madera, California in 1954-55.

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**DETAILS:**

The title of this report is being changed to include the married name of VALENTINA BELOBRODSKI.

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

San Francisco T-1, a foreign government agency which conducts intelligence investigations, advised in July 1955 that VALENTINA BELOBRODSKI was then married to FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK and that they resided at 3717 - 26<sup>th</sup> Place, Seattle, Washington. This source advised that the records of that agency contained no information concerning FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK. SF T-1 identified WALTER BELOBRODSKI as a brother of VALENTINA BELOBRODSKI.

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San Francisco Indices contain no record identifiable with VALENTINA BELOBRODSKI or WALTER BELOBRODSKI.

RE: FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK

Records of the Seattle Credit Bureau, Seattle, Washington, contain a credit report dated April 21, 1955 from the Credit Bureau at San Rafael, California, which also includes data from the San Francisco Credit Bureau. This report reflects that FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK, age 32-33, had formerly been married to VERA ORLOFF. They were married October 7, 1946 and she obtained a final decree of divorce in April 1949. VERA ORLOFF was identified as the daughter of JOHN and ALICE ORLOFF, 3667 - 18th Avenue, San Francisco. FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK was identified as the son of WILLIAM FREDERICK ONICK, Rocklyn Court, Corte Madera, California. 2

Credit records disclose that FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK had been employed as a salesman for Walton W. Moore Company, San Francisco in December 1946; had previously been employed for four months by the Madison and Burke Company; and previously served for four years in the U. S. Army.

Records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Seattle, Washington, reflect that FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK in September 1955 was employed as a Field Director of the American Red Cross in the Thirteenth Naval District, Seattle. A financial statement executed by ONICK listed his total assets as \$37,925.00. INS records reflect that Mrs. ONICK entered the United States at Blaine, Washington on August 21, 1955 for permanent residence, having previously resided at 3919 Alice Street, Vancouver, B. C. She was described as 5'5", 118 pounds, and of the white race.

Records of the San Francisco Retail Credit Association, as reviewed by Investigative Clerk RAYMOND A. LANGLOTS, on October 19, 1955 through FRANK J. McAULAY, Supervisor of Files, reflected that a credit report dated April 20, 1950 showed that FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK resided at Rocklyn Court, Corte Madera, California. He was employed since December 1946 by the Walton M. Moore Company as a salesman and indicated his marital status as single. 2

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Records of the Voter's Registration Office, City Hall, City and County of San Francisco, as reviewed by SA WAYNE K. WELCH on October 20, 1955, disclosed no record of a registration by FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK.

The 1942, 1943, 1945, 1946, 1951, 1953, and 1954 San Francisco City Directories, as reviewed by SA WELCH on October 20, 1955, disclose no record of FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK. The 1944 City Directory reflected that FREDERICK ONICK, U. S. Army, resided at 2952 Jackson Street. This directory also listed WILLIAM F. ONICK a carpenter and his wife, ANISIA, as also residing at 2952 Jackson Street.

The 1948-49 San Francisco City Directory reflected that "FRED W. ONICK" was employed as a clerk by the "W. M. M. D. G. Company" and resided at Corte Madera, California.

The afore-mentioned abbreviations refer apparently to Walton M. Moore Company.

The 1952-53 Marin County Directory reflects that "FRED W. ONICK" a salesman employed by the Walton M. Moore Company, San Francisco, resided at 26 Rocklyn Court, Corte Madera, California. The directory also identified "WILLIAM F. ONICK and ANISLA ONICK" as residents at 26 Rocklyn Court.

The 1949-50 Marin County Directory reflected that "FRED WILLIAM ONICK, "WILLIAM F. ONICK" and the latter's wife, "ANISLA", resided at 26 Rocklyn Court, Corte Madera, California.

Indices of the San Francisco Division contain no data identifiable with FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK.

RE: VERA ORLOFF, Former Wife of  
FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK

VERA ONICK, nee ORLOFF, submitted a Loyalty Data Form (Number 85) on November 19, 1948 in connection with her employment as a clerk-stenographer, San Francisco Port of Embarkation, Department of the Army, Fort Mason, California. This form reflected that

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she was born March 24, 1923 at San Francisco, California. She attended the Tamalpais Union High School, Mill Valley, California from 1938 to 1941 and the California Secretarial School, San Francisco, from September 1941 to June 1942. She was employed at the U. S. Food and Drug Administration at San Francisco in July 1942, where she worked until September 1943 when she transferred to the District Supply Office, U. S. Navy, Twelfth Naval District, San Francisco. She worked at this job until May 1947 and she was unemployed from May 1947 until November 1948 when she received the afore-mentioned appointment as clerk-stenographer at the San Francisco Port of Embarkation. She advised she was divorced from FRED WILLIAM ONICK, San Francisco, California, who was born July 4, 1921.

The Department of the Army advised in 1949 that VERA ONICK was represented at a Loyalty Hearing by the law firm of RICHARD GLADSTEIN, HAROLD ANDERSON, HERBERT RESNER and HAROLD SAWYER.

San Francisco T-2, who has provided reliable information in the past, advised in 1949 that the law firm of GLADSTEIN, ANDERSON, RESNER and SAWYER was composed of members who were either Communists or Communist sympathizers. This source advised that the firm had for years represented Communist Party officials on legal matters, both of a criminal and civil nature.

San Francisco T-3, who has provided reliable information in the past, advised in 1949 that VERA ORLOFF was known to him in 1944 as a member of the Russian American Society (RAS), San Francisco, an organization designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

San Francisco T-4, who was familiar with various activity on the part of VERA ORLOFF during portions of the 1940's advised in 1949 that VERA ORLOFF had been active in social activities sponsored by the RAS and other Russian groups in San Francisco. He advised that she and her family were acquainted with representatives of the Soviet Consulate in San Francisco prior to the closing of the Consulate in the Fall of 1948.

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San Francisco T-4 advised that he did not believe that VERA ORLOFF was a member of the Communist Party (CP) or particularly sympathetic to Communism or that she was particularly interested in any form of government. He observed that he believed that she associated with Russian groups because of her parents' association with these organizations and that they had developed friends among the Russian people in the San Francisco area mainly because of their common background. He observed that VERA ORLOFF's parents were both born in Russia and that her parents enjoyed their association with other Russian people and in speaking the Russian language.

San Francisco T-4 stated, that based upon various conversations which he had with VERA ORLOFF's father, he had concluded that her father was pro-Communist. He was unable to recall the exact statements of JOHN ORLOFF, but advised that JOHN ORLOFF was continually upholding Communism and the Soviet form of government. He advised that he had never seen a Communist Party membership card in the possession of JOHN ORLOFF.

One of the principal reasons for VERA ORLOFF's divorce from FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK, according to San Francisco T-4, was the great influence over her by her parents. He explained that VERA ORLOFF was married to ONICK for five or six months; that ONICK was a veteran of World War II; that ONICK continued his National Service Life Insurance with ONICK's parents listed as beneficiaries. ONICK had planned to have his beneficiaries changed, but VERA ONICK's father made an issue over the matter and had given ONICK a definite period of time in which to change the beneficiaries. San Francisco T-4 advised that ONICK resented this attitude by his father-in-law and refused to change the beneficiaries at that time. JOHN ORLOFF thereupon instructed VERA ONICK to leave ONICK, which she did, and she shortly thereafter instituted proceedings for divorce. San Francisco T-4 advised that there were probably other differences between VERA ONICK and her husband which might have caused them to separate but he expressed the feeling that if VERA ONICK had defied her father on that matter, there would have been no divorce.

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San Francisco T-4 advised that VERA ONICK had been instructed to obey her parents without question and that she had never questioned the instructions of her father. This source expressed the opinion that if her father requested her to obtain confidential data from the United States Government, she would probably act upon his instructions.

He advised that VERA ONICK separated from FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK in May 1947 and filed for divorce in August of that year. He advised that the ONICKs had a daughter, born December 4, 1947. San Francisco T-4 declined to furnish a signed statement or appear before a Loyalty Hearing Board.

The 1948-49 San Francisco City Directory reflects that Mrs. VERA ONICK, stenographer, resided at 3667 - 18th Avenue, San Francisco. The 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1951, 1953, and 1954 directories contain no record of VERA ONICK or VERA ORLOFF.

RE: JOHN ORLOFF

San Francisco T-3 has advised that JOHN ORLOFF, VERA ORLOFF's father, has been active in the Russian American Society, San Francisco, from October 11, 1943 until December 11, 1953 and that ORLOFF served in various official capacities during his participation in Russian American Society activity.

San Francisco T-3 advised that in July 1947, a meeting of the Communist Party faction within the Russian American Society had been held in San Francisco and that it was recommended that JOHN ORLOFF be recruited into the Communist Party. All Party members present at the meeting, with one or two exceptions, had concurred in this recommendation. SF T-3 advised that ORLOFF subsequently declined the invitation to join the Party, stating that he performed the work anyway and that he did not have time to attend meetings and participate in other direct Party activity.

San Francisco T-5, who has provided reliable information in the past, advised in 1948 that JOHN ORLOFF was elected president of the All Slav Council, San Francisco, California, on January 28, 1948. ORLOFF was elected as a delegate to the Fourth All Slav Congress to be held in Chicago, Illinois on September 24-26, 1948.

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W. C. STOREK, 610 Funston Avenue, San Francisco, advised in 1949 he had been president of the All Slav Council of Northern California from 1942 until 1946 and that the group was formed in 1942 and functioned during World War II as a fund-raising group.

STOREK advised that ORLOFF was treasurer of the council during the period that he, STOREK, was president.

STOREK advised that following the termination of the war the All Slav Council became affiliated with the American Slav Congress of New York City and that he and other members who were not Communists or Communist sympathizers, withdrew from the council inasmuch as the officers were then either Communist Party members or Communist sympathizers. The All Slav Congress has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

San Francisco T-3 advised in July 1955 that JOHN ORLOFF and his wife, ALICE, were present at an Executive Board meeting of the Russian American Society held July 8, 1955 at 321 Divisadero Street, San Francisco. This source advised on February 1, 1955 that ALICE ORLOFF was then a member of the Russian American Society. 4

RE: WILLIAM FREDERICK ONICK

As previously noted, records of the Seattle Credit Bureau contained a report dated April 21, 1955 from the San Rafael, California Credit Bureau which reflects that FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK was the son of WILLIAM FREDERICK ONICK, Rocklyn Court, Corte Madera, California.

San Francisco T-3 advised in 1943 and 1945 that WILLIAM ONICK, 2952 Jackson Street, San Francisco, was an active member of the Russian American Society.

VASILIE IVANOVICH KUOZNETSOFF, 733 Fillmore Street, San Francisco, advised SA ROBERT E. LANGTOT on August 8, 1944 that he saw WILLIAM ONICK at the Soviet Consulate, San Francisco, in the company of other members of the Russian American Society on one occasion during World War II.



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Records of the Voter's Registration Office, City Hall, City and County of San Francisco, as reviewed by SA WELCH on October 20, 1955, reflect that WILLIAM FEODOR ONICK, husband of Mrs. ANISIA ONICK, registered in 1936 while residing at 2952 Jackson Street. He was born in the USSR, date not shown; was employed as a painter and had been naturalized in San Francisco on January 8, 1934. ANISIA MARY ONICK was born in the USSR, date not shown, and was naturalized July 1, 1940 at San Francisco. These records reflect that WILLIAM ONICK's registration was cancelled for failure to vote in 1946. ANISIA ONICK's registration was cancelled in 1946 upon receipt of information from the Registrar of Voters, Marin County, California, reflecting that she had registered in that county on April 22, 1946. Corte Madera, California is located in Marin County.

The 1944 San Francisco City Directory reflects that WILLIAM F. ONICK, a carpenter, resided with his wife, ANISIA, at 2952 Jackson Street. FRED ONICK, U. S. Army, was also identified as a resident at this address.

The 1954-55 Marin County Directory reflects that WILLIAM ONICK, a carpenter, resides with his wife, ANISIA, at 26 Rocklyn, Corte Madera. The Information Operator, Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, San Francisco, advised SA WELCH on October 20, 1955 that WILLIAM F. ONICK is the subscriber to telephone number Corte Madera 448R Marin County, California.

Records of the San Francisco Retail Credit Association as reviewed by Investigative Clerk RAYMOND A. LANGLOIS on October 19, 1955 through Supervisor of Files FRANK J. McAULAY, disclosed no record of WILLIAM FREDERICK ONICK.

ENCLOSURES

Enclosed herewith to the Seattle Office are three photographs of FREDERICK WILLIAM ONICK.

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