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1151	5/12/50	NICHOLS TO TOLSON MEMO	3	3	
1152	5/3/50	NY LETTER TO HQ	6	6	
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1154	4/19/50	W/ENV + ENC WFO LETTER TO HQ, BS, NY	1/5	1/2	b1
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1160	5/9/50	BELMONT TO LADD MEMO	2	2	
1161	5/9/50	BATES TO KLAN MEMO	1	1	
1162	5/9/50	W/ENC AAG LETTER TO HQ	1/3	1/3	
1163	5/12/50	LEGAT CABLE TO HQ	1	1	b1
1164	5/8/50	OUTGOING LETTER	2	2	b1
1165	4/17/50	LIV J ENC. NY LETTER TO HQ w/	2/7	0/0	b1
1166	5/15/50	IPAG CG REPT TO HQ, NY, BS	10	10	b1
N/R	5/19/50	PH TT TO HQ, NY, BS	1	-	See Brothman 100-365040-28
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N/R	5/19/50	HQ CABLE TO LEG AT	1	-	" -55
N/R	5/21/50	NY LETTER TO HQ	1	-	" -66
N/R	6/22/50	NY TTE HQ, PH	1	-	" -67
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1170	5/5/50	NY LETTER TO HQ	1	1	
1171	5/17/50	LEGAT CABLE TO HQ	1	1	b1
1172	5/18/50	SL TT to HQ, BS, NY	1	1	b1
1173	5/2/50	HQ LETTER TO LEGAT	1	1	b1
1174	5/2/50	WENC LEGAT LETTER TO HQ	3/4	✓ 1	b1 b7D
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N/R	5/16/50	NY TT to HQ	1	-	- 27
N/R	5/12/50	AT TT to HQ, NY	1	-	- 30
N/R	5/12/50	HQ TT to PH, NY	1	-	- 21
N/R	5/11/50	NY TT to HQ	1	-	- 33
1175	5/18/50	LADD MEMO TO DIRECTOR	1	1	
1176	5/12/50	POLICE AGENCY HQ LETTER TO FOREIGN	1	1	61 67D
1177	5/5/50	NY TT to HQ	1	1	
1178	5/18/50	NICHOLS MEMO TO TOLSON	1	1	
1179	4/27/50	ENV. & ENC AQ LETTER TO HQ w/	420	420	61

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1181	5/19/50	BS TT to HQ, NY, PH	1	1	
1182	5/12/50	BELMONT MEMO TO LADD	1	1	
NIR	5/12/50	NY TT TO HQ	1	0	b1
1183	5/17/50	HENNRICH MEMO TO BELMONT	1	1	
1184	5/11/50	LEGAT LETTER TO HQ	1	1	
1185	5/16/50	POLICE AGENCY HQ LETTER TO FOREIGN	1/22	1/10	b1 b7D 12 DOE Army b7C
1186	5/8/50	VANLOAN MEMO TO HENNRICH	1/30	1/14	b1 7 - Army CIA
		2 ROUTING SLIPS	2	2	
		SEARCH SLIPS	9	9	b1 b2 b7C

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of fact, he stated he had never seen FUCHS outside of the SAM Laboratory or Kellogg Offices and knew nothing of FUCHS' social activities or contacts while in New York City. He stated that he did not see FUCHS after FUCHS had left New York City until November, 1949, when FUCHS attended a Scientific Conference in Edinburgh, Scotland.

CORSON expressed the opinion that he thought the agents should be more interested in "what may still be going in England", adding that "There may be others like FUCHS". Immediately upon opening that subject, however, CORSON said that he had no documentary proof for any of his statements and further would not "contravene" his integrity by naming names. He then launched into a long discussion of what he knew of the FUCHS case and what "still may be going on in England".

First he repeated that he regarded FUCHS as a good, intelligent physicist but not a genius and, therefore, he felt that FUCHS did not deserve the high place that he had held in the British Atomic Energy setup. He stated that he believed that FUCHS was assisted in obtaining and holding the high position which he had held at the time of his arrest.

Further, he stated that he had "learned" that the British Government and the British Scientific Field is riddled with "soiree pinks", "parlor pinks" and just plain Communists. Further, he thought that "he knew" that the British Home Office records currently show that FUCHS had come to Great Britain in 1932 or 1933 from Germany as a Communist refugee. Moreover he stated that many other individuals now in the scientific field in England had come to Great Britain during the period of 1932 - 1935 as Communist refugees. Specifically CORSON mentioned the name of one "out-spoken" left-wing scientist, BERNALL, whose sympathies he stated, were widely known in the British Isles and elsewhere, and who may or may not be harmful to the security of Britain and the Atomic Project.

Taking all of the above into consideration, CORSON stated that there is no "such animal" as a "controlled schizophrenia" in which way FUCHS had described himself. He stated that MAX BORN, a scientist whom he knew in Edinburgh, had informed him that FUCHS was an out-spoken and "pamphlet distributing" Communist, when he first came to Great Britain and was working on a scientific project at Bristol, England.

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He stated that FUCHS was sent to Edinburgh to work under BORN in 1938, and that BORN had told FUCHS that he wanted him to desist from Communist activities in Edinburgh. From that point forward, according to BORN, FUCHS had gone into his shell and became a non-entity politically.

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CORSON again referred to the fact that FUCHS had been allowed to attain a high position in the atomic setup in Great Britain and that the home office records showed his sympathies. He vigorously decried what he termed the "British tolerance" of FUCHS and "others like him". He mentioned the controlled schizophrenia personality of FUCHS again and made a very strong inference that the British Government, lead as it is by such individuals as BEVIN, CRIPPS and STRACHEY, probably was endeavoring to cover up for its shortcomings already with the handling of the FUCHS case by having FUCHS describe himself in that manner to make it appear to the world in general that detection of FUCHS under those circumstances was difficult if not impossible. He stated that he had mentioned this "in the more polite fashion" to the MI-5 interviewers. Also in corroboration with his feelings, CORSON stated that he was sitting in a public house in London, on the day that FUCHS was convicted and sentenced, with the editor of the "London Daily Mail", when a reporter from this paper came in with the news that FUCHS had been sentenced to 14 years the maximum. He stated that the editor of the "London Daily Mail", whom he would not further identify, had commented upon hearing that and said, "Well, I see they've killed it". (Meaning the FUCHS case and the attending publicity, according to CORSON).

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As a result of all this, CORSON stated that he stood for barring the British from further Atomic Energy Conferences in which the United States might be a participant, since the British had nothing to contribute and their scientists may be security risks. He stated that "sanitation" is the only method of dealing with the matter, that allowing them to participate on the possibility of detecting another such as FUCHS would be a "prophylactic" but not necessarily effective measure. CORSON throughout this discussion gave the impression that there were numerous individuals in the English Atomic setup with Communistic backgrounds and he stated that their records are available in the British Home Office "for all to see". However, about half way through the discussion, when he was asked to become more specific and again requested to name names, CORSON reduced his estimate to four scientific figures in England, two at Harwell and two outside of Harwell. CORSON refused on several occasions to name names and for the above reason stated that there was only one way to deal with the problem, namely to bar the English

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from further atomic discussions.

It was pointed out to CORSON that if this were not done, one of his so called "security risks" might be sent to the United States by a British Scientific Mission and allowed to visit American atomic installations. CORSON'S comment on this was "we (the United States) would be asking for it if we allowed this to happen".

Coming back to FUCHS he stated that he had wept for six hours upon hearing of FUCHS' arrest, that he was greatly shocked by it, but after due consideration had written the letter to CROGROFT and sent the telegram to FUCHS since he was unable to believe that FUCHS was guilty. After receiving FUCHS' reply, however, to the effect that the evidence did show otherwise, that is that FUCHS was guilty, he had come around to believing that FUCHS was a criminal who had done more to destroy faith in scientists and contributed more to Russian atomic progress than anything in history. As a matter of fact, he stated that he believed FUCHS' contribution to the Russians had speeded up their progress by several years and that by 1952 they will be on a par with the United States in atomic development. He stated that this fact distressed him considerably since he has a wife and child and believes that the Russians might "become trigger happy", when they are equal to the United States. CORSON believed that too much stress was being put on the damaging effects of atomic power and not enough on the good effects of it and that something should be done to correct this.

He said that FUCHS apparently had also informed the Russians of an Atomic Energy Operation which involved the efforts by the United States and Allied powers to determine scientifically whether the Russians had exploded an atomic bomb. He said that the awareness by the Allies that FUCHS had given this to the Russians lead to President TRUMAN'S announcement of the fact that the Russians had exploded the bomb. Also CORSON claimed to have learned that FUCHS' so called token payment of one hundred pounds which he accepted from the Russians was nothing less than a shortage of money occasioned by FUCHS' fondness for fast cars and fast women. He stated that this was another example of British tolerance, since FUCHS left Harwell in his car each weekend on so called "business for Harwell". CORSON'S complaint was that none of the security officers had stopped to question what business FUCHS might be leaving on. Later he claimed that it was established that FUCHS was registered with various women in various inns around England as Mr. and Mrs. FUCHS on numerous occasions, some of whom very well could have been Russian Agents.

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In this connection, CORSON stated that FUCHS was rather an unsocial, naive appearing individual and it was his belief that once FUCHS made up his mind to transmit information to the Russians he would carry out this assignment in any manner in which he is instructed and without asking questions. If necessary, he believed, FUCHS would deposit atomic secrets "in an ashcan at 42nd Street and 5th Avenue," for a Russian Agent to pick up if those were his instructions.

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Regarding FUCHS' visit to Edinburgh in November, 1949, CORSON said that his scientific colleagues who had come there for a conference were ignoring FUCHS; that he was sitting off in a corner by himself most of the time. Later he said that apparently the people at Harwell were aware at that time that the ax was about to fall on FUCHS. During that conference CORSON said that his wife had rather bluntly asked FUCHS why he continued his work in atomic energy implying that he was a brilliant scientist and could obtain more important work elsewhere. FUCHS' only reply was that he "couldn't get another job". CORSON also mentioned RUDOLPH PETERLS, a colleague of FUCHS, whom CORSON is also acquainted with, stated that he was rather displeased with PETERLS since PETERLS had denied knowledge of any of FUCHS' activities after FUCHS' arrest. CORSON regarded PETERLS as cowardly in this respect stating that this could not be true since he and FUCHS were extremely close but explained it away by stating that PETERLS was undoubtedly afraid to express himself further, due to the fact that his wife is of Russian origin and not too many years out of Russia. Also CORSON expressed his displeasure with MAX BORN whom he stated fled to Egypt after FUCHS' arrest, a fact which may have lead to his, CORSON, being followed around England, since he, CORSON, was very close to BORN, prior to that. Coming back to the scientists in England who may be security risks, CORSON stated that he was shown a list of scientists by MI-5 on which all four names appeared. However, he admitted that he had furnished these to his interviewers and would not acknowledge to them that he had any information regarding these men, therefore, CORSON stated the English apparently were also aware of the Communist tendencies of these individuals. As he had done before, CORSON again refused to name any names stating that he had no documentary proof for any information and that he would not want to make any wild accusations.

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TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: May 15, 1950

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: FOOCASE

Peyton Ford called and stated that he had now received the letter from the State Department; that he was presently at the White House and that he would send a copy over immediately. This copy subsequently arrived.

He stated that with reference to the fourth item the letter pointed out that the British do not intend that the Bureau be restrained from interviewing Fuchs concerning atomic energy but rather that this should be incidental to the main interview and further that item number five was academic.

Mr. Ford stated that in view of this, he thought it important for the Bureau to proceed with the interview as soon as possible.

I pointed out again that we would like to see the answer in writing in order that we might know how to proceed.

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cc - Mr. Belmont

We will proceed in our own way. RD has taken them months to get clearance & now in June they expect us to arrive in London. If everyone keeps his shirt on we will handle it.

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TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: April 28, 1950

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: EMIL KLAUS FUCHS
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In anticipation of approval from the British granting permission to us to finally interview Fuchs, I would like to suggest that Special Agent R. J. Lamphere be designated to conduct the interview with Special Agent John Cimperman.

If approved, arrangements will be made to have Lamphere start obtaining a passport so that no time will be lost.

Mr. Lamphere is thoroughly familiar with all angles of this case.

DML:dad

Passport
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small pass
shots etc
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O.K. but I still want
to know what conditions
British have imposed
before Lamphere leaves.

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Miss Gandy	_____

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TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: May 12, 1950

FROM : L. B. NICHOLS

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William Borden, the Executive Director of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, called to see me this morning at the direction of Senator Brien McMahon. McMahon wanted to know for his personal information any recent details regarding the Fuchs case. I told Borden there was nothing that I could say. He then asked about the interview. I told him that on a strictly informal and off the record basis, to be communicated to no one except the Senator, that as he and the Senator knew the British had agreed to permit us to interview Fuchs but had set up conditions which would make it impossible; that among the conditions were the fact that we not question Fuchs on technical aspects of Atomic Energy and that we make no statement that we had ever interviewed Fuchs.

Borden stated that he had heard of this through State Department contacts. He wondered, however, if these conditions could be met. I told him that they could not be because the conditions, for example, would prohibit us from advising the Commission or for that matter the Joint Committee that we had interviewed Fuchs and of the information secured; that we had taken the matter up with the Attorney General and, of course, did not know what the result would be. He wondered if they could be of any assistance. I told him I did not have any idea on that as it would appear to be a State Department matter and suggested that should the Committee want anything on an official basis that he communicate with the State Department.

Senator McMahon called shortly after 4:00 O'Clock. He stated he had a couple of matters he wanted to discuss; that Borden had told him of his conversation with me and McMahon thinks that he should take some action. I told him that this, of course, was a matter for him to decide. He stated that his inclination would be to send a wire to Dean Acheson and have Acheson make a personal protest to the British but that if he sent such a wire it would have to go over the British wire service and he thought he should call Jim Webb and have Webb get the word to Acheson so that Acheson could make a personal protest on the shabby treatment being afforded to us.

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I told him that he usually had good judgment and for him to use his best judgment. He then stated that he would be on the "Meet the Press" program tonight and that he was anticipating some questions. He thought, for example, that if the question were asked as to whether the FBI had interviewed Fuchs that he would pass this off by stating that obviously the FBI could not be expected to be discussing matters of this type. He stated that if the question were directed to him as to whether the conditions concerning the interview were satisfactory with the FBI that he

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would pass this off by stating that he could not be expected to discuss a question such as this on a radio program. He stated that if a question arose as to whether there were any leads that grew out of the Canadian Spy trial he wondered what the best answer would be. I told him that there were no leads in the trial itself and that if this question came up he could very well ask what leads. He thought this would be good.

He then stated the next question to be anticipated would be "what did the FBI and the British do with the Halperin notebook." I told him that the answer to this obviously would be that Fuchs was a British subject and it was not up to the FBI to do anything but was up to the British.

He stated that on the program will be Ernest Lindley, Frank Waldrop, William L. White, Jr., May Craig and Lawrence Spiwak.

Shortly thereafter McMahon called me back and stated that the State Department had succeeded in working out a new arrangement with the British concerning the interview with Fuchs and they were sending a communication to us today and they would have somebody get in touch with McMahon this afternoon. Brien stated as soon as he heard from this individual he would let us know the outcome. Brien then asked if we had the right people in London. I told him I thought we did. I asked him if he had any reason for asking the question. He stated that he didn't, that he just wondered if this might not be important enough to send somebody like Clyde over and whether it might not have considerable effect upon the British and result in an amicable setup. I told him that if problems were involved we would send somebody over but that the question arose as to whether this might not do more harm than good although there was no question about the persuasive powers of the men who had originally handled the case.

At 5:03 McMahon called and stated that Arneson of the State Department had called him and stated that a communication had been delivered to Peyton Ford at 1:00 o'clock today which in effect stated that the Bureau could interview Fuchs and that the British were withdrawing two of the conditions; namely, the condition which prohibited the questioning of Fuchs on technical details of atomic energy, and secondly, they were withdrawing the condition which prohibited the Bureau from stating that Fuchs had been interviewed.

Brien stated that he told Arneson that he was getting very much fed up with the attitude of the British; that he was issuing an ultimatum on the State Department to the effect that unless all restrictions were removed and the FBI was permitted to interview Fuchs and this whole matter was brought into focus that

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I know nothing of any such letter

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he would feel obliged to advise the Senate on Tuesday. Brien stated that he did not want to have to go through with the ultimatum and that we should let him know as soon as we heard anything. He stated he would like to suggest and emphasized that it was solely in the spirit of a suggestion, that we accept the conditions; that we not have any further discussion with the British but go in and interview Fuchs; ask him anything we wanted to under the sun and if the British interposed any objections to any of our questions that we should then and there make a note so that the matter could be made an issue of at a later date, but he thought that we should conduct the interview without any trouble, keep a record of any obstacles thrown in our pathway, and he thought that we should check with Peyton Ford, or if we wanted him to he would be glad to check with Peyton Ford and see to it that we got the letter in a hurry.

I told him that we would be glad to keep these things in mind.

It is up to Ford to forward
letter to us.

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We will not interview Fuchs
unless we can do it properly
& without unreasonable restrictions.

H.

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: May 1, 1950

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: FOOCASE
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ON 11/21/87

Rebulet, 4/20/50, under the title, "DR. EDWARD MICHAEL CORSON; ATOMIC ENERGY ACT", which letter requested an interview with CORSON concerning any knowledge he might have of other scientists in England who are "as dangerous as FUCHS".

CORSON was located in Room 1715, Statler Hotel, New York City, on the morning of April 28, 1950. He was contacted there by SAs LAWRENCE W. SPILLANE and JOHN R. MURPHY of the New York Office.

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At the outset of the interview CORSON made a rather cursory examination of the agents' credentials and stated that he was beyond the point of suspecting anyone now, particularly since the arrest of FUCHS. When informed that one purpose of the agents' visit was to determine the nature of his association with FUCHS and any knowledge he might have of FUCHS' activities in the United States or elsewhere, CORSON became mildly indignant, stating that he had been "grilled" for days by MI-5 before leaving England due to the fact that he had written a letter to Sir JOHN CROCKROFT regarding FUCHS and had sent a telegram to FUCHS offering his assistance. He stated that he always had been "followed all around England" prior to the interviews by MI-5 as a result of these communications. He exhibited copies of the letter he had written to Sir JOHN CROCKROFT and the telegram to FUCHS, which appeared in an issue of "Physics". CORSON added that he was physically exhausted from his lecture tour of England and interview by MI-5 and that since the results of these interviews appeared in the home office records in England, he would not care to discuss it further. However, after a brief silence, CORSON agreed in a condescending manner to answer all questions regarding FUCHS. Thereupon the interview commenced and proceeded in a cordial fashion.

SIR JOHN CROCKROFT ~~SECRET~~

CORSON stated that he had met FUCHS in about December, 1943, when FUCHS came here for the British Scientific Mission and while he, CORSON, was employed on the K-25 Project, at the SAM Laboratory, Columbia University and Ketter Office, New York City. He stated that his association with FUCHS was casual and business like and did not extend to any social contacts. He said that FUCHS was an intelligent but not brilliant physicist, who worked hard and diligently at all scientific problems presented to him. As a human being, CORSON regarded FUCHS as being a "typical scientist" with little practical appreciation of life and, therefore, CORSON said he was not in any way eager to cultivate FUCHS socially. As a matter

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It was pointed out to him that the Bureau was charged with the security of this country and that if he had any knowledge of scientists whom he received as possible security risks and possibly in the class of FUCHS it was his duty as an American citizen to furnish these names. At the end, however, he refused to do so.

In a rather offhand, "cute" fashion CORSON finally stated: "investigate FUCHS' successor at Harwell" and the "1st Lieutenant" to the head of Harwell. He added that this was all he intended to say on the subject, however, he went further and stated that he had learned that FUCHS' successor had the same Communistic background as FUCHS and had stated that he would do the same as FUCHS had done if afforded the opportunity. Regarding the other individual, he thought he might be the head of FUCHS' Department, Theoretical Physics at Harwell but specifically denied that it was PETERLS. He then said that he was not certain of the position this individual holds but that he was a Swiss emigrant. CORSON stated that he had held himself free from political activities while engaged in scientific endeavors and that no investigation could uncover any pro-Communist or other sympathies on his part. He stated he felt that all scientists should have a similar attitude and objected strenuously to the so called "parlor pinks" and outlying Communists in the scientific field imposing their views on immature student minds. He stated that this well could be going on in England and that these "parlor pinks" were adding numerous followers and that any effort by him to name a few would be rather fruitless since the influence of the "parlor pinks" is already wide spread. He indicated that the same possibility could be said of the United States but refused to make specific on this point. He stated that "for all he knew" possibly OPPENHEIMER'S background was subject to question.. In this connection he stated that he had discussed the barring of English scientists from Atomic Energy Conferences to ~~OPPENHEIMER~~ but had received little encouragement.

Robert

It should be stated that CORSON is an intelligent individual in excellent command of the English language. He presents a rather gaunt, haggard, physical appearance and during the interview consumed about one and one-half hours chain smoking cigarettes. Obviously he is distraught by the FUCHS case.

CORSON telephonically advised the New York Office on the evening of April 28th that he was leaving the United States on May 3, 1950, by airplane to attend the French Academy of Scientists in Paris, France.

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OF BROTHMAN THERE OR AT THEIR OWN FIRM. ADVISES BROTHMAN TRAVELLED
VERY LITTLE AND OTHER PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES NOT AT ALL ON FIRM
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PLETED.

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cc: Mr. Belmont

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this office has been unable to locate photographs, however,
investigation is continuing in an endeavor to locate suitable
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REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 5/3/50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/19, 25/50	REPORT MADE BY GILMER G. ROBINSON
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Photograph of JAMES J. ROBBIN not located.

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DETAILS: At Los Angeles, California:

JAMES JEROME ROBBIN, aka James J. Robbin, James J. Robbins, James J. Robbins, James Robbins, Jerry Robbins, Jerry Rollins

The Bureau has advised that Subject did not reject the available photograph of JAMES J. ROBBIN, commenting that he could not see enough of ROBBIN's features and would like to see a better photograph of him.

It has been determined that 10811, Rochester, West Los Angeles, California, was the former address of JAMES J. ROBBIN. The above address as of 43 was the residence of MARY ROBBIN, mother of JAMES J. ROBBIN, and his brother, WARD ISADORE ROBBIN. It was determined that she no longer resides there.

The address 1961 Preston Avenue, Los Angeles, California, is the residence of Mr. and Mrs. EDWARD ISADORE ROBBIN in 1944-45. It was determined that they no longer reside at this address.

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SA ROBERT C. BYRNES reviewed the records of the registrar at Loyola University, Los Angeles, and it was determined that ROBBIN attended Loyola from September, 1932, until June, 1933. There was no picture available of ROBBIN at Loyola University.

The above record reflected an inquiry from Douglas Aircraft regarding ROBBIN, as of 1941.

B. M. FITZSIMONS, head of Plant Protection, Douglas Aircraft, caused a search to be made of their employment records of JAMES J. ROBBIN, with aliases, and no record of his employment was found.

The Bureau has requested that copies of reports in this case be furnished the Boston Office in all instances.

A copy of this report is being furnished the Indianapolis and the Chicago Offices inasmuch as they are presently attempting to secure a photograph of JAMES J. ROBBIN.

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Report of SA W. HULON PAUMAN, Chicago, dated 4/10/50.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

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DATE: March 30, 1950

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: FOOCASE

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Rebutel March 29, 1950, requesting a detailed comparative statement
of the facts known about the UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa [REDACTED] and JOSEPH ARNOLD
* ROBBINS, wa: Joseph Regenstreich, suspect. (TS)

Facts Furnished Concerning [REDACTED] by [REDACTED] (TS)

Facts Concerning JOSEPH ARNOLD ROBBINS

ROBBINS was employed by George G. Sharp,
New York City, until August 11, 1944.
He began work for Jacobson & Company,
New York City, on August 14, 1944.

According to the Jacobson's records
which do not show sick leave absences,
ROBBINS was employed on August 29,
1944.

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There is no present indication that
ROBBINS is acquainted with BROTHMAN.
The 1943 and surveillance photographs
of ROBBINS were exhibited to ARTHUR P.
WEBER who failed to identify them as
a business associate or personal
friend of BROTHMAN during 1941-1944.
The fact that WEBER failed to identify
ROBBINS is not conclusive, however,
since it is definite by WEBER'S own

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Facts Concerning JOSEPH ARNOLD ROBBINS

statement that he did not know all of BROTHMAN'S business associates and personal friends. A review of information coming from former Confidential Informants [REDACTED] and mail covers on BROTHMAN, give no indication that ROBBINS is among his acquaintances either personal or business. (S)

The Bureau has indicated that an interview with ABRAHAM BROTHMAN will be authorized in the immediate future and it is possible that the identity of the UNKNOWN SUBJECT will be obtained from him in the course of this interview. It is conceivable that BROTHMAN may not have been aware of the identity of the intermediary between himself and the Russians and may name [REDACTED] without realizing it. (S)

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Facts Concerning JOSEPH ARNOLD ROBBINS

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ROBBINS was employed by Jacobson and Company, 227 East 44th Street, New York City, on October 4, 1944. The attendance records for Jacobson Company show no absences for ROBBINS during that period. They are, however, incomplete in that they do not show an absence due to sickness for which ROBBINS would have been paid. Telephone toll call records for ROBBINS' residence at that time are not available.

ROBBINS middle name is ARNOLD. [REDACTED] (TS)

ROBBINS was employed by Jacobson and Company, New York City, but no absence for him is shown for November 14, 1944, or thereabouts.

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(S) Facts furnished concerning [REDACTED] by [REDACTED]

Facts concerning JOSEPH ARNOLD ROBBINS

ROBBINS whereabouts during the Christmas season, 1944, are not known. Christmas Day, 1944, fell on a Monday and, therefore, ROBBINS would have been off Saturday, Sunday and Monday, December 23, 24 and 25, 1944, sufficient time, of course, to travel to Boston to attempt to make contact with FUCHS. (FUCHS has corroborated [REDACTED] by stating that a meeting had been set by him with his American contact for Christmas Season, 1944, in Boston, but that the meeting had not occurred since FUCHS could not make it.)

ROBBINS is not known to have had any connection with the Manhattan Engineering District. At that time he was employed by Jacobson and Company as a draftsman. A check of the New York files fails to reveal that ROBBINS was in contact with anyone connected with MED or any Bureau subjects such as ARTHUR ADAMS, JOHN CHAPIN, etc. A check of MED records, New York City, contains no record of ROBBINS.

ROBBINS received a bachelor of civil engineering degree at City College of New York, February, 1941. The implication by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ROBBINS is not and never has been a chemist, [REDACTED]

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but has always worked as a draftsman for various firms since graduating from college. Assuming that the term "laboratory" was loosely used and that actually it may have had reference to a consulting engineer's firm, ROBBINS might be a possibility. Whether ROBBINS ever contemplated opening a firm of consulting engineers is not known now, but can be determined by contact with the Jacobson firm and with persons closely associated with ROBBINS there and in other employments.

ROBBINS is not known to have written any articles on the thermal diffusion of gases. He did indicate in an application for employment to the M. W. Kellogg Company, Jersey City, New Jersey, in 1942, that he had written for a technical magazine, name and time not stated. It has never been determined when and what sort of work ROBBINS may have done for this magazine. This possibility is being explored.

A check of the records of the College of the City of New York and New York University, schools which ROBBINS has attended, fails to reflect any article on thermal diffusion by him. A bank account for ROBBINS has not been located yet but efforts are continuing to locate one. It is noted that he pays his rent in cash and may not have a bank account.

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Facts Furnished Concerning [REDACTED] by [REDACTED] (S)

Facts Concerning JOSEPH ARNOLD ROBBINS

~~Assuming that~~ [REDACTED] (S)

[REDACTED] ROBBINS, during those [REDACTED] (S) b1
years was gainfully employed and
was not doing any graduate work.

Information Furnished by FUCHS With
Respect to Meetings With His
American Contact

More Facts Regarding JOSEPH ARNOLD
ROBBINS

FUCHS states he had four meetings in New York City with his American contact during the period December, 1943, and August, 1944. He stated the first meeting occurred in the Lower East Side of New York at the corner of Henry and Market Streets, which streets actually intersect. Another meeting occurred between the Williamsburg and Manhattan Bridges. Of the remaining two New York meetings, one occurred in the Bronx, and the other in Brooklyn.

During the entire period, ROBBINS was employed in New York City, but his activities are not known.

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More Facts Regarding JOSEPH ARNOLD
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FUCHS states that the contact arrived and departed from the meetings on foot and during the meetings they walked through streets together and he, FUCHS, turned documents over to the contact in an envelope wrapped in wrapping paper.

FUCHS states that he had two meetings with his American contact in Boston which, according to leave records maintained at Los Alamos, would have had to occur between the dates February 13 and February 22, 1945, between which dates FUCHS was in Cambridge, Massachusetts. He stated that two meetings occurred in Boston, the first one on a busy street somewhat off the main center of town, and the second one possibly a day later at an un-recalled place. On both occasions FUCHS delivered notes written between meetings.

FUCHS also stated that he met his American contact twice in Santa Fe, New Mexico. FUCHS places the first meeting as having occurred at the end of June, 1945, and arrives at that determination from the fact that it occurred prior to the explosion

ROBBINS employment records at Jacobson and Company, do not show any absences during February, 1945, although it is conceded by the employer that the records are incomplete in that they do not show a sick leave absence for which ROBBINS had been paid. Since Boston is relatively close to New York, it is conceivable that ROBBINS could have made the trip and returned in one day or could have made the trip over a weekend. Hotel records in Boston have been checked for ROBBINS under his true name and alias, with negative results. Airline records are not available for that period.

In the first place, according to available employment records at Jacobson and Company, ROBBINS was not absent during the end of June, 1945. As stated before, while these records are incomplete, in order to have had a contact in Santa Fe, New Mexico, it can be assumed

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Respect to Meetings With His
American Contact

More Facts Regarding JOSEPH ARNOLD
ROBBINS

of the test bomb on July 16, 1945. He stated that he met his contact on a quiet street along a river. Both meetings, according to FUCHS, were arranged to suit the convenience of this contact, whom he believes arrived and departed from Santa Fe by bus.

that he would have had to ask for vacation leave, rather than to have attempted such a trip while presumably sick. Available hotel records at Santa Fe, New Mexico, have been checked for ROBBINS' name during this period with negative results.

Assuming, however, that FUCHS is in error in placing the date of this first meeting at the end of June, 1945, it should be stated that ROBBINS had a one week vacation for the week ending Saturday, July 21, 1945. It is conceivable that he could have made a trip to Santa Fe, New Mexico, and could have seen FUCHS during that week, possibly as early as July 14 or 15, 1945, and if not, then during the week of July 16-21, 1945. What ROBBINS did on that vacation is not now known but an effort is being made to determine what he may have done through contact with persons close to him in the Jacobson employment.

FUCHS further states he had a second meeting with his contact in the fall of 1945, again in Santa Fe, New Mexico. At this meeting, FUCHS picked up his contact in his car on a street outside of town, after which they drove to a lonely road and talked.

ROBBINS' employment record at Jacobson and Company shows he had three days off during the week ending Saturday, September 1, 1945. The exact dates that he was off work are not now available. However, August 25, 1945, was a Saturday. Further, ROBBINS'

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Local Board file indicates that he applied for and was granted permission to make a trip to Canada between August 25 and August 27, 1945. ROBBINS would have completed his work on Friday, August 24, 1945, and would have been able to start a trip on that evening. Further, since he had three days off in the following week and had indicated he would be going to Canada between August 25 and August 27, 1945, the company assumed that he was granted leave for August 27, 28, 29, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, which would have given him five full days total vacation. Further, there is not now any verification for the fact that he actually traveled to Canada. Assuming that he flew to New Mexico, it would have been possible for ROBBINS to have seen FUCHS in Santa Fe during that period. Again, airline records are not available for that period.

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Information Furnished by FUCHS with
Regard to Meeting with his American
Contact

The records at Los Alamos indicate that FUCHS intended to leave Los Alamos on November 20, 1945 and return on December 8, 1945. He furnished an itinerary which was to take him to Montreal, Canada on business and to Mexico on vacation.

Information Furnished by KRISTEL HEINEMAN

KRISTEL HEINEMAN is the sister of FUCHS who resides in Cambridge, Massachusetts. She has described in some detail the visit to her home of a man, unknown to her, in February, 1945. For all practical purposes, it can be assumed that this man is identical with the UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: [REDACTED] FUCHS (TS) American contact, and all future references to him should be UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: [REDACTED] etc. (TS)

Mrs. HEINEMAN believes she first saw UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: [REDACTED] between (TS) January 20, 1945 and the first few days of February, 1945 when he came to her home at 144 Lakeview Avenue, Cambridge, Massachusetts, and asked for FUCHS. She gave him lunch which he had with her and one or more of her children. She gained the impression that the unknown subject worked with FUCHS at Los Alamos and that he may have come from Chicago because he mentioned that city.

Mrs. HEINEMAN next saw the UNKNOWN SUBJECT (TS) 61
wa: [REDACTED] in the late afternoon of February 14 or 15, 1945. She recalls it was the late afternoon since the children were home from school. On the occasion

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Available employment records indicate that ROBBINS was not absent from work during this period.

Available employment records show that ROBBINS was at work during February, 1945 and had no absences. ROBBINS has lived and worked in New York for his entire life and is not known to have had any business or personal connection with the city of Chicago.

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(TS) of this visit [redacted] presented Mrs. HEINEMAN with a book entitled, "Mrs. Palmer's Honey" and brought candy for the HEINEMAN children. She states that she brought [redacted] into the living room where FUCHS was then sitting. Prior to the arrival of [redacted] she stated that she had informed FUCHS of his first visit, and that FUCHS seemed surprised and somewhat annoyed but that he did not comment beyond saying, "Oh, it's all right." She stated that FUCHS and [redacted] talked for a period of 15 to 20 minutes in her living room and that she was present during a part of the conversation, but that she did not hear any of it. She did not see anything pass between FUCHS and [redacted] but that she was surprised at the short duration of their visit, in view of the fact that she believed that [redacted] had traveled from a distance to see FUCHS. She does not remember that FUCHS definitely knew [redacted] by name and it was not necessary for her to introduce the two men.

(TS) Mrs. HEINEMAN states she next saw [redacted] a few weeks or a month later, placing the date around April, 1945. Again he asked for FUCHS who was not there and he asked when FUCHS would be expected, which information Mrs. HEINEMAN did not then have. He again stayed for lunch with the children and promised to buy her boy a chemistry set. She thought that he mentioned that he had two children, smaller than Mrs. HEINEMAN's two youngest (3 and less than 3). She thought that his children would have been 3 and 1.

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Available employment records show that ROBBINS was not absent from work during February, 1945, although these records would not show an absence for sickness for which ROBBINS was paid. It is to be noted that during the first week of the current surveillance on ROBBINS, he was absent from work three of the five working days, apparently due to the fact that he had a heavy cold.

The book, "Mrs. Palmer's Honey" has been reviewed by the Boston Office and appears to be of no significance.

(TS) Again ROBBINS, according to employment records was at work during the entire month of April, 1945. Also ROBBINS is married but has no children.

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Regarding UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: [REDACTED] (TS)

Facts Concerning JOSEPH ARNOLD ROBBINS

HEINEMAN arrived home during the latter part of the third visit of [REDACTED] to the HEINEMAN home which he places in the last part of February or the first 10 days of March, 1945. He was introduced to [REDACTED] as a friend of FUCHS', a chemist who worked with FUCHS. He states that he recalls that for lack of conversation he discussed the weather with [REDACTED] and (TS)

(TS) that [REDACTED] made reference to the exceedingly heavy snow fall in Buffalo, New York. HEINEMAN was of the impression that [REDACTED] had arrived by train in Boston from some point out side of the city and from his recollection of the conversation concerning the snow in Buffalo, that his train had passed through that city. He has no recollection of any reference to Chicago, but believes that [REDACTED] mentioned the city of Philadelphia. HEINEMAN stated that [REDACTED] did not stay long at the HEINEMAN home; that he can not recall any one else present other than Mrs. HEINEMAN and the three HEINEMAN children. HEINEMAN insists that he would know this individual again if he saw him and believes that he could likely, but not positively, identify a photograph of [REDACTED] HEINEMAN also believed that the surname of [REDACTED] begins with the letters "ROB" or a transposition thereof. He also has located a letter from FUCHS to Mrs. HEINEMAN in which FUCHS made reference to a JOSEPH whom he could not identify as his or Mrs. HEINEMAN'S friends, thus giving rise to the possibility that JOSEPH is the first name of [REDACTED] (TS)

ROBBINS' name, JOSEPH ARNOLD ROBBINS, of course, fits perfectly with the information furnished by HEINEMAN, coupled with the [REDACTED]

again, ROBBINS' employment record indicates that he was at work during February, March and April, 1945, and that he has no known connection with the city of Philadelphia.

It is to be noted that Mrs. HEINEMAN has viewed photographs of ROBBINS without effecting an identification. ROBERT HEINEMAN has viewed photos of ROBBINS and has seen him personally and has not effected an identification.

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Information furnished by ROBERT HEINEMAN
Regarding UNKNOWN SUBJECT, was: [REDACTED] (TS)

AB In assessing the value to be placed on any recollection or description of [REDACTED] by ROBERT HEINEMAN, it should be borne in mind that first, he saw [REDACTED] only once, and secondly, that he saw him for a very brief period in his home. Admittedly, this occurred in February, 1945, five years ago, and prior to FUCHS' arrest, HEINEMAN had no reason to refresh his recollection regarding this visit. This information is being set out not to discredit HEINEMAN but to give statements and any identifications, tentative or positive, the weight they deserve.

Physical Description of [REDACTED] furnished by FUCHS (TS) b1

Name: Unknown
Age: About 40 - 1945
Height: About 5' 10"
Build: Fairly broad
Face: Round
Features: No recollection
Glasses: Does not believe U.S. contact wore glasses, although he has selected a surveillance photograph of ROBBINS which he says "might be the man", in which ROBBINS is wearing glasses, although the glasses are not outstanding in the photograph.
Characteristics: Apparently nervous; apparently had no experience in underground activity since he constantly checked to see whether they were being surveilled.

Physical Description of [REDACTED] furnished by KRISTEL HEINEMAN (TS) b1

Name: No memory
Age: About 40 - 1945
Height: 5' 8" - 5' 9"
Weight: 180 lbs.
Build: Stocky
Hair: Very dark brown, thin and not curly
Complexion: Dark
Speech: No trace of any accent
Dress: Neat
Eyes: No memory
Face: No memory
Marital: Married, believes he had wife and two children, one 3 and one less than 3, possibly age 1.
Status: [REDACTED]
Occupation: Chemist
Residence: Possibly Chicago

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Physical Description of [REDACTED] furnished by FUCHS

Physical Description of [REDACTED] furnished by ROBERT HEINEMAN

Ancestry: Possibly first generation American

Surname:

Begins with "ROH" or transposition of these letters.

Whereabouts: Met with FUCHS four times between February or March, 1944 and August, 1944 in New York City; met with FUCHS twice in Boston between February 13 and February 22, 1945 on the streets of Boston; FUCHS denies that he ever met his American contact in the HEINEMAN home.

Age:

In 30's, possibly late 30's in 1945

Height:

About 5' 8"

Weight:

170-175 lbs.

Build:

Stocky but not appearing fat

Hair:

Dark, thin with receding hair line; gave impression at times of baldness

Possibly in Boston around Christmas, 1944, since a meeting had been set for that time with FUCHS but FUCHS could not make it.

Complexion:

Dark

Speech:

In no way unusual
Conservative and good, probably wearing blue or gray worsted material with dull pattern.

Dress:

Santa Fe, New Mexico and of June, 1945 and fall of 1945.

Eyes:

Color not remembered but wore glasses of which the type is not remembered.

Occupation: FUCHS describes him as being perhaps an engineer or chemical engineer. Had no detailed knowledge of nuclear physics or of the sort of mathematics with which FUCHS was competent to deal. He was, however, rather more capable of understanding the information which was given to him by FUCHS than had been the case with FUCHS' contact in Great Britain.

Face:

Full but features were fine
Married, two children in 1945, ages about 1 and 3; living with wife.

Marital Status:

Occupation: Chemist

Residence: Possibly Buffalo or Philadelphia

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Physical Description of JOSEPH ROBBINS obtained from employment records and from observation:

Name:	JOSEPH ARNOLD ROBBINS, wa: Joseph Regenstreich
Age:	34 (born 2/3/16 Brooklyn, New York - 29 in February, 1945). Noted that ROBBINS appears 3 to 5 years older than he actually is.
Height:	5' 9"
Weight:	Appears to be 180 to 190 pounds
Build:	Stocky - broad, large frame. Weight appears normal for build and height.
Hair:	Dark brown, combed straight back; full head of hair; high forehead with receding hair line but not as pronounced as appears in 1943 photograph.
Complexion:	Dark with heavy beard
Speech:	Has typical New York accent
Eyes:	Pale blue, large with large pupils, and with drooping eyelids. He has not been seen without glasses although it is not known whether he wore glasses in 1944 or 1945.
Face:	Full, round, with large rather coarse features; aquiline nose.
Other distinguishing characteristics:	Walks with head cocked slightly forward; gives impression of being slightly stoop shouldered; has large head and short neck; hat appears too small on top of his head; has a dull, unsmiling expression on face.
Teeth:	Dull, stained, one tooth in front appears to protrude slightly beneath those on either side
Peculiarities:	Does not fraternize with other tenants in his apartment house. Seldom goes any place socially; Spends his weekends making cabinets; does not own an automobile
Marital Status:	Married and no children
Occupation:	Graduate civil engineer; has been employed as draftsman for various architectural and consulting engineer firms.
Residence:	5501 14th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York
Education:	College of the City of New York, graduate BCE, 1941 Attended New York University, 1942, graduate work

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Present employment:

Draftsman at Hardesty & Hanover, 101
Park Avenue, New York City

Employment history:

Chattel Record Publishing Company, 363

7th Avenue, New York City; May, 1937

Jakobson Company, 2 Bond Street; December, 1937

Forest Box and Lumber Company, 3870 Vernon

Boulevard, Long Island City; March, 1938

Bartlett Loudon & Dill Company, 189 Montague
Street, Brooklyn; June, 1939

Ellivin E. Seely, 101 Park Avenue, New York;
March, 1941

Sanderson & Porter, 52 William Street; December,
1941

M. W. Kellogg, Jersey City, New Jersey; December,
1942 to June, 1943

Bell Telephone Laboratories, 463 West Street;
June, 1943

George G. Sharp, 30 Church Street, New York
City; June, 1943 to August 11, 1944

Jacobson & Company, 227 East 44th Street,
New York City; August 11, 1944 to March, 1946

Wright Aeronautical Corporation, Woodbridge,
New Jersey; June, 1946 to September, 1946

Janke & Company, 1067 East Grand Street,
Elizabeth, New Jersey; September, 1946 to
March, 1948

Allied Process Company, Newark, New Jersey;
March, 1948 to September, 1948

Devenco, Inc., 150 Broadway, New York City;
December, 1948 to March, 1949

Hardesty & Hanover, 101 Park Avenue, New York
City; September, 1949 to the present.

Relatives: Wife:

BETATRICE KARP ROBBINS

Father:

LOUIS REGENSTREICH, born Rumania

Mother:

CLARA WAGNER REGENSTREICH, born Austria

Brother:

BORIS ROBBINS, formerly Regenstreich,
Washington, D. C.

ABRAHAM REGENSTREICH, was. (Regarding ROBBINS
brother, ABRAHAM, it is to be noted that he is
an active Communist Party member under the name
AL REGER. He is presently an organizer for the

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Wholesale and Warehousemen Union, Local 65, Independent. He is known to have contacted ANDREI GALAGAN, clerk at the Russian Consulate on December 4, 1945 in order to obtain 20 copies of MOLOTOV'S speech at the San Francisco Conference).

Sister:

BERTHA BECKER, now Mrs. CHARLES LIPSTEIN, Newark, New Jersey.

Communist Background:

Only references in New York files reflect he is a signer of a SCHAPPES petition in 1943 and member of the Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians, CIO, in 1945.

It is to be noted that during the current surveillance of ROBBINS, he has indicated no awareness whatever to a physical surveillance. Moreover, he has not taken any steps to determine whether he is under surveillance. If he were identical with [REDACTED] it would appear natural that he would take some steps to ascertain whether he was being followed. (S) b

The New York Office contemplates contact with persons close to ROBBINS in an effort to establish pertinent facts concerning him which would serve to eliminate or identify him as the UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa [REDACTED] It may be possible through these contacts, for instance, to determine whether he actually went to Canada in August, 1945, whether he took his vacation in July, 1945, and whether or not he wore glasses at that time. Also additional movies of ROBBINS are being taken and will be forwarded to the Bureau to be shown to FUCHS in his effort to eliminate or identify him definitely. The interview with BROTHMAN will also be conducted when authorized by the Bureau and every effort will be made at that time to ascertain the identity of [REDACTED] who is also a contact of BROTHMAN. (S)

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BORN NOVEMBER FOURTEEN NINETEEN ELEVEN AT GLENWOOD, MINNESOTA,
TO GUSTAV AND CLARA WOLLAN, BOTH AMERICAN BORN. HE RESIDES
WITH MOTHER AT 27 WEST MAPLE STREET, GLENWOOD, AND SINCE SEPTEMBER
LAST HAS BEEN EMPLOYED AS LABORER FOR STATE GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT
AT GLENWOOD. ROLF WOLLAN DESCRIBED WHITE, SIX ONE, ONE SIXTY
POUNDS, SLENDER, BLUE EYES, BROWN HAIR, USUALLY CUT SHORT, WEARS
GLASSES, SINGLE, MOODY, SOMEWHAT OF AN INTROVERT, HOBBY, GOLF.
ROLF REPORTED TO HAVE SERVED U.S. ARMY, ASN 0-2039603 FROM JUNE
FORTYTWO TO OCTOBER FORTYFIVE WITH SERVICE IN ENGLAND IN NINETEEN
FORTYTWO. ST. LOUIS IS CHECKING ARMY RECORD. ROLF GRADUATED
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REPORTEDLY ENROLLED BROOKLYN POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE, BROOKLYN, N.Y.
SPRING NINETEEN FORTYSIX. ST. LOUIS AND OMAHA ATTEMPTING TO
OBTAIN PHOTO FROM ARMY AND LUTHER COLLEGE RECORDS RESPECTIVELY.
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TO : Director, FBI
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On May 12, 1950 Dr. ROLLINS K. HADLEY, Director of the Westboro State Hospital, Westboro, Massachusetts, advised KRISTEL HEINEMAN is now "completely hallucinated." Dr. HADLEY stated that KRISTEL HEINEMAN was no longer a victim of schizophrenia alone but was completely bereft mentally. She no longer has any memory of her self-alleged consort, KONSTANTIN LAFAZANOS, and but a dim and vague memory of her father and brother. She states she is guided in all her actions by the voice of her husband which comes to her every fifteen minutes.

Dr. HADLEY has requested, and it has been subsequently learned is receiving, the permission of ROBERT HEINEMAN to give KRISTEL shock treatments. Dr. HADLEY, who is closely and personally following the care of KRISTEL, will begin application of these treatments next week. He stated that he will further prescribe any other treatment which he believes might restore her mental health.

Dr. HADLEY expressed the strictly confidential opinion that within the next two or three months KRISTEL HEINEMAN will either respond to the above treatment and will become well or she may well expire.

Arrangements have been made with ROBERT HEINEMAN and his attorney JAMES F. MAHAN to conduct a thorough search of the Heineman home for any references to FUCHS and/or the unknown subject, with alias [REDACTED] which may be found therein. This search will be conducted as soon as a mutually convenient date can be arranged for all parties concerned.

In view of KRISTEL HEINEMAN's current condition of health, no further interviews with her are contemplated at this time.

The foregoing is provided for informative purposes. Investigation is continuing.

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TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: May 12, 1950

FROM : V. P. KELLY

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Reference is made to memorandum from you to Mr. Ladd dated May 9, 1950, recommending that the Liaison Section furnish orally to the Atomic Energy Commission conditions which were imposed upon the Bureau by the British in the contemplated interview with Fuchs.

On May 10, 1950, SA Bates, of the Liaison Section, orally advised Mr. Gordon Dean, AEC Commissioner, of the conditions under which the Bureau would be permitted to interview Fuchs. Mr. Dean stated it was incredible to him that the British could impose such restrictions, and he could see no basis whatsoever for the fourth condition which would confine the interview to intelligence and security matters and not atomic energy intelligence as such. Dean stated it was highly important that the Commission know specifically what technical data went to the Russians and whether or not the person receiving the information from Fuchs had technical knowledge enough to transmit this information correctly to scientific people in Russia. If this were known, the Commission could declassify certain bits of information. Dean stated the Commission would certainly not enter into any agreement with the British regarding the free exchange of atomic data as long as this situation exists. He stated he intended to bring this matter up before the other Commissioners and hoped to discuss with the State Department some means of permitting an unrestricted interview with Fuchs.

Dean stated he was entirely in sympathy with the Bureau's position that an interview with Fuchs would not be warranted or productive under the conditions laid down.

ACTION:

This is submitted for your information.

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DATE: May 9, 1950.

FROM : MR. BELMONT

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PURPOSE

To obtain authority to advise the Atomic Energy Commission, via Liaison, of the restrictions attached to the permission granted the FBI by the British to interview Fuchs, and the fact that these restrictions will make it impossible for the Bureau to discharge its responsibilities.

FACTS

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By memorandum dated May 9, 1950, it was set out that on May 8, 1950, Mr. C. A. Rolander of the AEC Security Division called Special Agent C. W. Bates and advised that Gordon Dean, AEC Commissioner, had asked him to inquire of the FBI whether it was true that the FBI was going to interview Fuchs. It was stated that, according to Dean, the Commission desired to be helpful in this matter and had been considering steps which might be taken to force the British to allow the Bureau permission to interview Fuchs.

Memorandum dated May 2, 1950, from the British Embassy advised that permission to interview Fuchs, under certain conditions, was being granted to the FBI. The first three conditions, which appear to be reasonable, are that

1. A member of the British Security Service accompany the FBI representative;
2. Dr. Fuchs must consent to be questioned; and
3. The interrogation of Dr. Fuchs must take place in the presence of a prison officer.

The fourth condition attached to the permission to interview Fuchs was that the interrogation must be confined to counter intelligence and security matters and should not concern itself with atomic energy intelligence as such. This condition is definitely unreasonable and it would be useless to proceed with an interview if it could not cover atomic energy intelligence.

The fifth condition was that after the interrogation nothing was to be said either publicly or in executive sessions of congressional committees, except that the United States authorities had received every possible facility

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from the British Security authorities, and that under no circumstances should a member of the FBI or any other United States spokesman mention that an FBI representative had interrogated Fuchs. Compliance with this restriction would be impossible for it would be incumbent upon the Bureau to furnish the results of the interview to the AEC, other intelligence agencies, and, possibly, to the Joint Congressional Committee on Atomic Energy. These agencies would have to know the source of the information and an evaluation of the source.

In view of the latter two restrictions it would be impossible for the Bureau to discharge its responsibilities. Therefore, it is not believed possible for the Bureau to interview Dr. Fuchs under these conditions.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Liaison Section be authorized to furnish orally the above information to the Atomic Energy Commission.

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TO : MR. V. E. DEAN
 FROM : C. W. RATES
 SUBJECT: FUCASE

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On afternoon of May 8, 1950, Mr. C. A. Rolander, of the AEC Security Division, called the writer and stated that he had just received an inquiry from Gordon Dean, AEC Commissioner, asking if it were true that the Bureau was going to interview Fuchs. Dean stated the Commission desired to be helpful in this matter and had been considering for some time steps which could be taken in order to force the British to allow the Bureau to interview Fuchs. Dean asked Rolander if he would check to see if the Bureau were sending someone to England for this interview.

Rolander was informed that a check would be made and the Commission would be advised.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that this memorandum be furnished to the Espionage Section.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: The Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
 FROM: James M. McInerney, Assistant Attorney General
 DATE: May 9, 1950
 SUBJECT: Dr. Emil Klaus Fuchs
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In reference to your memorandum to the Attorney General dated May 4, 1950, entitled as above, there is enclosed herewith for your information a copy of a self-explanatory letter to the Under Secretary of State.

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**FROM
Department of Justice**

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

JEM:RPW:DJ

May 9, 1950

Honorable James E. Webb
Under Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Under Secretary:

I am enclosing a copy of a memorandum from the Federal Bureau of Investigation to the Attorney General, dated May 4, 1950, in which the Bureau set out its views with respect to the proposed interview of Dr. Emil Klaus Fuchs. Although you undoubtedly are familiar with it, for your ready reference a copy of the British memorandum of May 2, 1950, outlining its acceptable arrangements for the interview of Dr. Fuchs is also enclosed.

The validity of the Bureau's position is quite apparent and the Department agrees any attempt to proceed under the restrictions imposed would be ineffectual. The importance to the security of this nation of interviewing Dr. Fuchs and obtaining a detailed statement from him as to the identity of the individuals here and abroad who contacted him and to whom he transmitted information concerning atomic energy development as well as the precise information transmitted, however, needs no elaboration.

In the circumstances, the Department feels that some further effort should be made to obtain from the British a modification of the fourth and fifth restrictions upon which they have conditioned the proposed interview. In this connection, if it has not already been done, you may wish to advise them of the Bureau's responsibility to report the results of the interview to the Atomic Energy Commission, to other intelligence agencies and possibly to the Joint Congressional Committee on Atomic Energy.

It will be greatly appreciated if you will advise the Department as to your reaction to such further approach and in the event the matter is again discussed with the British authorities, if you will inform the Department as to the result.

Yours sincerely,

Peyton Ford
The Assistant to the Attorney General

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The Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
James E. McInerney, Assistant Attorney General
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[REDACTED] CABLE NUMBER 476 FROM SIS NUMBER 828
 DATED MAY 12, 1950 AT LONDON, ENGLAND. RECEIVED VIA THE
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 INTERROGATION OF SUBJECT: QUOTE IT IS PROVIDED BY THE
 PRISON RULES, 1949, THAT AN OFFICER OF POLICE MAY VISIT ANY
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 OF POLICE, SUCH VISIT BEING ADDITIONAL TO THE PRISONER'S
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 TO RELATE TO VISITS BY OFFICERS OF BRITISH POLICE FORCES
 AND I AM NOT AWARE OF ANY PRECEDENT FOR SUCH A VISIT BY POLICE
 OF OTHER COUNTRIES. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES HAS,
 HOWEVER, RECENTLY MADE A REQUEST THAT A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE
 F.B.I. SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO VISIT THE PRISONER KLAUS FUCHS,
 AND IN THE EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES THIS CASE THE REQUEST
 HAS BEEN GRANTED. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE USUAL PRACTICE
 THE VISIT WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE PRESENCE OF A PRISON OFFICER
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WILL JULIUS KLAUS FUCHS;
EDWARD MICHAEL CARSON

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Information has been received that Dr. Edward Michael Carson, while discussing the Fuchs case, mentioned that he had made public some letters and telegrams in which he had maintained that Fuchs was innocent. At the same time he also was reported to have stated that there were other scientists in England as dangerous as Fuchs. Carson was described as obviously distraught and mentally deranged on this occasion.

On April 29, 1950, Carson was interviewed concerning his knowledge of Fuchs. He said he met Fuchs in December, 1945, in New York and worked with him at Columbia University and Gallien Corporation during the time that Fuchs was in New York City. He did not associate with Fuchs outside of the office, does not know any of Fuchs' contacts outside of scientists in the British Mission, and did not see Fuchs from that time until November, 1949, while attending a scientific conference at Edinburgh, Scotland. At the time of interview, Carson stated he had been very shocked by Fuchs' arrest and it appeared that he was still greatly concerned over the Fuchs case, though he apparently was rational in his statements.

Carson stated he had communicated with Fuchs in jail, and Sir John Cockcroft, and as a result was interviewed in London for several days, several hours per day, by your representatives and "GID." He admitted he was "fencing" with these representatives in his answers.

Carson alleged that there were many other German Communist refugees who had gone to England during the period 1932 to 1935 and who have been involved in the atomic energy program there. He claimed that this was despite the fact that Home Office records showed them to be Communists. He kept referring to four men in the atomic energy program in England, two of whom were at Harwell and

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two of them were outside of Harwell. He emphatically and repeatedly refused to furnish their names, however, saying he did not have any documentary proof and he did not want to "contravene" his integrity. He did state that one of these individuals at Harwell is Fuchs' successor. He considers this person to be as fanatical as Fuchs and stated that according to hearsay information he had received, this person had the same Communist Party background as Fuchs and would do the same as Fuchs had done.

Corson described the other individual at Harwell in various ways, first saying that he was "First Lieutenant" to the head of Harwell, and subsequently describing him as "head of Fuchs' department." He specifically denied that this person was Rudolf Peierls, and finally said that the person was a Swiss immigrant to England and that he was not certain of the position of the individual at Harwell.

Corson also intimated that one of the individuals not at Harwell was a scientist named Born whom he described as an outspoken left-winger. He did not furnish any indication as to the second alleged person outside of Harwell. He did state, however, that during the interview with your representatives he had been shown a list of names on which appeared all four of the names of the persons to whom he was referring. He indicated that he did not furnish anything specific to your representatives regarding these scientists.

Corson stated that Professor Max Born had told him that in 1938 Fuchs had been sent from Bristol, England, to Edinburgh, Scotland, to work under Born. Born is said to have claimed that Fuchs had been discovered to be an active vocal Communist at Bristol and that when Born informed Fuchs not to engage in any such activity at Edinburgh, Fuchs became his present "shy, retiring self." Corson described Born as anti-Communist, but stated he was annoyed at Born for "skipping" to Egypt after Fuchs' arrest, and at Peierls for denying that he knew anything regarding Fuchs' activities.

It will be appreciated if you would supply the identities of the four persons referred to by Corson, together with information of a security nature, if any.

Note to Legal Attache, London: Corson also advised that he had talked to the American Embassy in London. You are requested to ascertain what transpired between Corson and the American Embassy subsequent to the arrest of Fuchs.

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Photograph of JAMES J. ROBBIN not located.
ROBBIN'S marriage verified and additional
background obtained. Records pertaining to
possible railroad travel of JOSEPH ARNOLD
ROBBINS in 1945 have been destroyed.

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JAMES JEROME ROBBIN, aka.

Miss AMY BRINK, Recorder, College of Law, DePaul
University, 64 E. Lake Street, Chicago, Illinois,
made available records of the university which con-
tained the following information:

JAMES JEROME ROBBIN was admitted to DePaul University
on September 18, 1933, for the study of law. At that
time he stated he was born August 14, 1913, in Chicago,
Illinois. He resided at 2231 Thomas Street, Chicago, and
later at the following addresses for which dates are not
given:

3246 Wellington, Chicago
4759 N. Maplewood, Chicago
229 - 7th Avenue, Venice, California

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The records show that ROBBIN attended DePaul during first and second semesters of 1933 and 1934. On June 25, 1934, he was dismissed from the school for poor scholarship. He was permitted to re-enter on a probationary basis and attended the second semester of 1934 and 1935. On June 27, 1935, he was again dismissed for poor scholarship.

A transcript of ROBBIN'S credits was furnished the Law School of Loyola University, Los Angeles, California, on September 18, 1936.

DePaul records show that ROBBIN also attended DePaul in the preparatory department during 1931 and 1932 and Loyola University of Los Angeles, California in 1932 and 1933. He was graduated in June of 1931 from Onarga Military School of Onarga, Illinois.

A transcript of credits from the Loyola University at Los Angeles reflects the address of 229 - 7th Avenue, Venice, California, for ROBBIN; shows that he was admitted to Loyola for pre-legal study December 28, 1932, and studied in the College of Arts and Sciences.

There was no photograph of ROBBIN in the material made available and Miss BRINK stated that none was available at DePaul. In this connection she checked the yearbooks for the period which ROBBIN was in attendance.

She advised from the record that ROBBIN might also have attended the School of Liberal Arts of DePaul.

Miss PEGGY KELLY, Secretary to the Assistant Registrar, School of Liberal Arts, DePaul University, 64 E. Lake Street, Chicago, Illinois, made available university records containing the following information:

JAMES JEROME ROBBIN, 1369 Greenleaf Avenue, Chicago, who was born on August 14, 1913, in Chicago, was admitted to the School of Liberal Arts December 9, 1938.

The records show that he later resided at 1342 Estes Avenue, Chicago, but gave no date for such a residence.

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ROBBIN attended the DePaul School of Liberal Arts during the winter quarter of 1938 and 1939, and the spring, summer and winter quarters of 1939. On June 12, 1940, he was awarded a B. S. degree in education. The courses taken by ROBBIN were in the evening school of the University.

The records show that a transcript of credits was furnished the University of Chicago, Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, on December 21, 1940.

Records contain no photograph of ROBBIN. Miss KELLY advised that her school had no photograph of ROBBIN. She examined pertinent yearbooks and advised that no photograph of ROBBIN was contained therein.

Miss BESS VEREMIS, Clerk, Registrar's Office, University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois, advised SA NEAL C. DUNDAS that the University of Chicago has no record of a JAMES JEROME ROBBIN having at any time attended this university.

Miss IRENE SMITH, Clerk, Comptroller's Office, University of Chicago, advised that there was no record of JAMES JEROME ROBBIN having been employed by the university at any time during the period of 1924 to 1942. She advised that although there were some public offices of the university located on Michigan Avenue, Chicago, any employment record would be reflected in the Comptroller's Office.

Miss SALLY CREYTS, Clerk, Admissions Office, University of Chicago, advised SA NEAL C. DUNDAS that she had no record of JAMES JEROME ROBBIN attending the university, and advised that there was at no time any part of the University of Chicago engaged in instruction on Michigan Avenue in Chicago.

Mrs. Mrs.
Special Employee ROBERT W. NICKLESS checked the records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Chicago, Illinois. JAMES J. ROBBIN, of 2805 N. Sawyer Avenue, Chicago, who was born on August 14, 1913, at an unspecified place, was married at Chicago on April 5, 1936, to SILVIA C. POLLARD, *Robbin* 5024 N. Springfield Avenue, Chicago, who was born at an unspecified place on

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March 18, 1915. The marriage was performed by a Rabbi ALBERT N. MANDELBAUM. There was no other information pertaining to the marriage or the participants in the marriage.

Mrs. MORRIS GOODMAN, 4728 N. Lawndale, Chicago, advised that she has resided at that address for less than a year and does not recall anyone by the name of MANDELBAUM.

Mrs. FANNY LEVINSON, 4728 N. Lawndale, advised that she has resided at this address longer than any other tenant and moved in about 1945. She does not recall Rabbi MANDELBAUM.

Mrs. JEROME K. COOPERSMITH, 4728 N. Lawndale, advised that she had resided at this address for about a year and a half but does not recall anyone by the name of MANDELBAUM.

Mr. JOSEPH BRAUER, 3705 W. Lawrence Avenue, Chicago, operates a meat market at this address which is in the immediate vicinity of 4728 N. Lawndale. Mr. BRAUER advised that he recalls Rabbi MANDELBAUM who formerly resided at the Lawndale address. BRAUER stated that he does not know where MANDELBAUM is at the present time, but was of the opinion that Rabbi ABRAHAM E. ABRAMOWITZ of the Albany Park Hebrew Congregation, 4601 N. Lawndale, Chicago, would be able to furnish information pertaining to MANDELBAUM'S whereabouts since MANDELBAUM was formerly a Rabbi of the same congregation.

Rabbi ABRAHAM E. ABRAMOWITZ, Albany Park Hebrew Congregation, 4601 N. Lawndale, Chicago, advised that Rabbi ALBERT N. MANDELBAUM could now be located at 3593 Bainbridge, Bronx, New York, N. Y. Rabbi ABRAMOWITZ stated he did not know whether this was an office or a residence address.

Rabbi examined the records of the congregation and stated that on the basis of information available, it appeared doubtful that Rabbi MANDELBAUM would be able to furnish any information pertaining to ROBBIN which would indicate whether a photograph was made at the time MANDELBAUM performed

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the ROBBIN marriage. If MANDELBAUM did have such information, according to ABRAMOWITZ, it is doubtful whether there would be any indication as to who might have performed the photograph. Rabbi ABRAMOWITZ advised that it was highly unlikely that Rabbi MANDELBAUM would have received, or having received, would have retained a photograph of the ROBBIN wedding.

Rabbi ABRAMOWITZ stated that he was the Rabbi prior and subsequent to MANDELBAUM at the Albany Park Hebrew Congregation and does not recall ROBBIN or his wife.

Mr. TED VAN HECKE, janitor, 2807 N. Sawyer, Chicago, advised that he had been janitor for only one year. He said that the only person presently residing at the 2805-7 entrance of the apartment building for which he is the janitor who also resided there in 1936 is Mrs. ETHEL HERSKOVITZ.

Mrs. ETHEL HERSKOVITZ, 2805 N. Sawyer, Chicago, advised that she has resided at this address since about 1934. She stated that no one by the name of ROBBIN has ever resided at this address during the time that she has resided there. She stated that the only JAMES J. ROBBIN known to her is her nephew. She said that she presumed that the FBI was interested in him because he is a Communist, adding, "I hate Communists".

Mrs. HERSKOVITZ advised that she had been estranged from the ROBBIN family for a period of several years with the exception of the mother who is a sister of Mrs. HERSKOVITZ.

Mr. ROBBIN died about eight years ago and Mrs. ROBBIN and two of JAMES J. ROBBIN'S sisters are presently believed to be residing in Los Angeles. Mrs. HERSKOVITZ said, however, that she has no exact information as to the whereabouts of any of them.

Mrs. HERSKOVITZ last saw her nephew about August of 1949, when he came to her place to pick up his mother who was visiting briefly with her.

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Mrs. HERSKOVITZ said that she had heard that JAMES ROBBIN and his wife are Communists and personally thinks that they are, although she has no specific information in this regard. She advised that she has no photographs of any members of the family at this time. Mrs. HERSKOVITZ stated that she "hates JERRY", which is a name she used in referring to JAMES J. ROBBIN; however, she did not volunteer the reasons for her estrangement from JERRY and other members of the family, and in view of her relationship with him, such information is not sought.

Mrs. HERSKOVITZ is very definite in stating that ROBBIN never resided at that address. She stated that immediately prior to his wedding, he resided in California and came to Chicago in order to be married. She stated that it is possible that he used her address as a residence address so that the marriage could take place sooner than if he were a non-resident of Chicago. She stated that ROBBIN was married about 1939.

Mrs. BERTHA MARKS, 1809 W. Lawrence, Chicago, advised that she is one of the operators of the DeLuxe Hotel at that address, and has been for over twelve years. She advised that the Mid-City Construction Company was formerly located at 1807 Lawrence Avenue about ten years ago, but went out of business. According to Mrs. MARKS, the Mid-City Construction Company was operated by a family whose last name was POLLAND.

It is to be noted that this is the same last name as ROBBIN'S wife's maiden name.

Mrs. EMIL KOCHER, 1807 W. Lawrence, is one of the operators of a restaurant at this address. She advised that people by the name of POLLAND formerly operated the Mid-City Construction Company at 1807 Lawrence Avenue, but left about nine years ago. She advised that she does not know whether the firm continued, but is under the impression that it went out of business.

Confidential Informant T-1, another Government agency which maintains personnel records, has previously advised that ROBBIN in May of 1942 resided at 3718 - 176th Place, Lansing, Illinois.

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Mrs. MARY KELEHER, 3718 E. 176th Place, Lansing, Illinois, advised that she has resided at this address since 1944. She stated that there is no one in the neighborhood who has resided in the area as long as she has. She stated that the name of ROBBIN was not familiar to her as having at any time been a resident of the neighborhood.

Efforts on the part of the Chicago Office to obtain a photograph of ROBBIN were discontinued upon the receipt of information that the New York Office has obtained a photograph of ROBBIN.

JOSEPH ARNOLD ROBBINS, wa.
Joseph Reginstreich

Mr. J. H. MATHIAS, Manager, Reservation and Information Bureau, Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railroad, 80 E. Jackson, Chicago, Illinois, advised SA HORACE H. WILLIS that until about one year ago, records of all passenger tickets and pullman reservations were destroyed after one year.

In 1949, however, the railroad initiated a policy of microfilming records of this type and the microfilms will hereafter be maintained indefinitely.

He advised that there was no way for him to furnish information pertaining to any travel on the part of ROBBINS in 1945 or any year prior to 1949. He also advised that no passenger lists were maintained which would be helpful in this regard.

Mr. F. V. ALLEN, Chief Auditor of Receipts, Pullman Company, Merchandise Mart, Chicago, advised SA WILLIS that conductor reservations and diagrams are maintained by the company for a period of three years, after which they are destroyed. He advised that they have no passenger information for years prior to 1947 and could not furnish information pertaining to ROBBINS' travel in 1945.

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Mr. R. F. HULL, General Passenger Agent, Pullman Company, Merchandise Mart, Chicago, Illinois, advised SA WILLIS that he has no records prior to 1947 which would be of any assistance in determining the travel of ROBBINS in 1945.

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TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: May 17, 1950

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: EMIL KLAUS FUCHS
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Peyton Ford called me on the night of May 16 and advised that the State Department has sent word to London to inquire whether Fuchs will consent to be interviewed by the Bureau and that the State Department will notify the Bureau as soon as they receive word.

With reference to the interview itself, Mr. Ford states that the State Department has stated that there is no limitation on the Bureau with reference to the interview being conducted.

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cc - Mr. Belmont

Again we should have gotten it in writing from Ford. I do wish my instructions would be complied with.

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TO : Mr. Hennrich *CH*
 FROM : R. J. Lamphere *RJL*
 SUBJECT: *h* FOOOCASE
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The Chicago Office by memorandum dated April 13, 1950 in the case entitled "Educational Foundation for Nuclear Science, Inc.; Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, Internal Security - C", furnished the March 1950 issue of the "Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists" which is published by the above organization. An article on page 68 sets forth the following which is of some interest:

"Even at this unpropitious juncture, it must be repeated that the main reason for the Soviet success in producing the atomic bomb was not espionage, but possession by the Soviet Union of enough scientific and engineering brain power, and of enough industrial resources and know-how, to make full use of the universally known facts of basic science, as well as of the additional information relayed by its agents. No spying could have enabled a scientifically and industrially backward state to produce an atomic bomb in five, six or twenty years. It can be granted that Fuchs's reports have accelerated the achievement of the first Soviet bomb by a year, or even two years, but would it have made a decisive difference in the world-political situation, if this bomb had exploded in 1950 or 1951, instead of in 1949?"

RECOMMENDATION:

The above is being set forth in order to record in the Foccase, the fact that there is an article on the Fuchs espionage case in the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists and to set out the above paragraph which is believed to be of some interest.

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The New York "Times" for May 2, 1950 carried an article on the Pulitzer Prize Awards.

MEMO: It is noted that the award for International Reporting was made to EDMUND STEVENS of the "Christian Science Monitor". It is to be noted that the Bureau requested, previously, descriptive data on STEVENS with reference to the above captioned case.

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The "Times" article stated that STEVENS is now serving the "Christian Science Monitor" Mediterranean Bureau with headquarters in Rome. His series entitled, "THIS IS RUSSIA-UNCENSORED" was filed from Berlin (1949), following his departure from the Soviet Union after a three year stay there.

The article said that STEVENS was born in Rome of American parents, and speaks and reads Russian. He also speaks French, German and a smattering of other languages. His series of forty-four articles was written to give American readers a better understanding of the Russian people. The article further advised that STEVENS went to Russia in 1934 and remained there until 1939 on a pre-war assignment. He based his book, "Russia Is No Riddle", published in 1945 on that experience. In November 1946 he was one of three American correspondents affected by the Soviet abolition of broadcasting privileges from Moscow. STEVENS has served as a correspondent on both sides of the Iron Curtain, covering countries from Scandinavia to the Balkans. His wife is Russian and they have a young son and daughter.

The article further comments that STEVENS completed his last tour of duty in the Soviet Union about the time of the GUBITCHEV trial here, after Russian hostility toward America became marked. For months before his departure, the article says, STEVENS and his wife were shadowed constantly by Soviet Agents.

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DATED MAY 17, 1950 AT LONDON, ENGLAND.

FOOCASE. REBULET MAY 2 LAST. SUBJECT REJECTS PHOTOGRAPHS OF SUSPECTS SUBMITTED. STATES PHOTOGRAPH OF GREENFIELD BEARS SOME RESEMBLANCE TO AMERICAN CONTACT AND WOULD LIKE TO SEE BETTER PHOTOGRAPH OF HIM.

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U.S. FOR LONDON, ENGLAND NOVEMBER, FORTYTWO, AND ATTACHED TO
HQS., SIGNAL INTELLIGENCE DETACHMENT, LONDON BASE COMMAND.
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ITALY, SICILY, AND NORTH AFRICA. RETURNED TO U.S. AUGUST FORTY-
FIVE. ADDRESS AT TIME OF DISCHARGE 115 WEST CHESTNUT STREET,
GLENWOOD, MINNESOTA. CIVILIAN OCCUPATION SCHOOL TEACHER AND
PRINCIPAL, TEACHING MATHEMATICS, MUSIC, AND SCIENCE. BORN
NOVEMBER FOURTEEN, ELEVEN, GLENWOOD, MINNESOTA, SIX FEET ONE,
ONE FORTYSIX TO ONE FIFTYFIVE LBS., BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES,
RUDDY COMPLEXION. REGISTERED LDB NO. ONE, GLENWOOD, MINNESOTA.
NO PHOTO AVAILABLE. MOTHER, CLARA MOLLAN, GLENWOOD, MINNESOTA.
BROTHER, GERHARD MOLLAN, SIX SEVEN BEELEY AND TWO EIGHT REEVE
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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. **CONFIDENTIAL**

Transmit the following message to:

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TO : The Director, FBI, Washington, D.C. **CONFIDENTIAL**

FROM : Glenn H. Bethel, FBI Liaison Officer, Ottawa, Canada

SUBJECT: Emil Julius Klaus Fuchs
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May 2, 1950

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Reference is made to my telephone conversation with Inspector Al Belmont at the Bureau on the morning of May 2, 1950, relative to stories appearing in Canadian newspapers reporting statements concerning the Fuchs matter made by Canadian External Affairs Minister, Lester B. Pearson, before the House of Commons Committee on External Affairs.

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Mr. Pearson is now quoted as saying, "We had 150 names of people resident in Canada to investigate. The British only had five. Surely it was up to the British to make their investigation of the five British residents on the list."

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It will be seen from the clippings forwarded herewith that this case has received some attention in Canadian Parliament as a political matter. The opposition party has been attacking the Canadian Government in an effort to show that Canada has been negligent in handling any part she may have had in the Fuchs matter. It now appears that the matter is closed in so far as Canadian Parliament is concerned.

The above information should of course, be treated as for the strictly confidential information of the Bureau.

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"The Ottawa Journal," Ottawa, Canada, April 26, 1950

Some One Left Stones Unturned Says Graydon of Fuchs Case

By JAMES MCCOOK,
of The Journal Staff.

Further information on Canada's part in exposing Dr. Klaus Fuchs, sentenced in the United Kingdom for giving atomic information to Russia, will be demanded by Opposition members of the Commons.

Gordon Graydon, deputy Opposition leader, said at an External Affairs Committee meeting yesterday that "someone left some stones unturned", and Justice Department or other Government departments who knew the details of the case should appear as witnesses.

Will Examine Proposal.

Joseph Bradette, Liberal member for Cochrane and committee chairman, said the steering committee would examine the proposal. Objections to calling such witnesses were expressed by Liberal committee members.

Dr. E. A. McCusker opened the discussion by asking External Affairs Minister Pearson about contradictions which appeared in Canadian and United Kingdom statements on the question of whether Canada had informed British authorities of a mention of Fuchs found during the Royal Commission on Espionage activities in Canada in 1946.

Had Been Some Confusion.

Mr. Pearson said there had been no attempt to deceive in the statements but there had been some confusion. It had been suggested in London that no information had been sent by Canada, and in fact the espionage commission did not obtain testimony dealing with Fuchs. When an inquiry was made to the External Affairs Department after the arrest of Fuchs a few months ago, newspapers had been informed the inquiry had revealed nothing about him.

This was true in "the strict sense" but Fuchs' name had been included in a long list of names in the possession of one of the persons on whom suspicion fell.

"The name of Fuchs did not arouse particular interest at that time," said Mr. Pearson. "Fuchs had not been in Canada save for a period in an internment camp from which he was returned to the United Kingdom at United Kingdom request."

Reported to Britain.

The names in the list were brought to the attention of both British and American authorities at the time, along with

other information collected by the Royal Commission.

"The Canadian Government did not give specific information on Fuchs but it gave all the information gathered by the Royal Commission on Espionage and among that mass of material was this single reference to Fuchs."

Answering ECF Leader Coldwell, Mr. Pearson said there were more than 50 names on the list. Asked if all the names had been investigated, he replied they had been placed in the hands of United Kingdom and United States security officers in 1946 and normal police procedure would be to make a check. He did not know where the people named now lived.

Mr. Graydon wondered if there had been any communication between the British and Canadian authorities on Fuchs after 1946, and Mr. Pearson said he could not recall any such message but would look into it.

The minister's understanding was that the notebook with the list of names contained no other information apart from the name "Klaus Fuchs". Asked if the notebook was in the possession of one of the persons convicted in the spy trials, Mr. Pearson said he did not know how far he could go in answering because of security reasons.

"If these people mentioned are still in Canada are they being investigated?" asked G. K. Fraser, Progressive Conservative, Peterborough West.

"I will try to find out and give all the information available," said Mr. Pearson.

"Does the minister know the person who had the notebook was examined on the histories of those mentioned in the book?" asked Mr. Graydon.

"I can't answer," said Mr. Pearson.

Feels Looseness Somewhere.

"In view of the international complications shouldn't we have the responsible Government authorities, in the Justice Department or whatever it is, before us?" asked Mr. Graydon. "The minister evidently can only give hearsay evidence. There must be looseness somewhere if a man with the notebook was examined on his mention of Fuchs."

Leslie Mutch, parliamentary assistant to Veterans Minister Gregg, said it would be "unusual" for the committee to begin an inquiry into the fairness or efficiency of a 1946 committee. Dr. McCusker said he was confident the Royal Commission

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had gone into the matter thoroughly.

Mr. Bradette said he would see if Justice Department officials could be called and would report at a future meeting.

In a review of international affairs, Mr. Pearson told the committee the situation in Europe did not appear to have deteriorated, helped as it was by the North Atlantic Treaty and improved economic conditions. The North Atlantic Council meeting in London next month would consider economic co-operation machinery to take the place of Marshall Aid which expires in two years. The consideration would be limited to the machinery required.

Would Counteract Red Talk.

On the social side of co-operation under the treaty, the council probably would consider means of countering Communist propaganda. It might be well to know how the nations could best conduct their information and propaganda activities.

Under the treaty Canada accepted the implication that an attack on one nation was an attack on all. But the prerogative of the Canadian Parliament to decide on action to be taken in an emergency was not affected.

Situation Explosive.

It would be unwise to be too optimistic about the European situation; it remained explosive. He did not fear calculated aggression so much as "an accidental explosion", and he cited the bitterness shown in exchanges between the United States and Russia over the loss of an American plane in the Baltic.

On the Far East, "no one can feel any satisfaction at all". The Communists had made dramatic progress, especially in China. In the United Nations, he did not expect the Russians to join the work of agencies they deserted until the Chinese Communist government was recognized.

"One of these days we may be faced with the situation where a UN agency will admit a Communist China representative and when that happens, then I don't know ..."

No Word of Recognition.

He had nothing to say on progress towards Canadian recognition of the Communist government in China. There was no doubt the Chinese Communists had the assistance of Soviet technicians but much of their supply of arms had been captured from the Nationalist forces. Russia herself was short of technicians and could not spare many for China. Canadian missionaries in China were being treated correctly.

Mr. Pearson said he had consulted with Chinese in Canada on their status if the Communist government was recognized.

Their status was one factor in the problem of recognition; they were Canadians then recognition was not of concern to them.

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FUCHS ON LIST GIVEN BRITAIN

Pearson Says Responsibility
Was U.K.'s, Not Canada's

Ottawa, May 1.—(C)—External Affairs Minister Pearson said tonight that the name of Dr. Klaus Fuchs, formerly a British Government scientist, was one of only five given to Britain in 1946 as a result of Canada's spy probe.

The responsibility for further investigation of the man recently sentenced to 14 years in prison for atomic spying for Russia surely rested with the United Kingdom Government, he insisted in testimony before the Commons Committee on External Affairs.

Mr. Pearson, finally replying with some heat to questions asked by Gordon Graydon (PC—Peel) made these points about the Fuchs' case.

1. His name was one of some 150 found in an address book seized Feb. 15, 1946, in connection with the detention of one of 13 Canadian men and women suspected of espionage. The detainees were later acquitted.

2. Of that 150, investigation showed that 163 of them were persons living in the U.S., five in Britain and 180 in Canada. There had been "thorough investigation" of the Canadians. All the information available about the others was given in Ottawa to security representatives of the two governments.

3. Canada, accepting responsibility for the investigation of 180 in addition to the general conduct of the spy probe, felt the other countries could shoulder the responsibility of probing the others.

Canada had "very carefully investigated" the Canadians whose names were found in the book, an ordinary, small "alphabetically indexed" address book that contained addresses and phone numbers. The owner of the book had been "interviewed" about them all.

The five U.K. names, together with all pertinent information, were given to a British official in Ottawa in 1946. He was allowed to attend hearings of the Royal Commission on Espionage and to look at the wealth of evidence that taxed the capacity of a large room.

The notebook was "very carefully examined" at the time and appropriate action was taken in each case.

Mr. Graydon said it would "seem to most laymen" that when only five names had to be investigated by Britain and Fuchs "could drive a coach and six" through security barriers "it makes one feel insecure about general security provisions."

It was Mr. Graydon's persistent questioning about what Canada did about the investigation of the notebook's owner and the names that finally led Mr. Pearson to say that Canada's share of the probe had been thorough and swift and she had given Britain every bit of information available.

"Surely," said Mr. Pearson, "what we had 180 to investigate was Britain's responsibility to investigate the five in their country, including Fuchs."

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Pearson Puts Fuchs Case Onus On U.K.

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External Affairs Minister
Pearson last night put the responsibility squarely on the United Kingdom for any investigation of Dr. Klaus Fuchs which should have been undertaken after his name was turned up in a notebook during the 1944 Russian espionage case here.

In the Commons external affairs committee, the minister replied to earlier doubts expressed by Gordon Graydon (PO-Peel) that the royal commission investigating the spy ring may have left some stones unturned in regard to people such as Fuchs, recently convicted in England of giving atomic secrets to Russia.

He said that this particular notebook, found in the premises of a man charged with espionage and subsequently acquitted, contained 436 names in all. Klaus Fuchs was among them, along with four other residents of the U.K., 150 Canadian residents, 163 people living in the United States, plus 118 entries of miscellaneous nature.

"I rather feel that if a full examination had been made of Fuchs at the time it would have saved a lot of trouble," remarked Mr. Graydon.

Sharp Reply

Mr. Pearson sharply replied: "We had 150 names of people resident in Canada to investigate. The British only had five. Surely it was up to the British to make their investigation of the five British residents on the list."

Mr. Graydon wasn't satisfied. "This doesn't tie up the end for me."

He felt that if the security arrangements were such that you could "drive a coach and six through them" like Fuchs, did it make one insecure about the security arrangements themselves.

"It seems to me that we have some responsibility to track down the sword of Fuchs when it came up in the case."

The minister didn't accept this view. He said the owner of the notebook was very carefully examined and that all the names of Canadian residents were also carefully investigated. Surely, he added, the responsibility was with the U.K. government to deal with the five British names when they were made available to a representative of the British secret service in the mass of 800 exhibits from the trial.

The PC MP didn't get much support from other members of the committee in his pursuit of the subject. Dave Croll (Lib-Toronto-Spadina) interjected: "Didn't the British attorney-general admit they'd slipped and I think the loss said about it now the better."

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