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Susan Heiligman Frank;  
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They traveled to Red China in 1959, where they worked for the English language edition of the "Peking Review" for about two years. They visited the Soviet Union prior to their return to the United States in 1961. Subsequent to their return, both began propagandizing for Red China.

In August of 1963, Susan Frank was reported to be in possession of several news releases from Hsinhua News Agency, 76 Chancery Lane, London, England. Richard Frank was reported to be in possession of an address book setting forth the following:

"J. Perry, London Export Corp., 5 Chandos Street  
London W.1; TA Ming-chou, S6 6730-9 x54;  
Epsteins, H 89 3691, 0 9 0051 x370."

In April, 1964, a confidential source abroad provided information indicating the above could refer to: (S)

1. Jack Perry of the London Export Corporation which supports the expansion of trade with China.
2. Tang-Ming Chao (0781/2494/3564), who at one time edited the "China Daily News," and was regarded by the Communist Party, United States of America, as a specialist in Far Eastern affairs. He is currently the Vice Chairman of the Editorial Board of "China Reconstructs" and a member of the China Peace Committee and the World Peace Congress.
3. Israel Epstein, an editor of "China Reconstructs." (S)

In April, 1963, Susan Frank was reported to have been contacted by an individual believed to be identical with Tang-Ming Chao referred to above. The purpose of the contact was to extend an invitation to the subjects to return to China, and/or to recommend people who would be willing to travel to and work for China.

During September, 1963, the subjects attempted to contact Peggy Pinckherd, 3 Heathview, Gordon House Road, London, England, with respect to their intended arrival in London.

A confidential source abroad advised that Peggy Pinckherd was probably identical with Margaret Mary Joan Agnes Pinckheard, a fairly long-standing member of the Communist Party of Britain who visited Communist China in 1952. She has been active in the Britain-China Friendship Association since that time. (S)

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In September, 1963, information was received indicating subjects were planning to travel to London. While Susan Frank did not take the trip, her husband did and was apparently in London during the period September 13, 1963 to October 5, 1963.

Richard Frank left New York City on May 4, 1964. Various confidential sources abroad have advised that on May 5, he transited Milan, Italy, arriving in Geneva, Switzerland, on May 6, where he resided at the Hotel Victoria and the Hotel du Jet d'Eau until May 14. He was in Paris on May 17, and returned to the United States via Canada on May 19. The sources were unable to report any significant information regarding his activities while abroad. (S)

On August 12, 1964, Susan Frank arrived in Milan, Italy, from New York City, according to a confidential source abroad. (S) She returned to New York on August 26, 1964, indicating to an associate she had been visiting her father in New Jersey. While no information was developed regarding her activities on this trip, the following should be noted:

Another government agency which conducts intelligence investigations advised that from August 10, 1964, to August 26, 1964, a convocation of 150 pro-Chinese communists from throughout the world was held in Albania. The purpose of this meeting was the formation of an international communist movement in support of the Chinese communists. (S) (U)

On June 26, 1965, Susan Frank departed the United States for Algiers, Algeria, via Paris, returning to the United States from Paris on July 9, 1965. Mrs. Beryl Epton, wife of William Epton, apparently accompanied Susan Frank on this trip. William Epton is the Vice President of the Progressive Labor Party in the United States, who, on January 27, 1966, was sentenced to one year in prison, having been convicted of criminal anarchy and conspiracy to overthrow the government of New York State.

The purpose of Susan Frank's trip was to cover an African-Asian conference in Algiers for the "Monthly Review," an independent social magazine published in New York City. After her return to the United States, she contended she had spent some time in London, England.

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On January 12, 1966, Susan Frank departed the United States en route to London. [A confidential source abroad reported that she departed London on January 25, 1966. During her stay in England, she was in contact with the Campaign Against Racial Discrimination requesting its members to send protests to the Mayor of New York regarding the trial of William Epton.] A source of another governmental agency, which conducts intelligence investigations, reported subject may have been in contact with William Ash and other individuals involved in the Society for Anglo-Chinese Understanding, a British organization which seeks to promote friendship and contacts with Communist China. ] (S)(U)

[This same source furnished information indicating she was in Brussels, Belgium, on January 26, 1966, using the name of Lisa Armand. Among other individuals, she reportedly contacted Jacques Grippa, leader of the pro-Chinese faction of the Belgium Communist Party. Again her contacts were reported to be on behalf of William Epton.] She returned to the United States on February 2, 1966. ] (S)(U)

Richard Frank left the United States on June 27, 1966, en route to Paris, France, and returned on July 5, 1966. No information was developed regarding the purpose of this trip or his activities while abroad.

The following are descriptions of the subjects as obtained from observation and investigation:

Name	Richard Cyril Frank
Date and Place of Birth	August 22, 1922 Rochester, New York
Race	White
Height	5'7"
Weight	134-140 pounds
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Brown, balding
Complexion	Sallow
Characteristics	Usually well-groomed in casual clothes, wears horn-rimmed glasses, smokes a pipe. In 1964, he was fitted for contact lenses and was reported to have ordered a wig and mustache.
American Express Credit Card	(1964) 040-244-892-2
United States Passport	F455106 issued May 27, 1965

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