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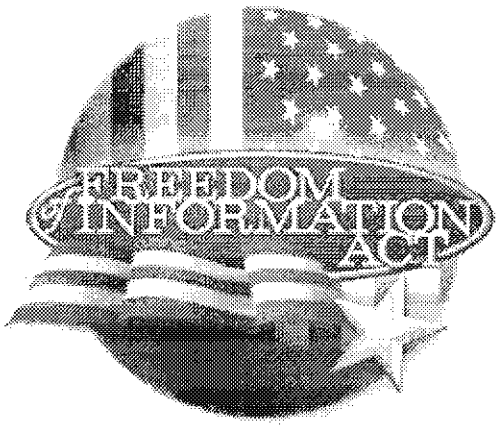

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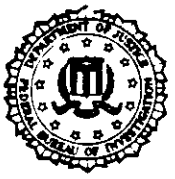

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New York, New York

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Bureau 61-3275

Title Leonard Bernstein, Member, The "Committee of 100" in Support of The N.A.A.C.P. Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Incorporated

~~Subject~~

Reference is made to the memorandum dated and captioned as above, at New York.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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Mr. Tolson
Mr. Belmont
Mr. DeLoach
Mr. McGuire
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Trotter
Mr. W.C. Sullivan
Tele. Room
Mr. Hol[redacted]
Miss G[redacted]

August 27, 1959

MR. TOLSON:

RE: LEONARD BERNSTEIN
U. S. MUSICAL CONDUCTOR
NOW IN RUSSIA

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b7c [redacted] of the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA) called Wick this morning and was literally "burning." He launched out against the Khrushchev visit stating that within a few days he would be feted, Soviet flags hung all over Constitution Avenue, he would be driven by Arlington Cemetery where the bodies of the very American boys he killed in Korea repose--and yet we honor Khrushchev. He said the most charitable thing he can say about "the guy in the White House" is that he is a "damn fool." As for Nixon, it is [redacted] view that he knows better, he was on the same committee and [redacted] just doesn't understand Nixon's position.

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b7c [redacted] said that he notices in the press that Leonard Bernstein, the U. S. musical conductor, is now being heralded in Moscow. It is [redacted] impression that Bernstein is a communist and if this is correct, [redacted] is considering writing a speech about him.

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RECOMMENDATION:

That this memorandum be referred to the Domestic Intelligence Division so that we might determine whether we have information on Bernstein suitable for dissemination to [redacted]

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Respectfully,

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C. D. DeLoach

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I - Mr. Belmont

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Memo Scattered by to Belmont 8-31-59 w/ [illegible] memo attached 8-31-59

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ADDRESS OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS TO
THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

March 9, 1961

FBI Liaison:	For Information Only
Re:	Leonard Bernstein Born: August 25, 1918 Place: Lawrence, Massachusetts
Residence:	205 West 57th Street, New York 19, New York
Bureau File Number:	Unknown
Passport Number:	202992 issued November 13, 1958 at Paris, France; renewed March 2, 1961
Attorney:	None

Travel Plans:

Port of Departure:	Vancouver, B. C.
Date of Departure:	April 23, 1961
Means of Transportation:	Air - Japanese Air Lines
Proposed Length of Stay:	Unknown
Countries to be Visited:	Japan and Canada
Purpose of Trip:	Tour with New York Philharmonic

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-360261) APR 25 1961

[redacted] : SAC, NEW YORK (100-99895)

SUBJECT: LEONARD BERNSTEIN
SM-C
OO: NEW YORK

Re Passport Office memorandum to FBI liaison, dated 3/9/61.

A review of captioned subject's file reflects that a letterhead memorandum setting forth his subversive affiliations has previously been furnished the Bureau.

Subject, a renowned musician travels extensively and often throughout the world. According to files of the Passport Office his latest proposed trip is a tour with the New York Philharmonic Orchestra in Canada and Japan.

UACB a letterhead memorandum will not be submitted in this case because of the nature of the tour and the recognized prominence of subject.

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SAC, New York (100-99395) May 3, 1961

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LEONARD BERNSTEIN
SECURITY MATTER - C

Reurlet 4/25/61.

Bureau desires that in accordance with existing regulations, you conduct appropriate investigation to verify subject's departure for his trip abroad and submit memorandum suitable for dissemination incorporating pertinent information regarding his travel.

NOTE ON YELLOW:

Subject's name not included in Security Index. He is the prominent conductor and composer who is well known abroad, as well as in the United States. During period 1945-49, he was associated with at least 13 organizations cited by the Attorney General and with other organizations cited by HCUA or California Committee on Un-American Activities. He subsequently filed affidavit with State Department in 1953, stating he was not nor had ever been a member of the CP. Subject's passport renewed 3/2/61 for proposed trip to Canada, and Japan, on tour with New York Philharmonic Orchestra. New York has advised that UACB no letterhead memorandum would be submitted regarding subject's travel.

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[redacted] TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-360261)

DATE: 6/22/61

DECLASSIFIED BY 9803 [redacted] ON 5/24/93 b7c

b7c [redacted] SAC, NEW YORK (100-99895)

CC TO: [redacted] b2
REQ. REC'D 12.7.64
DEC 29 1964
ANS. [redacted] b7c
BY: [redacted]

SUBJECT: LEONARD BERNSTEIN
SM-C
(OO: NEW YORK)

ReBulet to New York, dated 5/3/61, and New York letter to the Bureau, dated 4/25/61.

Enclosed herewith are the original and five copies of a letterhead memorandum, captioned and dated as above, suitable for dissemination concerning travel plans for the subject.

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Information from the Passport Office, Department of State, Washington, D. C., as reflected in attached letterhead memorandum, was made available by ROBERT D. JOHNSON, Department of State, 3/9/61. No request is being made for WFO to check passport records at the Department of State, Washington, D. C.

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The Bureau's attention is directed to New York letter to the Director, 4/29/59, entitled "COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE (NAACP); IS-C", Bufile 61-3176. This communication sets out a summary of alleged subversive activities of LEONARD BERNSTEIN, including an affidavit subscribed and sworn to by BERNSTEIN on 8/3/53, denying any CP or CPA membership. Review of New York files reflects no further information of a subversive nature identifiable with BERNSTEIN.

Information concerning HCUA records is set out from Washington Field Office letter to the Director, dated 4/8/59, with the exception of the material on pages nine and ten of the WFO letter, which is summarized elsewhere in the information on BERNSTEIN. HCUA records were checked by SA [redacted] on 4/2/59.

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The sources utilized in instant memorandum are as follows:

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The attached letterhead memorandum has been classified "Confidential" in order to protect [redacted] Disclosure of his identity, in cases in which he has requested concealment, could reasonably result in loss of faith in the FBI by [redacted] and the loss of any further cooperation from him, which might prove injurious to the national defense.

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New York, New York
June 22, 1961

New York 100-99895
Bureau 100-360261

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CC TO: [redacted]
REQ. REC'D 4-12-62
MAY 9 1962
ANS [redacted]
BY [redacted]

Re: Leonard Bernstein
Security Matter - C

Travel

The records of the Passport Office, Department of State, Washington, D. C., reflect that passport number 202992 was issued to Leonard Bernstein, 205 West 57th Street, New York 19, New York, on November 13, 1958, at Paris, France, and was renewed March 2, 1961. These records revealed that Mr. Bernstein, who was described as born on August 25, 1918, at Lawrence, Massachusetts, was planning a tour by air via Japanese Air Lines with the New York Philharmonic to Japan and Canada to begin at Vancouver, British Columbia (B. C.), April 23, 1961. The proposed length of stay was unknown.

The "New York Herald Tribune" edition of Sunday, April 16, 1961, included an article on page 16, columns 4-5, entitled "The Philharmonic Season and Tour". The article reflected that the Philharmonic would leave Saturday, April 22, from Vancouver, B. C., and fly to Tokyo for 10 concerts in Japan and the "East-West Music Encounter" festival. The article also reflected that they would visit Osaka and two other cities before returning via Anchorage, Alaska and Winnepeg, Canada.

The "New York Herald Tribune" edition of Sunday, May 14, 1961, included an article in Section 4, page 14, columns 1-3, entitled "Music Encounter in Japan". The article reflected that the New York Philharmonic Orchestra participated in "The Encounter" which was held in Tokyo. The article also reflected that the Philharmonic gave three festival concerts in Tokyo, on April 26th and May 5th and 6th, in addition to one there outside of the festival and six concerts in Shizuoka, Nagoya, Osaka, Kobe and Hitachi City.

A telephone call to the office of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra on May 18, 1961, determined that the orchestra had returned to New York on May 14, 1961.

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Subversive Information

Characterizations of organizations mentioned herein are set out in Appendix attached to this memorandum.

On June 30, 1950, a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that in 1945, when the Committee to Aid Ben Davis was being considered, both Ben Davis and Jack Stachel described Leonard Bernstein to the source as an adherent of the Communist Party. This source stated that other Communist Party functionaries had also described Leonard Bernstein as a Communist. The source advised that in 1945, Jack Stachel informed him that Bernstein had agreed to submit to Communist discipline. This source advised on December 9, 1954, that he has no direct personal knowledge of Bernstein's willingness to submit to Communist discipline.

Ben Davis and Jack Stachel were members of the National Board of the Communist Party who were tried and convicted in 1949 for violation of the Smith Act of 1940.

In February and March, 1958, an individual, who had been associated professionally with Bernstein, advised that he believed Leonard Bernstein was a Communist since Bernstein had been refused a passport and Bernstein has continually made anti-American and pro-Russian statements. This individual was unable to furnish any specific details regarding the above allegations and was not able to describe any of the anti-American and pro-Russian statements allegedly made by Bernstein. The source stated that he had never heard Bernstein discuss the Communist Party or make any reference to the Communist Party.

In an affidavit subscribed and sworn to by Leonard Bernstein on August 3, 1953, in connection with his application for a United States passport, Bernstein stated in part as follows:

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"Although I have never, to my knowledge, been accused of being a member of the Communist Party, I wish to

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"take advantage of this opportunity to affirm under oath that I am not now or at any time ever been a member of the Communist Party or the Communist Political Association. I have never (to paraphrase the language of the Regulation) knowingly engaged in activities which supported the Communist movement under circumstances which would warrant the conclusion that I engaged in such activities as a result of direction, domination or control exercised over me by the Communist movement.

"I have not adhered to the so-called Communist Party line or followed it 'on a variety of issues and through shifts and changes of that line...'

"The Regulations referred to are said to have a possible application to my case by reason of the fact that my name has been linked in various ways with a number of organizations which have been denominated as subversive by the Attorney General in connection with the government employee program.

"I wish to state generally as to all the organizations involved that my connection, if any, with them has been of a most casual and nebulous character. Almost without exception, their very names are practically unknown by me except in the vaguest kind of way. In fact, in now attempting to recall them and my connection with them, I have had to rely on the memory of my secretary and refer to old scrapbooks, clippings, etc. Needless to say I never knew their real character as they were later denominated by the Attorney General of the United States. I never could claim any exact knowledge as to their objectives or purpose except the humanitarian, benign or cultural one mentioned at the moment I was accosted by some person or scanned the letter or other sugar coated communication soliciting funds, the use of my name or my services as a musician and conductor.

"I wish to emphasize that the name and real purpose of the organizations to which my name became linked through a charitable and well intended impulse and obviously without the probing deliberation required are hardly more than a blur in my memory. The link, if any, was on 'paper' and not a personal one. Besides my ignorance of their underlying purposes, I have no recollection or knowledge of ever

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"having really joined any of them which had a membership roll in the true sense. I do not recall the address of most of them or the years or the city in which they functioned or the names of the officers or principals. I have no knowledge or recollection of ever having attended an organizational meeting of any one of them. It is my general recollection that my name or sponsorship was usually requested in connection with some public function or or activity such as a banquet, benefit or concert."

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Bernstein's affidavit goes on to state his explanation for his association with various groups and to outline his activities with regard to many legitimate charitable and philanthropic organizations. The affidavit concludes as follows:

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"I have attempted in the foregoing pages to set forth some of the facts which may be of assistance to the State Department in the consideration of my passport application. I express the hope that they may place in better perspective the allegation which has given rise to the long delay in passing upon the problem.

"I realize now that I might have made the task of the Passport Division of the State Department an easier one if in 1949, when I came to realize that I had been imposed upon, I had made a public disavowal of the harmful significance which had been attached to the use of my name and prestige by questionable organizations. Unfortunately I did not do so and confined my efforts to advising only my friends and associates of the true situation. I recall that in 1949, in discussing the matter in correspondence with Mr. Edward A. Norman, President of the American Fund for Israel Institutions I stated in part as follows:

> "'Let me state for you and for the record that I am not and never have been a member of the Communist Party, nor have I ever subscribed to communist doctrine or ideology. I have been away from the United States for many

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"months on an extended concert tour, and I have not seen a copy of 'Red Channels', and I do not, therefore, know to what associations or organizations you refer, but I can say unequivocally that I have never belonged or subscribed to any cause which I understood committed me to support of a subversive doctrine, either communist or fascist.

"'It is possible that, in the turmoil of life to which an artist is subject, and particularly during those days when the necessities of war created many temporary alliances, that I did sponsor activities without closely examining their affiliations. If so, and if any of these have been investigated and found subversive by the government of my country, I disown and disavow them completely.

"'I assure you again I have only one allegiance to one flag and to one country, the United States of America, whose democratic form of life I cherish and will defend at any time.'

"I wish to conclude this affidavit by repeating in the most solemn way the affirmation of loyalty to the United States and opposition to Soviet Communism which I expressed at that time.

"/s/ Leonard Bernstein"

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The House Committee on Un-American Activities review of the Scientific and Cultural Conference for World Peace held March 25,26,27, 1949, which conference was arranged by the National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions, reflected Leonard Bernstein was affiliated with the following organizations:

American Council for a Democratic Greece
American Youth for Democracy
Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy

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Civil Rights Congress
Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee
National Negro Congress

Records of the Bureau of Special Services, New York City Police Department, reflect that Bernstein was a member of the Council on African Affairs, Incorporated, as of February 3, 1948.

The "New York Times", issue of March 3, 1945, contained an advertisement by the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade entitled "For America's Sake-Break With Franco Spain" wherein Bernstein was listed as a sponsor.

A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised during 1946, that Leonard Bernstein was identified on a letterhead of the American Committee for Spanish Freedom, dated January 21, 1946, as being one of the sponsors of this organization.

The "Daily Worker" issue of May 16, 1946, page four column three, lists Leonard Bernstein as a conductor and composer and one of the endorsers of the Three Day Tag Drive of the American Committee for Yugoslav Relief.

The "Daily Worker" was an east coast Communist daily newspaper which suspended publication on January 13, 1958.

The "New York Journal American", issue of April 17, 1948, contained an article captioned "Red Fronters Hit United States-Italy Policy" in which it was stated that Leonard Bernstein, a conductor and a member or sponsor of eight Communist fronts, including the Council of American-Soviet Friendship, was one of the signers of a protest sent to President Truman concerning American interference in the Italian elections.

The "Daily Worker", issue of October 27, 1947, contained an article captioned "Stars Fly East to Fight Probe" wherein it was stated Leonard Bernstein was traveling from Broadway to Washington to protest along with Hollywood movie stars the activities of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, which was at that time investigating Communistsin filmland.

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Set out below is a summary of information contained in records of the House Committee on Un-American Activities pertaining to Leonard Bernstein:

Source:	Material:
PM, 3/9/47, pg.12 (PM, defunct NY newspaper).	Leonard Bernstein (LB) American Council For a Democratic Greece, Member, Board of Directors.
"Worker", 4/27/47, pg. 29	American Soviet Music Society, National Council American-Soviet Friendship LB, Member.
"American-Soviet Music Review", Fall Issue, 1946, pg. 3	LB, Vice Chairman American Soviet Music Society
PM, 2/9/45, pg. 9	American Committee for Spanish Freedom, Artists and Scientists Division; LB, Signer of Statement Asking for Severance of Diplomatic Relations with Franco Spain.
Press Release, 3/17/48	American Council for a Democratic Greece LB, Board of Directors.
"The Shield", July 1947, pg. 3, C4-5	American Council for a Democratic Greece, Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy; LB, officer or/and sponsor of same.
Program, 10/16/44	"Salute to Young America", dinner, celebrating first anniversary of American Youth for Democracy (AYD). LB, functionary.
"New York Times" 3/14/46, pg. 18	LB, Supporter: "Citizens United to Abolish the Wood-Rankin Committee".
Dinner Program, "A Tribute to Jewish Youth"	LB, to appear on program of dinner sponsored "on the occasion of the 4th Anniversary of the American Youth for Democracy (AYD) at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 11/18/47".

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National Board Report... to Second National Convention 6/13-17/46, pg. 2	LB, attended "Salute to Young America" dinner, American Youth for Democracy.
"The Shield", 7/47, pg. 13	"Speaker at Dinner, 12/12/45, American Youth for Democracy.
Program, "Let Freedom Ring"	Civil Rights Congress, National Conference, Chicago, Illinois, 11/21-23/47. LB, Sponsor
"Daily Worker" (DW) 9/25/45, pg. 12	LB, Sponsor. Committee for the reelection of Benjamin H. Davis, Communist.
Letterhead, 1946-1947	Committee for A Democratic Far Eastern Policy, LB, Sponsor
Pamphlet, "What Price Phillippine Independence" by George Phillips, pgs. 30-31.	LB, Signer of Open Letter to President Truman, released 10/7/46.
Letterhead, 5/28/48	LB, Sponsor. Committee For a Democratic Far Eastern Policy.
Letterhead, 7/11/47	LB, Sponsor. Committee For a Democratic Far Eastern Policy.
DW, 4/26/48, pgs. 1,3	LB, Signer. Letter for Civil Rights Congress (CRC) scoring Subversive Control Act, 1948.
Chicago "Sun-Times" 5/11/48, pg. 37	LB, Signer. Civil Rights Congress Open Letter to Congress for Defeat of Mundt Bill; H.R. (House Report) 5852
Pamphlet, Committee For the First Amendment, pg. 4	LB, Signer. Statements of Committee for the First Amendment.

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Mimeographed Circular: "Now Available on Records" 11/18/47	LB, Speaker. Committee for the First Amendment on subject "Hollywood Fights Back" broadcast on 11/2/47 (ABC Program).
"New York Times" 11/3/47, pg. 18	Committee for the First Amendment. LB, Speaker, on radio broadcast attacking US House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA).
Pamphlet, "Equal Justice Under Law", pg. 14	LB, Sponsor. Committee For Equal Justice For Mrs. Recy Taylor.
"Metropolitan Music School Catalog", 1956-57. pg.29	LB, Sponsor. Metropolitan Music School, Inc.
Also advertised in above "Catalog", 1951-1952	
Leaflet, 2/11-12/49	LB, Sponsor. Legislative Assembly and Rally to End Segregation and Discrimination.
Pamphlet, "Seeing is Believing" 1947, (back cover).	LB, Council Member, Council on American Affairs.
" New Leader" 2/5/49, pg. 4	LB, Sponsor. National Council of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions (NCASP) "Cultural and Scientific Conference for World Peace, 3/25-27/49".
DW, 1/10/49, pg. 11	LB, Sponsor of above NCASP conference.
DW, 12/1/47, pg. 3	Arts, Sciences and Professions Council, Progressive Citizens of America. LB, Signer of Open Letter Against Committee on Un-American Activities and ouster of Communists in film industry.

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Letterhead, 5/28/46	LB, Member, Board of Directors. Independent Citizens Council of NCASP.
DW, 10/17/48	LB, Signer. National Council of American-Soviet Friendship. Statement.
Program, pg. 12 and "Conference Call"	NCASP Cultural and Scientific Conference For World Peace, New York City, 3/25-27/49. LB, Sponsor.
DW, 2/21/49, pg. 9	NCASP Conference, 3/25-27/49. LB, Sponsor.
DW, 9/9/47, pg. 11	LB, Judge of Musical Talent Contest, National Negro Congress.
"Peoples' Songs" First Anniversary Issue, February-March, 1947, pg. 19	LB, Sent "Birthday Greetings" to "Peoples' Songs".
Undated Letterhead	"Peoples' Songs". LB, Member, Board of Directors. LB praises above song book.
Membership List of Committee dated 3/26/48.	LB, Member. National Wallace for President Committee.
Also noted in DW, 3/26/48, pg. 7	
Report to Clerk of the US House of Representatives 6/10/48	LB contributed $100.00 to Progressive Citizens of America.
"Peoples' Songs" 2/3/48, pgs. 21, 19 Second Anniversary Issue	LB sent "Birthday Greetings".
Letterhead, 2/26/46	Spanish Refugee Appeal of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee. LB, National Sponsor.

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New York Young Progressive Lobby Issue	Young Progressive Citizens of America (Youth Lobby to Washington, D. C.,) 6/5-6/47.
Program of above	LB, Sponsor.
1947 Progressive Citizens of America Mailing List	LB listed as having supported Independent Citizens Committee of NCASP and/or National Citizens Political Action Committee.
Letterhead, 5/18/51 and 3/3/48	LB, National Sponsor. Spanish Refugee Appeal of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee.
Invitation to Dinner, New York City, 3/31/48	Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee. LB, Member, National Reception Committee for Madame Irene Joliot-Curie.
Letterhead, 4/28/49	Spanish Refugee Appeal of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee. LB, Sponsor.
Letterhead, 6/16/47	LB, Sponsor Voice of Freedom Committee.
Voice of Freedom Committee Leaflet	LB, Signer of Petition. Voice of Freedom Committee.
Circular of the film of the NCASP, 1949	LB, Participant. Prague Music Festival.
Undated Leaflet "The South is Closer Than You Think".	Southern Conference for Human Welfare (SCHW). LB, Member, Executive Board, New York Committee.
Washington, D. C. "Times Herald" 12/16/47, pg. 5	LB, Signer. Petition of Protest against Deportation of Hanns Eisler.
"The Shield" July, 1947, pg. 6	LB, Sponsor. World Youth Conference.

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Advertisement "For America's Sake. Break with Franco Spain" in "New York Times" 3/3/45, pg. 8	Veterans of Abraham Lincoln Brigade LB, Sponsor and Supporter of statement issued by Veterans of Abraham Lincoln Brigade calling for severance of all relations with Franco government.
PM, 3/3/47, pg. 19	LB, Member. Save the Voice of Freedom Committee.
DW, 1/23/48, pg. 5	Leonard Bernstein refused to answer questions concerning Communist Party membership.
Release "All-Eisler Program at Town Hall, 2/28, New York" (1948)	LB, Sponsor, Hanns Eisler Concert.
also in "New York Times" 1/31/48, pg. 13	
DW, 12/17/47, pg. 7	LB, Signer. Petition to Attorney General Clark in behalf of Hanns Eisler.
DW, 7/9/56, pg. 6	Story by Harry Raymond states Bernstein has written music for "Candide" to be produced on 11/22 by Ethel Reiner (Book by Lillian Hellman, Photograph).
Washington, D. C. "Evening Star" 4/20/47, pg. A7	LB attended dinner, Campaign dinner for Henry A. Wallace.
"Worker" (Southern Edition) 2/1/48, pg. 11	Leonard Bernstein refuses to confirm or deny Communist Party membership.
DW, 1/28/48, pg. 3	LB, Signer. Statement attacking American policy in Germany.
DW, 3/23/49, pg. 12	LB, Signer. Greetings to Dmitri Shostakovich.

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Speech of J. B. Matthews at American Legion Seminar, Washington, D. C., 11/19/47, pg. 6, concerning "Communist Party Front Organizations".	Leonard Bernstein classified by Matthews as "confirmed fellow traveller".
Testimony of Francis J. McNamara, 5061 Glenwood Road, Bethesda, Maryland, the Director of the American Sovereignty Campaign of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. (Investigation of the so-called "Blacklisting"). HCUA Hearings, Volumn 2, 84th Congress, 2nd Session, 1956. Pg. g5374.	Mentions Leonard Bernstein's name as being on letterhead of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee as quoted from article in "Counter-attack" entitled "Red Front Uses Phony Sponsor List".
Hearings, ch 102, 105. Testimony of Walter S. Steele, regarding "Communist Activity in United States", 7/21/47, Washington, D. C.	Leonard Bernstein noted on the Board of Directors of "Peoples' Songs"; and, as Sponsor of same.

Description

Name	Leonard Bernstein
Birth	August 18, 1918, Lawrence, Massachusetts
Sex	Male
Race	White
Height	5'8"
Weight	145
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Brown, wavy
Complexion	Medium dark
Occupation	Orchestra conductor, composer and pianist
Residence	205 West 57th Street, New York, New York

Re: Leonard Bernstein

APPENDIX

The following organizations have been designated by the Attorney General of the United States, pursuant to Executive Order 10450:

American Council For a Democratic Greece
American Youth For Democracy
Civil Rights Congress
Committee For a Democratic Far Eastern Policy
Communist Party
Council on African Affairs
Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee
National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc.
National Negro Congress
Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade
Voice of Freedom Committee

Re: Leonard Bernstein

AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR SPANISH FREEDOM

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" revised and published as of January 2, 1957, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the American Committee for Spanish Freedom:

"1. Cited as Communist.
(Attorney General Tom Clark, letter to Loyalty Review Board, released April 27, 1949.)

"2. A 'recently established Communist-front organization whose avowed objective is to force a break in diplomatic relations between the United States and Spain.'
(Committee on Un-American Activities, Annual Report, H.R. 2233, June 7, 1946, p. 29, also p. 37.)"

Re: Leonard Bernstein

AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR YUGOSLAV RELIEF

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of January 2, 1957, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the American Committee For Yugoslav Relief:

"1. Cited as subversive and Communist. (Attorney General Tom Clark, letters to Loyalty Review Board, released June 1, 1948 and September 21, 1948.)

"2. Cited as a Communist front whose 'collection of funds for 'relief' was only incidental to and a cover for its propaganda activities in behalf of the Communist regime in Yugoslavia.' (Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1951 on the American Slav Congress, April 26, 1950, originally released June 26, 1949, pp. 77-81.)"

Re: Leonard Bernstein

COMMITTEE FOR THE FIRST AMENDMENT

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of January 2, 1957, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the Committee For The First Amendment:

> "1. 'A recently created Communist front in the defense of Communists and Communist fellow travelers. Its immediate purpose is to create favorable public opinion for the Communists who refused to testify before the House Committee on Un-American Activities in Washington, D.C.' (California Senate Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1948, p. 210.)"

Re: Leonard Bernstein

METROPOLITAN MUSIC SCHOOL, INC.

The Metropolitan Music School, Inc. (MMS), catalogue for 1957-1958, reflects the school is located at 18 West 74th Street, New York 23, New York. The catalogue states the school was founded in 1935 and is a nonprofit cooperative, progressive both in teaching methods and social outlook.

On November 16, 1954, a confidential informant advised that he believes the MMS was organized for the purpose of developing the cultural aspects of the Communist movement, particularly in the field of music. The informantadvised on November 2, 1954, he was of the impression that the MMS was always in the hands of the Communist Party. [redacted] was known to the informant as a Communist Party member. b7c

The "New York Times," issue of June 30, 1957, contains an article reflecting that as a result of hearings held in New York City in April, 1957, the House Committee on Un-American Activities had concluded the MMS "is controlled by identified Communists." In support of its conclusion, the Committee named seven present and former officials as having been identified as Communist Party members or as having invoked the Fifth Amendment when interrogated.

The source concealed has furnished reliable information in the past.

Re: Leonard Bernstein

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE ARTS, SCIENCES, AND PROFESSIONS

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of January 2, 1957, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the National Council of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions:

"National Council of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions

"1. Cited as a Communist front. (Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1954 on the Scientific and Cultural Conference for World Peace arranged by the National Council of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions and held in New York City on March 25, 26, and 27, 1949, April 26, 1950, originally released April 19, 1949, p. 2.)

"2. Cited as a Communist front which is 'used to appeal to special occupational groups * * *' (Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, p. 91.)"

Re: Leonard Bernstein

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of January 2, 1957, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the Southern Conference For Human Welfare:

"1. Cited as a Communist front which received money from the Robert Marshall Foundation, one of the principal sources of funds by which many Communist fronts operate.
(Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 147.)

"2. Cited as a Communist-front organization 'which seeks to attract southern liberals on the basis of its seeming interest in the problems of the South' although its 'professed interest in southern welfare is simply an expedient for larger aims serving the Soviet Union and its subservient Communist Party in the United States.'
(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 592 on the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, June 16, 1947.)"

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[redacted]
Milwaukee 5, Wisconsin

July 17, 1961

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Within the past few months we have been told several times by unofficial sources that Leonard Bernstein, director of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra, is affiliated with the Communist Party. Can you or may you give us any definite information about him in this regard?

We would also appreciate your sending any booklets or pamphlets that you have available on the organization and activities of the Communist party in our country.

Thank you and God bless you in your work of protecting America.

Sincerely yours,

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/s/[redacted]

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Milwaukee 3, Wisconsin

July 17, 1961

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Milwaukee 5, Wisconsin

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My dear Sister:

I have received your letter dated July 17, 1961, and your kind comments are appreciated.

While I would like to be of assistance, the jurisdiction and responsibilities of the FBI, strictly an investigative agency of the Federal Government, do not extend to furnishing evaluations or comments concerning the character or integrity of any individual, organization or publication. I am sure you will understand the necessity for this policy and will not infer that we do or do not have in our files the information you desire.

I am enclosing several items of literature, available for general distribution by the FBI, which you may like to read. I would also like to suggest that your local library may have considerable literature concerning communism, including my book, "Masters of Deceit," relating to the story of communism in America and how to fight it.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE ON YELLOW:

Bufiles contain no identifiable references to the correspondent.

Bufiles reveal that Leonard Bernstein is a prominent conductor and composer who is well known abroad as well as in the United States. During the period 1945-1949 he was associated with several organizations designated by the Department of Justice pursuant to Executive Order 10450 and with other organizations cited by the House Committee on Un-American Activities or the California Committee on Un-American Activities.

The following items of literature were sent to the correspondent:

1. Director's Statement Dated April 17, 1961, Regarding Internal Security.
2. "Expose of Soviet Espionage."
3. Reprint from "FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin," March, 1960, with an Analysis of the 17th National Convention of the Communist Party, USA.
4. "One Nation's Response to Communism."

1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Evans
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Name Check Section
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September 1, 1961

BY COURIER SERVICE

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Honorable P. Kenneth O'Donnell
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. O'Donnell:

Reference is made to your letter of August 25, 1961, requesting name checks concerning eighty individuals in connection with the Advisory Committee on the Arts. By letters dated August 30 and August 31, 1961, there were furnished to you the results of reviews of the files of this Bureau concerning fifty-one of these persons. The following additional results are now available.

BY COURIER SVC. 54 SEP-1 COMM-FBI

The FBI has not conducted investigations of and our files contain no information which would be pertinent to your inquiry concerning the following persons:

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[redacted] b7c [redacted] was the subject of an applicant-type investigation conducted by this Bureau in 1956. This investigation developed no information which would be pertinent to your inquiry and our files contain no pertinent information received since that time. [redacted]

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Honorable P. Kenneth O'Donnell

There are enclosed for your information memoranda concerning the following individuals:

[redacted]

Walter E. Disney

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Leonard Bernstein

[redacted]

Gene Kelly

[redacted]

The reviews of our files concerning the remaining eleven individuals are being continued and you will be advised separately of the results.

Sincerely yours,

J. EDGAR HOOVER

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1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Evans
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Name Check Section
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August 31, 1961

LEONARD BERNSTEIN

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Mr. Bernstein has been investigated by this Bureau over a considerable period of time based on his association with numerous organizations which have been designated by congressional committees or the Attorney General as communist front groups. b7c

[redacted], former Communist Party official who has publicly testified in congressional hearings concerning his activities as well as those of other individuals in the Communist Party, advised this Bureau in 1950 that Ben Davis and Jack Stachel, National Communist Party Board members, in 1945 described Mr. Bernstein as an adherent of the Communist Party. [redacted] advised that V. J. Jerome and Alexander Trachtenberg, Communist Party functionaries, had described Mr. Bernstein as a communist. [redacted] further stated that Mr. Bernstein had agreed to submit to communist discipline. b7D

From 1945 to 1949, Mr. Bernstein was connected as either a sponsor of, member of or contributor to thirteen organizations which have been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450 or cited as communist fronts by congressional committees. These included American Youth for Democracy, Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, National Negro Congress, et cetera. (100-358086-1148)

In 1953 Mr. Bernstein submitted an affidavit to the United States Department of State in connection with his application for a passport. In substance he stated that he had never been a member of the Communist Party and had never knowingly engaged in activities which supported the communist movement. He added that he had not adhered to the so-called Communist Party line or followed it "on a variety of issues and through shifts and changes of that line." He indicated that his association with numerous so-called communist front groups had been most casual and nebulous in nature. He had loaned his name to various groups on the basis of their being legitimate, charitable and philanthropic organizations. He concluded his affidavit by repeating his loyalty to the United States and opposition to Soviet communism. (100-360261-60)

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10

UNITED STATES GOV NMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-360261) DATE: 6/61

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-99895)

SUBJECT: LEONARD BERNSTEIN
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(OO: NEW YORK)

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On 8/16/61, [redacted] furnished to SA [redacted] information concerning LEONARD BERNSTEIN, conductor of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra. She was interviewed [redacted] and stated she is employed as [redacted] The residence address [redacted] is [redacted] where [redacted] can be reached at [redacted] She requested that the information furnished by her be kept confidential and if any contact is to be made with her in the future that the reason of the contact not be revealed.

b7c [redacted]

It is to be noted that the information furnished by [redacted] was not first-hand but was obtained by her from [redacted]

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b7c [redacted]

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Due to the non-specific nature of the allegation, no further action is being taken by the NYO at this time.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-67380) DATE: 8/27/62

b7c [redacted] : SAC, NEW YORK (65-21780)

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ReWFOlet to Bureau 7/17/62.

Enclosed for WFO is a photograph of LEONARD BERNSTEIN.

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The "Washington Post", issue of June, 25 1950, contained an article which reflected that LEONARD BERNSTEIN in June, 1950, had started a two-months stay in Tel Aviv as the Director of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra.

WFO report, 6/17/54, of SA [redacted] b7c set out information regarding a passport check which indicated that BERNSTEIN had a passport issued in 1948 valid until 1950 which reflected a military permit had been issued to travel to Austria with this passport.

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San Diego 4, Calif.

March 1, 1963

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Leonard Bernstein

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Your San Diego office has a complete record of my subscriptions to Communist propaganda. They are very effecient. I offer my compliments to your department for a person could not ask for a better group of men than you have here. They told me the periodicals to which I had subscribed and then asked if there were any they had missed.

What a reassurance! Should we ever get any laws that the Supreme Court would set aside, your men could quickly rid our nation of these Traitors who are making a mockery of our freedoms.

I am enclosing copies of my correspondence with Shell Oil Company. Doubtless none of this is new to your department but if you wish, you may add them to your files. I shall also enclose a copy of the letter I am sending to Mr. Myron Fagan also.

I have kept copies of all my correspondence with the Communists and have tried to keep all of their mailings to me. These are available to your department at any time. I have not been contacted personally to this date but if I should be I will attempt to get a description of and all the information I can and immediately relay it to your local office.

Allow me to compliment YOU PERSONALLY for all you have done for the United States through the years and still continue to do. I extend to you in behalf of myself and my family our HEARTFELT GRATITUDE. You have done service to your country equal to George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, James Monroe, Patrick Henry or any other patriot who used to be honored.

I wish that we had laws that would imprison or expell those who seek to subvert our country, and that the courts would not strike down. Your men could at long last strike a telling blow.

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I am Gratefully Yours, [redacted]
I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States
America And To The REPUBLIC For Which It Stands.

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January [illegible], [illegible]

Mr. Monroe Spaight, President
Shell Oil Company
[illegible] West [illegible] Street
New York City, New York

Dear Mr. [illegible]:

[illegible] credit cards inclosed which were issued to me by your [illegible]. [illegible] and I are returning them because of your talk during [illegible] of the Young [illegible] Concert and for your sponsor-[illegible] of [illegible] program (January 15, [illegible]) produced and directed by the [illegible], Leonard Bernstein. This man has been identified by [illegible] Un-American Activities [illegible] and the California [illegible] Finding Committee [illegible] more than [illegible]. There is no one [illegible] would allow his mem-[illegible] un-American [illegible] who could still be [illegible] to [illegible] way of life.

[illegible] I have not been [illegible] credit card lately, [illegible] to begin using [illegible] rather than the Richfield [illegible] confirmation [illegible] intended no more [illegible] active anti-communist [illegible]. I shall continue to [illegible], however, unless [illegible] many supports our cause [illegible].

[illegible] ters; [redacted] wife share my disgust [illegible] the [illegible] hies you expressed on the program and join me in [illegible] protest. b7c

Sincerely,

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SHELL OIL COMPANY
50 WEST 50TH STREET
NEW YORK 20, N. Y.

February 8, 1963

b7c [redacted]
San Diego 4, California

b7c Dear [redacted]

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We have your letter of January 21st to Mr. Spaght and are sorry that you were disturbed by his remarks on the life of Antoine Lavoisier, who, more than any other single individual, can be considered the founder of modern chemistry.

Lavoisier, a French nobleman, was beheaded during the communist Reign of Terror which followed the French Revolution. Mr. Spaght said, "If reason had prevailed, instead of the inflamed emotions of the time, the vengeful mob would have recognized Lavoisier for what he truly had been all his life... in his own fashion, a revolutionary." Lavoisier was a true "revolutionary" in that he discarded all prior theory in the field of chemistry and produced from his own observation a major breakthrough which made possible the chemical equations upon which modern chemical knowledge has been based. Mr. Spaght certainly was not condoning the revolutionary communism when he used this phrase and it was because Lavoisier was of the nobility that he was killed by the communist mob. We are sorry that you misconstrued Mr. Spaght's remarks but can also understand how you might have done so.

You also state in your letter of Leonard Bernstein, "This man has been identified by both the House Un-American Activities Committee and the California Senate Fact-Finding Committee as a member of more than thirteen Communist fronts." This charge is not unfamiliar to us. Several people in your part of the country wrote in last year and the year before. When we asked them for the source of their information, they invariably sent us a pamphlet by Mr. Myron C. Fagan, who operates under the name Cinema Educational Guild.

Naturally we have looked into these charges (which Mr. Fagan, incidentally, has never chosen to back up). We quote for your information from a long letter on the subject written by an executive of CBS Television

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Network. You will note that this letter contains a substantial quotation from the California committee which you mention as a source. You will note also that this committee says that Mr. Fagan has no access to their files. This quotation follows:

> "Because you have shown the Cinema Educational Guild as a source of your information regarding Mr. Bernstein, I would like to quote from the 1961 report of the Senate Fact-Finding Subcommittee on Un-American Activities in California regarding this organization:
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> > 'We do not wish to impugn the sincerity of Mr. Fagan, but we do wish to make public the facts about his Cinema Educational Guild, and our opinion concerning the erroneous nature of many of the statements contained in its publications. Some official agencies have regarded certain statements in these tracts and booklets about Mr. Fagan as hardly compatible with an expert approach to the counter-subversive field. Thus: "In presenting this profile we have one objective: to establish the fact that in matters of theater and of Hollywood, Myron C. Fagan is a Voice of Authority... quite as unquestionable as the Voice of J. Edgar Hoover in matters of our National Security." This sort of self-serving declaration is seen in several of the Guild publications, and has tended to alienate many substantial agencies that are quite aware of the basic correctness of many of the assertions, but dislike the pontifical attitude of the statements, and the Guild's position that once a person has been affiliated with a Communist front, he is forever damned.... The point to bear in mind is that such a list implies that everyone named on it is a red -- dangerous, active, disciplined, and dedicated. In some instances this is undoubtedly true. In others it is sheer nonsense. Mr. Fagan may well be one of the nation's outstanding experts on matters theatrical, but that does not necessarily qualify him as an expert in the field of counter-subversive intelligence. If his lists were thoroughly documented, that would be one thing, but to simply state that the information is corroborated by the files of some official committees is something else. Mr. Fagan has no access to these files, as we have stated, and the evaluation of evidence must be made in the light of passing time, changing conditions, changes in the Party line, the purposes and degree of virulence of each of the front organizations, and many other factors that should be taken into consideration by experts.'"

We feel that we are doing a very real service to the young people of this country in sponsoring on television from New York the Young People's Concerts under the direction of Mr. Bernstein, who in our opinion is not only a gifted conductor but one of the great teachers of our day.

We appreciate your concern and your very honest reasons for writing us. We would, however, like to suggest that in this instance you are being misguided by incorrect information.

The final concert in this year's Young People's Concerts will be telecast in your area on March 8th. We do hope you will tune in.

We are taking the liberty of returning your credit cards in the hope that you will see fit to use them.

Sincerely,

H. F. Brown, Manager
Public Relations

Attachment

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San Diego 4, Calif.

March 1, 1963

Mr. Monroe Spaght, President
Shell Oil Company
50 West 50th Street
New York 20, N.Y.

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Dear Mr. Spaght:

Your letter of February eighth through Mr. H.F. Brown, Public Relations Manager, is acknowledged and appreciated. Naturally we regret that you evidently lacked either the time to reply personally or the knowledge of the pernicious ways of Communist propaganda. We sincerely hope that it is the later for that would excuse, to a degree, your statements and the program you chose to sponsor.

Important people are very valuable to disseminate the ideas this nation must accept for Scientific Socialism to bury us as Premier Nikita Khrushchev has said they would. Such ideas as revolution being vital, ownership of private property being evil, the capitalistic system being outdated and that the United States should be merely a part of a world wide government rather than sovereign are a necessity. In all probability you had a spee h writer prepare the words that you delivered on the January fifteenth never suspecting that the ideas received by the audience were tremendously different from the thoughts in your mind as you spoke.

It has been my duty as head of the house to study extensively into the theories of Scientific Socialism so that I might be able to teach my family the things that are good and the things that are evil. This study has been anything but pleasant for it has entailed many hours a week for many long months to be able to recognize much of the propaganda as it is presented.

It is difficult to realize how some can seek to destroy the system that has brought innumerable benefits to them. The fact that there are many such in the United States today is attested to by the sworn testimony of, to name only two, Dr. Bella Dodd and Herbert Philbrick. They know of a surety for they both were among those.

It is not necessary to have access to the files of a government committee to compile a record of their findings. Any major newspaper could if it had the courage and the stimulis publish these public hearings and compile a list of the Communist fronts which have been joined by people of prestige such as Mr. Bernstein. The backwash of actually naming names is great. J. Edgar Hoover and Robert Welch can testify to that. Therefore, Mr. Myron Fagan does not need access to government files to list what has been published in the papers as the day's news.

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With due respect to you, I must deny "being misguided by incorrect information." The study I have made on this subject has included works by both liberals and conservatives, proponents of Socialism and proponents of Free Enterprise. I have read both what has been said by Premier Nikita Khrushchev (and published by his Foreign Languages Press in Moscow) and what has been said by Senator Barry Goldwater and J. Edgar Hoover (and published by the Free Press). I have read also and listened to the "so-called" moderates such as Governor Edmund G. Brown (California) and President John F. Kennedy. If these sources are not sufficient please tell me what is.

Perhaps YOU should take another look - it is just possible that you are "being misguided by incorrect information." It might be you who is making the mistake.

The two credit cards that I returned to you with my other letter, and which you sent back to me, are being enclosed again with the request that you properly destroy them for I shall not use them.

I have reproduced my original letter to you as well as your answer and because of the attack on Mr. Fagan, I am sending him a copy of all three letters. J. Edgar Hoover of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is also receiving copies of the three letters for his files. The FBI has been previously informed by me of my study in Communism.

I sincerely hope that you will re-examine your position. I would not have taken my time and yours also if I had felt that you would not. Either you and Mr. Bernstein are being decieved or you are decieving our "Young People." You OWE it to yourself and others to examine the facts. You have much influence - PLEASE use it well.

Sincerely,

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America And To The REPUBLIC For Which It Stands.

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San Diego 4, Calif.

March 1, 1963

Myron C. Fagan, Director
Cinema Educational Guild, Inc.
P.O. Box 46205 Cole Branch
Hollywood 46, California

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Dear Mr. Fagan:

Please find enclosed three letters that have been reproduced. Two of them from myself to Shell Oil Co. and one from them. I have felt it advisable to send them to you inasmuch as the letter from Shell Oil seems a direct attack on your integrity although I purposely did not mention you in my first letter to them.

Your book of "Documentations" has been an invaluable guide in aiding the recognition of the pro-Reds as well as recognition of the pro-Americans. I have naturally recognized many other pro-Reds that you did not have room to list in your book. The general guidance of the book is fully appreciated as well as the months of work that were required to put it together.

I hope that my book "Guerilla Warfare" by Che Guevera loaned to you through our mutual friend, [redacted] will prove useful in the alerting of true patriots. I recently saw an item in the San Diego Union that the book is being circulated greatly throughout all of Latin America. I would only remind you to return it at your convenience. I have no need for it now but I do want to get it back before it is forgotten. The Communists are far too successful in spreading their propaganda already without me helping them through carelessly allowing the things I get from them to possibly falling into gullible hands.

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Your work is deeply appreciated, I say again.

Yours for FREEDOM,

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America And To The REPUBLIC For Which It Stands.

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c.c. J. Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

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San Diego 4, California

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b7c Dear [redacted]

Your letter of March 1st, with enclosures, was received during Mr. Hoover's absence from the city. You may be sure it will be brought to his attention upon his return.

I know that he would want me to thank you for your kind comments regarding his administration of the FBI.

Sincerely yours,

Helen W. Gandy
Secretary

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NOTE: In view of correspondent's remarks critical of the Supreme Court and his embroilment with the Shell Oil Company and Myron C. Fagan, it is felt his letter should not be acknowledged over Mr. Hoover's signature. Bufiles contain no record identifiable with correspondent.

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Brooklyn 20, New York

Federal Bureau of Investigation
F.B.I. Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

It has been brought to my attention that Leonard Bernstein, the noted conductor of the new Lincoln Center in New York City has Communistic tendencies. For this reason I am writing to you with the hope that you will be able to enlighten my Community (two thousand Sisters of St. Joseph) and me with the truth. His performances are listed among our very limited number of programs which may be seen.

I do not know if the Bureau is permitted to disclose any findings of Mr Bernstein's past life, but if this is impossible it would be greatly appreciated if you could refer me to a source where information could be found.

May God bless you for your wonderful work in making our United States so wonderful. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ [redacted]

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My dear Sister:

Your letter postmarked March 9th has been received, and I want to thank you for the kind sentiments you expressed concerning my efforts as Director of the FBI.

While I would like to be of assistance to you, information contained in the files of the FBI is confidential and available for official use only pursuant to regulations of the Department of Justice. In view of the foregoing, I am sure you will understand why it is not possible for me to comment in the manner you have indicated nor am I able to refer you to a source to obtain the data you requested. I trust you will not infer either that we do or do not have information regarding Mr. Leonard Bernstein.

Enclosed is some literature I hope you will find to be of interest.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Enclosures (5)

Let's Fight Communism Sanely!
Communism and The Knowledge To Combat It!
An American's Challenge (10-9-62)
You Versus Crime
Bulwarks of Liberty

NOTE: Bufiles contain no information identifiable with correspondent. Leonard Bernstein was put on the Security Index 5-2-51, and was canceled 3-18-52, when the Prominent Individuals Subdivision of the Security Index was discontinued. He has been the subject of Bureau investigations over a considerable period of time based on his associations with individuals who are members of and active in organizations that have been cited.

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Enclosed are three copies of a LHM and one copy of a cover memorandum, as well as an additional copy of each for the Bureau file, where known, on the following individuals:

LEONARD BERNSTEIN

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To date 50 LHM have been submitted in this matter. Ten remain outstanding from the NYO.

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Leonard Bernstein, Member,
The "Committee of 100"
in Support of The N.A.A.C.P.
Legal Defense and Educational
Fund, Incorporated

Background information concerning Leonard Bernstein was obtained from passport records, 1962-1963 edition of "Who's Who in America" and [redacted] who furnished Leonard Bernstein's current address. X (u) b2 b7D

Sources concealed are as follows:

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No. 61-3176

New York, New York
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Leonard Bernstein, Member,
The "Committee of 100"
in Support of The N.A.A.C.P.
Legal Defense and Educational
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Leonard Bernstein is a white male who was born on August 25, 1918, at Lawrence, Massachusetts. He graduated from Harvard University in 1939 and attended the Curtis Institute of Music, 1939-1941. His occupation is musical composition and orchestra conducting. He is currently employed as conductor of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra. He resides at 895 Park Avenue, New York City.

On June 30, 1950, a source advised that in 1945, when the Committee to Aid Ben Davis was being considered, both Ben Davis and Jack Stachel described Leonard Bernstein to the source as an adherent of the Communist Party (CP). This source stated that other CP functionaires had also described Leonard Bernstein as a Communist. The source advised that in 1945 Stachel informed him that Bernstein had agreed to submit to Communist discipline. This source advised on December 9, 1954, that he had no direct personal knowledge of Bernstein's willingness to submit to Communist discipline. ~~(C)~~ U

Ben Davis and Jack Stachel were members of the National Board of the CP who were tried and convicted in 1949 for violation of the Smith Act of 1940. ~~(C)~~ U

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Leonard Bernstein

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In an affidavit subscribed and sworn to by Leonard Bernstein on August 3, 1953, in connection with his application for a United States passport, Bernstein stated in part as follows:

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"Although I have never, to my knowledge, been accused of being a member of the Communist Party, I wish to take advantage of this opportunity to affirm under oath that I am not now or at any time ever been a member of the Communist Party or the Communist Political Association. I have never (to paraphrase the language of the Regulation) knowingly engaged in activities which supported the Communist movement under circumstances which would warrant the conclusion that I engaged in such activities as a result of direction, domination or control exercised over me by the Communist movement.

"I have not adhered to the so-called Communist Party line or followed it 'on a variety of issues and through shifts and changes of that line...'

"The Regulations referred to are said to have a possible application to my case by reason of the fact that my name has been linked in various ways with a number of organizations which had been denominated as subversive by the Attorney General in connection with the government employee program.

"I wish to state generally as to all the organizations involved that my connection, if any, with them has been of a most casual and nebulous character. Almost without exception, their very names are practically unknown to me except in the vaguest kind of way. In fact, in now attempting to recall them and my connection with them, I have had to rely on the memory of my secretary and refer to old scrapbooks, clippings, etc. Needless to say I never knew their real character as

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"they were later denominated by the Attorney General of the United States. I never could claim any exact knowledge as to their objectives or purpose except the humanitarian, benign or cultural one mentioned at the moment I was accosted by some person or scanned the letter or other sugar coated communication soliciting funds, the use of my name or my services as a musician and conductor.

"I wish to emphasize that the name and real purpose of the organizations to which my name became linked through a charitable and well intended impulse and obviously without the probing deliberation required are hardly more than a blur in my memory. The link, if any, was on 'paper' and not a personal one. Besides my ignorance of their underlying purposes, I have no recollection or knowledge of ever having really joined any of them which had a membership roll in the true sense. I do not recall the address of most of them or the years or the city in which they functioned or the names of the officers or principals. I have no knowledge or recollection of ever having attended an organizational meeting of any one of them. It is my general recollection that my name or sponsorship was usually requested in connecti with some public function or or activity as a banquet, benefi or concert."

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Bernstein's affidavit goes on to state his explanation for his association with various groups and to outline his activities with regard to many legitimate charitab and philanthropic organizations. The affidavit concludes as follows:

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"I have attempted in the foregoing pages to set forth some of the facts which may be of assistance to the State Department in the consideration of my passport applicat I express the hope that they may place in better perspective the allegation which has given rise to the long delay in passing upon the problem.

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"I realize now that I might have made the task of the Passport Division of the State Department an easier one if in 1949, when I came to realize that I had been imposed upon, I had made a public disavowal of the harmful significance which had been attached to the use of my name and prestige by questionable organizations. Unfortunately I did not do so and confined my efforts to advising only my friends and associates of the true situation. I recall that in 1949, in discussing the matter in correspondence with Mr. Edward A. Norman, President of the American Fund for Israel Institutions I stated in part as follows:

> "'Let me state for you and for the record that I am not and never have been a member of the Communist Party, nor have I ever subscribed to communist doctrine or ideology. I have been away from the United States for many months on an extended concert tour, and I have not seen a copy of 'Red Channels', and I do not, therefore, know to what associations or organizations you refer, but I can say unequivocally that I have never belonged or subscribed to any cause which I understood committed me to support of a subversive doctrine, either communist or fascist.
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> "'It is possible that, in the turmoil of life to which an artist is subject, and particularly during those days when the necessities of war created many temporary alliances, that I did sponsor activities without closely examining their affiliations. If so, and if any of these have been investigated and found subversive by the government of my country, I disown and disavow them completely.

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"'I assure you again I have only one allegiance to one flag and to one country, the United States of America, whose democratic form of life I cherish and will defend at any time.'

"I wish to conclude this affidavit by repeating in the most solemn way the affirmation of loyalty to the United States and opposition to Soviet Communism which I expressed at that time.

"/s/ Leonard Bernstein"

The House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA) review of the Scientific and Cultural Conference for World Peace held March 25, 26, 27, 1949, which conference was arranged by the National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions, reflected Leonard Bernstein was affiliated with the following organizations:

American Council for a Democratic Greece
American Youth for Democracy
Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy
Civil Rights Congress
Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee
National Negro Congress

Characterizations of the above organizations are set forth in the Appendix attached hereto.

Records of the Bureau of Special Services, New York City Police Department, reflect that Bernstein was a member of the Council on African Affairs, Incorporated, as of February 3, 1948.

The Council on African Affairs, Incorporated, is characterized in the Appendix attached hereto.

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Leonard Bernstein

The "New York Times", issue of March 3, 1945, contained an advertisement by the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, entitled, "For America's Sake-Break With Franco Spain", wherein Bernstein was listed as a sponsor.

A characterization of the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade is set forth in the Appendix attached hereto.

A second source advised during 1946 that Leonard Bernstein was identified on a letterhead of the American Committee for Spanish Freedom dated January 21, 1946, as being one of the sponsors of this organization.

A characterization of the American Committee for Spanish Freedom is set forth in the Appendix attached hereto.

The "Daily Worker" issue of May 16, 1946, page four column three, lists Leonard Bernstein as a conductor and composer and one of the endorsers of the Three Day Tag Drive of the American Committee for Yugoslav Relief.

The "Daily Worker" was an East Coast Communist daily newspaper which suspended publication on January 13, 1958.

A characterization of the American Committee for Yugoslav Relief is set forth in the Appendix attached hereto.

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The "New York Journal American", issue of April 17, 1946, contained an article captioned, "Red Fronters Hit United States - Italy Policy" in which it was stated that Leonard Bernstein, a conductor and a member or sponsor of eight Communist fronts including the Council of American Soviet Friendship (CASF) was one of the signers of a protest sent to President Truman concerning American interference in the Italian elections.

The CASF is characterized in the Appendix attached hereto, under the name of National Council of American Soviet Friendship.

The "Daily Worker" issue of October 27, 1947, contained an article captioned, "Stars Fly East to Fight Probe" wherein it was stated Leonard Bernstein was travelling from Broadway to Washington to protest along with Hollywood movie stars the activities of the HCUA, which was at that time investigating Communism in filmland.

A name check of the indices and/or printed hearings of the House Committee on Un-American Activities on the name of Leonard Bernstein on April 2, 1[illegible] by Special Agent [redacted] reflected the following references which were not checked against the original sources:

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Source:	Material:
"PM", 3/[illegible]/47, pg. 12 ("PM", defunct NY newspaper)	Leonard Bernstein (LB) American Council for a Democratic Greece, Member, Board of Directors
"Worker", 4/27/47, pg. 2[illegible]	American Soviet Music Society, National Council American Soviet Friendship LB, member
"American-Soviet Music Review" Fall Issue, 1946 pg. 3	LB, Vice Chairman American Soviet Music Society

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Leonard Bernstein

Source:	Material:
PM, 2/9/45, pg. 9	American Committee for Spanish Freedom, Artists and Scientists Division; LB, Signer of Statement Asking for Severance of Diplomatic Relations with Franco Spain.
Press Release, 3/17/48	American Council for a Democratic Greece LB, Board of Directors
"The Shield" July, 1947, pg. 3, C 4-5	American Council for a Democratic Greece, Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy; LB, officer or/and sponsor of same.
Program, 10/16/44	"Salute to Young America", dinner celebrating first anniversary of American Youth for Democracy (AYD). LB, functionary.
Dinner Program, "A Tribute to Jewish Youth"	LB, to appear on program of dinner sponsored "on the occasion of the 4th Anniversary of the AYD at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 11/18/47".
National Board Report... to Second National Convention, 6/13-17/46, pg. 2	LB, attended "Salute to Young America" dinner, AYD
"The Shield", 7/47, pg. 13	"Speaker at Dinner, 12/12/45, AYD".

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Source:	Material:
Program, "Let Freedom Ring"	Civil Rights Congress, National Conference, Chicago, Illinois, 11/21-23/47. LB, Sponsor
Letterhead, 1946-1947	Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy, LB, Sponsor
Letterhead, 5/28/48	LB, Sponsor. Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy.
"Daily Worker" (DW), 4/26/48, pgs. 1, 3	LB, Signer. Letter for Civil Rights Congress (CRC) scoring Subversive Control Act, 1948.
Chicago, "Sun-Times" 5/11/48, pg. 37	LB, Signer. CRC Open Letter to Congress for Defeat of MUNDT Bill; H.R.(House Report) 5852.
Pamphlet, Committee For the First Amendment, pg. 4	LB, Signer. Statements of Committee for the First Amendment

A characterization of the Committee for the First Amendment is set forth in the Appendix attached hereto.

Mimeographed Circular: "Now Available on Records" 11/18/47	LB, Speaker. Committee for the First Amendment on subject "Hollywood Fights Back" broadcast on 11/2/47 (ABC Program).

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Leonard Bernstein

Source:	Material:
"New York Times" 11/3/47, pg. 18	Committee for the First Amendment. LB, Speaker, on radio broadcast attacking US HCUA.
"Metropolitan Music School Catalog", 1956-1957, pg. 29	LB, Sponsor. Metropolitan Music School, Incorporated.

The Metropolitan Music School, Incorporated, is characterized in the Appendix attached hereto.

"New Leader" 2/5/49, pg. 4	LB, Sponsor. National Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions (NCASP)" Cultural and Scientific Conference for World Peace, 3/25-27/49"

A characterization of the NCASP is set forth in the Appendix attached hereto.

DW, 1/16/49, pg. 11	LB, Sponsor of above NCASP Conference.
DW, 12/1/47, pg. 3	Arts, Sciences and Professions Council, Progressive Citizens of America. LB, Signer of Open Letter Against Committee on Un-American Activities and ouster of Communists in film industry.

Leonard Bernstein

A characterization of the Progressive Citizens of America is set forth in the Appendix attached hereto.

Source:	Material:
Letterhead, 5/28/46	LB, member, Board of Directors. Independent Citizens Council of NCASP.
DW, 10/17/48	LB, Signer. National Council of American-Soviet Friendship. Statement.
Program, pg. 12 and "Conference Call"	NCASP Cultural and Scientific Conference For World Peace, New York City, 3/25-27/49. LB, Sponsor.
DW, 9/9/47, pg. 11	LB, Judge of Musical Talent Contest, National Negro Congress.
Report to Clerk of the US House of Representatives 6/10/48	LB contributed $100.00 to Progressive Citizens of America.
Letterhead, 2/28/46	Spanish Refugee Appeal of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee. LB, National Sponsor.
New York Young Progressive Lobby Issue	Young Progressive Citizens of America (Youth Lobby to Washington, D.C.,) 6/5-6/47.

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Source:	Material:
Program of above	LB, Sponsor.
1947 Progressive Citizens of America Mailing List	LB listed as having supported Independent Citizens Committee of NCASP and/or National Citizens Political Action Committee.
Letterhead, 5/18/51 and 3/3/48.	LB, National Sponsor. Spanish Refugee Appeal of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee.
Invitation to Dinner, New York City, 3/31/48	Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee. LB, Member, National Reception Committee for Madame Irene Joliot-Curie.
Letterhead, 4/28/49	Spanish Refugee Appeal of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee. LB, Sponsor.
Letterhead, 6/16/47	LB, Sponsor Voice of Freedom Committee.

A characterization of the Voice of Freedom Committee is set forth in the Appendix attached hereto.

Voice of Freedom Committee Leaflet	LB, Signer of Petition. Voice of Freedom Committee.

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Source:	Material:
Circular of the film of the NCASP, 1949	LB, Participant. Prague Music Festival.
Undated Leaflet "The South is Closer Than You Think".	Southern Conference for Human Welfare (SCHW). LB, Member, Executive Board, New York Committee.

A characterization of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare is set forth in the Appendix attached hereto.

"The Shield" July, 1947, pg. 6	LB, Sponsor. World Youth Conference.

A characterization of the World Youth Conference is set forth in the Appendix attached hereto.

Advertisement "For America's Sake. Break with Franco Spain in "New York Times"	Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade. LB, Sponsor and Supporter of statement issued by Veterans of Abraham Lincoln Brigade calling for severance of all relations with Franco government.
PM, 3/3/47, p.19	LB, Member. Save the Voice of Freedom Committee.
DW, 1/23/48, pg. 5	Leonard Bernstien refused to answer questions concerning CP membership.

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Source:	Material:
"Worker" (Southern Edition) 2/1/48, pg. 11	Leonard Bernstein refuses to confirm or deny CP membership.
Speech of J.B. Matthews at American Legion Seminar, Washington, D.C., 11/19/47, pg. 6, concerning "Communist Party Front Organizations".	Leonard Bernstein classified by Matthews as "confirmed fellow traveller".
Testimony of Francis J. McNamara, 5061 Glenwood Road, Bethesda, Maryland, the Director of the American Sovereignty Campaign of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. (Investigation of the so-called "Blacklisting"). HCUA Hearings, Volumn 2, 84th Congress, 2nd Session, 1956, pg. 5374.	Mentions Leonard Bernstein's name as being on letterhead of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee as quoted from article in "counter-attack" entitled "Red Front Uses Phony Sponsor List".
Hearings, ch 102, 105. Testimony of Walter S. Steele, regarding "Communist Activity in United States", 7/21/47, Washington, D.C.	Leonard Bernstein noted on the Board of Directors of "Peoples' Songs"; and, as sponsor of same.

A name check of the indices and/or printed hearings of the House Committee on Un-American Activities on the name of Leonard Bernstein on September 16, 1963, by
b7c Investigative Clerk [redacted] from August 8, 1959 to date, indicated that the indices and/or printed hearings contained no pertinent information concerning Leonard Bernstein.

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The following organizations have been designated by the Attorney General of the United States, pursuant to Executive Order 10450:

American Committee for Spanish Freedom
American Committee for Yugoslav Relief
American Council for a Democratic Greece
American Youth for Democracy
Civil Rights Congress
Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy
Council on African Affairs
Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee
National Council of American Soviet Friendship, Incorporated
National Negro Congress
Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade
Voice of Freedom Committee.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE FIRST AMENDMENT

California Senate Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1940, page 210, reflects the following concerning the Committee for the First Amendment:

"1. 'A recently created Communist front in the defense of Communists and Communist fellow travelers. Its immediate purpose is to create favorable public opinion for the Communists who refused to testify before the House Committee on Un-American Activities in Washington, D.C.'"

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METROPOLITAN MUSIC SCHOOL, INC.

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications", revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, reflects the following citation concerning the Metropolitan Music School, Incorporated:

"1. Committee hearings 'showed clearly that the Metropolitan Music School is controlled by Communists.' 'Twenty-four identified Communists have been on the faculty of the school.' 'The music school has an annual registration of between 375 and 400 children and adults.'

(Committee on Un-American Activities, Annual Report for 1957, House Report, 1360, February 19, 1958, pp. 37 and 38.)"

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NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE ARTS, SCIENCES AND PROFESSIONS

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications", revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, reflects the following citation concerning the National Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions:

"1. Cited as a Communist front.

(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1954 on the Scientific and Cultural Conference for World Peace arranged by the National Council of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions and held in New York City on March 25,26, and 27, 1949, April 25, 1956, originally released April 1, 1949, p.2)

"2. Cited as a Communist front which is 'used to appeal to special occupational groups***'

(Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc, 117, April 23, 1956, p. 91.)"

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PROGRESSIVE CITIZENS OF AMERICA
Young Progressives of America

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications", revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, reflects the following citation concerning the Progressive Citizens of America:

"1. Cited as 'another youth organization within the orbit' and which is the 'youth group of the Progressive Party.' The head of the YPA in Ohio has been identified as Don Rothenberg of Cleveland.

(Ohio Un-American Activities Commission, Report, 1951-1952, p. 25)."

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SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications", revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, reflects the following citation concerning the Southern Conference for Human Welfare:

"1. Cited as a Communist front which received money from the Robert Marshall Foundation, one of the principal sources of funds by which many Communist fronts operate.

(Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 147).

"2. Cited as a Communist-front organization 'which seeks to attract southern liberals on the basis of its seeming interest in the problems of the South' although its 'professed interest in southern welfare is simply an expedient for larger aims serving the Soviet Union and its subservient Communist Party in the United States.'

(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 592 on the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, June 16, 1947.)"

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WORLD YOUTH CONGRESS

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications", revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, reflects the following citation concerning the World Youth Congress:

"1. Cited as a Communist conference held in the summer of 1938 at Vassar College.

(Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 183; also cited in Annual Report, House Report 2, January 3, 1939, p. 82)."

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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Date: January 11, 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Cartha D. DeLoach, FBI

FROM : Lee C. White, Security Officer

SUBJECT : Transmittal of SF 86 (in duplicate) and Fingerprint Card, Form No. 87

FOR: Name Leonard Bernstein

Date of Birth August 25, 1918

Place of Birth Lawrence, Massachusetts

☐ It is requested that a full field investigation of captioned individual be conducted

☒ A name check of captioned individual is requested

☐ Request for release of FBI report to another agency

Captioned individual is being considered for:

☐ A White House staff position

☐ A Presidential Appointment

Background Data and Remarks:

See page 164 of Who's Who of America for further information (1964-65 edition)

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REPORT SHOULD BE DELIVERED BY FBI TO: MILDRED STEGALL

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January 14, 1965

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Honorable Lee C. White
Associate Counsel to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. White:

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Mrs. [illegible] has requested [illegible] on [redacted] born [redacted] Chicago, Illinois [illegible] thirty individuals referred to herein.

The [illegible] files of the FBI, as well as the [illegible] files of the FBI Identification Division, contain no pertinent information or arrest data on the following individuals based upon the background information provided in this name check inquiry:

[redacted] born [redacted] Chicago, Illinois

[redacted] born [redacted] Vancouver, [illegible]

[redacted] born [redacted] Kelly-[illegible]

[redacted] born [redacted] Brooklyn, New [illegible]

[redacted] born [redacted] Bombay, India

[redacted] born [redacted] Berlin, Germany

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[redacted] born [redacted] Fayetteville, [illegible]

[redacted] born [redacted] New York

[redacted] born [redacted] California

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Attached are separate memoranda [illegible] information in FBI files, as well as a check of the [illegible]

1 - Mr. Belmont - Enclosures (sent with cover memo) 1 - Mr. [illegible] - Enclosures (sent with cover memo)
1 - Mr. Mohr - Enclosures (sent with cover memo)
1 - Mr. DeLoach - Enclosures (sent with cover memo) 1 - Mr. Rosen - Enclosures (sent with cover memo)
Lee M. A. Jones [illegible] DeLoach, 1-13-65, captioned
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Honorable Lee C. White

Identification Division on the remainder of the individuals mentioned in this name check request, further identified as follows:

[redacted] born [redacted] Lachine, [illegible]
[redacted], born [redacted] New York City
Leonard Bernstein, born August 25, 19[illegible], Lawrence, Massachusetts
[redacted], born [redacted] Petoskey, Michigan
[redacted], born [redacted] Berkshire, England
[redacted] born [redacted]
[redacted], born [redacted] Buffalo, New York
b2c Archibald [illegible], born May 7, 19[illegible], Glencoe, Illinois
[redacted] born [redacted] Mountain Park, New Mexico
[redacted] born [redacted] [illegible], Italy
Allan Nevins, born May 20, 1890, Camp [illegible], Illinois
[redacted], born [redacted] New York City
[redacted], born [redacted] [illegible]
[redacted], born [redacted] Fresno, California
[redacted], born [redacted]

Sincerely yours,

Enclosures (15)

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January 14, 1965

LEONARD BERNSTEIN

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Mr. Bernstein, born August 25, 1918, at Lawrence, Massachusetts, is a well-known conductor, pianist and composer. He is employed as conductor of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra and resides at 205 West 57th Street, New York City.

Files of the FBI reflect that from approximately 1945 to 1949, Leonard Bernstein was affiliated with or supported in some manner 15 organizations which have been cited as subversive and come within the purview of Executive Order 10450. Among these organizations were American Youth for Democracy, Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship and the National Negro Congress. He was guest of honor at numerous functions during this period for these various front groups and in 1946 served as co-chairman of an American Youth for Democracy rally.

A confidential informant of known reliability advised in June, 1950, that in 1945 when the committee to aid Benjamin Davis, a member of the National Board of the Communist Party, was being considered, both Davis and Jack Stachel, also a member of the National Board, described Leonard Bernstein to the informant as an adherent to the Communist Party. This same informant advised that Alexander Trachtenberg, a member of the National Review Commission of the Communist Party, had also described Mr. Bernstein as a communist. In addition, Jack Stachel told the informant in 1945 that Mr. Bernstein had expressed his willingness to submit to communist discipline. It is to be noted that Davis and Stachel were convicted in 1949 of violation of the Smith Act. Trachtenberg was convicted of this Act in 1953.

The FBI conducted a security investigation relating to Leonard Bernstein, initiated in 1951, to ascertain if he was involved in activities inimical to the best interests of the United States. In this regard, it was determined that Mr. Bernstein executed a sworn affidavit to the State Department in August, 1953, in connection with his application for passport renewal. He stated on that occasion that he had never been a member of the Communist Party or the Communist Political Association and had never knowingly engaged in any activities in support of the communist movement. He also indicated in this affidavit that his recollection of

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the nature of various cited groups was vague and that in most instances he had been duped into lending his name to these organizations without knowing their real purpose.

The FBI conducted an additional security investigation regarding Bernstein in 1954 to ascertain if a possible fraud against the Government violation was present in connection with his having denied engaging in activities supporting the communist movement.

The results of this investigation were reviewed by the Internal Security Division of the Department of Justice and the determination was reached in August, 1955, that no prosecution of Bernstein was warranted under appropriate sections of Title 18, United States. Code, inasmuch as the only available evidence linking Bernstein with the Communist Party was based on hearsay rather than personal knowledge. (100-360261)

In August, 1958, a confidential informant who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Leonard Bernstein had been in contact with

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The fingerprint files of the FBI Identification Division contain no arrest data identifiable with captioned individual based on the background information provided in connection with this name check request.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

MAR - 4 1966

FBI LIAISON: FOR INFORMATION ONLY

RE: Leonard Bernstein

BORN: Aug. 25, 1918
PLACE: Massachusetts

RESIDENCE: 895 Park Avenue
New York, N.Y.41002 3-8

BUREAU FILE NUMBER: Unknown 100-360261

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE:

PASSPORT NUMBER: D256962 issued January 7, 1963, renewed February 25, 1966 at New York

ATTORNEY:

TRAVEL PLANS

PORT OF DEPARTURE: Unknown

DATE OF DEPARTURE: February 25, 1966

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION: Unknown

PROPOSED LENGTH OF STAY: Six weeks

COUNTRIES TO BE VISITED: Austria

PURPOSE OF TRIP: Business

PASSPORT OFFICE
PT/L - ROBERT D. JOHNSON
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-360261) DATE: 4/4/66

SAC, NEW YORK (100-99895) (C)

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LEONARD BERNSTEIN
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ON 6-8-93

CC TO: [redacted] b2
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ANS [redacted]
BY: [redacted] b7c

Re Passport Office letter dated 3/4/66.

Enclosed are the original and 5 copies of an LHM, dated and captioned as above.

The sources mentioned in enclosed LHM are, in the order of their use:

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b7C b7D [redacted] (U)

b2 b7D [redacted]

The enclosed LHM is classified "Confidential" because of the information furnished by [redacted] and by b2 b7D [redacted] who, in this instance, has requested concealment (U)

No additional investigation is being conducted in this matter and this case is being placed in a closed status.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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ON 6-8-93

In Reply, Please Refer to
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NYfile 100-99895

New York, New York
April 4, 1966

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CLASS. EXT. BY [redacted]
REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4
DATE OF REVIEW 4-4-86

Re: Leonard Bernstein
Security Matter - C

By letter dated March 4, 1966 the Passport Office, United States Department of State, advised the subject renewed passport number D256962 on February 25, 1966 at New York. In his renewal application, the subject stated he would depart the United States on February 25, 1966 for a six-week business trip to Austria.

On March 25, 1966, a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that [redacted] b7D

Characterizations of organizations mentioned herein are set out in Appendix attached to this memorandum.

On June 30, 1950, a second source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that in 1945, when the Committee to Aid Ben Davis was being considered, both Ben Davis and Jack Stachel described Leonard Bernstein to the source as an adherent of the Communist Party. This source stated that other Communist Party functionaries had also described Leonard Bernstein as a Communist. The source advised that in 1945, Jack Stachel informed him that Bernstein had agreed to submit to Communist discipline. This source advised on December 9, 1954, that he has no direct personal knowledge of Bernstein's willingness to submit to Communist discipline. (U)

Benjamin J. Davis and Jack Stachel were members of the National Board of the Communist Party who were tried and convicted in 1949 for violation of the Smith Act of 1940. (U)

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In February and March, 1958, a third source who was in a position to furnish reliable information, advised that he believed Leonard Bernstein was a Communist since Bernstein [redacted] and Bernstein has continually made anti-American and pro-Russian statements. This individual was unable to furnish any specific details regarding the above allegations and was not able to describe any of the anti-American and pro-Russian statements allegedly made by Bernstein. The source stated that he had never heard Bernstein discuss the Communist Party or make any reference to the Communist Party. (u)

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In an affidavit subscribed and sworn to by Leonard Bernstein on August 3, 1953, in connection with his application for a United States passport, Bernstein stated in part as follows:

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"Although I have never, to my knowledge, been accused of being a member of the Communist Party, I wish to take advantage of this opportunity to affirm under oath that I am not now or at any time ever been a member of the Communist Party or the Communist Political Association. I have never (to paraphrase the language of the Regulation) knowingly engaged in activities which supported the Communist Movement under circumstances which would warrant the conclusion that I engaged in such activities as a result of direction, domination or control exercised over me by the Communist movement.

"I have not adhered to the so-called Communist Party line or followed it 'on a variety of issues and through shifts and changes of that line...'

"The Regulations referred to are said to have a possible application to my case by reason of the fact that my name has been linked in various ways with a number of organizations which have been denominated as subversive by the Attorney General in connection with the government employee program.

"I wish to state generally as to all the organizations involved that my connection, if any, with them has been of a most casual and nebulous character. Almost without exception, their very names are practically unknown by me except in the vaguest kind of way. In fact, in now

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"attempting to recall them and my connection with them, I have had to rely on the memory of my secretary and refer to old scrapbooks, clippings, etc. Needless to say I never knew their real character as they were later denominated by the Attorney General of the United States. I never could claim any exact knowledge as to their objectives or purpose except the humanitarian, benign or cultural one mentioned at the moment I was accosted by some person or scanned the letter or other sugar coated communication soliciting funds, the use of my name or my services as a musician and conductor.

"I wish to emphasize that the name and real purpose of the organizations to which my name became linked through a charitable and well intended impulse and obviously without the probing deliberation required are hardly more than a blur in my memory. The link, if any, was on 'paper' and not a personal one. Besides my ignorance of their underlying purposes, I have no recollection or knowledge of ever having really joined any of them which had a membership roll in the true sense. I do not recall the address of most of them or the years or the city in which they functioned or the names of the officers or principals. I have no knowledge or recollection of ever having attended an organizational meeting of any one of them. It is my general recollection that my name or sponsorship was usually requested in connection with some public function or <u>or</u> activity such as a banquet, benefit or concert."

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Bernstein's affidavit goes on to state his explanation for his association with various groups and to outline his activities with regard to many legitimate charitable and philanthropic organizations. The affidavit concludes as follows:

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"I have attempted in the foregoing pages to set forth some of the facts which may be of assistance to the State Department in the consideration of my passport application. I express the hope that they may place in better perspective the allegation which has given rise to the long delay in passing upon the problem.

"I realize now that I might have made the task of the Passport Division of the State Department an easier one

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"if in 1949, when I came to realize that I had been imposed upon, I had made a public disavowal of the harmful significance which had been attached to the use of my name and prestige by questionable organizations. Unfortunately I did not do so and confined my efforts to advising only my friends and associates of the true situation. I recall that in 1949, in discussing the matter in correspondence with Mr. Edward A. Norman, President of the American Fund for Israel Institutions I stated in part as follows:

> "'Let me state for you and for the record that I am not and never have been a member of the Communist Party, nor have I ever subscribed to communist doctrine or ideology. I have been away from the United States for many months on an extended concert tour, and I have not seen a copy of 'Red Channels', and I do not, therefore, know to what associations or organizations you refer, but I can say unequivocally that I have never belonged or subcribed to any cause which I understood committed me to support of a subversive doctrine, either communist or fascist.
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> "'It is possible that, in the turmoil of life to which an artist is subject, and particularly during those days when the necessities of war created many temporary alliances, that I did sponsor activities without closely examining their affiliations. If so, and if any of these have been investigated and found subversive by the government of my country, I disown and disavow them completely.
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> "'I assure you again I have only one allegiance to one flag and to one country, the United States of America, whose democratic form of life I cherish and will defend at any time.'

"I wish to conclude this affidavit by repeating in the most solemn way the affirmation of loyalty to the United States and opposition to Soviet Communism which I expressed at that time.

"/s/ Leonard Bernstein"

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The House Committee on Un-American Activities review of the Scientific and Cultural Conference for World Peace held March 25, 26, 27, 1949, which conference was arranged by the National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions, reflected Leonard Bernstein was affiliated with the following organizations:

American Council for a Democratic Greece
American Youth for Democracy
Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy
Civil Rights Congress
Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee
National Negro Congress

Records of the Bureau of Special Services, New York City Police Department, reflect that Bernstein was a member of the Council on African Affairs, Incorporated, as of February 3, 1948.

The "New York Times", issue of March 3, 1945, contained an advertisement by the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade entitled "For America's Sake-Break With Franco Spain" wherein Bernstein was listed as a sponsor.

A fourth source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised during 1946, that Leonard Bernstein was identified on a letterhead of the American Committee for Spanish Freedom, dated January 21, 1946, as being one of the sponsors of this organization. (u)

The "Daily Worker" issue of May 16, 1946, page four column three, lists Leonard Bernstein as a conductor and composer and one of the endorsers of the Three Day Tag Drive of the American Committee for Yugoslav Relief.

The "Daily Worker" was an east coast Communist daily newspaper which suspended publication on January 13, 1958.

The "New York Journal American", issue of April 17, 1948, contained an article captioned "Red Fronters Hit United States-Italy Policy" in which it was stated that Leonard Bernstein, a conductor and a member or sponsor of

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eight Communist fronts, including the Council of American-Soviet Friendship, was one of the signers of a protest sent to President Truman concerning American interference in the Italian elections.

The "Daily Worker", issue of October 27, 1947, contained an article captioned "Stars Fly East to Fight Probe" wherein it was stated Leonard Bernstein was traveling from Broadway to Washington to protest along with Hollywood movie stars the activities of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, which was at that time investigating Communists in filmland.

Set out below is a summary of information contained in records of the House Committee on Un-American Activities pertaining to Leonard Bernstein:

Source:	Material:
PM, 3/9/47, page 12 (PM, defunct NY newspaper).	Leonard Bernstein (LB) American Council for A Democratic Greece, Member, Board of Directors.
"Worker", 4/27/47, pg. 29	American Soviet Music Society National Council American-Soviet Friendship LB, Member.
"American-Soviet Music Review", Fall Issue, 1946, pg. 3	LB, Vice Chairman American Soviet Music Society
PM, 2/9/45, pg. 9	American Committee for Spanish Freedom, Artists and Scientists Division; LB, Signer of Statement Asking for Severance of Diplomatic Relations with Franco Spain.
Press Release, 3/17/48	American Council for a Democratic Greece LB, Board of Directors.
"The Shield" July 1947, pg. 3, C4-5	American Council for a Democratic Greece, Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy; LB, officer or/and sponsor of same.

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Program, 10/16/44	"Salute to Young America", dinner, celebrating first anniversary of American Youth for Democracy (AYD). LB, functionary.
"New York Times" 3/14/46, pg. 18	LB, Supporter: "Citizens United to Abolish the Wood-Rankin Committee".
Dinner Program, "A Tribute to Jewish Youth"	LB, to appear on program of dinner sponsored on the occasion of the 4th Anniversary of the American Youth for Democracy (AYD) at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 11/18/47".
National Board Report... to Second National Convention 6/13-17/46, pg. 2	LB, attended "Salute to Young America" dinner, American Youth for Democracy.
"The Shield", 7/47, pg. 13	"Speaker at Dinner, 12/12/45, American Youth for Democracy.
Program, "Let Freedom Ring"	Civil Rights Congress, National Conference, Chicago, Illinois, 11/21-23/47. LB Sponsor.
"Daily Worker" (DW) 9/25/45, pg. 12	LB, Sponsor. Committee for the reelection of Benjamin H. Davis, Communist.
Letterhead, 1946-1947	Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy, LB, Sponsor
Pamphlet, "What Price Philippine Independence" by George Phillips, pgs. 30-31.	LB, Signer of Open Letter to President Truman, released 10/7/46.
Letterhead, 5/28/48	LB, Sponsor. Committee For a Democratic Far Eastern Policy.

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Letterhead, 7/11/47	LB, Sponsor. Committee For a Democratic Far Eastern Policy.
DW, 4/26/48, pgs. 1,3	LB, Signer. Letter for Civil Rights Congress (CRC) scoring Subversive Control Act, 1948.
Chicago "Sun-Times" 5/11/48, pg. 37	LB, Signer. Civil Rights Congress Open Letter to Congress for Defeat of Mundt Bill; H. R. (House Report) 5852.
Pamphlet, Committee for the First Amendment, pg. 4	LB, Signer. Statements of Committee for the First Amendment.
Mimeographed Circular: "Now Available on Records" 11/18/47	LB, Speaker. Committee for the First Amendment on subject "Hollywood Fights Back" broadcast on 11/2/47 (ABC Program).
"New York Times" 11/3/47, pg. 18	Committee for the First Amendment. LB, Speaker, on radio broadcast attacking US House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA).
Pamphlet, "Equal Justice Under Law", pg. 18	LB, Sponsor. Committee for Equal Justice For Mrs. Recy Taylor.
"Metropolitan Music School Catalog", 1956-57. pg. 29	LB, Sponsor. Metropolitan Music School, Inc.
Also advertised in above "Catalog", 1951-1952	
Leaflet, 2/11-12/49	LB, Sponsor. Legislative Assembly and Rally to End Segregation and Discrimination.
Pamphlet, "Seeing is Believing" 1947, (back cover).	LB, Council Member, Council on American Affairs.

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"New Leader" 2/5/49, pg. 4	LB, Sponsor. National Council of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions (NCASP) "Cultural and Scientific Conference for World Peace, 3/25-27/49."
DW, 1/10/49, pg. 11	LB, Sponsor of above NCASP conference.
DW, 12/1/47, pg. 3	Arts, Sciences and Professions Council, Progressive Citizens of America. LB, Signer of Open Letter Against Committee on Un-American Activities and ouster of Communists in film industry.
Letterhead, 5/28/46	LB, Member, Board of Directors. Independent Citizens Council of NCASP.
DW, 10/17/48	LB, Signer. National Council of American-Soviet Friendship. Statement.
Program, pg. 12 and "Conference Call"	NCASP Cultural and Scientific Conference For World Peace, New York City, 3/25-27/49. LB, Sponsor.
DW, 2/21/49, pg. 9	NCASP Conference, 3/25-27/49. LB, Sponsor.
DW, 9/9/47, pg.11	LB, Judge of Musical Talent Contest, National Negro Congress.
"Peoples' Songs" First Anniversary Issue, February-March, 1947, pg. 19	LB, Sent "Birthday Greetings"to "Peoples' Songs".
Undated Letterhead	"Peoples' Songs". LB, Member, Board of Directors. LB praises above song book.
Membership List of Committee dated 3/26/48.	LB, Member. National Wallace For President Committee.

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Also noted in DW, 3/26/48, pg. 7

Report to Clerk of the US House of Representatives 6/10/48.	LB contributed $100.00 to Progressive Citizens of America.
"Peoples' Songs" 2/3/48, pgs. 21, 19 Second Anniversary Issue	LB sent "Birthday Greetings".
Letterhead, 2/26/46	Spanish Refugee Appeal of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee. LB, National Sponsor.
New York Young Progressive Lobby Issue	Young Progressive Citizens of America (Youth Lobby to Washington, D.C.) 6/5-6/47.
Program of above.	LB, Sponsor.
1947 Progressive Citizens of America Mailing List	LB listed as having supported Independent Citizens Committee of NCASP and/pr National Citizens Politieal Action Committee.
Letterhead, 5/18/51 and 3/3/48	LB, National Sponsor. Spanish Refugee Appeal of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee.
Invitation to Dinner, New York City, 3/31/48	Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee. LB, Member, National Reception Committee for Madame Irene Joliot-Curie.
Letterhead, 4/28/49	Spanish Refugee Appeal of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee. LB, Sponsor.
Letterhead, 6/16/47	LB, Sponsor Voice of Freedom Committee.
Voice of Freedom Committee Leaflet	LB, Signer of Petition. Voice of Freedom Committee.

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Circular of the film of the NCASP, 1949	LB, Participant. Prague Music Festival.
Undated Leaflet "The South is Closer Than You Think".	Southern Conference for Human Welfare (SCHW). LB, Member, Executive Board, New York Committee.
Washington, D. C. "Times Herald" 12/16/47, pg. 5	LB, Signer. Petition of Protest against Deportation of Hanns Eisler.
"The Shield" July, 1947, pg. 6	LB, Sponsor. World Youth Conference.
Advertisement "For America's Sake. Break with Franco Spain" in "New York Times" 3/3/45, pg. 8	Veterans of Abraham Lincoln Brigade LB, Sponsor and Supporter of Abraham Lincoln Brigade calling for severance of all relations with Franco government.
PM, 3/3/47, pg. 19	LB, Member. Save the Voice of Freedom Committee.
DW, 1/23/48, pg. 5	Leonard Bernstein refused to answer questions concerning Communist Party membership.
Release "All-Eisler Program at Town Hall, 2/28, New York" (1948)	LB, Sponsor, Hanns Eisler Concert.
also in "New York Times" 1/31/48, pg. 13	
DW, 12/17/47, pg. 7	LB, Signer. Petition to Attorney General Clark in behalf of Hanns Eisler.
DW, 7/9/56, pg. 6	Story by Harry Raymond states Bernstein has written music for "Candide" to be produced on 11/22 by Ethel Reiner (Book by Lillian Hellman, Photograph).
Washington, D.C. "Evening Star" 4/20/47, pg. A7	LB attended dinner, Campaign dinner for Henry A. Wallace.

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"Worker" (Southern Edition) 2/1/48, pg. 11	Leonard Bernstein refuses to confirm or deny Communist Party membership.
DW, 1/29/48, pg. 3	LB, Signer. Statement attacking American policy in Germany.
DW, 3/23/49, pg. 12	LB, Signer. Greetings to Dmitri Shostakovich.
Speech of J. B. Matthews at American Legion Seminar, Washington, D. C., 11/19/47, pg. 6, concerning "Communist Party Front Organizations".	Leonard Bernstein classified by Matthew as "confirmed fellow traveller."
Testimony of Francis J. McNamara, 5061 Glenwood Road, Bethesda, Maryland, the Director of the American Sovereignty Campaign of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. (Investigation of the so-called "Blacklisting"). HCUA Hearings, Volume 2, 84th Congress, 2nd Session, 1956. Pg. g5374.	Mentions Leonard Bernstein's name as being on letterhead of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee as quoted from article in "Counter-attack" entitled "Red Front Uses Phony Sponsor List".
Hearings, ch 102, 195. Testimony of Walter S. Steele, regarding "Communist Activity in United States," 7/21/47, Washington, D.C.	Leonard Bernstein noted on the Board of Directors of "Peoples' Songs"; and, as Sponsor of same.

Description

Name	Leonard Bernstein
Birth	August 18, 1918, Lawrence, Massachusetts
Sex	Male
Race	White
Height	5' 8"
Weight	145

Leonard Bernstein

Eyes	Brown
Hair	Brown, wavy
Complexion	Medium dark
Occupation	Orchestra conductor, composer and pianist
Residence	895 Park Avenue, New York City

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APPENDIX

The following organizations have been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450:

American Council For a Democratic Greece
American Youth For Democracy
Civil Rights Congress
Committee For a Democratic Far Eastern Policy
Communist Party
Council on African Affairs
Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee
National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc.
National Negro Congress
Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade
Voice of Freedom Committee

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AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR SPANISH FREEDOM

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" revised and published as of January 2, 1957, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the American Committee for Spanish Freedom:

"1. Cited as Communist
(Attorney General Tom Clark, letter to Loyalty Review Board, released April 27, 1949.)

"2. A 'recently established Communist-front organization whose avowed objective is to force a break in diplomatic relations between the United States and Spain.'
(Committee on Un-American Activities, Annual Report, H.R. 2233, June 7, 1946, p. 29, also p. 37.)"

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AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR YUGOSLAV RELIEF

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of January 2, 1957, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the American Committee For Yugoslav Relief:

"1. Cited as subversive and Communist.
(Attorney General Tom Clark, letters to Loyalty Review Board, released June 1, 1948 and September 21, 1948).

"2. Cited as a Communist front whose 'collection of funds for 'relief' was only incidental to and a cover for its propaganda activities in behalf of the Communist regime in Yugoslavia.'
(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1951 on the American Slav Congress, April 26, 1950, originally released June 26, 1949, pp. 77-81.)"

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COMMITTEE FOR THE FIRST AMENDMENT

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of January 2, 1957, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the Committee For The First Amendment:

> "1.. 'A recently created Communist front in the defense of Communists and Communist fellow travelers. Its immediate purpose is to create favorable public opinion for the Communists who refused to testify before the House Committee on Un-American Activities in Washington, D.C.' (California Senate Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1948, p. 210.)"

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METROPOLITAN MUSIC SCHOOL, INC.

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of December 1, 1961, to supersede Guide published on January 2, 1957, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., sets forth the fillowing concerning the Metropolitan Music School, Inc.:

"1. Committee hearings 'showed clearly that the Metropolitan Music School is controlled by Communists.' 'Twenty-four identified Communists have been on the faculty of the school.' 'The music school has an annual registration of between 375 and 400 children and adults.'

"(Committee on Un-American Activities, Annual Report for 1957, House Report 1360, February 19, 1958, pp. 37 and 38.)"

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NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE ARTS, SCIENCES, AND PROFESSIONS

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the National Council of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions:

"National Council of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions

"1. Cited as a Communist front. (Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1954 on the Scientific and Cultural Conference for World Peace arranged by the National Council of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions and held in New York City on March 25, 26, and 27, 1949, April 26, 1950, originally released April 19, 1949, p. 2.)

"2. Cited as a Communist front which is 'used to appeal to special occupational groups * * *' (Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, p. 91.)"

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SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of January 2, 1957, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the Southern Conference For Human Welfare:

"1. Cited as a Communist front which received money from the Robert Marshall Foundation, one of the principal sources of funds by which many Communist fronts operate.
(Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 147).

"2. Cited as a Communist-front organization 'which seeks to attract southern liberals on the basis of its seeming interest in the problems of the South' although its 'professed interest in southern welfare is simply an expedient for larger aims serving the Soviet Union and its subservient Communist Party in the United States.'
(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 592 on the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, June 16, 1947.)"

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Wick

DATE: 3-17-67

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FROM : M. A. Jones

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CLASS. & EXT. BY [redacted] b7c
REASON: FCIM II, 1-2.4.2
DATE OF REVIEW 3-17-87

SUBJECT: LEONARD BERNSTEIN

Mr. Bernstein, born August 25, 1918, at Lawrence, Massachusetts, is a well-known conductor, pianist and composer. He is employed as conductor of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra and resides at 205 West 57th Street, New York City.

Files of the FBI reflect that from approximately 1945 to 1949, Leonard Bernstein was affiliated with or supported in some manner 15 organizations which have been cited as subversive and come within the purview of Executive Order 10450. Among these organizations were American Youth for Democracy, Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship and the National Negro Congress. He was guest of honor at numerous functions during this period for these various front groups and in 1946 served as co-chairman of an American Youth for Democracy rally.

A confidential informant of known reliability advised in June, 1950, that in 1945 when the committee to aid Benjamin Davis, a member of the National Board of the Communist Party, was being considered, both Davis and Jack Stachel, also a member of the National Board, described Leonard Bernstein to the informant as an adherent to the Communist Party. This same informant advised that Alexander Trachtenberg, a member of the National Review Commission of the Communist Party, had also described Mr. Bernstein as a communist. In addition, Jack Stachel told the informant in 1945 that Mr. Bernstein had expressed his willingness to submit to communist discipline. It is to be noted that Davis and Stachel were convicted in 1949 of violation of the Smith Act. Trachtenberg was convicted of this Act in 1953.

The FBI conducted a security investigation relating to Leonard Bernstein, initiated in 1951, to ascertain if he was involved in activities inimical to the best interests of the United States. In this regard, it was determined that Mr. Bernstein executed a sworn affidavit to the State Department in August, 1953, in connection with his application for passport renewal. He stated on that occasion that he had never been a member of the

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Communist Party or the Communist Political Association and had never knowingly engaged in any activities in support of the communist movement. He also indicated in this affidavit that his recollection of the nature of various cited groups was vague and that in most instances he had been duped into lending his name to these organizations without knowing their real purpose.

The FBI conducted an additional security investigation regarding Bernstein in 1954 to ascertain if a possible fraud against the Government violation was present in connection with his having denied engaging in activities supporting the communist movement. The results of this investigation were reviewed by the Internal Security Division of the Department of Justice and the determination was reached in August, 1955, that no prosecution of Bernstein was warranted under appropriate sections of Title 18, United States Code, inasmuch as the only available evidence linking Bernstein with the Communist Party was based on hearsay rather than personal knowledge. (100-360261)

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Bernstein has been active in the civil rights movement and in 1965 Harry Belafonte organized a group of musical and literary artists to take part in the Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, march. Bernstein was one of the artists who made up this delegation. ([redacted] b7c

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For information.

✓ [redacted] b7c [redacted]

March 6, 1968

BY LIAISON

Mrs. Mildred Stegall
The White House
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mrs. Stegall:

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Reference is made to your name check request b7c concerning [redacted] and other individuals.

The central files of the FBI contain no identifiable pertinent information concerning the following individuals:

[redacted] b7c [redacted]

The fingerprint files of the Identification Division of the FBI contain no arrest data identifiable with the above individuals based upon background information submitted in connection with this name check request.

Attached are separate memoranda regarding the following individuals:

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Leonard Bernstein

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A copy of this communication has not been sent to the Attorney General.

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Sincerely yours,

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[redacted] EONARD BERNSTEIN — Summary

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Leonard Bernstein, who was born on August 25, 1918, at Lawrence, Massachusetts, was the subject of a security-type investigation conducted by the FBI during the early 1950's based on the information that he had affiliated with or supported, in some manner, 15 organizations which have been cited as subversive or come within the purview of Executive Order 10450. Information contained in our files concerning Mr. Bernstein was furnished to the White House in memorandum dated April 21, 1964. (100-36-261)

Information has also been developed that Mr. Bernstein has been active in the civil rights movement. In 1965, Harry Belafonte organized a group of musical and literary artists to take part in the Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, March. Mr. Bernstein was one of the artists who were included in this group. [redacted]

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NOTE: Per request of Mrs. Mildred Stegall, White House Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

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March 18, 1968

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FBI LIAISON: FOR INFORMATION ONLY

RE: Leonard BERNSTEIN
BORN: August 25, 1918
PLACE: Lawrence, Massachusetts

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RESIDENCE: 895 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10021

BUREAU FILE NUMBER: Unknown

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE: Unknown

PASSPORT NUMBER: J000306 issued March 8, 1968 at New York

ATTORNEY:

TRAVEL PLANS

PORT OF DEPARTURE: Kennedy Airport, New York

DATE OF DEPARTURE: March 27, 1968

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION: Air - Pan Am

PROPOSED LENGTH OF STAY: Six weeks

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COUNTRIES TO BE VISITED: Austria, Israel

PURPOSE OF TRIP: Concert engagements in Vienna and Israel.

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Jan 30/70

Dear Mr. Hoover

Why not send a copy of your Testimony before the House Subcommittee on Appros. on April 17, 1969, regarding Communist, Racial and Extremest Groups to Leonard Bernstein, the conductor in New York who recently entertained the Black Panthers.

Thank you for my copy.

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January 27, 1970

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Hoover:

I was utterly astounded to read the account in Time magazine of the party held for Donald Cox, field marshal of the Black Panther Party in the apartment of Leonard Bernstein. It seems to me that the activities of each of the persons listed in this article should be under F.B.I. surveillance.

It is difficult for me to see how anyone could contribute to the Black Panther Party which is dedicated to the overthrow of the U.S. Government and is planning to shoot the police whom they call "pigs."

Surely something should be done about this.

Very truly yours,

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Europe and even Sweden. Laur[illegible] land is a good match for a college president. She has a master's in psychology from Radcliffe and two years towar[illegible] Ph.D. at Harvard and Boston Univers[illegible]. The Hollands have two children—Lucy, 14, and Joseph, 13.

Discreet Rhetoric. Dr. Holland likes to be called "Brud," a nickname for "brother" that his sisters hung on him years ago. A husky (230 lbs.) six-footer, he still carries himself with the agility of a man who was twice an All-America end at Cornell and was elected in 1965 to the Football Hall of Fame.

In many ways it is natural that Holland should cherish the path of education. The son of a domestic-gardener-handyman in Auburn, N.Y., he was one of 13 children. He began working for his father at the age of eight and soon learned that schooling was the most available escape from poverty. He worked his way through Cornell with honor grades. Whatever discrimination he suffered, Holland is not anxious to discuss it.

His comments on his new job are so discreet that even he smiles at his easy assumption of striped-pants rhetoric. What of U.S.-Swedish relations? "I believe there has traditionally been a backlog of cooperation and friendship between the U.S. and Sweden." He is equally opaque about his politics. "I have studiously avoided telling anyone," he says with a broad smile, "whether I am a Republican, a Democrat or a socialist."

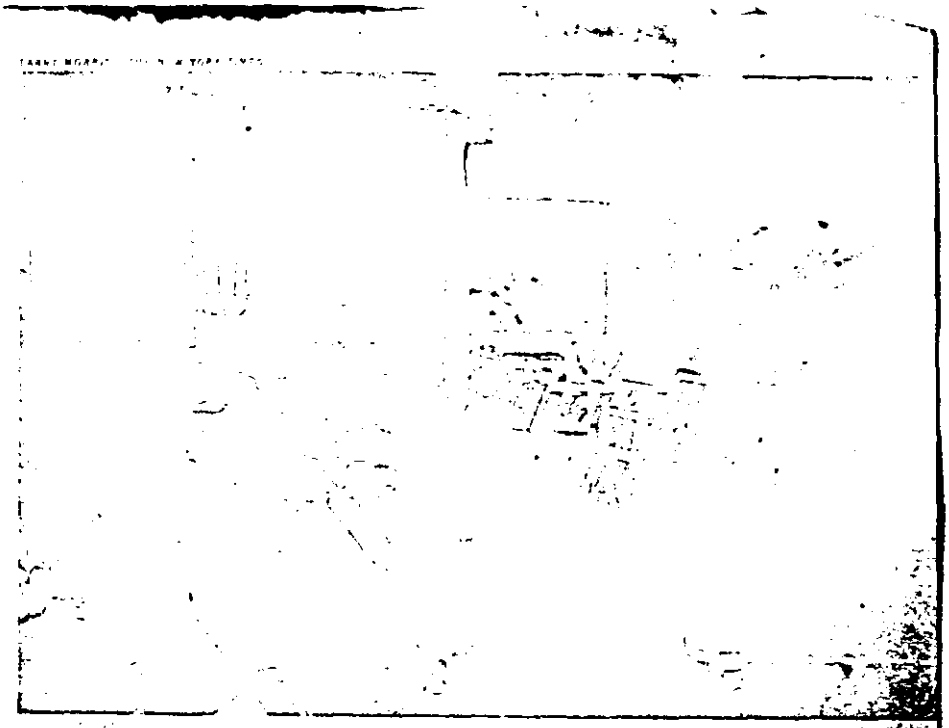
RACES

Upper East Side Story

Many of the 90 guests who gathered in Leonard Bernstein's fashionable Park Avenue apartment had the iridescence of Beautiful People. They came not to gabble, not to glitter, but to listen. Settling down on folding chairs, they attended the guest of honor: Donald Cox, field marshal of the Black Panther Party.

For twelve minutes, Cox, in the Panther regalia of goatee and black turtleneck, preached a party rhetoric mellowed only slightly for the occasion—there were no promises to "kill the pigs." If full employment is not available, Cox explained, "then we must [illegible] the means of production and put [illegible] in the hands of the people." By "we," Cox did not mean the moneyed liberals in his audience. One of the ladies gasped her dismay that her head might be among the first to roll when the revolution came. "Oh, no," the wife of another Panther reassured her. "You sound as if you're afraid. There's no reason for that."

Elegant Slumming. The salon seminar was the inspiration of a liberal committee organized to defend 21 Black Panthers indicted last April for plotting to kill policemen and dynamite a police station, department stores and a railroad right-of-way. Ten of the suspects are being held in $100,000 bond each. The Panthers note angrily that only one of the three whites arrested for actually setting dynamite charges in Manhattan office buildings in November has bail set that high. The maestro and his wife Felicia, who have long been concerned with civil liberties, agreed to allow friends who were interested to gather at their apartment to hear the Panthers' case. It was not exactly a jury of the Panthers' peers, however. Among the guests were such social notables as the Peter Duchins, Heiress Cynthia Phipps, Mrs. August Heckscher and Mrs. Sidney Lumet.



PANTHER COX LECTURING BERNSTEIN GUESTS
They dug him—absolutely.

The New York *Times's* Charlotte Curtis, whose typewriter can deliver deft malice, was also in the crowd. Next morning she published some ludicrous exchanges—which Bernstein denies—between the field marshal of the pig-baiters and the aesthetic doge of the Upper East Side.

Cox: The resistance put up against us dictates [our] strategy.

Bernstein (lounging in an armchair in tartan slacks): You mean you've got to wing it . . . I dig absolutely.

Old-Fashioned. Before the evening was over, guests scribbled out $3,000 in checks and pledges as contributions to the defense of the Panther 21. Producer-Director Otto Preminger recoiled when Cox called the U.S. "the most oppressive country in the world," yet he came through with $1,000, and Bernstein offered the fee for his next concert—a sum he expects to be well into four figures—for the defense cause.

As if the Charlotte Curtis piece were not enough, the *Times* then published an editorial that accused the "politico-cultural jet set" of indulging in what it called "elegant slumming" and "guilt-relieving fun spiked with social consciousness." Said the *Times*: "Respo[illegible] black leadership is not likely to cheer as the Beautiful People create a new myth that Black Panther is Beautiful."

That sourness missed at least part of the point. Said Bernstein: "Our meeting was for an extremely serious purpose that has nothing to do with the Panthers. The people at the party cared about civil liberties. People wrote checks because the Panthers' civil liberties were violated." Said Preminger: "I believe in this country and I would fight the Panthers if they tried to destroy it. But if there was discrimination in determining bail, then the people who believe in this country ought to correct the injustice. The New York *Times* is very old-fashioned—you can quote me."

THE SUPREME COURT

Speeding Desegregation

Southern school districts in increasing numbers are finding it impossible to defy the Federal Government any longer by delaying the desegregation of their classrooms. After 15 years, "never" is becoming "now." Two weeks ago, 28 Mississippi school districts, their legal ammunition expended, bowed to the U.S. Supreme Court's demand for immediate desegregation and ended dual schools. Last week the court ordered 14 more districts serving 293,000 pupils to do the same. In a 6-to-2 decision, it gave districts in Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana, Georgia and Florida until Feb. 1 to desegregate their schools. Dissenting were Chief Justice Warren Burger and Justice Potter Stewart, who favor desegregation but disagreed with the order on procedural grounds.

The Justice Department, which earlier this week announced that it would make every effort to ensure complete de[illegible] has not yet com[illegible] the new court

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Dear [redacted]

I received your communication of January 27th and can understand the concern which prompted you to write.

With respect to your comments, the FBI conducts a considerable amount of investigation regarding the activities of those individuals and organizations which seek to undermine our basic freedoms and threaten the internal security of our country. The results of our inquiries are furnished to the Department of Justice which has the responsibility for determining whether prosecution is warranted in these matters.

In view of your interest, I am enclosing material relating to some of our work in the internal security field.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover [redacted]

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An Analysis of the New Left: A Gospel of Nihilism
Director's Testimony 4-17-69, re Communist, Racial and Extremist Groups
NOTE: Bufiles show that [redacted] was the subject of a favorable Atomic Energy Act Applicant investigation in 1953. Leonard Bernstein was the subject of a Security-Type investigation conducted by the FBI during the early 1950's, based on the information that he had affiliated with or supported, in some manner, fifteen organizations which have been cited as subversive or come within the purview of Executive Order [illegible]. Information has also been developed that Mr. Bernstein has been active in the civil rights movement. In 1951 Harry Belafonte, nationally known entertainer, organized a group of musical and literary artists, to take part in the [illegible] Alabama, March. Mr. Bernstein was one of the artists who were included in this group.

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NOTE CONTINUED: The Bureau is well aware of the activities of Donald Cox, Black Panther Party field marshal. He enclosed the article out of Time magazine which sets forth a meeting between Donald Cox and Leonard Bernstein's friends and guests in an effort to raise funds to defend 21 Black Panthers indicted last April for plotting to kill policemen and dynamite a police station, department stores and a railroad right-of-way.

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LONDON--CONDUCTOR LEONARD BERNSTEIN SAID TODAY HIS FUND-RAISING ACTIVITIES FOR BLACK PANTHERS JAILED IN AMERICA FOR BOMB CONSPIRACY CHARGES WAS IN "A TERRIBLE MESS."

"THEY ARE A BAD LOT," HE TOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE AS HE SWEPT HIS FINGERS THROUGH A THATCH OF WAVY, IRON-GRAY HAIR. "THEY HAVE BEHAVED VERY BADLY. THEY HAVE LAID THEIR OWN GRAVES."

BERNSTEIN, IN LONDON TO CONDUCT THE CITY'S SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA, RECENTLY WROTE OUT WHAT FRIENDS SAID WAS A "CONSIDERABLE" CHECK FOR THE DEFENSE OF 14 BLACK PANTHERS CHARGED WITH SUCH THINGS AS CONSPIRACY AND ATTEMPTED MURDER.

BERNSTEIN PROMISED THE PANTHERS HE WOULD TRY TO RAISE MONEY FOR THEM.

"I DID IT NOT BECAUSE I NECESSARILY BELIEVED IN WHAT THE PANTHERS STOOD FOR BUT BECAUSE THEY WERE PEOPLE," HE SAID. "PEOPLE WHO WERE GETTING A ROUGH DEAL AND NEEDED HELP.

"BUT IT WAS THE PANTHERS THEMSELVES WHO SPOILED THE DEAL. THEY WON'T BE RATIONAL. IT'S TOO COMPLICATED TO GO INTO BUT THE FUND-RAISING IS NOW IN A TERRIBLE MESS."

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Bernstein Withdraws From Aiding Panthers

NEW YORK (AP) Leonard Bernstein, composer and conductor who has been helping to raise money for Black Panther party legal defense, has become disenchanted with the Panthers, the Columbia Broadcasting System reported.

A CBS News broadcast Friday quoted Bernstein in London as saying the Panthers were a "bad lot."

The network reported Bernstein added that the reasons for his change of heart were too complicated to explain.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : MR. W. C. SULLIVAN

FROM : MR. G. C. MOORE

SUBJECT: MASS MEDIA ITEM
BLACK PANTHER PARTY AND
LEONARD BERNSTEIN'S BENEFIT
RACIAL INTELLIGENCE SECTION
DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Bishop
1 - Mr. G. C. Moore
1 - [redacted] (Mass media)
1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted]

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It is recommended the attached mass media item be furnished a cooperative news media source on a confidential basis. This item concerns a benefit given by the well-known music conductor Leonard Bernstein and one of his guests, Black Panther Party (BPP [redacted] Field Marshal Donald Lee Cox.

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Bernstein, on 1/14/70 in his New York City home, gave a fund-raising party for the BPP. The affair raised over $10,000 for the BPP. Donald Lee Cox, one of the attendants, is presently being sought by the Baltimore, Maryland, Police Department for conspiracy to commit murder and he is also an unlawful flight to avoid prosecution Bureau fugitive. These charges grew out of his involvement in the July, 1969, torture and murder of Eugene Leroy Anderson. Cox and other BPP members in Baltimore were involved in this murder as they believed Anderson to be a police informant. [redacted]

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Cox in the 1/3/70 issue of the BPP newspaper, was indicated as the author of an anti-Zionist pro-Arab article.

This article shows Bernstein and his socialite guests with an individual now wanted for his involvement in a murder and also who had expressed anti-Zionist and pro-Arab statements. This could have a direct effect on contributions to the BPP.

ACTION: Refer to Crime Records Section for its consideration with regard to making the attached mass media item available to a cooperative news media source on a confidential basis.

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BLACK PANTHER PARTY and
LEONARD BERNSTEIN'S BENEFIT

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Among the representatives of the black extremist violence-prone Black Panther Party who attended the fund-raising party on January 14, 1970, at the New York City home of the well-known music conductor Leonard Bernstein, was the Black Panther Party Field Marshal Donald Lee Cox. According to a well-informed source, the Black Panther Party realized over $10,000 from this affair which was attended by a number of socially prominent individuals.

Donald Lee Cox, with whom these elite socialites were rubbing shoulders, is the same Donald Lee Cox currently being sought by the Baltimore, Maryland, Police Department. A warrant for his arrest was issued April 30, 1970, in Baltimore charging him with conspiracy to commit murder. This charge grew out of his involvement in the gruesome torture and murder of Eugene Leroy Anderson in Baltimore during July, 1969.

Cox was the author of an article which appeared in the January 3, 1970, issue of the Black Panther Party newspaper, "The Black Panther." This article was a vitriolic attack on the "Zionist fascist state of Israel" and clearly shows the pro-Arab posture of the Black Panther Party.

Prior to Bernstein and his misguided friends contributing additional funds for the alleged protection of the constitutional rights of such a group, shouldn't there first be given consideration to the establishment of a fund to aid the surviving members of the victim's family?

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Memorandum

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1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan
1 - Mr. R. L. Shackel

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TO : Mr. C. D. Brennan

DATE: July 9, 1971

FROM : R. L. Shackelfor[redacted]

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1 - [redacted]
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SUBJECT: PROPOSED PLANS OF ANTIWAR ELEMENTS TO EMBARRASS THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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PURPOSE:

b2 b7D To advise of information received from [redacted] which sets forth plans by antiwar advocates within the EASTCON movement to cause [redacted] embarrassment to the United States Government.

DETAILS:

b2 b7D [redacted] advised that he received the following information [redacted]

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Re: Proposed Plans of Antiwar Elements
to Embarrass the United States Government

b7D [redacted] The basis of this project is allegedly a lengthy memorandum on prison reform by Daniel Berrigan, given to former Attorney General Ramsey Clark, which Clark reportedly has used in making public statements on this subject. An advisory committee for the project reportedly includes Clark; Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Massachusetts; Senator Philip A. Hart, Michigan; Jessica Mitford, a female English author of "The American Way of Death"; Congressman William R. Anderson, Tennessee; former New York Senator Charles E. Goodell; and Attorney William Kunstler.

The source advised [redacted]

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The [redacted] felt the information
b2 b7D furnished by [redacted] if disseminated, would identify this sensitive confidential source. However, it is believed that this information is of such vital importance to the internal security of the country and involves also the violation of Federal laws that it must be disseminated to responsible officials concerned. Accordingly, letters have been prepared for such officials and the information furnished by the informant, suitably paraphrased to protect his identity, has been incorporated into a memorandum to be enclosed with these letters.

This matter is being closely followed and you will be advised of any pertinent information which develops.

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Memorandum to Mr. C. D. Brennan
Re: Proposed Plans of Antiwar Elements
to Embarrass the United States Government

RECOMMENDATION:

If you approve: (1) The attached letters to the White House, the Attorney General and the Director, Secret Service, will be sent along with a copy of the memorandum containing the plans of antiwar elements to embarrass the United States Government.

(2) Information in the above memorandum of specific interest to the General Services Administration and the Bureau of Prisons will be extracted, paraphrased and furnished to those agencies under separate cover.

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1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan

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TO : Mr. C. D. Bren[redacted] b7c

DATE: 8-16-71

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1 - Mr. R. L. Shackelford
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SUBJECT: PROPOSED PLANS OF ANTIWAR ELEMENTS TO EMBARRASS THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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PURPOSE:

To advise that information regarding a previously reported plot by Leonard Bernstein, conductor and compo[redacted]r, to embarrass the President and other Government officials [redacted]rough an antiwar and anti-Government musical composition to [redacted] played at the dedication of the Kenn[redacted]y Center for the Performing Arts has been reported by the press.

BACKGROUND:

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[redacted] The purpose of this action was to embarrass high Government officials, possibly even the President who might be present. This information was furnished to the White House, the Attorney General, Secret Service, and Bureau of Prisons. Thereafter, on 7-14-71, Bernstein attempted to visit Berrigan at Danbury but was denied admission by prison officials after consulting Bureau of Prisons in Washington, D. C.

CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS:

There is attached an article from the 8-7-71 issue of "Human Events" which discloses "rumors are sweeping Washington. . ." that Bernstein will embarrass the President with an antiadministration bombshell. The article referring to "administration sources" as the basis for this information stated Bernstein had been in contact with Berrigan for ideas in connection with the dedicatory "Mass" he was composing for the Kennedy Center ceremony.

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Memorandum to Mr. C. D. Brennan
RE: Proposed Plans of Antiwar Elements
to Embarrass the United States Government

Also attached is an 8-11-71 article from "The Washington Post and Times Herald" which set forth an announcement by the White House that President Nixon did not intend to attend the dedication ceremony at the Kennedy Center as an act of courtesy to Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis. The article indicates that Mr. Nixon felt the formal opening "should really be her night."

OBSERVATIONS:

It would appear that the information disseminated to the White House resulted in the decision of the President not to attend the Kennedy Center ceremony and that the reported plan was purposely leaked by the administration to the press in order to minimize the effectiveness of Bernstein's plot to embarrass the administration.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For information.

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Memorandum

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DATE: 9/8/71 b7c

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FROM : R. L. Shackelford[redacted]

SUBJECT: PROPOSED PLANS OF ANTIWAR ELEMENTS TO EMBARRASS THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT [redacted] b7c

PURPOSE:

This is to bring you up to date regarding a previously reported plot by Leonard Bernstein, conductor and composer, to embarrass the Administration by presenting an antiwar and anti-Government musical composition at the dedication of the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, Washington, D. C., 9/8/71.

BACKGROUND:

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[redacted]. The purpose of this action was to embarrass high Government officials, possibly even the President who might be present. This information was furnished to the White House, the Attorney General, Secret Service and Bureau of Prisons. Thereafter, on 7/14/71, Bernstein attempted to visit Berrigan at Danbury but was denied admission by prison officials after consulting Bureau of Prisons in Washington, D. C.

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On 8/11/71 it was announced by the White House that President Nixon did not intend to be present at the dedication ceremony as an act of courtesy to Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis in that he felt the formal opening "should really be her night."

In addition, the 8/7/71 issue of "Human Events" disclosed rumors were sweeping Washington, D. C., to the effect that Bernstein intended to embarrass the President with an

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"antiadministration bombshell." This article referred to "administration sources" as the basis for this information and said Bernstein had been in contact with Berrigan in connection with the composition he was preparing for the dedication ceremony.

CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS:

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The New Haven Office has maintained a stop with the FCI, where Berrigan is incarcerated, relative to any attempts on the part of the Berrigans to receive or to send out contraband which would include material relative to this plot. No such information has been brought to our attention; however, it must be noted that individuals connected with the Eastcon prosecution, defendants, unindicted coconspirators and legal counsel have virtually free access to Daniel Berrigan and no check is made by prison authorities of brief cases or envelopes carried into or out of the FCI.

There have been two performances conducted to date, a dress rehearsal and a Congressional Night, and newspaper articles reporting this activity have been highly complimentary concerning the composition; but critics were asked not to publicly review the work before the opening night because of possible changes which may be made. One individual who attended the performance was quoted as saying "The 'Mass' shows the terrible, terrible tension of man today as he lives and as he prays. It is terribly contemparary." It was also noted that the performers were dressed in diverse garments such as hot pants and sweat shirts. In addition, Mrs. Edward Kennedy was interviewed and asked whether her mother-in-law, Mrs. Joseph Kennedy, "who will be in the Presidential Box tonight," would be shocked at some of the unorthodox passages in the "Mass" and she stated "I hope not."

ACTION:

None. This is for your informati[redacted]

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SUPPLEMENTAL CORRELATION SUMMARY
(See Correlation Summary dated 10/11/50 filed as 100-360261-8)

Main File No: 100-360261 Date: 5/3/72

Subject: Leonard Bernstein Date Searched: 12/9/71

All logical variations of subject's name and aliases were searched and identical references were found as:

Bernstein, Leonard
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Bernstein, Lenord

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Bernstein, Leo
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This is a summary of information obtained from a review of all "see" references to the subject in Bureau files under the names and aliases listed above. All references under the above names containing data identical with the subject have been included except any indicated at the end of this summary under the heading REFERENCES NOT INCLUDED IN THIS SUMMARY. References indicated in the block as SI contain the same information as the foregoing serial although the information may have been received from a different source.

THIS SUMMARY HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR USE AT THE SEAT OF GOVERNMENT AND IS NOT SUITABLE FOR DISSEMINATION. IT IS DESIGNED TO FURNISH A SYNOPSIS OF THE INFORMATION SET OUT IN EACH REFERENCE, AND IN MANY CASES THE ORIGINAL SERIAL WILL CONTAIN THE SAME INFORMATION IN MORE DETAIL.

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ABBREVIATION

Add. info.....Additional information appearing in this reference which pertains to Leonard Bernstein can be found in the main file or elsewhere in this summary. This information may have been received from a different source.

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The "Daily Worker", dated 7/22/45, contained an article by Horace Walter Grenell [redacted] in which he criticized Leonard Bernstein as a conductor. (No further information, locality not given.)

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The "Daily Worker", dated 1/2/46, contained an article captioned "Yugoslav Relief Opens 1946 Drive." The article related that the American Committee for Yugoslav Relief (100-212169), opened its activities for 1946 with a Town Hall benefit organized by its Greenwich Village* chapter. The concert featured New Orleans jazz and was sponsored by Leonard Bernstein and others.

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protect identities), advised that on 3/27/47 and 3/29/47 [redacted] called Leonard Bernstein, 32 W 10th St., NYC. b7c

The New York Office advised that it was probable that the

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above calls were made from [redacted] phone by [redacted]
b7c [redacted] with whom [redacted] resided.

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b7D [redacted] (protect identity), made available the mailing list of the National Committee to Defeat the Mundt Bill (100-361924). Among the names appearing on this list was Leonard Bernstein, 130 W. 56th St., NYC. List set out. (Date not given.) (WFO report 10/30/50)

100-361924-31 p.39
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b7c In connection with a Voice of America investigation regarding [redacted] in November, 1950, information was developed that Leonard Bernstein, composer-conductor, was a reference of [redacted] (Locality not given)(Bureau memo 11/10/50.)

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b7c On 11/16/50 [redacted] Los Angeles, Calif., made available a letter written by [redacted] to [redacted] in Hollywood, Calif., a woman prominent in Los Angeles music circles. In her letter [redacted] deplored the "control of music in the United States by a group of alleged communist sympathizers." She cited the 4/4/49 "Life" magazine article which she said reported "an expose of American dupes and fellow travelers--some of whom denied communist affiliations but all of whom had supported communist projects from time to time." Among the photographs connected with this article were those of Leonard Bernstein, Olin Downes and Aaron Copeland, rulers in American music.

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b7c In the files maintained [redacted], NYC, there was found a list dated 1951, of individuals, including Leonard Bernstein, 113 W. 57th St., NYC, in a file entitled "USSR November 7th invitations." (No further

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b7c This reference contains a document dated 6/8/51, prepared by [redacted] regarding charges made by several service organizations that [redacted] had been associated with various CP front movements. This document revealed that [redacted] had been associated with a number of people, including Leonard Bernstein, whose names had been linked with CP front organizations. (Locality not given.)

This document was prepared for Columbia Pictures, NYC, in connection with their program to combat communism.

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Bureau Memo dated 2/8/52 set out a summary of information regarding numerous individuals, including Leonard Bernstein. This summary was prepared in connection with the preparation of the Security Index File (100-358086) of individuals to be apprehended and detained in connection with the Detention of Communists Program. This information has been incorporated in Bernstein's main file.

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b7c By letter dated 8/1/52, [redacted], (not further identified), furnished information concerning the Stockbridge School Symposium (locality not given) and the individuals connected with the school, specifically [redacted] and various individuals who lectured at the school, including L. Bernstein. She stated that when speaking of the difference between composers and performers, he intimated that composers were so intellectual that of course they would investigate the Whittaker Chambers papers, the **Partisan** Review and the Russian output of wheat in the Ukraine - another day that [redacted] (not identified) and [redacted] were influenced by the Soviet Union and Shostokovitch. (No further explanation.) Enclosed with this letter was a program that announced the Tenth Session, June 30 - August 10, 1952, of the Berkshire Music Center, Tanglewood, Mass.; Bernstein was listed as the Orchestral Conductor.

Program enclosed
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b7c [redacted] NYC, advised on 5/14/53 that to the best of his knowledge Leonard Bernstein was no longer affiliated with any CP front groups and was thoroughly disgusted with anything pertaining to the CP.

Add. info.

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b7c [redacted] NYC, on 1/15/54, advised that [redacted] husband of [redacted] attended Harvard University (locality and date not given). While in Harvard he befriended a classmate by the name of Leonard Bernstein, who b7c was a musician and likely related to [redacted]

b7c The serial indicated that [redacted] had requested the Graham Company, NYC, where she had been employed, to forward her Income Tax forms to [redacted], Bronx, N.Y.
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Correlator's Note: Bernstein attended Harvard University from 1935 - 1939.

By letter dated 2/18/55, the Cincinnati Office made available a summary of the activities of "The Protect America League of Greater Cincinnati" (105-36077). Included were letters submitted by [redacted] to the Ford Foundation, NYC, concerning the appearance of Leonard Bernstein on the television program "Omnibus" on 11/14/54. Also included was a letter from [redacted] to the Scott Paper Company, Chester, Pa., sponsor of this show, concerning the same matter. The letters were critical of the Ford Foundation and Scott Paper Company for sponsoring Bernstein on the program because of his questionable communist affiliations.

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Correspondence enclosed
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The "New York Times", dated 10/19/55, contained an article captioned "Concert for U.N. Day". The article revealed that Leonard Bernstein would conduct the New York Philharmonic-Symphony at the UN in celebration of United Nations Day. (Date not given.)

105-40542-A-"New York Times" 10/19/55
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The following references in the file captioned "Symphony of the Air" pertain to a name check request from the State Department concerning members of this organization who had allegedly spread "Red propaganda" while on a tour of the Far East in 1955. Since State planned to arrange for a European tour of the above group in the Fall of 1956, it was felt it must be in a position to evaluate the allegations mentioned above. On 2/1/56 State was furnished information regarding members of the Symphony of the Air, including Leonard Bernstein, conductor.

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
100-421924-8 p.2,6,8 -24 p.2	~~(9)~~ ~~(9)~~

This reference contains a copy of the testimonies of various State Department officials before the House of Representatives Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee held on 3/14/56. The committee inquired about money spent during 1955 by State out of the President's Emergency Fund particularly as it dealt with State's sponsorship and financial aid to touring US groups abroad such as the Symphony of the Air (100-421924). Leonard Bernstein was mentioned as having been a guest conductor of the Symphony of the Air orchestra at various times in the US.

Testimonies enclosed
100-421924-18 p.1,25
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105-53022-366 p.2
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CIA advised on 6/11/59 that [redacted] was an associate of Leonard Bernstein of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra.

105-79114-1 ep.4
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The "New York Post", dated 8/24/59, contained an article captioned "Russians Cheer Bernstein Work". The article related that Leonard Bernstein and the New York Philharmonic were on a musical visit to Moscow. The 20-day tour of Russia was part of US-Soviet cultural exchanges. Bernstein and the group received a warm reception from the Russians.

100-351585-A "New York Post" 8/24/59
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SI 100-351585-A "New York Post" 8/25/59
~~(8)~~

A State Department communication dated 8/15/60 contained information regarding the Peiping Opera Company (105-92540). This communication referred to an article printed in the "Province" (not identified). The article revealed that on arrival (date not given) Leonard Bernstein, conductor of the New York Philharmonic, stated he was "desolated" to miss the Opera in Vancouver and wished that it could have been seen by the people of the US. He also said that an invitation to invite the Opera to the US would help to "melt the cold war." One of Bernstein's top assistants said that Bernstein had been badly misquoted in this article and that what he had said was that this was a subject on which he knew little but that "he would hope that exchanges such as that involving the Peiping Opera would have an effect in melting the cold war."

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The serial indicated that the Peiping Opera performed in Vancouver, Canada on 8/10/60.

105-92540-X4 p.1
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[redacted] NYC,
b7c on 11/9/60, advised that she had met Leonard Bernstein (date not given) at [redacted] in NYC. Bernstein was also a patient of [redacted]

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In connection with a name check request dated 4/21/64 from the White House regarding Leonard Bernstein, a summary of information was delivered to the White House on 4/23/64. This information has been incorporated in Bernstein's main file or elsewhere in this summary.

62-5-19490 ep.2,3 Summary 4/21/64
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b1 [redacted]

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In connection with a name check request dated 9/4/64 from the White House regarding Leonard Bernstein, a summary of information was delivered to the White House on 9/8/64. This information has been incorporated in Bernstein's main file or elsewhere in this summary.

62-5-20347 ep.2 Summary 9/4/64
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The following references in the file captioned "Cominfil of Radio - Television Industry", pertain to the stage, radio and TV commitments of Leonard Bernstein from 11/22/56 to 1/29/66 over radio and TV networks in NYC. Bernstein wrote the musical compositions for various shows and presented a series of lecture-concerts and concerts.

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
100-340922-423 p.18	~~(6)~~
-472 p.B,17	~~(6)~~
-475 p.B,11,12	~~(6)~~
-477 p.B,6,7	~~(6)~~
-492 p.13,14	~~(6)~~
-494 p.12	~~(6)~~
-496 p.3,6,7	~~(7)~~
-503 p.25-27	~~(7)~~

See Court Order

Bernard S. Lee v Clarence M. Kelley

United States District Court
for the District of Columbia

CA No. 76-1185

Southern Christian Leadership Conference v Clarence M. Kelley

United States District Court
for the District of Columbia

CA No. 76-1186

100-442529-1725 ep.1
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The "New York Times" issue of 1/8/68, contained an advertisement captioned "Broadway For Peace, 1968" (62-112006), which announced a performance for 1/21/68 at the Philharmonic Hall, NYC. The proceeds were to be given to the Congressional Peace Campaign Committee. Among the performers listed was Leonard Bernstein.

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Copy of invitation enclosed
62-112006-4 ep.1,2,3,4
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Information received from the State Department on 10/16/68, revealed that a visa was issued to [redacted] The purpose of his trip was to visit film studios and to hold discussions at the Lincoln Center, NYC. All expenses for the trip and visit were to be paid personally by Leonard Bernstein, NYC. [redacted] and his family were to stay at the home of [redacted] b1c

105-192802-5 ep.1
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SI 105-192802-3 ep.2
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The 9/29/69 issue of the "New York Times", a daily NYC newspaper, contained an advertisement for "An Evening for Biafra", to be held 10/15/69, at Philharmonic Hall, NYC, **the** proceeds to go to the Biafran Relief Services Foundation (97-5236). The advertisement listed Leonard Bernstein as a member of the Honorary Committee for the above affair.

97-5236-9 ep.1
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Leonard Bernstein spoke against the American position in Vietnam and acted as the Master of Ceremonies during a rally and demonstration on 11/13/69 in NYC. This rally was sponsored by the Theater Community for Peace*. (SAs FBI.)

62-111181-2998 p.1
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SI 62-111181-3763 p.1A,108
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*Not identified

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Leonard Bernstein was among the Anti-War speakers at the Washington Monument grounds, WDC, on 11/15/69. (WFO Teletype 11/15/69.)

62-111181-3065 p.3
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Correlator's Note: The above activity was in connection with the March on Washington in protest of the war in Vietnam. Among the sponsors was the New Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam.

The following references in the file captioned "Black Panther Party" (BPP) pertain to Leonard Bernstein in connection with a fund-raising party given at his home in NYC on 1/14/70 for the BPP. This affair was attended by representatives of the BPP and many socially prominent individuals. The BPP realized over $10,000 from this affair.

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
105-165706-2482 p.113,130,195	~~(12)~~
-2871 p.2	~~(12)~~
-3483	~~(12)~~
105-165706-32-1439	~~(12)~~
105-165706-34-1062 p.2	~~(12)~~
-1569 p.1	~~(12)~~
-1658 p.31	~~(12)~~
-A-"New York Post" 1/15/70	~~(12)~~
-A-"Evening Star" 1/21/70	~~(12)~~
-A-"New York Times" 1/24/70	~~(12)~~

The 6/8/70 issue of "New York", a magazine published in NYC by the New York Magazine Corporation, contained an article captioned, "Radical Chic: That Party at Lenny's", by Tom Wolfe, contributing Editor. This article is an analysis of a fund-raising party held at the residence of Leonard Bernstein, NYC, on 1/14/70, for the benefit of the Black Panther Party.

Publication
"New York" p.26-56 6/8/70
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b1 [redacted] (C)

105-90959-258 p.6
~~(11)~~

On 4/7/70, CIA advised that Leonard Bernstein, former conductor, was reported to have been a strong supporter of [redacted]. b7C (Comment: Although there was no clarification of Bernstein's support, it was presumed his opinions were directed toward [redacted] professional ability.) (Locality not given.)

105-192802-12 p.1
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In the "Los Angeles Times", dated 1/21/70, in a column of William F. Buckley, Jr., (not identified), he expressed his concern regarding a recen fund raising affair* given by Leonard Bernstein for the benefit of the Black Panthers. During the affair a Black Panther had announced that if business did not provide full employment, then the Panthers would take over the means of production and put them in the hands of the people. Bernstein's reply was "I dig absolutely".

b2 b7D [redacted] (4)

The serial indicated that the SCEF grew out of the Southern Christian Human Welfare organization, and was concerned with racial segregation and oppression of black people, academic freedom, and movement for world peace.

100-340922-518 p.24,39
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b2 [redacted] in October, 1970, advised that Meir D. Kahane (105-207795) advised [redacted] in the Jewish Defense League (JDL), that he finally got Lenny Bernstein's home address and that soon they were going to ask JDL members to "take over the entire building, sit in it, and see how much pressure Bernstein can take". This sit-in at Bernstein's home, in NYC, was scheduled for 10/20/70, according to this informant. (X) (U)

The serial indicated that the JDL had in the past opposed Bernstein because of a party held in his home (date not given) which included members of the Black Panther Party. (Source not given) (X) (U)

105-207795-16 p.4
~~(13,19)~~

"The New York Times", a daily NYC newspaper, issue of 5/12/71, contained an article captioned "Bernsteins Raise $35,000 for the Berrigan Defense." The article in substance reported that Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bernstein gave a civil liberties gathering in behalf of the Reverend Philip F. Berrigan and his five co-defendants.

According to the article, Berrigan, a Josephite priest, and five others were charged with conspiracy to kidnap Henry A. Kissinger, President Nixon's national security advisor.

100-446997-70-110 p.8
~~(10)~~

The "New York Times", 5/27/71, contained an article captioned "Bernstein Incurs J.D.L.'s Wrath". The article related that Leonard Bernstein, who was severely criticized for having held a fund-raising gala* for the Black Panthers, was now the target of a group he had not supported, the Jewish Defense League (JDL)(62-112767). The JDL picketed the home of Bernstein in NYC and declared that Bernstein had remained silent about Jewish civil rights. A photograph of Bernstein was included with the article.

62-112767-A "New York Times" 5/27/71
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b7D [redacted] made available a copy of a memorandum dated [redacted] prepared by the Committee for Public Justice (62-113909), captioned [redacted] The memorandum set forth [redacted]. Listed as a member of this committee was Leonard Bernstein.

62-113909-14 ep.1
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REFERENCES NOT INCLUDED IN THIS SUMMARY

The following references on Leonard Bernstein maintained in the New Left Section, Domestic Intelligence Division, were not reviewed and it is not known whether they are identical with the subject of this summary.

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
100-460495-3692 p.26	~~(10)~~
-4080	~~(10)~~
-4331 p.1	~~(10)~~
-4465 p.126	~~(10)~~
-4607 p.28	~~(10)~~

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The following reference on [redacted] Bernstein maintained in the Espionage Section, Domestic Intelligence Division, was not reviewed and it is not known whether it is identical with the subject of this summary.

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
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The following references on Leonard Bernstein were not available during the time this summary was being prepared.

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
100-140104-13 ep.1	~~(5)~~
-14 p.1,2	~~(6)~~
100-457778-121	~~(10)~~
-149	~~(10)~~
105-165706-53-302	~~(12)~~
176-356-55 p.33	~~(14)~~

The following references on Leonard Bernstein and Leo Bernstein maintained in the Special File Room of the Records Branch, Files and Communications Division, were not reviewed, and it is not known whether they are identical with the subject of this summary.

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
65-58309-96	~~(4)~~
100-448006-1696	~~(10)~~
105-67845-22334 Pt. # 9520	~~(11)~~
-27170 Pt. # 14,599	~~(11)~~
105-73671-187 p.13	~~(11)~~
64-330-345-5-207	~~(15)~~
-211	~~(15)~~
-212	~~(15)~~
-217	~~(16)~~
-218	~~(16)~~
-230	~~(16)~~
-238	~~(16)~~
-246	~~(16)~~
-258	~~(16)~~
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The following reference on Leonard Bernstein located in the Personnel Records Unit of the Records Branch, Files and Communications Division, was not reviewed, and it is not known whether it is identical with the subject of this summary.

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
67-185207-192	~~(4)~~

See the search slip filed behind file for other references on this subject which contain the same information (SI) that is set out in the main file. Although the information is the same it may have been received from different sources.

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NAME CHECK

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July 11, 1974

LEONARD BERNSTEIN SUMMARY
Born: August 25, 1918
Lawrence, Massachusetts

In response to your name check request concerning the captioned individual, attached hereto is a memorandum dated April 21, 1964, entitled "Leonard Bernstein" which may relate to the subject of your inquiry.

In addition, you are advised information was developed indicating Bernstein was active in the civil rights movement; namely, in 1965, Harry Belafonte, well-known entertainer, organized a group of musical and literary artists to take part in the march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama. Mr. Bernstein was one of the artists included in this group.

(100-360261-67)

You are also referred to memorandum dated April 4, 1966, at New York, New York, captioned "Leonard Bernstein, which was forwarded to your agency on April 14, 1966.

(100-360261-65)

On May 12, 1971, Leonard Bernstein and his wife hosted a fund-raising party in support of Reverend Philip F. Berrigan and five codefendants charged with conspiring to kidnap Henry A. Kissinger, and blow up heating systems in Federal buildings in Washington. The party reportedly raised $35,000.

(100-460495-3692 p. 26)

Enclosure

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Request received 6-25-74

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP (S) OF

November 18, 1974

MR. AND MRS. LEONARD BERNSTEIN

Mr. Bernstein, who you advised is a conductor, pianist and composer, and is contacted at 205 West 57th Street, New York, New York, has been the subject of various security-type investigations conducted by the FBI since the early 1950's based on information that he had affiliated with or supported in some manner 15 organizations cited as communistic or subversive.

Leonard Bernstein, born August 25, 1918, at Lawrence, Massachusetts, has been active in the civil rights movement. In 1965, Harry Belafonte organized a group of music and literary artists to take part in a Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, march. Mr. Bernstein was one of the artists included in the group. (100-360261-67)

On May 12, 1971, Leonard Bernstein and his wife hosted a fund-raising party in support of Philip F. Berrigan and five codefendants charged with conspiring to kidnap Henry A. Kissinger and blow up heating systems in Federal buildings in Washington, D.C. The party reportedly raised $35,000. (100-460495-3692 p 26; 100-360261-71)

A copy of a memorandum concerning Mr. Bernstein dated April 21, 1964, is attached. (62-5-19490)

The central files of the FBI, including the records of our Identification Division, contain no additional pertinent information concerning the captioned individuals based upon background information submitted in connection with this name check request.

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EX 103

NOTE: Per request of Miss Jane Dannenhauer, Staff Assistant (Security), The White House.

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