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The New International, a Fourth International (Trotskyite) publication October, 1934, included an article by Isaacs directed to the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party. Isaacs stated that for two years he had collaborated with the Chinese Communist Party. He also stated that the China Forum which he had founded and edited in China had reported events in China in a communist way. Isaacs indicated that he was breaking with the "Chinese Stalinists." (100-286243-13)

According to highly secret British sources, Isaacs and his wife left China for the United States in 1935, stopping enroute in Norway to visit Leon Trotsky who was residing in Norway at that time. (S)(100-286243-8)

In 1937, Isaacs was a member of the American Committee for the Defense of Leon Trotsky. According to The New York Times, September, 1, 1937, Louis Sadenz, former Communist Party\* functionary, identified Isaacs as a "Trotskyite" in 1937. Felix Morrow, former official of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP)\* in New York, N. Y., identified Isaacs as a former member of the SWP. (100-286243-5, 9, 11)

In testimony before the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations in June, 1950, John Stewart Service testified that he had met Isaacs in Chungking, China, during World War II. Service advised that he subsequently saw Isaacs in Yenan, China, during this period and later in New York, N. Y., during 1945.

(100-286243-5; 100-267360-1274; 100-267360-1-6)

Information regarding Service is set forth under separate caption in this memorandum.

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Hilaire Du Berrier, who has been employed as a newsman, advised that Isaacs was in China in 1945 as a correspondent for Newsweek magazine. He said that Isaacs was expelled from China because of his bitter attacks on the Chinese Nationalist Government. Du Berrier stated that Isaacs then traveled to French Indochina and filed dispatches for Newsweek, containing strong criticism of the French Colonial Government in that country. Du Berrier also said that Isaacs was an ardent supporter of a group led by one HO Chi-minh, a former Communist International (Comintern) agent. (100-286243-36)

\*See Appendix for citation.

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