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[DAJANY] observed meeting [RAFAEL MEDAN, Assistant Director of Press Relations, Israeli Delegation to the United States] on 8/26/58. They met first at the [Roger Smith] Hotel and then sat together at a restaurant nearby, where [MEDAN] was observed to take notes. On the evening of same date, [DAJANY] visited the [Sheraton Park] Hotel and on early morning of 8/27/58, subject left hotel with man subsequently identified as [CHARLES SAAH, owner of the Desert Inn] and well known in Arab community in Washington, D. C. [RICHARD PATTON] of [Byron, Incorporated], a film company, interviewed 9/10/58. He reported meeting subject through [ISA SABBACH, employee of the Voice of America]. [PATTON] knows nothing of subject's social activities. [CATHERINE WRIGHT, whose apartment subject visited on 6/11/58, interviewed. [WRIGHT] met a white man whom she knew only as "ARMAR" but whom she described similarly to the subject. [WRIGHT] has had sexual relations with "ARMAR" and advised she no longer knows how to contact him. Subject was believed

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to have been in contact with a man identified later as HUNTER LEWIS SPILLAN, employed by General Services Administration. Information concerning subject's checking account and finance companies with which he dealt is set out. (S)

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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.RAFAEL MEDAN (S)

On August 26, 1958, Special Agents of the FBI observed OMAR DAJANY as he departed from his place of employment, the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, 1818 H Street, N. W., at 5:40 p.m. After visiting the McReynolds Cleaners located between 17th and 18th Streets on G Street, N. W., the subject walked to a parking lot on 20th Street, N. W., and entered his personally owned automobile, a 1955 Oldsmobile convertible, bearing Washington, D. C., License RD 910. The subject drove out of the lot and was next observed in the parking lot in the rear of his residence at 2514 K Street, N. W. (S)

At approximately 6:28 p.m. DAJANY left his apartment, entered his car, and proceeded to a parking spot located between 18th and 19th Streets, on Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., parking his car at about 6:40 p.m. DAJANY then walked directly to the Roger Smith Hotel where he entered at approximately 6:41 p.m. He was observed to meet RAFAEL MEDAN, Assistant Director of Press Relations for the Israeli Delegation to the United Nations in the lobby of the hotel. The subject and MEDAN were observed standing and in conversation at the entrance of the cocktail lounge of the hotel, and DAJANY was overheard remarking that he also had an appointment that same evening. DAJANY and MEDAN departed from the hotel and walked to the Old Angus Restaurant located nearby on H Street, just west of the hotel. (S)

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At 6:45 p.m., the subject and MEDAN were observed in the last booth in the rear of the restaurant and where they were observed to talk at length. MEDAN was observed to be taking notes on a white lined tablet measuring about $8\frac{1}{2}$ inches by $11\frac{1}{2}$ inches. At approximately 8:08 p.m., DAJANY and MEDAN departed from the above restaurant, walked to the corner at 18th and Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., where they talked until approximately 8:15 p.m. On parting company, DAJANY entered his automobile and returned to his residence. (S)

At about 9:28 p.m., DAJANY left his residence and drove in his car to the 1300 block of New York Avenue, N. W., where he picked up his wife and then returned directly to his residence. At 9:58 p.m., DAJANY was observed to leave his residence and drive in his personally owned car to the Sheraton Park Hotel where he entered at 10:10 p.m. His destination in the hotel could not be determined. (S)

At 12:26 a.m. on August 27, 1958, DAJANY, accompanied by a short, unusually fat man and who was described as 50 years of age, five feet or less in height, and weighing approximately 175 pounds, were observed departing from the hotel. Both were observed to be in close conversation in a foreign tongue. The subject drove the unidentified man in his car to St. Matthews Court located in back of Connecticut Avenue, where the two men talked together until approximately 1:13 a.m. when they separated. The unidentified man was observed to enter 1213 St. Matthews Court. DAJANY returned to his residence thereafter. (S)

The current telephone address directory for Washington, D. C. reflects that ~~1213 St. Matthews Court~~ is occupied by CHARLES SAAH. (S)

[Approx DOB. 1908] (S)

On August 27, 1958, Confidential Informant T-1 advised that CHARLES SAAH is the owner of the Desert Inn Restaurant and from a description furnished by the informant, it appeared that the unidentified man was possibly identical to CHARLES SAAH. (S)

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[ARCHER HENRICK] (S)

On February 28, 1958, Confidential Informant T-2 made available toll calls charged to the subject's phone. On August 4, 1957, a long distance call to SP 4-4151, located in Maryland, was made from the subject's phone. (S)

On April 23, 1958, Confidential Informant T-3 identified the subscriber to the above Maryland telephone number SP 4-4151 as ELLA G. HENRICK, Bachelor's Forrest Road, Norbeck, Maryland. (S)

On June 27, 1958, SE JOSEPH C. WILLIAMS caused a check to be made of the files of the Credit Bureau of Washington, concerning Mrs. ELLA G. HENRICK. A credit report of March 10, 1950, reflected that she and her husband, ARCHER HENRICK, then resided at 4703 Morgan Drive, Chevy Chase, Maryland. Mrs. HENRICK was said to be employed as a clerk by the Bureau of Internal Revenue and that ARCHER HENRICK since March 1, 1944, was employed by the Alien Property Custodian as a records officer. (S)

On August 27, 1958, Mr. ARCHER HENRICK was interviewed by SAs RICHARD B. KELLOGG and MALCOLM P. CARR. Mr. HENRICK who is employed in the Alien Property Section of the Department of Justice advised he knew OMAR DAJANY, but had seen him or talked to him on two occasions only. He explained that Mrs. DAJANY, who before her marriage to the subject was BETTY MOST and was reared by an uncle and aunt of Mr. HENRICK. Mr. HENRICK said that their uncle, JACK SLYE, D.O.B. 1867 who was formerly a secret service agent, had died in March, 1957. (S) MRS. OMAR FAROUK DAJANY (S)

DAJANY and his wife, BETTY, attended the funeral and shortly after the funeral, DAJANY approached Mr. HENRICK, identified himself as an attorney, and advised he wanted to straighten out the affairs of Mr. SLYE. Mr. HENRICK, who supposed that DAJANY apparently felt his wife, BETTY, would inherit something, appeared to want to take charge. Mr. HENRICK, however, who had been designated the administrator (S)

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made it known that he was handling the affairs of Mr. SLYE and did not expect any assistance from Mr. DAJANY. (S)

Mrs HENRICK said that he recalls one other time having received a call from DAJANY and his wife, which was approximately three or four months after the SLYE funeral. Mr. HENRICK reported that Mrs. DAJANY was willed a certain sum of money by Mr. SLYE, but not a large amount of money. Mr. HENRICK advised he does not know any of Mrs. DAJANY's friends and reported that Mrs. SLYE who now is 91 years of age is in the hospital and very senile. Mr. HENRICK reported that Mrs. HENRICK has not had occasion to associate with the DAJANYs any more frequently than himself. (S)

~~Mrs~~ RICHARD TOWNSEND PATTON (S)

On June 10, 1958, Confidential Informant T-4 advised that DAJANY had in his possession a map drawn on a scrap of paper showing the directions to 2008 Bradford Drive, Annandale, Virginia. Also noted on the paper was a telephone number, CL6-3809. (S)

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Die. [L.B.M.] (S)

The Washington address telephone directory lists RICHARD T. PATTON at 2008 Bradford Drive, Annandale, Virginia, with telephone number CL 6-3809. (S)

[PATTON] (S)

On September 8, 1958, the files of the Credit Bureau, Incorporated, Washington, D. C., were reviewed by SE JOSEPH C. WILLIAMS and revealed a report dated September 24, 1956, on RICHARD TOWNSEND PATTON, wife, SHIRLEY, 2008 Bradford Drive, Annandale, Virginia. This report indicated PATTON was employed by Byron, Incorporated, 1226 Wisconsin Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C., as a sound engineer and had been so employed since October, 1950. His age was shown as twenty-six and there were no prior employments or additional addresses shown for PATTON. There was a notation that this wife had worked for the Civil Defense Administration in 1952. (S)

On September 9, 1958, SA ROBERT H. KURTZMAN ascertained from Mrs. ADRIAN BORNEMAN, Secretary to BYRON ROUNDABUSH, (S)

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that PATTON is still employed at Byron, Incorporated, as a sound technician, is considered loyal, a good employee, and has security clearance for the classified work done there. Byron, Incorporated, is a film company. (S)

PATTON was interviewed at Byron, Incorporated, on September 10, 1958, by SAs RICHARD B. KELLOGG and HOWARD FLETCHER, Jr. He said around 1951, he assisted in the making of a film for Byron, Incorporated, for the Arabian American Oil Company. At that time he became acquainted with ~~ISA~~ SABBAGH who narrated the film. PATTON said SABBAGH was then employed by Voice of America (VOA) and is now an assistant to the American Ambassador to Saudi Arabia. (It is noted that SABBAGH is presently employed with the United States Information Agency and is assigned to the American Embassy in Saudi Arabia.) (S)

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[PATTON] (S) said he and his wife developed a casual social acquaintance with [Mr. and Mrs. SABBAGH] (S) and three or more years ago met [DAJANY] (S) and his wife, [BETTY] (S) at a party at the [SABBAGH] (S) home. He said he believed that at the time he met DAJANY, DAJANY was still employed at the Jordanian Embassy and shortly thereafter, took employment with the International Bank. (It is noted that DAJANY took employment with the International Bank around September, 1953). PATTON (S) said since that time, [DAJANY] (S) and his wife have attended a social gathering at the [PATTON] (S) home along with [ISA] and [JOAN SABBAGH] (S) on one occasion. [PATTON] (S) said that he and his wife attended a party at [DAJANY] (S)'s apartment on one occasion about one and one half years ago, and [PATTON] (S) has stopped in at [DAJANY] (S)'s apartment two or three times for a drink during the evening hours. He said he saw DAJANY around May, 1958, just prior to his, PATTON's, departure for the Middle East to make a film. He said on that occasion, DAJANY prevailed on him to take two gallons of corn oil to a friend of DAJANY's in Beirut, Lebanon, who wanted the oil for a relative for medicinal purposes. He said he did deliver the oil but had not seen DAJANY since that time. (S)

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Concerning other persons in attendance at the above-mentioned party at [DAJANY's] apartment, [PATTON] said he could recall no names but recalled that an inspector or police captain from the Metropolitan Police Department (possibly Captain JOSEPH W. SHIMON) was there as was a [Greek] fellow who runs the [Colony Restaurant] in Washington, D. C. He said the only other person he associates with [DAJANY] is [FENTON MORAN], a [writer and lecturer] from Washington, D. C., who died several weeks ago. He said he also first met [MORAN] through [SABBACH].

[PATTON] said he knows [DAJANY] works at the [International Bank] but knows nothing more about [DAJANY's] job and has never discussed with [DAJANY] politics, the [Middle East], or the world situation. He said he knows nothing of [DAJANY's] social activities and nothing about his wife except that she works for a [model agency]. He said he considers [DAJANY] a man of good character, knows nothing of a derogatory nature concerning his morals, and has been nothing to indicate that [DAJANY] might be engaging in illegal or unethical activities.

[PATTON] said he has a "secret" clearance by the United States Navy, but he does not believe [DAJANY] knows that, and [DAJANY] has never asked him about his job.

[PATTON] indicated that his wife is employed by the [National Plumbing Association] in Washington, D. C. He also indicated he has made several trips to the [Middle East] and other countries in his work for [Byron, Incorporated].

CATHERINE WRIGHT

Special Agents of the FBI on June 11, 1958, observed [DAJANY] as he visited a four family dwelling at [3516 Clay] Place, N. E., entering the apartment to the right of the entrance.

On June 12, 1958, a physical examination of the apartment dwelling disclosed that the apartment to the right of the entrance was Apartment [Two]. According to the mail box, Apartment [Two] was occupied by [CATHERINE WRIGHT] and [CLARE HAWKINS].

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On August 19, 1958, the records of the Credit Bureau, Incorporated, Washington, D. C., were reviewed by SA RICHARD B. KELLOGG and reflected a report dated June 27, 1956, on ~~CATHERINE BOWMAN WRIGHT~~, 3516 Clay Place, N. E., husband, ~~WILBUR WRIGHT~~. The report indicated she is "colored" and had been employed at Garfinckel's Department Store for two years. Her husband was unemployed at the time and she had one child. No additional pertinent information was located in this file. (S)

The above records also reflected a report concerning Miss CLARE B. HAWKINS, 1700 U Street, N. W., dated October 13, 1951. She was described as age 22, colored, single, and employed by Mrs. (FNU) MITCHELL, Takoma Park, D.C. 8.1930 Maryland, as a maid. There was no additional information available in this file and is not known if this CLARE HAWKINS is identical with the one mentioned above. (S)

On August 19, 1958, Miss ANN BLEECH, Personnel Assistant, Julius Garfinckel's, 14th and F Streets, N. W. advised SA KELLOGG as follows: (S)

CATHERINE WRIGHT has been employed there continually since September 17, 1952, and her present position is that of stock clerk. In her application for employment she listed a husband, WILBUR, and a son, age four. She listed as the person to be notified in case of emergency her mother, MARY BOWMAN, 1029 13th Street, S. E. Miss BLEECH said nothing of a derogatory nature appeared in WRIGHT's file there, and she is considered a good employee. (S)

On August 20, 1958, BOOKER T. SMALLEY, Jr., 3516 Clay Place, N. E., was interviewed by SA KELLOGG at the United States Coast Guard, 13th Street, and Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., where he is employed in the Naval Engineering Section. He said CATHERINE WRIGHT was living at 3516 Clay Place when he and his wife moved there in June, 1957, but he has never seen her husband and supposes they are separated. (S)

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He said he has seen the name CLARE HAWKINS on the mailbox there but does not know her and has never seen her. He said he knows very little about WRIGHT, nothing about her friends, and associates and though he knows she has an occasional party in her apartment on the week end, he does not know who attends these parties. SMALLEY said he has seen or heard nothing that would indicate that WRIGHT might be entertaining white men in her apartment. (S)

On August 21, 1958, EMMALINE ADAMS, 3516 Clay Place, N. E., advised SAs KELLOGG and THOMAS H. ALT that she moved there with her husband in November, 1955, and CATHERINE WRIGHT resided there at that time with a man and small boy. She said the man has not lived there for over a year and the little boy is there only during the evening or on the week ends. Mrs. ADAMS said she is not acquainted with CLARE HAWKINS but that may have been the person who resided with CATHERINE WRIGHT for a month or two about one year ago. She could furnish no additional information concerning that person. She said she knows nothing of CATHERINE WRIGHT's associates, friends, or activities but does not believe WRIGHT associates with anyone residing at that address. She said she knows WRIGHT has occasional visitors in her apartment but she could not identify them and added she had no reason to think that CATHERINE WRIGHT was entertaining white men or any men in her apartment. (S)

On August 21, 1958, ELAINE WILSON, 3516 Clay Place, N. E., was interviewed by SAs KELLOGG and ALT at her place of employment, the Assignments Section, Reserve Branch, United States Army, Pentagon. She said CATHERINE WRIGHT moved to that address in 1955 with her husband and one child. She said WRIGHT's husband has not lived there for over a year. Mrs. WILSON said the parties at the WRIGHT residence seemed to have gotten more frequent and noisier in the past year and now occur several times a month. She said she does not know who attends these parties and has no reason to believe that CATHERINE WRIGHT entertains white men in her apartment. (S)

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She did recall that during the Spring of 1958, some time after midnight, she heard a commotion across the street from her apartment. She observed a white female and two colored males near a car there arguing and shortly thereafter heard CATHERINE WRIGHT and someone else come out of WRIGHT's apartment. Mrs. WILSON said from the conversation she assumed that the white female had been to a party at CATHERINE WRIGHT's but she could furnish no more details. Mr. WILSON said there was a girl living with CATHERINE WRIGHT for a month or so a year or more ago but she has not seen that girl for over a year and did not know her name. (S)

On August 21, 1958, the records of the Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D. C., were checked by SE JOSEPH C. CREEDEN and revealed no record on CLARE HAWKINS. Those files reflected that CATHERINE ELIZABETH WRIGHT, 3515 Clay Place, S. E., Apartment 2, Identification Number 164412, a single, colored female, was arrested on May 16, 1958, for petit larceny; disposition, one year's probation. (S)

On September 8, 1958, CATHERINE WRIGHT's file at the Probation Office, Criminal Division, Municipal Court, Washington, D. C., was reviewed by SA KELLOGG and revealed the following information, most of which was furnished that office by CATHERINE WRIGHT: (S)

She was born April 29, 1929, at Washington, D. C., and was arrested for stealing 94 cents worth of merchandise from a Giant Food Store. She readily admitted the theft and on a plea of guilty started her one year's probation on August 12, 1958. Her father is deceased and her mother, MARY WRIGHT, resides at 614 7th Street, N. E. D. She has been separated from her husband, WILBUR WRIGHT, for three years and has a son, WILBUR, Jr., age seven, living with her. She is Catholic; was married in 1951 and separated due to her husband's excessive drinking. She has a boyfriend, ERWIN RANDALL, who does not live with her and who gives her money to help her support her son. (S)

She claimed to be presently employed as a baby sitter by DORIS FROST, 1846 Frederick Place, S. E., and was formerly (S)

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