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Re Albuquerque letter dated 1/8/70, Chicago letter dated 11/26/69.

Enclosed for information of San Antonio is one and for New York two copies of referenced Albuquerque letter.

For the additional information of San Antonio, REMBERT CAVEN ALLEY, Jr., born October 30, 1932, at Erie, Pennsylvania, an architect by profession, was employed at Copenhagen, Denmark, from August, 1959 until February, 1960. The Danish Security Service reported during this period that ALLEY was observed to have been in the company of VLADISLAV MIKHAILOVICH ABARCHALINE, then employed as a clerk at the Soviet Embassy in Copenhagen and who was then considered to be a cadre worker for the KGB Residency in Copenhagen. It was observed that ABARCHALINE, since 1958, had made a conspicuous effort to establish contacts with American students in Copenhagen.

ALLEY was interviewed at Chicago on March 28, 1961 and June 6, 1961, at which time he furnished an account of his associations with ABARCHALINE, also known as ABARSHALIN, denying any intelligence approach by or any cooperation with this Soviet.

The current investigation of ALLEY was initiated for the purpose of determining his current residence and employment to advise him that VLADISLAV ABARSHALIN is now assigned to the Soviet Embassy, Washington, D.C. and to alert him to the possibility that ABARCHALINE might attempt to contact him in the United States and to be assured that ALLEY would promptly advise the FBI in this event. As reported in referenced Albuquerque letter this specific objective has been accomplished. With further regard to the Albuquerque letter

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Chicago notes with interest, information furnished by ALLEY on December 30, 1969, which is set out in the first and second paragraphs on page two of this letter relating to the Egyptian individual who ALLEY also met in Copenhagen, Denmark, as follows:

ALLEY advised that while in Santa Fe, New Mexico, he had had to have a clearance for some work he was doing. Shortly after receiving the clearance, either in 1964 or 1965, he received a letter from an Egyptian whom he had also met in Copenhagen, Denmark. The letter was addressed to his parents in Pennsylvania and forwarded to him in Santa Fe, New Mexico. ALLEY explained, while he was in Europe, he used his parents' Pennsylvania address. ALLEY continued, the Egyptian, whose name he could not recall, he believed advised in the letter that he was teaching at the University of Texas, Austin, Texas, and wanted to renew old acquaintances. The Egyptian also mentioned [ARBARSHALIN's] name in the letter. ALLEY advised, that although he knew both the Egyptian and [ARBARSHALIN], he knew them separately and did not know they knew each other. ALLEY answered the letter and advised the Egyptian that he did not know the Egyptian and [ARBARSHALIN] knew each other. ALLEY also advised, in his letter, that the Egyptian was welcome to visit him anytime he came to Santa Fe, New Mexico. ALLEY never received a reply nor has he ever been visited by this Egyptian. ALLEY stated that he has long since thrown the letter away.

ALLEY continued he was fairly sure this Egyptian was a chemical engineer, who had graduated from the University of Texas and had come back to Egypt and married an Egyptian and worked, for a time, with a paint company in Egypt.

Pertinent to the investigation which will be requested of San Antonio at Austin, Texas, is the following information which was furnished by [the Danish Security Service] and reported in the Letterhead Memorandum dated November 25, 1960, prepared by Legat, London: []

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On November 16, 1959, ABARCHALINE again met ALLEY and KANTOR in a restaurant in Copenhagen. In the restaurant the three of them conversed with two unknown individuals. Later in the evening ABARCHALINE and ALLEY left the restaurant together. ALLEY was carrying a newspaper at the time. One of the unidentified individuals was later determined to be MORRAY BROWN, a United States citizen, born March 23, 1934, in New York City. The other individual was later identified as AHMED EL BADAWI MOHAMED ABDEL-SALOM, an Egyptian National who was born August 30, 1932, in Egypt.

When interviewed on June 6, 1961, ALLEY recalled visiting a restaurant with the Soviet and MARVIN KANTOR (another visiting United States citizen, subject of Bureau File 105-77772) and "two or three other individuals", whose names he could not recall. It is noted that throughout both interviews with ALLEY, he apologized for an inability to recall names and places, due to the considerable amount of traveling and the large number of individuals whom he had met during the period of his European tour.

Chicago recognizes that the Egyptian mentioned by ALLEY in referenced Albuquerque letter and the Egyptian identified at the Copenhagen restaurant meeting may not be one and the same individual and for this reason his statement may be completely truthful or that they may be identical and he has, through the passage of time, forgotten this meeting. In either event, considering that the Egyptian in question was also acquainted with the Soviet and since this Egyptian was later in the United States, Chicago believes it imperative that he should be fully identified. Chicago is also aware of the case entitled, GERAF, ESP-R Bureau File 65-71413 and while not suggesting any relationship between these two matters does not feel that the possibility can be overlooked even though on the surface there are disparities in the reported backgrounds of these Egyptians. It is also noted that the Bureau stated in its letter dated March 21, 1969, in the GERAF case that experience in matters

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of this sort has shown that there is often a variation in the original information furnished by a source and the actual facts.

Chicago will not reiterate the background of the [GERAF] case in this communication other than that it is information from an extremely sensitive source and involves an Egyptian reportedly recruited by the [KGB] and who was believed to be in the United States as of 1965. Since there is a remote possibility that the Egyptian at Austin might have some relationship to the [GERAF] case, the investigation should be conducted in a most discreet manner and limited as noted below.

LEADSSAN ANTONIO

AT AUSTIN, TEXAS. Through an established source at the University of Texas, attempt to ascertain the identity of the Egyptian who was reported by ALLEY to have been employed as a [teacher] by [that Institution] in 1964 or 1965. This individual could be [AHMED EL BADAWI MOHAMED ABDEL-SALOM].

Upon establishing identity of this individual, Chicago suggests that further investigation should be held in abeyance until such time as WFO can check records of United States Department of State or appropriate agencies for background documentation of this person and until the Bureau can compare such information with that available regarding the unknown subject in the [GERAF] case. Request that San Antonio designate a copy of their communication regarding above investigation to Chicago for completion of the ALLEY case.

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