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MEMORANDUM

Re: GREGORY

At 4:30 p.m. this afternoon I called Mr. Ladd at the Bureau to advise him as follows:

We have interviewed three individuals: MICHAEL GREENBERG, MAURICE HALPERIN, and ABRAHAM BROTHMAN. GREENBERG and HALPERIN had not given us any information but BROTHMAN had given us the first bit of information to really corroborate GREGORY's story to any degree. He had given us a two and a half page handwritten, signed statement, as follows:

In 1938 or 1939 a man whose he does not recall (GOLOS) but whom he identified from a photograph we showed him, came to his office, where he operated the REPUBLIC CHEMICAL MACHINERY COMPANY and said that he had contacts with the Russian Government, and that he could get BROTHMAN some contracts with the Russian Government. BROTHMAN turned over several blueprints to GOLOS, blueprints on industrial matters on which he was working, such as certain types of vats and items of that type, none of which apparently was connected with the war effort. His purpose in turning them over was to establish a contact whereby he could get contracts with the Russian Government.

Shortly thereafter, a woman named HELEN (GREGORY) came to his office and said that she represented this man. He thought that perhaps she was his secretary. He has identified GREGORY's picture as HELEN. She came to his office over a dozen times during 1938, 1939 and 1940.

Around 1940, another man whose name is HARRY GOLD, came to his office and said that he represented this same man and apparently was taking HELEN's place. Both HELEN and HARRY GOLD came to BROTHMAN's office and picked up these blueprints.

According to BROTHMAN, HARRY GOLD, about whom we have not heard before, is now working for BROTHMAN as a chemist and has been so employed since 1945 at the laboratory known as THE A. BROTHMAN ASSOCIATES LABORATORY, 85-03 57th Avenue, Elmhurst, Long Island, New York.

BROTHMAN is not sure whether he is in the middle or not. He furnished the above information more or less along the lines of being cooperative. He was told not to mention the visit to HARRY GOLD.

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I advised Mr. Ladd that this brought a new key figure into the picture and that I felt that we should go out immediately to interview HARRY GOLD, and Mr. Ladd agreed. He stated that in the teletype we send in tonight, summarizing the developments to date, we should state that HARRY GOLD is to be interviewed, on the instructions of Mr. Ladd. I pointed out to Mr. Ladd that BROTHMAN might mention the interview to GOLD and that therefore I felt that inasmuch as his connection with the case would be brought out before the Grand Jury, anyhow, we should interview him immediately. Mr. Ladd agreed.

A. H. BELMONT,
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New York, New York
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MEMORANDUM:

RE: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN

Background Information

ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, according to the files of Selective Service Board 245, Long Island City, was born August 15, 1912 at New York City and he was married on June 15, 1937 to NAOMI METT. BROTHMAN resides at 4108 42nd Street, Sunnyside, Long Island. His education consisted of the John Winthrop Experimental School; DeWitt Clinton High School; Columbia University, from which institution he graduated with a degree in Chemical Engineering in 1933.

Employment

BROTHMAN was reported to have been employed by the HENDRICK MANUFACTURING COMPANY in Carbondale, Pa. and in July of 1942 he was the vice-president of the CHEMURGY DESIGN CORPORATION. On August 15, 1944 BROTHMAN was reported to have organized a consulting engineering firm known as ABRAHAM BROTHMAN & ASSOCIATES, with offices in Room 1606, 114 East 32nd Street, New York City.

The partnership consisted of BROTHMAN, EMIL S. BARISH, GERHART WOLLAN, OSCAR J. VAGO and JULES KORCHIEN. During the time that BROTHMAN had his engineering offices at 114 East 32nd Street he was engaged in work for:

1) BRIDGEPORT BRASS COMPANY, Bridgeport, Connecticut, manufacturers of aerosol bombs for protective measures against disease to the armed forces of the United States.

2) GRAVER TANK & MANUFACTURING COMPANY, INC., manufacturers of DDT water treating, etc., for the Army, Navy and Maritime Commission of the United States.

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3) PALESTINE POTASH, LTD., DDT plant in the Near East

4) COMMISSION ON AERONAUTICAL AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA, setting up plants for the production of plywood glues, bomber noses, turrets and domes.

It is noted that BROTHMAN was reported to have been the inventor of many features for equipment in the production of aviation gasoline, artificial rubber and plastics. In connection with BROTHMAN's activities as a consulting engineer, considerable information has been received regarding his activities with the Chinese Government, the French Government and AMTORG, agents for the Soviet Government.

In September, 1946 BROTHMAN set up a new office located at 2928 41 Avenue, Long Island City, New York and at that time JULES KORCHIEN, one of his associates, retained the offices formerly occupied by ABRAHAM BROTHMAN ASSOCIATES at 114 East 32nd Street, New York.

Allegations Made by Informant Gregory

GREGORY has stated that sometime in May of 1940 JACOB GOLOS, a known Soviet Agent, introduced her to one ABE BROTHMAN, who, at that time, resided in Nassau County, New York and was employed at the REPUBLIC STEEL COMPANY in Pittsburgh, Pa., as an engineer. (It is to be noted that no confirmation of BROTHMAN's employment by the REPUBLIC STEEL COMPANY has been made to date.)

After GREGORY met BROTHMAN he told the informant that he had some blueprints and that he wanted copies made and that copies of these blueprints were to be given to GOLOS. The informant continued meeting BROTHMAN from sometime in the early summer of 1940 until the fall of 1940, during which time the informant met BROTHMAN approximately ten times and sometimes GOLOS himself would meet BROTHMAN to obtain the blueprints which were to be copied. According to the informant most of the meetings took place in front of the MOSLER SAFE COMPANY at 32nd Street and Fifth Avenue, New York City. The circumstances of these meetings would be as follows:

BROTHMAN would meet the informant and they would usually go to dinner and during the course of the meal or later in the evening he would turn over the blueprints to the informant and these originals were taken by the informant to have copies made and they would then be turned over to GOLOS. According to the informant the copies were made in a shop on Cortlandt Street, New York City and that more than one shop was used. However, the informant was unable to recall the exact name of any of the photostat shops.

BROTHMAN insisted to the informant that the copies should be made and the originals returned to him in the immediate future. During the course of these meetings in which the blueprints were turned over to the informant it was learned by the informant either from BROTHMAN or GOLOS, which one was not recalled, that the blueprints were of some type of a commercial vat. However, the informant was not positive of the deduction that the blueprints were of a commercial value. Sometime during the fall of 1940 GOLOS told the informant that he was becoming somewhat discouraged in his dealings with BROTHMAN and stated that he was going to turn him over to someone else. The informant never learned to whom GOLOS directed BROTHMAN.

Information in Bureau File

The files of the Bureau indicate that ABRAHAM BROTHMAN signed the 1943 CP nominating petition in New York City. The informant furnished information that BROTHMAN interested himself in such reading matter as the April, 1945 issue of Political Affairs, text book of Dialectual Materialism (Economics of Barbarism by J. KUCZYNSKY and M. WITT); "300,000,000 Slaves and Serfs" by KUCZYNSKY and the May, 1945 issue of the "American Review of the Soviet Union", a quarterly published by the American Russian Institute, New York City.

Relative to the CHEMURGY DESIGN CORPORATION which company maintained an office at 420 Lexington Avenue, New York City, the company was a Chemical Engineering and Manufacturing concern, producing processed chemicals and equipment.

In April 1945 a report was submitted by the Los Angeles

Office, written by Special Agent DANIEL F. CAHILL, entitled, "GEORGE HENRI ANTON IVAN, with alias Joris Ivans, Internal Security-R" in which it was revealed that a mail cover placed on Joris Ivans, residence at 2045 Stanley Hills Place, Los Angeles, California reflected that a letter was received on February 15, 1945 addressed to Mrs. IVANS from ABE BROTHMAN & ASSOCIATES, 114 East 32nd Street, New York, N.Y.

Investigation Subsequent to Allegation by Informant Gregory

On December 7, 1945 information was received from NYT 343 to the effect that a package of typed material was being readied for delivery by ABE BROTHMAN to R. M. NANAVAPI at the Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D. C. at noon on the following day. NANAVAPI is reported to have been departing for Bombay, India on December 8, 1946. Information reflects that the package was either being transmitted by air mail or might have been delivered personally by MIRIAM MARKOWITZ, secretary to ABE BROTHMAN. There was a stronglikelihood that the package contained plans for a new commercial chemical process upon which BROTHMAN had been experimenting. The indices of the New York Field Division were negative as to NANAVAPI.

This same source advised that on January 3, 1946 BROTHMAN was in contact with one FRED BRIEHL, a well known Communist in the New York City area.

A physical surveillance was placed on BROTHMAN on November 28, 1945 and was maintained up until late December 1945 during which time nothing was developed which indicated that BROTHMAN was in contact with any of the subjects in the SILVERMASTER case. Information concerning the specific details of the surveillances is set forth in the reports of Special Agent HAROLD V. KENNEDY dated December 7, 1945 and December 14, 1945, as well as the report dated January 17, 1946.

One of the contacts made by BROTHMAN during the time he was on surveillance was, specifically, on December 29, 1945 when he had dinner in the Russian Tea Room on West 57th Street, New York City, with an individual believed to be HARRY SLAVIN, 510 West 112th Street, New York City. SLAVIN was identified through a surveillance to the given address and subsequent investigation revealed that SLAVIN was connected with the Histrandt Palestine organization which was founded for the purpose of rendering aid to the Jewish people of Palestine.

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During the month of February 1946 BROTHMAN was in close touch, and had several meetings, with one BERNARD O. KOOPMAN, Associate Professor of Mathematics at Columbia University. Subsequent information received from NYT 343 indicated that BROTHMAN was working on a mathematical formula with KOOPMAN.

Information Concerning JULES KORCHIEN

JULES KORCHIEN is an associate of BROTHMAN in his engineering firm. KORCHIEN is an architect who is very active in the CIO Housing Council of New York City. He is also an international vice-president of the FAECT. KORCHIEN has been very active in CP affairs in New York City.

A confidential source revealed that KORCHIEN was actually a member of the CP. Allegations have been made by informant GREGORY that KORCHIEN might possibly be an individual known to her as JULIUS who was employed as an architect by the United States Government during the war and who, according to the informant, furnished information to GOLOS whom he met on one occasion on Third Avenue in New York City. However, the informant has not been positive in the identification of JULIUS but made this observation upon confronting him on one occasion in New York City during the month of September, 1946, when KORCHIEN was seen by the informant in the building occupied by the WORLD TOURISTS, INC., on West 23rd Street, New York City.

An active case file has been opened and has been current in the New York Field Division on KORCHIEN with the character, Internal Security-C (File 100-8333) since sometime in June 1941.

Information Concerning URSULA WASSERMAN

URSULA WASSERMAN resides at 110 Christopher Street, New York City and has been living recently at 10 Downing Street, in New York City. WASSERMAN has been living during the past year with JULES KORCHIEN. She is presently employed by the United Nations, Lake Success, Long Island.

WASSERMAN departed for Buenos Aires, Argentina in March 1946 at which time a confidential source advised that she had in her possession a notebook containing approximately 100 names and of these 100 names there were found to be from 80 to 90 known by the New York Field Division as having been in some way associated with the CP or with individuals in the CP. WASSERMAN is also a very close friend of ABE BROTHMAN and BROTHMAN may have knowledge as to whether WASSERMAN was ever actively engaged in any type of espionage work for the Soviet Government.

Confidential Source Regarding BROTHMAN's Activities

On July 28, 1946 a confidential source who had access to the effects of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN'S office, advised that KORCHIEN was working at that time on projects for a French mission of the Government of France, a Chinese mission of the Chinese Government and a "Palestine project."

This same source revealed at that time there was furnished a letter which was directed to the Government Purchasing Commission of the Soviet Union, 210 Madison Avenue, New York and was to the attention of V. TVERIANOVICH, wherein BROTHMAN stated that 10% of his engineering fee would be $65,000 and that the payment would be made conditional upon the completion of 30 days' successful plant operations.

Subsequent investigation developed that TVERIANOVICH was an engineer of the fishing industry group of the Soviet Government Purchasing Commission in Washington, D. C. and that BROTHMAN was working on a vitamin plant for the Russians. Copies of the scheme of the plants which BROTHMAN was working on at that time were made and submitted to the Bureau Laboratory and it was ascertained that the plants appeared to be of a legitimate nature with the exception that one of the plants, which was reported to be a DDT plant to be set up in Palestine, was actually to be a TNT plant, according to information set forth in the summary.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Report of Special Agent John T. Hilsbos, New York City, April 21, 1947.

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RE: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN

The following investigation of the activities of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN and URSULA WASSERMAN was reported by Special Agent H. COURTENAY CLINCH and covered the period from March 15, 1947 to May 15, 1947:

During the above period Confidential Informant NYT-395, mail covers, and investigation reflected that BROTHMAN appeared to be primarily concerned with, and devotes full time to the business ventures of A. Brothman Associates, however, matters of interest and possible importance to this investigation are being set forth hereinafter.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent JOHN T. HILSBOS dated April 17, 1947 wherein a conversation is set forth between MIRIAM MOSKOWITZ and one NEEDLEMAN concerning an agreement, the subject matter of which is unknown.

On March 25, 1947 Confidential Informant NYT-395 advised that MOSKOWITZ was again in touch with NEEDLEMAN and that they discussed an automobile accident, MOSKOWITZ stating that she now has a copy of the damage estimate. It is possible that this accident may be the unknown subject matter referred to above. The Informant further advised that MOSKOWITZ and NEEDLEMAN then discussed the latest business ventures of A. Brothman Associates. MOSKOWITZ stated that the "Levine deal" mentioned in referenced report fell through, but that the DDT business in India is "going along nicely". MOSKOWITZ also stated that Doctor POM (phonetic) had invited BROTHMAN to England during the month of April to "sign with them". MOSKOWITZ mentioned that Dr. POM had been in the United States during the past month at the Hotel Alden and was interested in the manufacture of plastics. NEEDLEMAN did not express opinions as to the business ventures but appeared interested in the activities of BROTHMAN.

Mr. ALBERT HOFFMAN, Manager of the Hotel Alden, 225 Central Park West, New York City and a contact of this office, made available information which reflected that one Doctor JACOB POMERANIAC, also known to the manager as "Dr. POM", was a guest in the hotel in room 1614 from July 8, 1946 to the date August 3, 1946 and from February 6, 1947 to March 15, 1947. The registration card reflected the above name and also a notation "Dr. POM". In addition to the information that the forwarding addresses were 67 Corringhe Road, London, England, and 27 Hertford Street, Park Lane, London, W.I., the card also reflected the reference-Martins Bank, London, England. Mr. HOFFMAN stated that Dr. POMERANIAC was considered to be an excellent guest and a man of means. He stated that Dr. POMERANIAC was a Polish Jew who was engaged in some manner in the manufacture of plastics.

In reference to the business trip of BROTHMAN to England, suitable checks were made to ascertain his departure. All efforts met with negative results. The Washington Field Office also advised that a check of the Passport Division of the State Department was made with negative results.

In further reference to the above matter, Confidential Informant NY1-395 advised that BERNARD MISHKIN, an associate of BROTHMAN, went to London, England on April 7, 1947 via Pan American World Airways and returned on April 12, 1947. It was ascertained from the above source that MISHKIN made this trip to see Dr. POMERANIAC in London concerning an agreement to manufacture plastics. The information was also ascertained that MISHKIN was a guest at the Dorchester Hotel while in London, England.

In regard to BROTHMAN's business venture concerning the manufacture of DDT in India, the above informant advised that on April 10, 1947 OSCAR VAGO, an associate of BROTHMAN received a cablegram from Bombay, India stating, "Re your cable February 10th. Promised DDT contracts and report not received. Please expedite". VAGO stated to this unidentified individual who gave him this information that it would be unnecessary to state the name of the sender as he was acquainted with him. It is believed the sender of this cablegram was The Bombay Chlorine Products Limited, 20 Peoples Building, Sir Pherozesha Menta Road, Bombay, India as set forth in reference report of Special Agent HILSBOS dated April 17, 1947.

On March 25, 1947 JULES KORCHIEN, former business associate of the subject and the subject of an active investigation in this office, contacted BROTHMAN and endeavored to arrange a luncheon date. BROTHMAN told KORCHIEN "nothing is going good" and stated that he would call KORCHIEN some time in the future and make a date for luncheon.

On March 28, 1947 an unknown individual contacted BROTHMAN and stated, "This is Handsome"(phonetic) and told BROTHMAN that early in the following week he was entertaining one HAROLD WINE (phonetic) at dinner and wanted BROTHMAN to come to dinner and meet WINE. "Handsome" stated that WINE was the assistant to WENDELL BERGE, is the representative of the Department of Justice to the Atomic Energy Committee, and also is preparing a chapter for a book now in preparation by the Carle (phonetic) Commission and the University of Chicago on the Economic Consequence of Atomic Energy. "Handsome" further remarked that WINE was young, interesting, graduate of City College of New York, and that he has some problems to be solved. He further stated that WINE is level-headed and may be useful. "Handsome" did not elaborate on the usefulness of WINE.

On April 1, 1947 the Bureau advised that HAROLD WINE (phonetic) mentioned above was possibly identical with HAROLD HERMAN WEIN who was employed as an economist in the Anti-Trust Division of the Department.

On April 1, and April 2, 1947 a physical surveillance was maintained on ABRAHAM BROTHMAN with negative results. On April 2, 1947 information was received from the Bureau advising that HAROLD HERMAN WEIN was at work on April 1, and April 2, 1947 at the Justice Building, Washington, D.C.

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On April 10, 1947 an unknown individual who identified himself as "Handsome" again contacted BROTHMAN stating he would come to his office at 5:15 p.m. A surveillance was again instituted. At 5:12 p.m. on that date the Informant ascertained that the unknown "Handsome" had again contacted BROTHMAN stating he would see BROTHMAN at 2 p.m. the following day. The surveillance was conducted again on April11, 1947 with negative results. Continued efforts will be made to identify this unknown individual contacting BROTHMAN.

The above Informant advised that on April 3, 1947 an unknown BOB contacted BROTHMAN stating he was anxious to see him in the near future. The unknown BOB also stated he was anxious to make an agreement to meet with LAUGHLIN CURRIE (phonetic), believed to be identical with a subject of this case.

A mail cover maintained on ABRAHAM BROTHMAN's place of business, Chatham-Phoenix Building, 2928 41st Avenue, Long Island City, New York, reflected numerous correspondence with commercial houses, principally concerns directly dealing with chemicals. It was noted however, that BROTHMAN continues to receive correspondence from Dr. MARIO L. OTTO LENCHI, 183 Brown Street, Providence 6, Rhode Island whose background has been set forth in previous reports. The above source did not reflect any further correspondence between BROTHMAN and M. GERSON or MILLICENT GERSON of Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

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[redacted] ABRAHAM BROTHMAN in signed statement 5/29/47 OS stated that in 1938 or 1939 a man, whose identity he did not know but whom he identified as GOLOS, when shown the latter's picture, contacted him and told him he could get contracts for BROTHMAN with the Russians. BROTHMAN turned over several blueprints to GOLOS for the purpose of soliciting contracts. Shortly afterwards, a woman known to him as HELEN and identified as GREGORY came to BROTHMAN and said she represented GOLOS. She made about a dozen trips during 1939 and 1940 picking up blueprints. After her, an individual named HARRY GOLD, now employed by BROTHMAN as a chemist, would pick up the blueprints from him for GOLOS. GOLD made his last pickup of blueprints in late 1941 or early in 1942. HARRY GOLD interviewed and in signed statement admitted knowing one JOHN GOLUSH, identified from his picture as GOLOS. He was introduced to GOLOS by one CARTER HOODLESS, who died in 1942 in Philadelphia. GOLOS requested GOLD to evaluate on a chemical basis blueprints and material which would be submitted to him by BROTHMAN, whom GOLOS directed GOLD to contact in New York City. GOLD contacted BROTHMAN as directed in November 1941 and about every three weeks thereafter for a period of six months and obtained from him a number of blueprints pertaining to chemical processes. GOLD denied he ever saw GOLOS after the original meeting. Informant GREGORY unable

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Re: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN
(HARRY GOLD)

The following investigation concerning the activities of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN and HARRY GOLD was conducted on May 29, 1947, by Special Agents DONALD E. SHANNON and FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN:

On May 29, 1947, ABRAHAM BROTHMAN was interviewed in his office, Room [illegible], [illegible] 41st Avenue, Long Island City, N. Y. BROTHMAN was first questioned regarding his submitting information or furnishing blue prints to any individuals who might have connections with a foreign government. BROTHMAN stated that he had furnished blue prints to a number of individuals, and it was a common practice in the engineering field to submit blue prints to certain individuals who might possibly be in a position to obtain contracts for a firm.

BROTHMAN was then specifically questioned as to whether or not he had been associated with an individual by the name of JACOB GOLOS. BROTHMAN stated that he could not recall this name, and a picture of GOLOS was exhibited to him. BROTHMAN denied knowing GOLOS at this time. Thereupon a picture of informant GREGORY was exhibited to BROTHMAN. BROTHMAN identified GREGORY as an individual whom he knew as "HELEN." BROTHMAN was thereupon vigorously questioned as to his acquaintanceship with HELEN. He then admitted that he did recognize the photograph of GOLOS but was unable to state the name of this individual. BROTHMAN then related the following concerning his knowledge of JACOB GOLOS and HELEN:

According to BROTHMAN, sometime in 1938 or 1939 an individual came to him at his office at 114 East 32nd Street, at which time BROTHMAN was operating a firm under the name of the REPUBLIC CHEMICAL MACHINERY COMPANY, which company was associated with the HENDRICK MANUFACTURING COMPANY at Carbondale, Pennsylvania. This individual told BROTHMAN that he had contacts with the Russian government and that he was in a position to get contracts from the Russian government for BROTHMAN, if BROTHMAN would turn over to him blue prints of certain products BROTHMAN was working on at that time. BROTHMAN stated that the blue prints were his own property and they were for the most part blue prints of shafts, vats, and other equipment necessary in the operation of a plant manufacturing chemicals.

According to BROTHMAN, GOLOS visited his office on several occasions and sometime following his original visit he introduced him to an individual known only as HELEN. BROTHMAN stated that he was under the

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impression that HELEN was secretary to GOLOS. GOLOS advised BROTHMAN that HELEN would in the future obtain the blue prints which he had been accustomed to turn over to GOLOS.

HELEN visited BROTHMAN's office over a dozen times during 1938-1939-1940 and sometime in 1940 HELEN stopped coming to his office and another individual named HARRY GOLD came to his office and said he represented GOLOS, the individual BROTHMAN had already identified as the man who made the original contact with him. GOLD visited BROTHMAN's office on a number of occasions during 1940 and 1941. BROTHMAN stated that GOLD at that time was living in Philadelphia and used to make the trip to New York approximately every three weeks and obtain these blue prints from BROTHMAN. He said that to the best of his recollection the last time GOLD picked up the blue prints was late in 1941 or early in 1942.

BROTHMAN was then questioned as to the whereabouts of HARRY GOLD, to which he replied that GOLD is presently employed by him as a chemist in his laboratory in Elmhurst, Long Island. BROTHMAN emphatically stated that GOLD was the last individual to pick up any blue prints or material which was to be furnished to GOLOS. He also stated that he did not know the present whereabouts of GOLOS and denied that he was ever contacted by any other individuals other than HELEN and GOLD as individuals who represented GOLOS.

BROTHMAN was questioned as to the nature of the blue prints that he had turned over to GOLOS, at which time he displayed the blue prints, copies of which he still had in his offices, and an examination of the blue prints was made and it was determined that they were all concerned with blue prints of shafts, filters, vats, and other machinery used in the manufacture of chemicals. BROTHMAN stated that some of the blue prints which he turned over to GOLOS and HELEN as well as to GOLD were returned to him, but others were retained by them. He emphatically denied that he had ever turned over any blue prints which were of a restricted or secret nature pertaining to the war effort of the U. S. or any plans which the U. S. might be concerned with at that time.

Relative to the HENDRICK MANUFACTURING COMPANY at Carbondale, Pennsylvania, BROTHMAN stated that he himself had founded the REPUBLIC CHEMICAL MACHINERY COMPANY which was set up as an engineering and designing company dealing solely with instruments and material to be used in the manufacture of chemicals. He stated that at the time he had formed the REPUBLIC CHEMICAL MACHINERY COMPANY he was associated with the HENDRICK

MANUFACTURING COMPANY and worked with that company until 1942. BROTHMAN added that all of the blue prints which had been turned over to the individuals mentioned hereinbefore were his own personal property belonging solely to the firm that he had founded.

BROTHMAN was specifically questioned as to how he had become acquainted with JACOB GOLOS. He replied that possibly GOLOS knew of his firm through advertising in the various chemical magazines. He emphatically stated that this was the only possible way that GOLOS would get in touch with him and denied that anybody had ever sent GOLOS to him. BROTHMAN then stated that it was a common practice in the engineering field to turn over blue prints to various individuals in an effort to obtain contracts. He also stated that this was his sole purpose in turning over the blue prints to GOLOS; namely, that GOLOS had stated that he was in a position to obtain contracts from the Russian government.

The following signed statement, the original of which is being retained in this file, was obtained from BROTHMAN:

"New York, N. Y.
May 29, 1947

"I, Abraham Brothman, make the following voluntary statement to Donald E. Shannon and Francis D. O'Brien, whom I know to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. No threats or promises of any nature were made to me to make this statement. I know that what I say may be used against me at any time in a court of law.

"In 1938 or 1939 a man whose name I do not recall but whose picture was shown to me today by Mr. Shannon & Mr. O'Brien, came into my office at 114 E. 32 St. where I own and operated the Republic Chemical Machinery Co. which was associated by contract with Hendrick Manufacturing Co. This man said he had contacts with the Russian government and he could get me contracts with the Russian government. I turned over several blue prints to him; these blue prints were my own for the most part and the purpose of turning them over to him was to obtain contracts. Shortly after this man came to my office a woman by the name of Helen came to my office and said she represented this man, whose picture I have identified; I believed that this woman was the secretary of the man whose pictured I identified. I have identified Helen as the girl whose picture Mr. Shannon & Mr. O'Brien have shown to me. This Helen came to my office over a dozen times during 1938, 1939 & 1940. Then around 1940 another man whose name

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"is Harry Gold came to my office and he said he too represented the man whose picture I identified. Both Helen and Harry Gold would pick up blue prints from me for this man whose picture I have identified. Harry Gold is now employed by me as a chemist. The blue prints were sometimes returned by Helen and Harry Gold but not all of them. I still have the original of most of the blue prints that I turned over to them. Harry Gold made his last pick up of blue prints late in 1941 or early in 1942.

"Sometime in 1938 or 1939 I became associated with Hendricks Machinery Co. and did work with them until 1942. The blue prints were my own and not Hendricks.

"I once contacted the man whose picture I have identified at a phone listed to a Mr. Chester and the telephone exchange was Watkins to the best of my recollection. I often met this man and Helen, his Secretary at various restaurants in the mid-town area in New York City.

"I have not seen this man whose pictured I identified since 1941 or 1942.

"I have read the above three page statement and it is true to the best of my recollection. I have read and signed page 1 and it is true to the best of my recollection. I have read and signed p. 2 and it is true to the best of my recollection. I now sign p. 3 and it is true to the best of my recollection.

/s/ Abraham Brothman

"Witnessed
Donald E. Shannon, Special Agent, F.B.I. NY City
Francis D. O'Brien, Special Agent, F.B.I. N.Y. City"

BROTHMAN was questioned regarding his activities and contacts with the Russian government. He stated that he had submitted various contracts to the Soviet Purchasing Commission and the Amtorg Trading Corporation but that he had never obtained a contract from either of these two agencies representing the Russian government. He offered the information that he had recently obtained a contract from the Chinese government and that he had obtained this contract by the same means that he had used in obtaining all of his contracts; namely, by submitting plans and blue prints to individuals representing the Chinese government, and they had given him the contract for the development of a material which they hoped will eventually reduce the cost of manufacturing lucite.

BROTHMAN was then specifically questioned as to whether or not he had ever been associated with the Communist Party or had attended any of the meetings or Communist affairs. BROTHMAN replied that he was a member of the Young Communist League during the time that he attended Columbia University; namely, in 1933. BROTHMAN stated that he did not attend any Communist Party meetings at the present time nor was he actively engaged in any Communist Party affairs.

BROTHMAN was then questioned as to whether or not he had ever suspected that JACOB GOLOS was engaged in espionage activities. BROTHMAN replied that during the time that the Canadian espionage case broke in Canada in 1946 in reflection he became suspicious of GOLOS and thought possibly he was engaged in the type of activity that existed in Canada.

BROTHMAN offered the information that he was a member of the Political Action Committee and had attended meetings of that organization.

Re: HARRY GOLD

The following investigation concerning HARRY GOLD was conducted by Special Agents DONALD E. SHANNON and FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN on May 29, 1947:

HARRY GOLD is presently employed by A. BROTHMAN ASSOCIATES as a chemist. GOLD is the individual to whom ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, a subject in instant case, turned over blue prints which he had in his possession, and GOLD also is the individual who obtained these blue prints at the express direction of JACOB GOLOS, now deceased but who was an agent of the Russian government.

GOLD was interviewed on May 29, 1947, in the A. BROTHMAN ASSOCIATES Laboratory, 8503 - 57th Avenue, Elmhurst, Long Island. GOLD stated that he was born December 12, 1910, in Switzerland and that he came to the U. S. in 1914 with his parents, SAM GOLD and CELIA GOLD, both of whom were born in Russia. GOLD stated that his parents came to the U. S. under the name of GOLODNITSKY but changed their names at the time they were naturalized. GOLD stated that he moved to Philadelphia after a short time and attended the public schools of Philadelphia, and in 1929 he was employed by the PENNSYLVANIA SUGAR COMPANY in their laboratories.

Subsequent to this time GOLD attended night school at the Drexell Institute in Philadelphia, the University of Pennsylvania, and Columbia University, and he shortly thereafter obtained a leave of absence from

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the PENNSYLVANIA SUGAR COMPANY in order to attend Xavier University at Cincinnati, Ohio, from which university he received a degree of Bachelor of Science Summa Cum Laude in June 1940. GOLD gave his address in Philadelphia as 68-23 Kindred Street where his parents presently reside. GOLD stated that he was presently renting a room at Elmhurst, Long Island, and that he commutes to Philadelphia on the week-ends. His address in Long Island was given as 4209 Hampton Street, Elmhurst. GOLD is residing with a family named PEREIRA at this address.

In the course of the interview HARRY GOLD advised that he had been employed off and on since 1929 with the PENNSYLVANIA SUGAR COMPANY. During his employment with this company he became friendly with an individual by the name of CARTER HOODLESS whose father was an official in the PENNSYLVANIA SUGAR COMPANY. In October 1940, GOLD advised, he attended a meeting of the American Chemical Society at the Franklin Institute in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, together with CARTER HOODLESS. At the conclusion of the meeting HOODLESS introduced him to an individual whom he recalled as JOHN GOLUSH or GOLISH (phonetic). A photograph of JACOB GOLOS was then exhibited to HARRY GOLD, and he identified this photograph as that of JOHN GOLUSH or GOLISH to whom he was introduced by CARTER HOODLESS in October 1940.

At the conclusion of this meeting at the American Chemical Society and after the introduction had taken place HARRY GOLD advised that he and GOLOS went to a restaurant on Broad Street in Philadelphia. He was unable to recall specifically the name of the restaurant but thought that it might be LEW TENDLER'S RESTAURANT. They remained at the restaurant until 2:30 a.m. In the course of their conversation GOLOS made the following proposition to HARRY GOLD. He advised him that he had some connections with some individuals in a foreign country, not naming the country, and that he had connections with an individual in New York City by the name of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN and BROTHMAN was turning over to him certain blue prints which had a connection in the chemical field. GOLOS told GOLD that he had to have a recognized chemist who would go to New York City, make contact with ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, obtain from him certain blue prints, and then evaluate these blue prints on a chemical basis. GOLD stated that no financial agreement was entered into but that there was an understanding that he would receive some reward for the work he was to perform.

GOLD stated that about two weeks after this meeting he telephoned ABRAHAM BROTHMAN in New York City and introduced himself to him over the telephone as a representative of JOHN GOLUSH or GOLISH and made an appointment

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to come to New York City to see BROTHMAN within a week or so. Within a week or two after this telephone call and sometime in November 1940 HARRY GOLD made his first trip to New York City where he contacted ABRAHAM BROTHMAN. This meeting, according to GOLD, took place in the evening in a restaurant in the downtown section of New York City. GOLD was unable to recall the name of the restaurant. The two had dinner together and BROTHMAN turned over the blue prints to him.

GOLD stated that for the next 6 months he made visits to New York City on the average of every three weeks. All of these trips were made in the evening as HARRY GOLD stated he had to attend to his job in the daytime. He also advised that he returned to Philadelphia on the same evening that he came to New York City and that on no occasion did he stay overnight in New York City during this six months period.

During this same period he received 4 or 5 phone calls from JOHN GOLUSH or GOLISH and in all of these telephone calls GOLUSH would state that they would have to get together very shortly for a meeting, which meeting, according to GOLD, never took place. The last phone call from GOLUSH or GOLISH was made in May 1941. No further word was heard from him, according to GOLD.

GOLD stated that after his second or third trip to New York City and the phone calls from GOLUSH or GOLISH he felt that there was nothing to the proposition and he became more or less disinterested in it. However, in the meantime he and ABRAHAM BROTHMAN had become quite friendly and ABRAHAM BROTHMAN exhibited an interest in HARRY GOLD's career as a chemist. In this regard, GOLD stated that BROTHMAN gave him several odd jobs to perform in his capacity as a chemist and that he paid him for this work. It was through this contact, according to HARRY GOLD, that he subsequently became employed by ABRAHAM BROTHMAN in February 1946. GOLD stated that ever since 1941 ABRAHAM BROTHMAN had been interested in having him come with his organization on a full-time basis, but it was not until February 1946 that he could see his way clear to accept such employment.

HARRY GOLD was questioned very closely as to any financial arrangements that had been entered into between GOLUSH or GOLISH and him. He stated that he did not receive one cent from him and that he had only seen GOLUSH on the one occasion in October 1940. He was then asked who paid his fare for these trips he made every three weeks for a six months period from Philadelphia to New York and return. He stated that he himself stood the expenses for the first two trips and that after that and after he became friendly with ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, BROTHMAN would give him a $5 bill to sustain the expenses of his trips to New York and return.

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A signed statement, the original of which is being retained in this file, was obtained from HARRY GOLD in the course of the interview and is set out as follows:

"Queens, N. Y. City
May 29, 1947

"I, Harry Gold, residing at 68-23 Kindred St., Phila, Pa make the following voluntary statement to Francis D. O'Brien and Donald E. Shannon whom I know to be Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. No threats or promises of any nature were made to me to make this statement. I know that anything I state may be used against me at any time in a court of Law.

"In Oct. 1940 I was introduced to a man by the name of John Golush or Golish by Carter Hoodless, who was a good friend of mine. The introduction took place at a meeting of the American Chemical Society at the Franklin Institute in Phila., Pa. After the meeting Golish or Golush and myself went to a restaurant on Broad Street where we remained until 2:30 A.M. On this occasion Golish or Golush made the following proposition to me; that I was to telephone Abe Brothman, a Chemical Engineer in N. Y. City and to make an appointment to see him; that I was to discuss two chemical processes with him and to obtain blue prints from him which I was to evaluate against the chemical soundness of the process. The two chemical processes were Phenol Formaldehyde resins and Urea Formaldehyde resins. About one week after this meeting with Golush or Golish I telephoned Brothman in N. Y. City and made an appointment to see him in about two weeks. I saw Brothman the first time in November 1940 and obtained the blue prints; this meeting was in the evening and took place in N. Y. City in a restaurant in the downtown section. Brothman had the blue prints with him; we had dinner together and turned over the blue prints to me. For the next six months I made trips to N. Y. City on the average of every three weeks and on each occassion Brothman met me and we would have dinner together and Brothman would turn over more blue prints to me. I kept these blue prints in my home in Phila. and I never did turn them over to Golish or Golush. I received four or five telephone calls from Golish or Golush in regard to seeing him but he kept telling me we would get together but no definite meeting was ever made. The last time I heard from Golush or Golish was by telephone in May or June of 1941. I never heard from him again. The plans and blue prints were useless to me and I have discarded most of them. Carter Hoodless who introduced me to Golish or Golush died in July 1942 in Phila., Pa.

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"I have read the above three page statement and it is true. I have read and signed page 1 and it is true. I have read and signed p. 2 and it is true. I now sign p. 3 having read it and it is true.

/s/ Harry Gold

"Witnessed
Donald E. Shannon, Special Agent, F.B.I. NY City
Francis D. O'Brien, Special Agent, F.B.I. N.Y. City"

The following is a description of HARRY GOLD as obtained from observation and interview:

Name	HARRY GOLD
Age	36
Born	December 12, 1910 Switzerland
Residence	68-23 Kindred Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Height	5' 6"
Weight	180 lbs.
Eyes	Hazel
Hair	Brown, wavy
Build	Short and fat
Characteristics	Round, full face, prominent protrusion of eyes

GOLD stated that he was a naturalized United States citizen by deviation through his parents.

Photo of HARRY GOLD shown to informant GREGORY by Special Agent J. M. KELLY, but she was unable to identify it as an individual whom she knew at any time.

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The records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Philadelphia, Pa., contain a death certificate for CARTER HOODLESS indicating that he died on July 2, 1942, at the Hahnemann Hospital, Philadelphia. HOODLESS was born June 26, 1908 in Mississippi and his residence at the time of his death was 6421 Overbrook Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He was divorced. His father, CHARLES R. HOODLESS, was born in England and his mother, LENORE CARTER HOODLESS, was born in Ohio. Cause of death was cancer.

Mr. R. P. SMITH, Personnel Director, PENNSYLVANIA SUGAR COMPANY, Delaware Avenue and Shackamaxon Street, Philadelphia, furnished a record of HOODLESS' employment with that company. This record also shows his date of birth as June 26, 1908, in Mississippi and indicates that he was employed during the summer months each year from 1924 through 1927. He was permanently employed from October 19, 1932 when he received a position in the alcohol plant then being run by the PENNSYLVANIA SUGAR COMPANY. On October 19, 1941 he was transferred to the SIBONEY DISTILLERY CORPORATION, a subsidiary of the PENNSYLVANIA SUGAR COMPANY, as a foreman, where hr remained until his death on July 2, 1942.

Mr. SMITH stated that he was well acquainted with CARTER HOODLESS, who was the son of CHARLES HOODLESS, formerly plant superintendent of the PENNSYLVANIA SUGAR COMPANY, who is now deceased. SMITH stated that CARTER HOODLESS was wild and irresponsible. His father was continually putting him to work in various departments in the plant in the hope of settling him down and at times paid him out of his own pocket. Mr. SMITH stated that HOODLESS had received some chemical education but was by no means a qualified chemist. He stated that HOODLESS had a wide range of acquaintances from all classes of society. SMITH does not believe that HOODLESS was disloyal to the United States and does not think that he would be engaged in anything that would injure this country. He stated that HOODLESS was quite friendly with HARRY GOLD, and that GOLD's chemical knowledge and his willingness to assist HOODLESS was the only thing that enables HOODLESS to keep his position as foreman in the distillery.

Mr. SMITH also furnished the personnel record of HARRY GOLD from which the following information was obtained. GOLD was born in Switzerland December 12, 1910 and is a naturalized American citizen. He was first hired by the PENNSYLVANIA SUGAR COMPANY on January 2, 1929 as an assistant chemist and remained in that position until August 31, 1930, when he left of his own accord. He was re-hired on April 25, 1932 and was laid off by the company because of lack of work on December 15, 1932. During this time GOLD worked as a chemist on the production of carbon dioxide gas. He was again hired

on September 18, 1933 as a laboratory assistant and remained in that position until September 15, 1938, when he again left of his own accord. On July 1, 1940 he was re-hired as a chemist in the alcohol plant and remained in this job until February 1, 1946, when the PENNSYLVANIA SUGAR COMPANY sold its alcohol making equipment and discontinued the operation.

Mr. SMITH stated that he knew GOLD well while he was employed at the PENNSYLVANIA SUGAR COMPANY. SMITH stated that when GOLD was first hired he was a conscientious worker. During the course of his employment he attended school and also continued his education during the periods when he was employed by the company. SMITH stated that he believes GOLD, at least during part of the time between his periods of employment, was attending college. He stated that HARRY GOLD is an intelligent, shrewd man, but that his work as a chemist during the latter part of his employment was not completely satisfactory, as he required a great deal of supervision.

SMITH stated that GOLD and HOODLESS became friendly when they worked together as young men, and that during the time they both worked in the laboratory at the alcohol plant GOLD's knowledge of chemistry and his assistance to HOODLESS placed CARTER HOODLESS under some obligation to him. SMITH stated that he knew nothing of GOLD's activities outside the plant and that he never suspected GOLD of being connected with any organizations that might be considered subversive.

It is noted that the personnel file of HARRY GOLD indicates that he was given an occupational deferment from Selective Service Board No. 65, Philadelphia, on May 3, 1945, at the request of PENNSYLVANIA SUGAR COMPANY. According to personnel records, GOLD has also worked for the following companies, dates of employment not given: THE HOBROOK MANUFACTURING COMPANY, Jersey City, N.J., employed for nine months; THE MOORMEIR DAIRY COMPANY, Cincinnati, Ohio, one year.

On May 31, 1947, Special Agents WILLIAM B. WELTE and FRED C. BIRKBY contacted the home of HARRY GOLD, 6823 Kindred Street, Philadelphia, for the purpose of interviewing GOLD's parents along the lines set out in referenced teletype. HARRY GOLD was present at his home, having arrived during the early morning of May 31, 1947, from New York City. It was noted that GOLD's parents are elderly and speak English with difficulty. They appeared to have no detailed knowledge of their son's activities and immediately called HARRY GOLD to speak to the agents. No attempt was made to interview GOLD's parents in detail.

HARRY GOLD appeared cooperative and looked through his personal effects, which he stores at his parents' home, to determine whether any of the blue prints mentioned in referenced teletype were still in existence. He was unable to locate any such blue prints. During the time he was making the search GOLD spoke of his connections with ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, stating that BROTHMAN is in financial difficulties and has been unable to meet his payroll on one or two recent occasions. GOLD appeared to have considerable respect for BROTHMAN's ability as a designer of chemical processes. He stated that BROTHMAN could be described as a genius, without exaggeration. It also appeared that GOLD is loyal to BROTHMAN as his employer.

GOLD stated that the blue prints in question contained nothing extraordinary but that the reason he had previously believed some of the blue prints might still be in his possession was that one of them contained a design for a machine used in making a common plastic which was an unusually good design. GOLD stated that he was convinced that the blue prints had been destroyed in 1944 when his family moved to their present residence.