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SUBJECT: NORMAN ROTHMAN
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Enclosed to Los Angeles is one copy of report of SA EDWIN D. KUYKENDALL, Dallas, 8/29/58, one copy of Dallas letter to Bureau, 8/29/58, and letterhead memorandum, 8/29/58.

Mrs. C. B. NEWMAN, 10708 Coogan Drive, Dallas (protect identity, request), on 9/10/58, advised SA EDWIN D. KUYKENDALL that subject still resides at 10715 Coogan Drive, Dallas, Texas, but that subject may have changed his employment recently. She stated that about two weeks previously, she noticed 6 or 7 automobiles all containing couples arriving and departing from subject's home during the early afternoon. She said that it was very unusual for subject and his wife to have company. She did not know the nature of this gathering.

On the following day, subject left Dallas and has been away from Dallas since that time. Subject's next door neighbor, Mrs. HILL, told Mrs. NEWMAN he is engaged at present in public relations work and believed subject was again self-employed in that capacity.

Mrs. NEWMAN, on 9/12/58, telephonically contacted SA JAMES P. HOSTY, JR., and advised she has determined that the subject was then staying at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, length of stay indefinite.

[Los Angeles Office will note that subject, in early 1958, indicated he may be trying to become employed by the Dominican Republic in some capacity. Also note that a telephone call was made on 3/5/58 by an unknown person from subject's business office to Kim's Children's Wear, a store at Irving, Texas, which call was on the day following the date when [RAFAEL MEDAN, an Israeli Intelligence Agent] visited with the owner of that store in Irving, Texas. The investigation on ROTHMAN, otherwise, has given no indication that he is connected with Israeli intelligence work.] (S)

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Los Angeles is requested to conduct investigation at the Ambassador Hotel in an effort to determine the nature of subject's activities. It is possible that through checking telephone calls and other data available at that hotel, that it can be determined whether subject was in contact in Los Angeles with any representatives of either the Dominican Republic or Israel. (S)

For information of the Bureau, the Dallas Office will withhold requesting interview with subject until the lead at Los Angeles has been covered. In the meantime, further efforts will be made at Dallas to determine ROTHMAN's present employment.

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Enclosed is the report of SA EDWIN D. KUYKENDALL, dated 8/29/58, at Dallas, Texas, and a letterhead memorandum dated 8/29/58.

REFERENCES

- Dallas letter to Bureau, 7/9/58.
- Report of SA EDWIN D. KUYKENDALL, 7/9/58, at Dallas.
- Report of SA CALVIN W. EVANS, 8/15/58, at Phoenix.
- San Antonio letter to Dallas, 8/4/58.

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LEADS

DALLAS: AT DALLAS, TEXAS

Will, upon receipt of New York report reflecting results of its investigation, submit request to the Bureau for interview with the subject.

New York is furnished a copy of this letter, report of SA EDWIN D. KUYKENDALL, dated 8/29/58, at Dallas, and letterhead memorandum, for information, inasmuch as that office is presently conducting investigation.

HARRY YEAGER (protect identity, request), Vice President and Cashier, Preston State Bank, Dallas, on August 26, 1958, advised SA EDWIN D. KUYKENDALL his bank has no current or closed checking or savings accounts in the name of NORMAN and GLORIA ROTHMAN.

WILLIAM P. ESSLINGER, Division Manager, The Southwestern States Telephone Company, Irving, Texas (protect identity, request), on August 27, 1958 advised SA EDWIN D. KUYKENDALL the identity

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R. & R. Lumber Co., 1616 E.
Irving Boulevard, Irving, Texas;

BL 4-2212

Cole's Hardware and Paints,
1517 Irving Boulevard, Irving,
Texas;

BL 3-1562

BILLY ~~J~~ HUGHES, 1230 E. Irving
Boulevard, Irving, Texas, (said
to be a Certified Public Accountant).

Dallas Office indices reflect no information identifiable with the subscribers to the above mentioned Irving, Texas, telephone numbers except concerning Kim's Children's Wear and ROBERT L. MORRIS. Dallas indices reflect no information identifiable with MELVIN B. SHULER, MONTE M. BROHARD, JR., Foresight Homes, Inc., and Bermuda Pools, Inc.

Dallas indices reflect a file reference (135-18-86), which shows ROBERT LOUIS MORRIS of Irving, Texas, was in 1953 a plant informant of the Dallas Office while he was employed by Temco Aircraft, Grand Prairie, Texas. He is not at present a plant informant of the Dallas Office.

Mrs. LYNELLE CLAXTON, RMCA, Irving, Texas, on 8/28/58 advised that ROBERT LOUIS MORRIS, presently of 512 Kingston, Irving, Texas, as of February, 1958, was self-employed as a builder and was half owner of Morris and Associates, Irving. She stated that he formerly was an employee of Temco Aircraft, Grand Prairie, but is no longer so employed.

It is to be noted that Kim's Children's Wear, 124 Plymouth Park Shopping Center, Irving, is an establishment operated by HAROLD BALSAM, formerly of New York City and Miami Beach, Fla.; that this establishment was visited on 3/4/58 by [RAFAEL MEDAN, CS] Israeli Intelligence Agent, and subject of pending case entitled, "RAFAEL MEDAN, was., [IS - ISRAEL", Bufile 105-50122, CS] New York file # 105-19656, New York OO. MEDAN, at 5:12 P. M., on 3/4/58, entered that establishment and remained there until 6:09 P. M., when he departed accompanied by HAROLD BALSAM. JS

It is further noted from review of the information developed from Irving and Dallas telephone companies that one phone call

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on 3/5/58 was made from an unknown individual at EM 8-2544 (phone number then of the firm with which subject NORMAN ROTHMAN was and is now associated), to BL 3-1766, Irving (phone number of Kim's Children's Wear, Irving). [It is not known if MEDAN's contact with BALSAM and the phone call on the following day from NORMAN ROTHMAN to that store is significant to instant investigation.] (S)

Dallas files reflect no indication that NORMAN ROTHMAN has had any connection or association with [Israel or representatives of that country]. Investigation is presently being conducted in the [RAFAEL MEDAN] case to determine the significance of MEDAN's contact with BALSAM. (S)

Identities of SAs of the FBI [who observed RAFAEL MEDAN] at Kim's Children's Wear on 3/4/58 are SAs W. HARLAN BROWN, JAMES P. HOSTY, JR., C. RAY HALL, EDWIN D. KUYKENDALL, and W. DODSON HANES. (S)

INFORMANTS

<u>Identity of Source</u>	<u>Date of Activity Or Description of Information</u>	<u>Agent to Whom Furnished</u>	<u>File Number Where Located</u>
T-1 is WILLIAM REID, Teller, Savings Department, Mercantile National Bank, Dallas, Texas (furnished by him at request of C. GLEN COLE, Cashier, Mercantile National Bank) (request)		SA EDWIN D. KUYKENDALL (oral)	Instant report
T-2 is JIM HIX, Assistant Manager, Bookkeeping Department, Mercantile National Bank, Dallas, Texas (request)		SA EDWIN D. KUYKENDALL (oral)	Instant report

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The enclosed report is classified secret inasmuch as it reflects FBI investigation of [an Israeli diplomat (RAFAEL MEDAN)], who is a known intelligence Agent, and to further protect the fact that [MEDAN] is being investigated by the FBI. [S] [S]

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TITLE OF CASE NORMAN ROTHMAN		Report made by EDWIN D. KUYKENDALL	Typed By: hdc
		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - DOMINICAN REPUBLIC; REGISTRATION ACT	

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Synopsis:

NORMAN ROTHMAN is Vice President of Bermuda Pools, Inc., 2609 Cedar Springs Road, Dallas, Texas, which firm was incorporated in Texas on 4/9/58. President of that firm is MELVIN B. SHULER, who operates as a builder under the firm name of Foresight Homes, Inc., with headquarters at 1943 Pilgrim Drive, Irving, Texas. NORMAN and GLORIA ROTHMAN maintain checking and savings accounts at Mercantile National Bank, Dallas. These accounts reflect no information indicating subject has had any association or connection with Dominican Republic or representatives of that country. Unidentified person, on 3/5/58, made a telephone call from RM 8-2544 at 2609 Cedar Springs Road, Dallas (Bermuda Pools, Inc., and Foresight Homes, Inc.) to Kim's Children's Wear, 124 Plymouth Park Shopping Center, Irving, Texas. Kim's Children's Wear is a store that was visited from 5:12 P. M., until 6:09 P. M., 3/4/58, [by RAFAEL MEDAN, Assistant Director of Press Relations, Israeli Delegation to United Nations, New York, New York]

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ICC Memo by SA "Reunit" 12-31-59 re Enriquez Ernesto Pugibet, up to 64-1680. Encls P - contain info concerning person apparently identical with subj 1-15-66 (New York)

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No. EM 8-2544, on March 5, 1958, made a telephone call to an unidentified individual at BL 3-1766, Irving, Texas. T-3, on August 28, 1958, advised that Foresight Homes, Inc., a business establishment, as of March, 1958, was located at 2609 Cedar Springs Road and then had telephone No. EM 8-2544; that this firm's telephone number was changed on May 2, 1958, to RI 7-9471. T-3 further stated MELVIN B. SHULER was president of Foresight Homes, Inc., as of May 2, 1958.

Dallas Confidential Informant T-4, on August 27, 1958, advised that Kim's Children's Wear is located at 124 Plymouth Park Shopping Center, Irving, Texas, and has telephone No. BL 3-1766.

Special Agent of the FBI, on March 4, 1958, observed [RAFAEL (S)] MEDAN, Assistant Director of Press Relations, Israeli Delegation to the United Nations, New York, New York, while in the vicinity of Dallas, Texas, for a two day stay, in Kim's Children's Wear, 124 Plymouth Park Shopping Center, Irving, Texas, at 5:12 P. M., on March 4, 1958. [MEDAN] departed from [S] that establishment at 6:09 P. M., that day, with HAROLD BALSAM of that establishment. (S)

Dallas Confidential Informant T-5, on March 13, 1958, advised that HAROLD BALSAM is owner of Kim's Children's Wear, 124 Plymouth Park Shopping Center, Irving, Texas.

T-5, on August 28, 1958, advised that Bermuda Pools, Inc., 2609 Cedar Springs Road, Dallas, is a Texas corporation, incorporated on April 9, 1958, with an authorization for 25,000 shares of common stock, no par value. The officers of that corporation are as follows:

MELVIN B. SHULER, President;
 NORMAN ROTHMAN, Vice President;
 MONTE M. BROHARD, JR., Secretary-Treasurer.

T-5 stated ROTHMAN was born in 1922 at New York City and was employed as a buyer by Lord and Taylor, New York City, from 1939 to 1949, except from 1942 to 1945, when he was in the United States Navy. From 1949 to 1952, ROTHMAN was employed by Buddy Lee Company, apparently at New York City, and from 1952 to 1953 was employed by Chicago Boy's World Stores, Inc., Chicago, Illinois. After 1953, he was General Merchandise Manager for Johnny Walker Stores, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. In

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December, 1955, ROTHMAN moved to Dallas, and according to ROTHMAN's own claim, he was operating individually as a public relations service representative for the City of Hope, a national medical center, with headquarters at Los Angeles, California.

T-5 stated MELVIN B. ^{D.O.B. 1929} SHULER is about 29 years of age and is a native of Bonham, Texas. He graduated from Southern Methodist University, Dallas, in 1950, and between 1950 and 1953, SHULER was in the insurance business, being connected with Banker's Life Company of Des Moines, Iowa, and Fidelity Union Life Insurance Company, Dallas, Texas. In about 1955, SHULER was Manager of Continental Fidelity Life Insurance Agency in Dallas, and is supposed to be still affiliated with that insurance company. SHULER also is presently active as a builder, operating under the corporate name of Foresight Homes, Inc., with headquarters at 1943 Pilgrim Drive, Irving, Texas. Foresight Homes, Inc., was said to be a Texas corporation which has been operating for about 6 years.

^{T-5} T-5 stated MONTE M. BROHARD, JR., was born in 1912 at Chicago, Illinois, is married and came to Dallas in 1957, where he formed a company known as Brohard and Associates. He formerly resided at Cincinnati, Ohio, and New York City. T-5 advised he has only favorable information concerning ROTHMAN, SHULER and BROHARD, except that SHULER has a reputation for being slow in paying some of his accounts. T-5 stated that Bermuda Pools, Inc., is engaged in the selling and installation of swimming pools and in handling maintenance work concerning swimming pools.

^{N.Y.} Mrs. DOROTHY WALKER, Files Section, District Office, Immigration and Naturalization Service, San Antonio, Texas, made available on July 28, 1958, to SA LUTHER V. DUNN that agency's file concerning ENRIQUE ERNESTO PUGIBET, No. A 11301627. That file contains no reference to the name NORMAN ROTHMAN and did not reflect any indication of association with ROTHMAN or of activities in behalf of the Dominican Republic. That file ^(u) reflects ENRIQUE ERNESTO PUGIBET, on February 18, 1958, made an affidavit to Immigration and Naturalization Service (I&NS) Investigator VIRGIL J. BAILEY, claiming he was born on January 25, 1918, at Paris, France. PUGIBET claimed to be a citizen of Mexico because his father and mother were natives ^{D.P.}

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and citizens of Mexico. PUGIBET claimed to be at the time of that interview a legal resident of the Dominican Republic and last entered the United States at Miami, Florida, on either December 10 or 12, 1957. At that time, he was traveling on a Mexican passport and a visa issued by the American Consul in the Dominican Republic. The name of PUGIBET's mother was shown as ADRIANA ~~TRON~~, which would make PUGIBET's maternal surname TRON. *FR*

I&NS checked records of PUGIBET's arrest in New York and found PUGIBET entered the United States on December 12, 1957, via Pan American Airways. He had been arrested for vagrancy at New York City on January 26, 1958. Records of Manhattan Arrest Court in New York City, as checked by I&NS, indicates that on February 6, 1958, PUGIBET received a suspended sentence for that vagrancy arrest. PUGIBET was rearrested on February 6, 1958, on a state warrant from Dallas and returned to Dallas. PUGIBET, on June 5, 1958, was deported to Mexico at Hidalgo, Texas.

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