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1850	6-11-57	NY, SA to SAC memo to file captioned: third party	2	—	Yes	see NY File 65-15348
1851	6-11-57	NK, SA to SAC memo to file captioned: NCSJMSRC	4	0		
1852	6-13-57	CV letter to HQ captioned: third party	5	0	Yes	process
1853	6-18-57	Ny, Airtel to HQ captioned: Julius Rosenberg	1	—	Yes	See NY file 65-15348 Bufile 65-58236
1854	6-4-57	NK, letter to Ny. captioned: Third Party	3	3		
1855	7-8-57	PH, SA to SAC memo to file captioned: CSJMSRC	4	4		
1856	7-12-57	Ny, SAC letter to Ny. Tele. Co.	1	1		
1857	7-15-57	N.Y. letter to HQ	1	—	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1858	7-17-57	Ny SAC letter to Ny. Tele Co.	1	1		
1859	7-17-57	Ny, SAC letter to N.Y. Tele. Co.	1	1		
1860	7-22-57	CG, Airtel to HQ captioned: NCSJRC	2	2	Yes	process
1861	8-5-57	Ny, letter to HQ	1	—	Yes	bufile 101-2483

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1862	6-13-57	NY, FD-160	1	1		—
1863	6-13-57	NY, FD-160	1	1		
1864	6-13-57	NY, FD-160	1	1		
1865	6-13-57	NY, FD-160	1	1		
1866	6-13-57	NY, FD-160	1	1		
1867	6-13-57	NY, FD-160	1	1		
1868	6-13-57	NY, FD-160	1	1		
1869	6-13-57	NY, FD-160	1	1		
1870	6-13-57	NY, FD-160	1	1		
1871	8-9-57	NY, FD-160	1	1		
1872	8-9-57	NY, FD-160	1	1		
1873	8-8-57	NY, SAC letter to NY Tele company	1	1		

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1874	8-14-57	HQ, letter to NY.	1	—	yes	see bufile 101-2483
1874	8-14-57	Copy of HQ, letter to NY	1	—	Ye	see bufile 101-2483
1875	8-28-57	NY, report to HQ	10	—	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1875	8-28-57	copy of NY report to HQ	10	—	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1875	8-28-57	copy of NY report to HQ	10	—	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1876	8-28-57	NY, LHM	1	—	yes	see bufile 101-2483
1876	8-28-57	copy of NY, LHM	1	—	yes	see bufile 101-2483
1876	8-28-57	copy of NY, LHM	1	—	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1877	8-28-57	NY, letter to HQ RE: Above LHM	3	—	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1877	8-28-57	copy of NY, letter to HQ RE: Above LHM	3	—	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1877	8-28-57	copy of NY, letter to HQ RE: Above LHM	3	—	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1878	9-3-57	NY, SA to SAC memo captioned: NCS JMC	4	0		

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1879	9-25-57	BS, letter to N.Y.	1	1		
1880	9-12-57	Director's letter to Dept. of State	1	0	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1881	9-12-57	Director's letter to Dept. of State	1	0	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1882	9-19-57	MC, letter to HQ, captioned: NCSJRC	31	0	Yes	Process
1883	10-3-57	HQ, letter to NY.	1	0	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1883	10-3-57	copy of HQ, letter to N.Y.	1	0	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1884	10-12-57	NY, Teletype to HQ captioned: Helen Sobell	1	0	Yes	see bufile 100-404849
1885	10-14-57	NY, Airtel to HQ captioned: Helen Sobell	10	0	Yes	see bufile 100-404849
1886	10-14-57	NY, Airtel to to HQ captioned: Julius Rosenberg	2	0	Yes	HQ- 65-15348 see bufile 65-58236
1887	10-25-57	HQ, letter to N.Y.	1	0	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1887	10-25-57	copy of HQ, letter to N.Y.	2	0	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1888	10-25-57	NY, SA to SAC to file captioned: NCSJMC	2	2		

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1889	10-31-57	N.Y. report to HQ	8	0	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1889	10-31-57	Copy of report to HQ	8	0	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1889	10-31-57	Copy of report to HQ	8	0	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1890	10-31-57	NY, letter to HQ	2	0	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1890	10-31-57	Copy of N.Y. letter to HQ	2	0	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1890	10-31-57	Copy of NY, letter to HQ	2	0	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1891	7-14-57	N.Y. FD-160 (pg 4 missing)	4	4		page missing when received at Hq.
1892	7-14-57	N.Y. FD-160 pg 6 of above FD-160	1	1		
1892	11-06-57	N.Y. SA to SAC memo to file captioned Third Party	3	0		
1893	12-12-57	N.Y. verification of Intd. form	1	1		7E
1894	12-13-57	N.Y. Report to HQ	22	0	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1894	12-13-57	Copy of N.Y. Report to HQ	22	0	Yes	see bufile 101-2483

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1895	12-13-57	N.Y. LHM	1	0	Yes	bufile 101-2483
1895	12-13-57	Copy of LHM	1	0	Yes	bufile 101-2483
1896	12-13-57	N.Y. letter to HQ	5	0	Yes	bufile 101-2483
1896	12-13-57	Copy of N.Y. letter to HQ	5	0	Yes	bufile 101-2483
1897	12-12-57	N.Y. SA to SAC to file captioned: NCSJMC	3	0		
1898	12-18-57	SF, Airtel to HQ captioned: Third Party	2	0	Yes	Process
1899	1-10-58	N.Y. SAC memo	1	1		
1900	1-7-58	LA. SA to SAC captioned: Third Party	2	0		
1901	2-6-58	N.Y. SAS to SAC	1	1		
1901	2-6-58	Copy of SAS to SAC	1	1		
1902	2-6-58	N.Y. SA to SAC memo captioned: Third Party	3	3		
1903	2-11-58	N.Y. SA to SAC memo captioned: Third Party	3	3		

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1904	2-11-58	N.Y. SA to SAC captioned: third party	5	5		
1905	2-17-58	N.Y. Report to HQ	3	0	Yes	Bufile 101-2483
1905	2-17-58	Copy of N.Y. report to HQ	3	0	Yes	bufile 101-2483
1905	2-17-58	Copy of N.Y. report to HQ	3	0	Yes	bufile 101-2483
1906	2-17-58	N.Y. SAC to HQ Letter	3	0	yes	bufile 101-2483
1906	2-17-58	Copy of N.Y. SAC to HQ	3	0	yes	bufile 101-2483
1906	2-17-58	Copy of N.Y. SAC to HQ	3	0	yes	bufile 101-2483
1907	2-26-58	N.Y. letter to HQ	2	0	Yes	bufile 101-2483
1908	2-27-58	N.Y. SA to SAC captioned Third Party	4	4		
1909	3-5-58	N.Y. Airtel to HQ captioned: Third Party	2/4	0	Yes	see bufile 101-2483
1910	3-6-58	HQ, letter to NY	1	0	Yes	bufile 101-2483
1910	3-6-58	Copy of HQ letter to N.Y	1	0	Yes	bufile 101-2483

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1911	3-13-58	NY, SA to SAC memo captioned: Third Party	5	4		
1912	3-11-58	N.Y. SA to SAC memo captioned: Third Party	6	6		
1913	3-19-58	N.Y. SA to SAC memo captioned: Third Party	5	4		Page 4 missing from file
1914	3-19-58	N.Y. SA to SAC memo captioned: Third Party	5	5		
1915	3-25-58	N.Y. SAC to SF memo captioned: Third Party	5	0		
1916	3-14-58	LA, SA to SAC captioned: Third Party	1	0		
1917	3-28-58	N.Y. SA to SAC memo captioned: Third Party	3	0		
1918	4-1-58	N.Y. SA to SAC memo	1	1		
1919	4-3-58	N.Y. SA to SAC captioned: Third Party	3	0		
1920	4-8-58	N.Y. letter to HQ	6	0	Yes	bufile 101-2483

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-4013) DATE: 6/4/57

FROM: SAC, NEWARK (100-1984)

SUBJECT: SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY
IS - SWP
(CC: New York)

17 - New York (REGISTERED MAIL)
2 - 100-4013 (encl. - 3)
1 - 100- (INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE)
1 - 100- (SOCIALIST UNION OF AMERICA)
1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted]
1 - 100- (ATTEMPTS OF CP TO FORM A BROAD SOCIALIST ORGANIZATION)
1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted]
1 - 100- (SOBELL COMMITTEE)
1 - [redacted]
1 - 100- (COMMITTEE FOR SOCIALIST UNITY)
1 - [redacted]
1 - 100- (MORTON SOBELL)
21 - Newark
1 - 100-1984
1 - 100-4284 AA (CP - MEETINGS)
1 - 100-18417 (INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE)
1 - 100-38380 (SOCIALIST UNION OF AMERICA)
1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted]
1 - 100- (AMERICAN FORUM)
1 - 100-42354 (ATTEMPTS OF CP TO FORM A BROAD SOCIALIST ORGANIZATION)
1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted]
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1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted]
1 - 100-42359 (CP USA COUNTER INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM)

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DWA:JAC
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NK 100-1934

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity must be protected, was contacted on 5/17/57 by SAS L. DEAN PAARMANN and DONALD W. AARON at which time he furnished a written report concerning a regroupment meeting which was held on 5/10/57 at Tunis Mansion on Bergen Street, Newark, N.J.

b7d

The following persons were the speakers:

MARTHA STONE
DAVID DILLINGER
HARRY BRAVERMAN
DAN ROBERTS
MAX SHACHTMAN

The Chairman of the meeting was HANS FREISTADT who referred to the meeting as the "American Forum."

The following persons, in addition to those listed above, were in attendance:

[redacted]

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Each speaker was allowed 20 minutes to put across his views concerning regroupment. All of the speakers agreed that their parties have made mistakes in the past in developing the "revolutionary" movement in this country. They stated that in the future they will profit by mistakes made in the past.

MAX SHACHTMAN stated that the parties will never agree to uniting until the main question of Russia is solved. He stated that you cannot sell a Marxist or Leninist idea to a man when he is seeing the conditions that exist in Russia. Each speaker talked on the same topic copying each other. They gave the impression that they were only feeling each other out.

HANS FREISTADT stated that he hoped to hold more of these meetings in the future as is now being done in Chicago, Los Angeles and other parts of the country.

The informant stated that there were approximately 100 people in attendance.

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The informant furnished a leaflet entitled "What's Ahead for American Workers" which announced that MURRY WEISS would speak at SWP headquarters, 52 Market Street, Newark, on 5/18/57 at 8:30 P.M. This leaflet is maintained in 100-1984-1A-238.

The informant furnished two leaflets captioned "A Debate WHAT ROAD TO SOCIALIST REGROUPMENT?" which announced that MAX SHACHTMAN and MURRY WEISS would engage in a debate on 5/24 at Central Plaza Hall, Second Avenue and 7th Street, and that the chairman of the meeting will be CLIFFORD T. MC AVOY of the Committee for Socialist Unity. These leaflets are forwarded herewith to New York.

The informant furnished a leaflet which announced a boat ride sponsored by the Sobell Committee, 940 Broadway, New York City, to be held 5/26/57 for the assistance of MORTON SOBELL. This leaflet is enclosed herewith for New York.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC (100-37667) DATE: 7/8/57

FROM: SA WALKER WHITE, Jr.

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
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On 6/10/57, [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, and whose identity should be protected, advised the writer of the following: b7d

On Friday evening, 6/7/57, a meeting jointly sponsored by the SWP and the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell was held at Roberts Hall, 205 South 13th Street, Philadelphia, Pa. This meeting started at 8:15 p.m., and was attended by approximately 35-40 persons. Among those whom the informant recognized in attendance were [redacted] and [redacted] b7d

An admission of $.50 per person was collected before it was announced that in addition to this admission charge, $112.00 and some odd cents had been collected through contributions at the meeting. It was also announced that JEAN FRANTJIS was Organizational Director of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, described as a national organization.

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1 - COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL
1 - MORTON SOBELL 100-37158 *
1 - [redacted] 107111 * b7c,d

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1 - 100-37667
1 - 100-42651 (ATTEMPTS OF CPUSA TO FORM A BROAD SOCIALIST ORGANIZATION)
1 - 100-2036 (SWP)
1 - 100-31643 (CPUSA - PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICATIONS)
1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted] b7c,d
1 - [redacted]
1 - 65-4372 (MORTON SOBELL)
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.... Speakers at this meeting included MYRA TANNER WEISS, HELEN SOBELL, JEAN FRANTJIS, and DAVE WEISS. All talks dealt with the trial of MORTON SOBELL and all speakers severely criticized the Government, and particularly the FBI in connection with the Sobell trial.

MYRA TANNER WEISS, the main speaker, told of attending the Sobell trial. She said she had attended this trial for the purpose of determining in her own mind whether or not there was sufficient evidence on which the charges were based. She said that witnesses of the FBI had lied throughout the trial and criticized the Government, the court, and news reporters who had reported on the proceedings.

In commenting on the trial MYRA WEISS said that SOBELL is presently being held illegally. She said that SOBELL, while in Mexico, had actually been kidnapped by the Mexican authorities and taken to the U.S. border where he was turned over directly to the FBI. She also commented on a table which was alleged to have been given him by the Russians as a present. She advised that it had been proven that this table was actually purchased at Macy's Department Store. She also said that during the trial SOBELL had been accused of attempting to flee the country to avoid being caught, but that since he had obtained a passport and was carrying a Social Security Card under his right name it proved that he was not attempting to flee nor to hide his identity.

During her talk MYRA WEISS stated that the fight now to be waged by this committee was for the purpose of obtaining a new hearing for SOBELL which, is accomplished, would assist others being persecuted by mob hysteria to also obtain new hearings. She said that there had been much evidence favorable to SOBELL which had been withheld at the time of his trial.

It was announced at this meeting that the committee planned to circulate petitions among church groups and prominent individuals, the purpose being to bring the Sobell question out in the open in an effort to force a new trial. In this connection ARCHIE COLEMAN suggested that cards be passed out to those in

attendance for the purpose of obtaining their names and addresses in order that these people could be subsequently contacted to assist in circulating these petitions. This was done prior to adjournment.

During the evening film slides were shown centered around the life of MORTON SOBELL, which included exterior pictures of Alcatraz Prison, SOBELL's apartment, and SOBELL and JULIUS ROSENBERG together.

The meeting adjourned at 11 p.m., at which time it was announced that a meeting of this committee would be held 6/18/57, the time and place to be announced at a later date. Upon conclusion of the meeting, refreshments were served.

This source furnished copies of the following literature which was obtained from this meeting. This material has been made an exhibit in 100-37667-1-B-29(20).

1. 11/56 edition of "A Newspaper to Secure Justice in the Case of MORTON SOBELL, Published by the Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL."

2. The Winter 1957 edition "International Socialist Review."

3. One copy of the ruling on the appeal of conviction of MORTON SOBELL by the U.S. Court of Appeals, October Term 1956.

4. A four page pamphlet captioned "The Facts in the Case of MORTON SOBELL," circulated by the National Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL, 10 56th Avenue, New York City.

5. One copy of the Catholic Worker captioned "Our Troubled Consciences," circulated by the Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL, 940 Broadway, New York City.

6. A one page circular in the form of a letter to President EISENHOWER captioned "Appeal to the President." This circular urges the President to use his influence for a new trial for MORTON SOBELL and contains a list of individuals purportedly urging presidential action.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

201 East 69th Street
New York 21, New York

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

July 12, 1957

Mr. Edward L. Braune, Agent
New York Telephone Company
140 West Street
New York 7, New York

Dear Mr. Braune:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it is requested that you make available all background information which your files might contain concerning:

Herman Beauty Salon
3469 Broadway
WADS 6-9460

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

James J. Kelly

JAMES J. KELLY,
Special Agent in Charge

RTH:cem

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7/17/57

Mr. Edward L. Braune, Agent
New York Telephone Company
140 West Street
New York 7, New York

Dear Mr. Braune:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it is requested that you make available all background information which your files might contain concerning:

Helene Sobel Beauty Salon
602 West 145th Street
New York City
FO 8-7100

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

1-New York (100-37158)

RTH:sb
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Very truly yours,

James J. Kelly

JAMES J. KELLY,
Special Agent in Charge

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New York Telephone Company
140 West Street
New York 7, New York

Dear Mr. Braune:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it is requested that you make available all background information which your files might contain concerning:

Helene Sobel
601 West 141st Street, New York City
Audubon 3-4773

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

1-New York (100-37158)

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Very truly yours,

JAMES J. KELLY,
Special Agent in Charge

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

7-22-57

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-25530)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, aka
IS-C; IS ACT of 1950

CINAL

On [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised SA MYRON H. TRETER concerning a meeting of the Chicago Branch of the SWP held at [redacted] The educational portion of this meeting was given by MARJORIE SWABECK, a Chicago SWP member, during which she discussed the ROSENBERG and SOBELL cases. SWABECK stated that the CG SOBELL Committee felt that the Supreme Court was correct in its charges concerning the individuals, but they had received unjust punishment. A review of the cases reflected that the witnesses who testified against them were also involved in espionage work, however, they received light sentences. b7d

MARY LOU SANDERS, another CG SWP member, reveiwed the activities of various SOBELL committees in different parts of the United States, during which she pointed out the various assitance given these committees by SWP members and how the SWP is attempting to influence the various committees. SANDERS stated that HELEN SOBELL, wife of MORTON SOBELL, planned to be in CG in the fall and the SWP hoped to build a meeting

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around her visit.

It was announced at this SWP meeting that the SWP was sponsoring a forum for July 26, 1957, which would feature HAVEN PERKINS. The CG SWP would make an all out effort to see its contacts, print a special leaflet and would have special advertising for the affair. This will be an affair open to the public, the proceeds of which will be turned over to the CG SOBELL committee.

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INDICES SEARCH SLIP

TO CHIEF CLERK: DATE 6/13/57

SUBJECT HERMAN BEAUTY SALON

ALIASES

ADDRESS 3469 BROADWAY NY NY

DATE & PLACE OF BIRTH

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INDICES SEARCH SLIP

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SUBJECT GILBERT BEAUTY SHOP

ALIASES

ADDRESS 3420 BROADWAY, N.Y. N.Y.

DATE & PLACE OF BIRTH

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TO CHIEF CLERK:

DATE 6/13/57

SUBJECT CARMELITAS BEAUTY SHOP

ALIASES

ADDRESS 3436 BROADWAY NY NY

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INDICES SEARCH SLIP

TO CHIEF CLERK: DATE 6/13/57

SUBJECT MAJESTIC BEAUTY SHOP

ALIASES

ADDRESS 3423 BROADWAY. N.Y. N.Y.

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TO CHIEF CLERK: DATE 6/13/57

SUBJECT TETE'S BEAUTY SALON

ALIASES

ADDRESS 3462 BROADWAY N/Y

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TO CHIEF CLERK: DATE 6/13/57

SUBJECT JOSEPHINE FALSMAN

ALIASES unk

ADDRESS unk

DATE & PLACE OF BIRTH unk

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INDICES SEARCH SLIP

TO CHIEF CLERK: DATE 6/13/57

SUBJECT CESARIO NUNEZ

ALIASES LAURA NUNEZ

ADDRESS 3420 BROADWAY N.Y. N.Y.

DATE & PLACE OF BIRTH Abr V 1920-22 Cuba or Panama

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INDICES SEARCH SLIP

TO CHIEF CLERK: DATE 6/13/57

SUBJECT ANGELICA BERDECIA

ALIASES Unk

ADDRESS 3423 BROADWAY, NY NY

DATE & PLACE OF BIRTH Abt N 1927, Puerto Rico

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INDICES SEARCH SLIP

TO CHIEF CLERK: DATE 6/13/57

SUBJECT EDWARDO STASZESKI

ALIASES BRETUHILDA OTERO

ADDRESS 315 E. 5th St. nyc and 606 W 137th St nyc

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TO: CHIEF CLERK

Date 8/9/57

Subject HERMAN WEINHARDT WR

Aliases

Address 24 MAJOR APPLEBYS RD ARDSLEY NY

Birth Date unk

Birthplace unk

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FD-160 (7-20-55)

TO: CHIEF CLERK

Date 8-9-57

Subject MARIA TERESA BETANCOURT nyc

Aliases

Address 640 Riverside Dr nyc | Birth Date unk | Birthplace unk

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

201 East 69th Street
New York 21, New York
August 8, 1957

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Edward L. Braune, Agent
New York Telephone Company
140 West Street
New York 7, New York

Dear Mr. Braune:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it is requested that you make available all background information which your files might contain concerning:

Tete's Beauty Salon
3466 Broadway
New York, New York
AU 3-8425

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

1-New York (100-37158)

RTH:sb
(2)

Very truly yours,

JAMES J. KELLY,
Special Agent in Charge

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FILE # 100-37158

SUBJECT MORTON SOBELL

SERIAL 1878 DATE 9-3-57

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-37158)

DATE: September 25, 1957

FROM : SAC, Boston (65-3379)

SUBJECT: MORTON SOBELL
ESPIONAGE - R

Enclosed herewith is a copy of a letter dated September 21, 1957, from [redacted] and a copy of a newspaper published by the Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL.

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These items are furnished for your appropriate attention.

ASB:MEM
Enclosures - 2

See Serial 100-107111-2662

No Encl with letter when rec'd 9/30/57 MEM

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W. D. Donahue

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SUBJECT MORTON SOBELL

SERIAL 1882 DATE 9-19-57

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)

SA WILLIAM G. LINEHAN (#19-2)

NCSJMS
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On [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished SA WILLIAM G. LINEHAN with the following items: b7d

[redacted] b7d

[redacted] is maintained as an exhibit in NY 100-107111-1B833. b7d

[redacted] b7d

[redacted] is maintained as an exhibit in NY 100-107111-1B834. b7d

1 - NY [redacted] b7d
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1 - NY 100-199349 (HELEN SOBELL) (#7-2)
1 - NY 100-37158 (MORTON SOBELL) (#7-2)

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3. A mimeographed press release on the letterhead of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell concerning the filing of an amicus curiae brief with the Supreme Court by attorneys acting on behalf of some 5,300 Americans.

This press release is maintained as an exhibit in NY 100-107111-1B835.

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This [redacted] is maintained as an exhibit in NY 100-107111-1B836.

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SUBJECT JOSE E. RAMOS O

ALIASES mk

ADDRESS 3423 BROADWAY. NY. NY.

DATE & PLACE OF BIRTH About 1912 Puerto Rico

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[redacted]	b7c		
65 Ft. '91 St. Nyc.			
dob 10-9-20, Habana, Cuba			

Searched by [signature] Clerk R. T. Hradsky Agent Sec 6 Squad

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TO: CHIEF CLERK

Subject: Jose E. Ramos

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see: Jose Ramos Santiago			
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[redacted]		b7c ? Jim	
Rua Carlos Mandel			
Lisbon			

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	[redacted]	b7c	
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	[redacted] Jose Nunez Garcia	b7c	
[redacted]			
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[redacted] 114 St, Manhattan			

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Date 7/14/57

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FILE # 100-37158

SUBJECT MORTON SOBELL

SERIAL 1892 DATE 11-29-57

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VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION ON SECURITY INDEX CARD

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SI UNIT
DATE 12/10/57
CS

MEMORANDUM RE: Morton Sobell

Office File 100-37158

The following is the most recent place of employment, employment address, and residence address of the above subject as contained on the subject's Security Index Card.

Residence: U. S. Penitentiary, Alcatraz, San Francisco, Calif.
Employment: Unemployed
Address:

Key Facility	☐ Yes	☑ No	Detcom	☐ Yes	☑ No
b7e [redacted]	☑ Yes	☐ No	Photo	☑ Yes	☐ No

Imprisoned — Imprisoned

It is requested that the place of employment, address of employment, residence address of the subject, as well as the accuracy of the priority tabbing, be verified and the proper notations be made below. The absence of a photograph and [redacted] should be noted and efforts made to secure a photograph and determine the existence of a criminal record. b7e

A physical description based on personal observation of the subject appears in serial

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Residence:
Method of Verification: Same

Neighborhood Source:
Date:
Verified by SA:

Employment: Same
Address:
Key Facility: ☐ Yes ☐ No Date Checked: _____ Geographical Reference Number: _____

Tab Detcom: ☐ Yes ☐ No
Method of Verification:

Employment Source:
Date:
Verified by SA:

FD-122 should be submitted to Bureau: ☐ Yes ☒ No

File Reviewed _____

☑ Subject Meets SI Criteria
☐ Does Not Meet SI Criteria

Agents Initials MOE

Date 12/8/57

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SUBJECT MORTON SOBELL

SERIAL 1897 DATE 12-12-57

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SUBJECT MORTON SOBELL

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK

DATE: ~~[illegible]~~ 1/10/58

FROM : P.K. CASEY, ASSIGNMENT CARDS

SUBJECT: MORTON SOBELL WAS.
100-37158

NEW ASSIGNMENT CARD PREPARED SHOWING LAST ASSIGNMENT AND LAST POSTING. OLD CARD ATTACHED HERETO.

Title MORTON SOBELL WAS.

File No. 100-37158

Date Rec.: ESP-R 1/11/56

Bu 101-2483

Office of Origin: NYC

Assigned to (date) ~~R.T. HRADSKY 2/3/56~~

Reassigned to (date) W.A. Donohue 8/22/57

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SUBJECT MORTON SOBELL

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-37158) DATE: 2/6/58

FROM : WILLIAM D. DONOHUE ATTENTION: SAS LARRY MCWILLIAMS & EDWARD MURPHY

SUBJECT: MORTON SOBELL, was.
ESPIONAGE - R

ReNYAirtel to Director dated 5/25/57 and Bulet ot New York dated 6/4/57.

In accordance with instructions set out in Rebulet, it is requested that [redacted], when interviewed, be questioned about the Beauty Parlor with which HELEN SOBELL, wife of MORTON SOBELL, was allegedly assodated. b7d

Attached hereto for the assistance of interviewing agents are the above referenced communications. They should familiarized themselves with the content of these communications so that the point might be fully developed wit[redacted] and not limited to the points below mentionedd. b7d

1) How did Mark know HELEN SOBELL had a beauty shop? Did his superiors tell him, or did he develop this information in this country by investigation to locate her? Where did he get the address 1482, 1492 or 1494 Broadway. These Broadway numbers are in the vicinity of Times Square. [redacted] said they were located between 139th and 142nd Street and Broadway. b7d

2) [redacted] says that "the beauty shop supposedly operated by HELEN SOBELL was not necessarily that of the wife of "Stone". What does he mean — She did not own it? — or — The Helen Sobell who operated it was not "Stone's" wife? There is a HELENE SOBEL Beauty Salon at 602 West 145th Street, Manhattan. b7d

3) [redacted]

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WILLIAM D. DOUGHUE ATTENTION: SAS LARRY McWILLIAMS & EDWARD MURPHY

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In accordance with instructions set out in Rebulet, it is requested that [redacted] when interviewed, be questioned about the Beauty Parlor with which HELEN SOBELL, wife of MORTON SOBELL, was allegedly associated. b7d

Attached hereto for the assistance of interviewing agents are the above referenced communications. They should familiarize themselves with the content of these communications so that the point might be fully developed with [redacted] and not limited to the points below mentioned. b7d

1) How did Mark know HELEN SOBELL had a beauty shop? Did his superiors tell him, or did he develop this information in this country by investigation to locate her? Where did he get the address 1482, 1492 or 1494 Broadway. These Broadway numbers are in the vicinity of Times Square. [redacted] said they were located between 139th and 142nd Street and Broadway. b7d

2) [redacted] says that "the beauty shop supposedly operated by HELEN SOBELL was not necessarily that of the wife of "Stone". What does he mean — She did not own it? — or — The Helen Sobell who operated it was not "Stone's" wife? There is a HELENE SOBEL Beauty Salon at 602 West 145th Street, Manhattan. b7d

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-17983) 2/6/58

SA FRANCIS J. SCHMIDT (#19-3)

JOHN GATES, was.
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The following information has been furnished by NY 1705-S*, who has furnished reliable information in the past.

On 1/15/58, an individual known to the informant only as JACK contacted JOHN GATES and appealed to him that while he was on the MIKE WALLACE program to raise the issues of the injustices brought against MORTON SOBELL, the ROSENBERGS, and so forth. JOHN GATES promised JACK that he would try but mentioned it would probably be difficult since they would be after him on espionage and mentioned that he might try and bring it out by raising the question of the right of the people to present the case to the public on such programs as WALLACE's. Informant advised that JOHN GATES also mentioned that he could mention on the program that very important people in the legal and scientific professions have questioned the verdicts on SOBELL and the ROSENBERGS. JOHN GATES and JACK terminated their discussion concerning the best way of approaching the above situation on MIKE WALLACE's program

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with JOHN GATES promising that he would do his best and that he would talk about WINSTON (HENRY) and GREEN (GIL) and amnesty for them. JACK said that he had mailed to JOHN GATES the latest tabloid which contained an up to date writeup on the SOBELL business.

NY 1705-3* advised that on 1/15/58, AL RAMAS of the MIKE WALLACE show contacted LILLIAN GATES and advised her that he would be unable to keep his appointment with JOHN GATES originally scheduled for 1/16/58. RAMAS told LILLIAN GATES that he wanted to see JOHN GATES the following Friday and also that he would like to have a copy of the articles GATES was doing for the Post (New York).

On 1/16/58, NY 1705-3* advised that a man known to him only by the name of SALLIE contacted LILLIAN GATES and told her that he had just gotten into town on the prior evening and he had come to town to return the money since the court had reduced their bail. SALLIE continued that he was at George's house during that day and that he planned to see SID on the following day. The informant related that SALLIE mentioned that he would be leaving the city on the following Saturday and in response to inquiry from LILLIAN GATES about PEGGY's health, SALLIE advised that PEGGY was the bread winner now.

The informant stated that on 1/17/5 , a woman known to him as DOTTIE contacted JOHN GATES and discussed the first three articles (apparently referring to JOHN GATES' articles

written for the New York Post) and mentioned to JOHN that a very large group was getting together at Georgie's on 1/17/58. JOHN GATES told DOTTIE that he would be unable to make the get together but inquired as to where it was to be held. DOTTIE replied at HUNNIE and LEO's house.

On 1/16/58, NY 1705-S* advised that LILLIAN GATES had contacted NORMAN (SCHRANK). During their conversation NORMAN (SCHRANK) asked LILLIAN GATES if JOHN was to be paid for his appearance on the MIKE WALLACE show and she replied that he will not get paid for that show. NORMAN (SCHRANK) told LILLIAN GATES that he was organizing a little party and she replied that she was aware of it. (Apparently referring to a party to watch the MIKE WALLACE show when JOHN GATES appeared on it) They terminated their conversation with an agreement to get together the following day.

In view of the sensitivity of this informant extreme care should be utilized in reporting any of the information contained herein and should be paraphrased.

SAC, NEW YORK (100-131940) 2/11/58

SA EDWARD G. ASTFALK, #12-10

"AMERICAN FORUM FOR SOCIALIST EDUCATION"
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Date of Activity	2/2/58
Date Received	2/6/58
Agent Receiving	SA EDWARD G. ASTFALK
Location of Info	[redacted] b7d

On 2/6/58, [redacted] (use T symbol) furnished a two page handwritten report, concerning a meeting entitled, "The Future of Socialism in the United States" held on 2/2/58 at the Hunts Point Palace, Southern Boulevard and 163rd St., Bronx, NY. This meeting was held under the auspices of the Bronx Socialist Forum, which is affiliated to the 'American Forum for Socialist Education." b7d

A copy of this report follows:

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A meeting was held at the Hunts Point Palace on 2/2/56 which was a Sunday night.

The title of the meeting was called:

"American Forum for Socialist Education."

There were four principal speakers, two who are known as, "Joseph Clark," and "Albert Blumberg."

The other two are unknown by name.

The meeting consisted of each speaker making a speech in favor of the "Socialist Party," & the best way in his opinion in which to make the "S.W.P." more popular with the general public.

Toward the end of the meeting, the attending audience was allowed to question each speaker or to make a short speech themselves if desirled.

A few people made such speeches.

One was a woman who claimed to have worked down South recently on the Negro problem in Alabama.

She also claimed to have been with the party for twenty three years. She can best be described as;

Age: 42 years.
Height: 5ft. 4 inches
Clothing: A white trench coat.
Race: White.

Another woman made a speech about how everybody should try to attract the younger people to join the (S.W.P.).

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This woman appeared to be well known to most of the people attending.

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There was 70 people in attendance & a contribution of .50 was requested for admittance.

There was a long table on which all kinds of S.W.P. literature was sold, or given free.

Also on this table at each end was a petition for the people to sign. It was a "Free Martin Sobel." petition & was to the "President of the U.S.A."

One of the future ideas of this "American Forum is to establish a Bronx division to be known as the "Bronx Forum for Socialist Education."

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Reverend Rustie was also a speaker

On 2/14/58 [redacted] advised SA Griffith that on the 2nd page of his report dated 2/6/58, Para 1, he mentioned that Bella Abzug was advocating that everyone should try to attract the younger people to join the (S.W.P.).

[redacted] further stated that the reason he quit (S.W.P.) in brackets was because he was not positive what organization Abzug was asking everyone to join.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-17923) DATE: 2/11/58

FROM: SA FRANCIS T. LEONARD (#19)

SUBJECT: JOHN GATES, was
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The following information has been furnished by NY 1705-S*, who has furnished reliable information in the past. It should be noted that in the event any of this information is to be disseminated, it should be carefully paraphrased so as not to reveal the identity of the informant.

NY 1705-S* advised on 1/13/58, that on that date ALAN MAX contacted JOHN GATES and asked GATES if he had heard EARL BROWDER on the radio last night. GATES said that he did and that he thought that he was very good. GATES mentioned that JOE STAROBIN had told him that BROWDER would be on.

GATES told MAX that he had read the last edition of the "Daily Worker" and was pleased with ALAN

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MAX's article in it. GATES stated that he also liked LESTER RODNEY's article, but did not think too much of ABNER BERRY's article. MAX told GATES that BERRY was trying to say what ALAN MAX had said, but that he did not quite get through. According to the informant, they then discussed the NAC statement appearing in today's "Daily Worker", and MAX commented that apparently SI GERSON wrote it. GATES said that he thought from the beginning that it was an extreme statement, but that JOE CLARK said that SI GERSON is the biggest liar in the CP and he knew what he was talking about. GATES said that SI is the man who reiterated the phrase, "The 'Daily Worker' did not die a natural death, it was murdered." GATES said he would let people know this.

The informant also advised on 1/13/58, that on that date, an unidentified individual from the Associated Press contacted JOHN GATES and told GATES that he understood GATES was doing a series of articles for the New York "Post". The individual stated he wanted to interview GATES to hit on some articles that he does not bring out in the "Post" series. GATES replied he was in the mist of writing the "Post" articles and had some deadlines to meet; therefore, he could not grant an interview until some later date. According to the informant, arrangement were made to make an appointment for the interview later in the week.

Informant further stated that one DON LIPP contacted JOHN GATES on 1/13/58, and stated that he was from the office of TEX and JINK MC CREARY at NBC. LIPP told GATES that during the past

two or three months they have had Mr. HOWARD FAST as their guest on radio in which they covered FAST's latest feelings politically, and that they had become friends of his. LIPP invited GATES to appear on the radio program the following evening with FAST to match views and to give them GATES most recent thinking.

GATES explained his previous commitments with the New York "Post" and his forthcoming appearance on the Mike Wallace TV Show on 1/18/58, and told LIPP that he had a gentleman's agreement with MIKE WALLACE not to appear on the air publically until after his appearance on the TV show. GATES suggested LIPP call him after his appearance on the show. LIPP further suggested that GATES have a debate with WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, but GATES explained that FOSTER is incapacitated due to his serious illness. LIPP asked GATES if he had heard from FOSTER and GATES answered that he had not heard from FOSTER personally because of FOSTER's illness, and that would not hear from him anyway because FOSTER disagrees with what GATES had done.

The informant further advised on 1/13/58, that on that date GEORGE BLAND CHARNEY contacted JOHN GATES. GATES told CHARNEY what he intended to write in his series of articles for the New York "Post", which he described as follows:

1. He would give a picture of what the CP is now.

2. What the country and the CP was like when he joined the CP and why he joined.

3. All the great things the Party did, which will explain why he stayed in for so many years.

4. Why the party flourished and gained great prestige.

CHARNEY then told GATES that he had heard that they are trying to move up the National Committee meeting to about the first week in February. CHARNEY then stated that at a meeting that morning two important things took place: first, that the NC meeting be called on February 7 and 8, and that is being polled by airmail today; second, that BILL LAWRENCE opened up the meeting today and said why he had reconsidered and now agrees with GEORGE (WATT) that they should pull out now. CHARNEY stated that the ones present at the meeting today were BILL LAWRENCE, AL BLUMBERG, GEORGE WATT, SID STEIN and himself. CHARNEY stated that STEIN and BLUMBERG appealed to others not to pull out because it would be viewed critically by "our people" throughout the country as weakening the struggle.

CHARNEY stated when the meeting was over he took SID STEIN aside and reviewed with him the questioning of severance pay for "the boys" and also took up the questioning of severant's pay for GATES. CHARNEY said that STEIN agreed to the effect that when someone leaves the party, it does not remove a moral, not to speak of a legal responsibility.

GATES then told CHARNEY that he heard an interesting comment on the radio last night by the Department of Justice, which stated that they (DJ) do not believe the "Daily Worker" is going under because of financial reasons, but they think it is only a temporary suspension in order to get rid of GATES.

They go on to say that they don't believe GATES' resignation is necessarily genuine, and they are not sure that GATES has changed his "spots". GATES remarked that it was a very interesting statement, and that it was over CBS radio last night at 10:05 PM.

Informant further advised on 1/13/58, that on that date LILLIAN GATES contacted FAY VEDRO. VEDRO asked LILLIAN GATES if anyone else was going to follow JOHN out of the party, and LILLIAN replied, "Not so far, but each one has their own problems and will probably out as they can justify it." LILLIAN GATES then stated that she had heard that BOB THOMPSON was getting ready to lead a "purge", and that she was quite sure that BILL LAWRENCE was going to get out. LILLIAN then mentioned to FAY that they had planned a little get-together Saturday night after the Mike Wallace Show at the Village Vanguard.

NY 1705-S* advised on 1/14/58, that on that date one TED JENKINS contacted LIL GATES and advised he was from the Morton Sobel Committee and had heard that JOHN GATES was appearing on the Mike Wallace Show this Saturday night. JENKINS stated that he would like to see the Rosenberg - Sobel case discussed and would like to talk to JOHN GATES to give him some material. JENKINS said that the problem is to get their material on a coast-to-coast hookup, and that MIKE WALLACE had seemed sympathetic to him. LIL GATES mentioned that there was a possibility of the program being postponed and suggested that JENKINS mail the material to GATES.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-133594) DATE: 2/27/58

FROM : SA MAX L. WILSON (12-10)

SUBJECT: FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCE
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Source [redacted] (conceal identity)
Reliability who has furnished reliable information in the past.

Date of Event 2/9/58 b7d
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1 - NY (100-37158) (MORTON SOBELL)
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2/11/58

On the night of 2/9/58, I attended the Sunday Evening Forum held at Adelphi Hall, 74-5th Ave., N.Y.C. Topic for the night was "The Long Path to Full Freedom" with Dr. W. E. B. DuBois as speaker.

[redacted] as chairman was Harold Collins, [redacted]

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Persons known to me were [redacted]

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About ten negroes were in attendance, the rest of the audiance I would say were of Jewish origin. Very few young people were in attendance.

Outside of the room where the forum was being held, a young couple distributed and passed around a "Freedom for Sobell" petition, many persons signed them. Enclosed is copy of newspaper that was handed out.

The speech given by Dr. DuBois was a very short speech, it lasted about a half hour, most of it was read and it was quite obvious that Dr. DuBois was tired. A 25 minute question and answer period followed, this turned out to be a little more lively. The text of the speech was on the History of the American Negro, nothing of real interest was said. Dr. DuBois left immediatly after the discussion period. The rest of the audience stayed around and shot the breeze about various different subjects and the forum broke up about 9:45 pm. The admission and literature monies were counted and then all that were left departed for home.

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In addition to the report, [redacted] b7d provided a copy of the newspaper, "That Justice Shall Be Done", 2/58, published by the National Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL. This newspaper has been filed as exhibit 100-107111-18868.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-131940) DATE: 3/13/58

FROM : SA EDWARD G. ASTFALK (12-10)

SUBJECT: "AMERICAN FORUM FOR SOCIALIST EDUCATION
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Agent Receiving Info	SA EDWARD G. ASTFALK
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On 2/12/58, the ~~Panel~~ psf ~~source~~ furnished a two page typewritten report dated 2/4/58, containing information pertaining to a meeting entitled, "The Future of Socialism In The United States", held on 2/2/58, at the Hunts Point Palace, Southern Boulevard and 163rd Street, Bronx, New York, under the auspices of the Bronx Socialist Forum, which is affiliated to the American Forum For Socialist Education.

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February 4, 1953

On Sunday, February 2, 1953 at 8:00 P.M. a forum sponsored by the Bronx Socialist Party was held at Hunts Point Palace, 953 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, N.Y. The topic was "The Future of Socialism in the U.S." The speakers, introduced by the chairman in the following manner, were:

1. Albert Blumberg- N.Y.S. Communist Party official.
2. Mr. Dobbs- Worker's Socialist Union member.
3. Joseph Clark- former foreign editor of the Daily worker.
4. Rev. A.J. Mustie- American Forum member.

Mr. Blumberg spoke about the low ebb which the Socialist parties of the U.S. had reached. He felt that this was due to McCarthyism, U.S. Senate hearings of the Un-American Activities Committee, etc..But he felt that Socialist membership was now going to advance. He felt that McCarthyism was receding rapidly and that many more people, especially during the last few months, were losing their fear of expressing their opinions (He mentioned a meeting held a few weeks ago in the Great Norhtern Hotel in N.Y.C. which was attended by 410 people, 90% of whom signed petitions giving their names and addresses-"something they would have been afraid to do a few months ago." He said that the topics at this meeting were "Automation" and "Atomic Power for Peacetime Uses").

Mr. Dobbs spoke of the necessity of gradually passing legislation favorable to socialism. This would eventually be accomplished because the people of the U.S. were coming tired of unemployment and high taxation. Socialist membership will increase to the point of influencing the election of political candidates.

Mr. Clark spoke of the present miserable state of the Socialists in the U.S. He said that they take comfort in the fact that foreign countries are becoming socialistic but are too complacent about their own struggle for socialism in the U.S. He said that this good feeling for foreign socialists wouldn't help them one bit and that wishing or praying for socialism to come

here is useless. They must go out and work for it.

Mr. Mustie spoke of the horrors of a hydrogen war and stressed the importance of the U.S.S.R. and the U.S. to maintain peace.

After each speaker had finished, the chairman received questions from the audience to be answered later. Then he gave those who wished to speak from the audience three minutes to do so. After this period the four guest speakers answered the questions previously put to them.

Literature was for sale at the meeting.

Before the Forum began, petitions were circulated: They requested:

1. The release ~~to~~ of Martin Sobel.
2. The halting of H-Bomb tests in the Pacific by the U.S.
3. Censuring of the Un-American Activities Committee.

Applications for notification of future activities of the Bronx Socialist Forum (Party) were distributed.

A yellow, mimeographed sheet announcing a reception in the honor of Elizabeth Gurley Flynn to be held at the Allerton Community Center, 683 Allerton Avenue, Bronx, N.Y. on Saturday, February 22, 1958 at 8:30 P.M. was distributed. It will be sponsored by the Bronx Civil Liberties Committee.

There were approximately 85 persons present. Among those present were:

1. FN Myra, WN ~~White~~ Weiss, W, F, age-30's. She spoke for three minutes and stated that she had been in Alabama last year and that she and other Socialist Party members were very instrumental in combatting segregation there. She also said that she felt the present time held the best potential for the growth of socialism in the U.S.

2. FN David, LN Atkin, W, M, age-40's, eyes-wore glasses, address- 850 E. 173 St., Bronx, N.Y. He spoke for three minutes and said that peaceful means would never get socialists anywhere. It was a waste of time as the capitalists owned the presses, radio stations, means of production, etc. He said, in effect, that since peaceful means were useless the audience knew what he was driving at. He then stated that he hoped the local office of the F.B.I. wouldn't hear of what

he was advocating.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-118525) DATE: 3/14/58

FROM: SA EDWARD G. ASTFALK (12-10)

SUBJECT: BRONX CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE
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On [redacted] furnished a three page, typewritten report dated [redacted] containing information of a meeting of the Bronx Civil Liberties Committee held on [redacted]

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A copy of this report follows:

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A meeting of the "Bronx C.L.C. was held at [redacted] on [redacted]

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There were (15) persons attending this meeting, (10) ten female, (5) male. Names and descriptions of some of those present are as follows.

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Bella opened meeting by asking negro male, Mr. Merritt to report on outcome of meeting with Jewish Culture Center in regards to meeting with Congressman Dollinger. Mr. Merritt stated that he had visited the center on a number of occasions and that due to adverse conditions was not successful in getting response from this group. He said he would continue in his pursuits until something of value would materialize. At this point Bella nominated Merritt to work permanently with Boston Rd., Jewish Culture Center.

Bella announced that she had received more subscription books of the Southern Solidarity Bond, and insisted that all present take (1) one book containing (5) five subscription blanks each. Someone a W.F., N.U., inquired of Bella as to the type, kind and nature of this organization, who are some of the people in the organization etc. Bella retorted sharply as in the past, on the defensive, that the organization is a group of Southern Workers who are dedicated to Negro and White unity and cooperation in the South. This woman made further efforts to extract more information from Bella concerning this Southern group, but to no avail.

At this point Bella requested chairman Joe to move on to next issue--Dr. Alexander Mukle;ohn. Chairman Joe requested silence and proceeded to read to group the full context of this petition. [redacted] After and upon completion of reading of this petition their was a period of idle talk, then silence broken by negro, Merritt who stated to group that he felt that an applause was in order in response to the petition. Everyone present applauded.

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Immediately following the applause various persons discussed and expressed their views concerning the petition and it contents, objections etc. The petition was thoughly discussed pro and con. Bella then requested chairman to move on to next issue, "That of solicition of substaining funds for the E.C.L.C. by members of the B.C.L.C. Bella said that the E.C.L.C. require funds for the gigantic campaign that is being waged and that members of group present would be required and deldgated to solicit funds for E.C.L.C. A few persons were delegated by Bella, however many others were not, but may be considered at a future date.

Bella raised the question of the Bronx Reception for Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, plus the not to detailed question of cost and expense etc. She said that the reception must be a nice one, and raised the question as to the type etc. Bella asked the treasurer [redacted] as to the amount of money available from treasury of B.C.L.C. The treasurer informed Bella that $36.00 constituted the total amount of the treasury and he cautioned the group against the use of extravanganz for the projected reception (E.G. Flynn) b7d

Various persons joined in a pro and con discussion concerning financing of reception. After which the entire-- matter was dropped, and the question of entertainment raised. Whereupon a female member of group expressed dissatisfacion at the type and kind of entertainment provided at previous last affair of the nature and type. (The affair of 11/23/57). She said that they had paid this individual, a folk caller the sum of $20.00 or more dollars and that he had not rendered any worthwhile service for same.. In fact he was a totally bad investment.

At this point Bella joined in and attested to the insufficiency of their folk caller etc. The subject of the Folk Caller was tossed to and fro by various members present, after which it was suggested by someone that the group consider engaging a proffessional entertainer of some caliber. [redacted] After further conversation and debate it was suggested by a female member of group, that efforts be made to contact "Nasino's" daughter, who was described before group as being a responsible person of caliber and proffessional talents. Bella considered this recommendation and made inquiries from Mrs Nasin concerning daughter. Subject was concluded and resolved that efforts would be exerted towards the securing of Mrs Nasin's daughter.

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Question arose concerning catering of affair, with many ladies stating that they did not care to use same method as was employed at affair of 11/23/57. There were many suggestions and recommendations etc. with no concluding solution.

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A petition sponspored by the "Release Jack Sobell Committee" was presented to group by Jeannette who described herself as a member of West Bronx Group or Committee for the release of convicted syp "Jack Sobell". The chairman Joe circulated the petition around the room for signature of all persons present.

Another petition was circulated amonst group requiring their signatures, advocating the banning of atomic weapons.

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There was lengthy conversation and debate as to best possible date for reception of E. G. Flynn. The projected tentative date agreed upon by group was February 5th, 1958.

The place agreed upon, Allerton Community Center, East Bronx. Time agreed upon 8:30 P.M.

Meeting adjourned [redacted]

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On [redacted] furnished a four page typewritten report dated [redacted] containing information about a meeting of the Bronx Civil Liberties Committee held on [redacted], at [redacted]

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A copy of this report follows:

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[redacted] The meeting was conducted in approximately the following fashion:

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The reading of the minutes took place. The Minutes concerned-

1. The meeting which took place on Sunday, February 2, 1958, at 8:00 P.M. at Hunts Point Palace, 953 Southern Blvd., Bx., N.Y. This was a forum sponsored by the Bronx Socialist Party and its topic was "The Future of Socialism in the U.S."

2. The reception in honor of Elizabeth Gurley Flynn which was sponsored by the Bronx Civil Liberties Committee and which was held on Saturday, Feb. 22, 1958 at 8:30 P.M. at the Allerton Community Center, 683 Allerton Avenue, Bx., N.Y. The expenses for the occasion were mentioned; some of them being $35.00 for renting of the center, $25.00 for the entertainer Jackie Furman, $15.00 for the cleaning man. There also was mention of newspapers which carried announcements of the reception. These bills had to be paid. There was $94.00 collected at the door for admission. There was a request for contributions to defray the cost of the Smith Act Trials which netted $225.00. At this point Bella Altschuler motioned that $200.00 of this

$250.00 contributed be donated for the Smith Act Defendants and that the balance of $25.00 be put toward the expenses of the Bronx Civil Liberties Committee. The members present voted on and passed this motion. There was some discussion among the members as to the way in which the reception was handled. Although there was some criticism ("The two cakes should have been cut and put on the tables before the reception started," "No one served the tea," "The speakers took too long," etc.) the general consensus of opinion was that the reception was handled rather well. Bella Altschuler stated that there were about 200 persons present.

At the suggestion of Bella Altschuler, Charles Fitzpatrick, one of the two newest members who were admitted to the membership of the Bronx Civil Liberties Committee at this meeting, read a suggested resolution and a suggested petition given to him by Bella Altschuler. She stated that in their final form these are to be circulated throughout the U.S. The petition was addressed to the President of the U.S. (President Eisenhower) and asked amnesty for Morton Sobel. The resolution called for the repeal of the Smith Act and the McCarran Act. The members, especially Bella Altschuler, did not care for the wording of these articles and Charles Fitzpatrick volunteered to revise them into a more acceptable form.

Bella Altschuler spoke of a round table discussion to be held on Thursday, March 13, 1958 at the Allerton Community Center. It will be sponsored by the Bronx Civil Liberties Committee. She said that a number of tables will be placed in the center and that the groups at each table will discuss the topic they wish to present to the speaker, Mr. Russ Nixon, Washington Legislative Representative of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America. She suggested that each one of the members of the Bronx Civil Liberties Committee sit at a different table and present the topic eo the speaker which those at the table wished to discuss. The members agreed to do this.

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1. That the Bx. Civil Liberties Committee is affialiated with the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee. In addition to doing all of the things that the Emergency etc. does, the Bronx etc. does more.

2. that some of their friends in the N.Y.C. Housing Authority were going to be called to testify soon on the housing infiltration scandel involving communists.

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Among those present were:

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On 2/25/58, [redacted] furnished a six B-70 page handwritten report dated 2/23/58, setting forth information about the reception for ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN held on 2/22/58, under the auspices of the Bronx Civil Liberties Committee at 683 Allerton Avenue, Bronx, New York.

A copy of this report follows:

2/23/58

Reception for Elizabeth Gurley Flynn under the auspices of the Bronx Civil Liberties Committee at the Allerton Community Center, 683 Allerton Ave., Bronx, New York, on 2/22/58.

On February 22, 1958, the writer of this report attended a reception for Elizabeth Gurley Flynn. He estimated the audience to be around two hundred (200) in number.

He heard the Chairman of the Bronx Civil Liberties Committee, Mrs. F.N.U. Coleman, refer to Elizabeth Gurley Flynn as a wonderful person and that it was her pleasure to know Elizabeth Gurley Flynn personally and wanted to thank Elizabeth Gurley Flynn publicly for everything she had done for her.

He heard "Pop" Mindel publicly praise Elizabeth Gurley Flynn for the important part she has played in the class struggle. He heard "Pop" Mindel call for peaceful coexistence with the Soviet Union. He also heard "Pop" Mindel state that those who are on the side of the working class are peaceable people and that terrorism is an instrument of the Capitalists.

He next heard Louis Weinstock recall his prison experiences with "Pop" Mindel. Louis Weinstock told the audience what a stalwart individual "Pop" Mindel has been in this struggle.

The author of this report heard Louis Weinstock attack vociferously the Smith Act. He heard Louis Weinstock relate about the viciousness of the government in enforcing the Smith Act and how he (Louis Weinstock) must keep up the payments of his fine. Louis Weinstock then called for a collection to defray the attorneys expenses in defeating the effects of the Smith Act in New York State. It was later announced that $225.00 had been collected from the audience; [redacted] b7d

The next speaker was Ammon Hennacy, of the Catholic Worker. The author of this report heard Mr. Hennacy ridicule the audience for starting the night's festivities with the "Star Spangled Banner". Mr. Hennacy pointed out the fact that he did not stand while the National Anthem was sung. Mr. Hennacy chided the audience for singing a song that they, the audience, did not believe in and that he, Mr. Hennacy, would prefer to sing a song that had some real meaning. The author of this report heard Mr. Hennacy make favorable reference to a song which had words in it about the red flag.

The writer of this report heard Mr. Hennacy refer to himself as an Anarchist and a Catholic. Mr. Hennacy told the audience that he was baptized by an Anarchist priest. He heard Mr. Hennacy tell the audience that there were Anarchist and fascist priests and bishops in the Catholic Church.

Mr. Hennacy's talk was very well received by the audience.

The next speaker was Herbert Aptheker. The author of this report heard Herbert Aptheker praise Elizabeth Gurley Flynn for her part in the Communist movement. He heard Herbert Aptheker excoriate individuals like Howard Fast and Dijas. According to Herbert Aptheker, Fast, Dijas and individuals like them were hypocrites of the worst sort.

Next, the writer of this report heard Elizabeth Gurley Flynn relate some of her experiences as a victim of the Smith Act. He heard Elizabeth Gurley Flynn tell the audience that she was proud that of the thirty (30) persons incarcerated under the Smith Act only one, John Gates, held fast to their beliefs as Communists. He heard Elizabeth Gurley Flynn call for the repeal of the Mc Carman Act. She, also, told the audience that the victory over the Smith Act was not complete until Henry Winston, Gil Green and Irving Potash were released from jail, and that it should be a daily effort to work for their amnesty by the President of the United States.

He heard Elizabeth Gurley Flynn state that the people's victories over the Smith Act and Mc Carran Act were moving in the proper direction, but that the investigating committees were using a new tact. According to Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, the investigating committees were calling witnesses before them on the pretense that

the witnesses were involved in labor conspiracies covered by a section of the Taft-Hartley Labor Law.

The writer of this report heard Elizabeth Gurley Flynn applaud the fact that government witnesses, against individuals accused of subversion, were rebuked by the courts.

He heard her say that even the "F.B.I." had to admit that they had written reports from Budenz; when originally the "F.B.I." had stated that they only had cursory notes. He heard her applaud the fact that the "F.B.I." files must be disclosed to the defense. Elizabeth Gurley Flynn said that the "F.B.I." even had a tape recording of their conversations with Budenz.

The author of this report would like to record a statement made by Herbert Aptheker. He heard Herbert Aptheker draw an insipid analogy between the proposed release of Nathan Leopold and the government's decision on Morton Sobell. Herbert Aptheker was calling for the release of Morton Sobell.

The author of this report heard a Bella L.N.U. call, from the audience, for the people present to sign the petitions for the release of Morton Sobell.

Petitions for the release of Morton Sobell were provided for at the meeting.

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This is to advise that the documentation card on the above captioned subject, maintained in the documentation file in the library has been changed to reflect the removal of the subject from the Federal penitentiary at Alcatraz to the Federal Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia.

The last sentence of the card has been made to read as follows:

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