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JAKUSHOV, Ilya alias YAKUSHEV, Ilya
Re: Soviet Intelligence Activity

21 February 1950

1. CIC See 21 Feb 1. Attached Agent Report concerning SUBJECT
Reg Dist 1950 forwarded for your information.
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2. SUBJECT has been under constant observation and investigation by CIC in this area since 1945. This investigation, as well as FIB's former penetration of the Soviet Repatriation Mission formerly stationed at WASHBACH (250/T08), has produced a mass of information and "misinformation" on SUBJECT, his past, and his present activities. The present report was written in an effort to consolidate, summarize, and analyze all this information, as well as to add such new information as was obtained during 1949.

3. The agent's analysis of the case, contained in paragraph 24b of the attached report, is believed by this office to be an excellent one. Unhappily, however, there is still too little concrete information available to raise this analysis above the level of a mere hypothesis. That SUBJECT was, prior to 1944, an officer of the Red Army or of the NKVD, seems to be pretty well established and confirmed. That during late 1944 and early 1945 he served in the Sicherheitsdienst and was involved in such operations as "Deppelia" is also considered to be confirmed. It is his activity since May 1945, however, that is still subject to considerable speculation.

a. SUBJECT did, in the closing days of the war and immediately after May 1945, wear the uniform of a Red Army officer. SUBJECT also on various occasions displayed documents purporting to show that he was an NKVD agent and a "Hero of the Soviet Union". These documents, however, may have been forgeries, inasmuch as some of SUBJECT's duties with the SD encompassed the forging of documents.

b. Soviet Repatriation Officers did, during 1945 and 1946, make efforts to forcibly repatriate SUBJECT to the USSR. SUBJECT does seem to have resisted such repatriation, and on various occasions has claimed that he went into hiding in an effort to avoid repatriation. However, Soviet repatriation efforts in his particular case appear to have been rather haphazard and anything but intensive, raising the possibility that these efforts were to serve as a cover to cloak his pro-Soviet activity.

c. The only concrete and detailed information regarding SUBJECT's connection with the WASHBACH Repatriation Mission and regarding his alleged information gathering stems from a former FIB penetration source. This office was under the impression that Nikolai

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OSWIATINSKI of AUGSBURG was this source. However, the information elicited by this office from OSWIATINSKI (paragraph 10) does not contain the details reported by TIB on various occasions (paragraphs 2b(11), 2b(13), 2b(14) and 2b(15).) Past and present CIC investigations and interrogations failed to uncover corroborating information. Furthermore, conversations with the MUNICH (H49/Y85) liaison officer of Special Detachment, ESCOM, revealed that this penetration source's complete reliability was questioned by both TIB and agents of CIC Region IV.

d. Investigation of the various persons alleged to be associates and/or co-workers of SUBJECT also failed in most cases to yield corroborating information. In three (3) specific instances, however, information of interest was uncovered:

(1) SUBJECT was alleged to have been in close contact with the SUHMANN family in AUGSBURG. (Z-2) This family did move from AUGSBURG in March 1949 with the aid of Soviet Officers. (B-1) The family is rumored in the neighborhood to have moved to the Geysons or to the USSR. (Z-6)

(2) Iwan KOLOS, reported as SUBJECT's successor in the alleged Soviet Intelligence Ring (paragraph 2b(14)) was the subject of a separate investigation by this office. This investigation indicated that KOLOS was engaged in low level espionage activity for the Soviets (Agent Report, CIC Region XII, subject: KOLOS, Iwan @ KOWALJ, Alexander, File No: XII-54.8, dated 23 November 1949).

(3) Sufficient information has been compiled on Nikolai WAYLOR to indicate that WAYLOR probably was engaged in pro-Soviet activities. (A thorough reinvestigation of the WAYLOR case will be initiated by this office.)

e. Close observation of SUBJECT's activities by this office during 1949 failed to reveal any indications of intelligence gathering. All that was revealed was a mass of information concerning SUBJECT's criminal activity, including black market activity and distribution of counterfeit money.

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6. Considering all these factors, several possibilities are raised:

a. SUBJECT is strictly an opportunist who, when he became a prisoner of the Germans, doubled and collaborated with them during 1944 - early 1945. After the Allied Victory, SUBJECT either attempted to or did collaborate with the Soviets in an effort to avoid repatriation.

b. ²⁵⁴ SUBJECT is a trained Soviet agent who penetrated CIC and is now either still active for the Soviets but extremely careful in such activity so as to avoid detection, or is a "sleeper" agent.

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JANUSZKA, Ilya alias YANUSCHKA, Ilya (Cont)
RE: Soviet Intelligence Activity

21 February 1950

c. (u) SUBJECT was active for the Soviets until 1947 - 1948, when he was dropped as being compromised and possibly for the other reasons mentioned by the agent.

d. (u) SUBJECT was active for the Soviets throughout the entire course of World War II, but was suspected of doubling in favor of the Germans by the Soviets.

e. (u) Continued observation of SUBJECT may eliminate some of these possibilities. Such observation will be continued by this office. Further interrogation of SUBJECT, however, is considered to be fruitless, inasmuch as experience has shown that SUBJECT is an inveterate liar whose every statement is subject to doubt.

f. (u) Source "A" for the attached report is Eugen ROSENKRANTZ. Source "B" is Vladimir TURKOV. Both sources are personally acquainted with SUBJECT. All information was obtained as related in the report.

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