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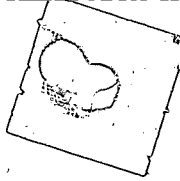
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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (105-37687)

SUBJECT: ROBERT EDWARD WEBSTER
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ReNYairtel, 10/19/59, captioned as above.

(S) NY 1519-S* advised on 10/20/59, Mr. FNU TANNER, reporter on a local Cleveland newspaper, had received the following information from Mr. H. J. RAND, President of Rand Development Corporation in Moscow, USSR. RAND advised that the last time he had seen subject was Saturday, 10/17/59, at a police station in Moscow, USSR. He advised that at all times WEBSTER was in the presence of others (not identified) and at no time was WEBSTER allowed to talk to RAND alone. (S)

RAND stated subject applied for Soviet Citizenship, July last. Subject advised RAND that he had made up his mind to apply for Soviet Citizenship. According to RAND, his reason for staying was "personal", but he would not go into details. (S)

RAND stated that subject was on his own now, now that he is a Soviet citizen. Subject was advised by the Soviets that he could not leave the USSR except under the "Quota Rule". RAND indicated subject had resigned his job with Rand Development Corporation, but that he (RAND) would pay for subject's return fare to the US. (S)

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RAND advised that he had been misquoted about subject having family trouble. He (RAND) had never advised that subject had trouble with his wife. RAND stated he felt that story came from subject's conversation with the US Consul Office.

RAND stated subject's reason for renouncing his US Citizenship was for some woman, although he did not know for sure.

RAND advised subject did not want to talk with his wife, but had advised him (RAND) that he would call his father.

RAND indicated he would not attempt to see subject before returning home on 10/21/59. (S)(u)

(S) [NY 1519-S*] advised on 10/20/59, Miss NANCY SEELEY, representing New York Post Newspaper, New York City, attempted to contact subject care of United States Embassy, Moscow. She was advised that subject was in Leningrad. Miss SEELEY inquired if subject's address in Leningrad was available. She was advised that subject's address was not known and that they were attempting to locate same. (S)

Information from this source, if used in report, must be most carefully paraphrased in order to protect the source. Under no circumstances should subject or any unauthorized persons become aware we have knowledge of the above information.

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(S) [NY 1519-S*] advised on 10/19/59, that Mr. JOE
MICHAELS, NBC, Moscow correspondent, submitted the following
news story to NBC, NYC:

Today, an American man connected with last summer's
exhibition, Moscow, USSR, decided to become a Soviet
citizen. ROBERT E. WEBSTER, a 30-year old plastics
technician, is now in Leningrad after having formally
renounced his US citizenship this last Saturday. The
Cleveland, Ohio man is described by his former employers
as an able and conscientious worker, somewhat moody and
a lone wolf. He came to the USSR in April and returned home
for a time where apparently he had some disagreement with
his wife, who with their two children, is still in the USA.
WEBSTER, nevertheless, returned to Russia working in a plastic's
exhibit at the fair revealing his plans to no one.

Nothing new in here, every new in here 3/9

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