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Statement RE Procedures on Whether CIA Debriefed American
Defector Repatriates to U.S. (1958-63)

4/20/70 Memo, B. Hugh Tovar, Chief, CI Staff to Special
Assistant to DDO for External Oversight; Attn: Mr. Norbert Shepack;
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 Moomadian (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 DOD for positive intelligence; also by SE Division.
- No contact after 5/61.

3. Tommaso Sgovio (201-289973)

- 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.

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.
- DCI 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 DCI.

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

- Departed for USSR in 1934; renounced U.S. citizenship
- Reputedly imprisoned in USSR ca. 1947 ^{for attempting} ~~for attempting~~ to return to U.S.
- Released from prison in 1955; became translator for Soviet Information Bureau.

6. (cont.)

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

7. Xibero Ricciardelli (201-289238)

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

8. Harold Litynell (201-275418)

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

9. Robert Edward Neboten (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.