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Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, advised that during February, 1953, informant observed a letter addressed to Mrs. CAROL DAYTON, which was forwarded to subject from Ithaca, New York, (Route #1). The letter was postmarked February 14, 1953, and bore the return address, "Ross and Wiggins, 114 N. Aurora Street, Ithaca, N.Y."

On March 19, 1953, subject without solicitation voluntarily appeared at the Denver FBI Office to advise that he had dropped into the office to keep the FBI informed of his present activities. He stated he presently has a divorce action pending against CAROL DAYTON, and that he is still seriously considering taking a physics research position at Bombay, India, beginning in the fall of 1953. He stated he has received an informal offer of a positionat the Tata Institute, Bombay, but the offer has not yet been officially confirmed. He indicated that meanwhile he will continue in his capacity at Echo Lake, Colorado. He further remarked

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T-2 is Continuous mail cover placed at the Iduho Springs, Colorado Post Office on mail received by subject either at his residence in Idaho Springs or at the Inter-University High Altitude Laboratory, Echo Lake, Colorado (near Idaho Springs), where subject is employed.

#### <u>LEADS</u>

#### ALBANY DIVISION

#### At Ithaca, New York

Will make appropriate inquiry at Ross and Wiggins, 114 N. Lurora Street, in an effort to determine the reason for correspondence by this firm with subject's wife, CAROL DAYTON, during February, 1953, as well as possible information concerning her whereabouts. It is noted this firm directed mail to Mrs. DAYTON during February, 1953, which was forwarded to subject from Ithaca, New York (Route #1).

#### NEW YORK DIVISION

#### At New York, New York

One copy of this report is being furnished the New York Office in view of the fact this case has ramifications to the JULIUS ROSENBERG case, in which New York is office of origin.

#### DENVER DIVISION

#### At Denver, Colorado

Will continue to follow the activities of subject at lumbo Springs and Echo Lake, Colorado, to determine

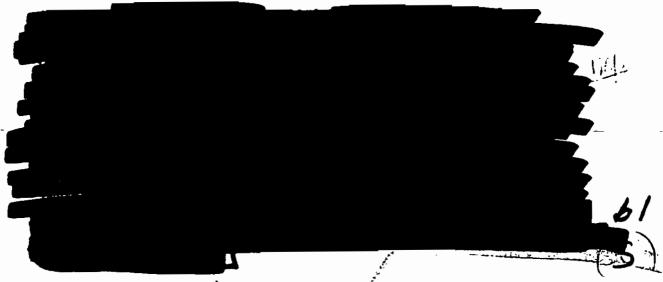
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if he is in contact with his wife and/or ALFRED SARANT.

#### REFERENCE

Report of SA WILLIAM J. PEYTON, dat January 21, 1953, at Denver, Colorado.

Summary report of SA FRANK?. WILLETTE, dated February 25, 1952 at Boston, Mass.



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DETAILS:

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised on February 16, 1953, that subject had returned to Idaho Springs, Colorado, from Boston, Massachusetts on February 1, 1953, and that subject was continuing as head of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) phase of cosmic ray research operations at Echo Lake, Colorado. Informant stated that DAYTON is still residing at the same address in Idaho Springs and that subject did not inform T-1 of any pertinent information concerning his activities while in Boston or during his trip to and from Boston. T-l advised subject is still very much interested in obtaining a physics research position at Bombay, India, beginning in the fall of 1953. Informant stated that subject will continue as head of the MIT phase of cosmic ray research at Echo Lake until at least the summer of 1953

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DIRECTOR FBI (65-59336)

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Reference is made to the report of SA FRANK P. WILLETTE at Boston dated 2/25/53, in which it was reported that Dr. KURT STITE, a scientist in cosmic ray research at Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York, was interested in obtaining the services of the Subject to replace SITTE while the latter went on leave of absence.

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Enclosed herewith are five copies of the report SA WILLIAM D. WRIGHT, III, dated 11/20/52 at New York, captioned as above.

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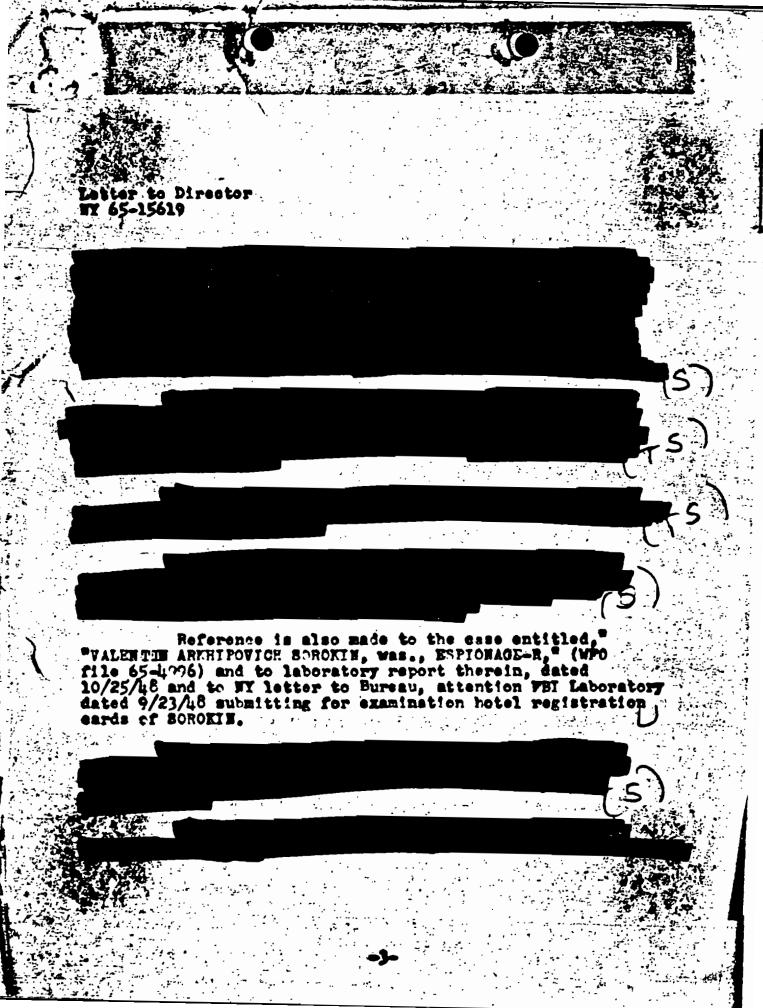
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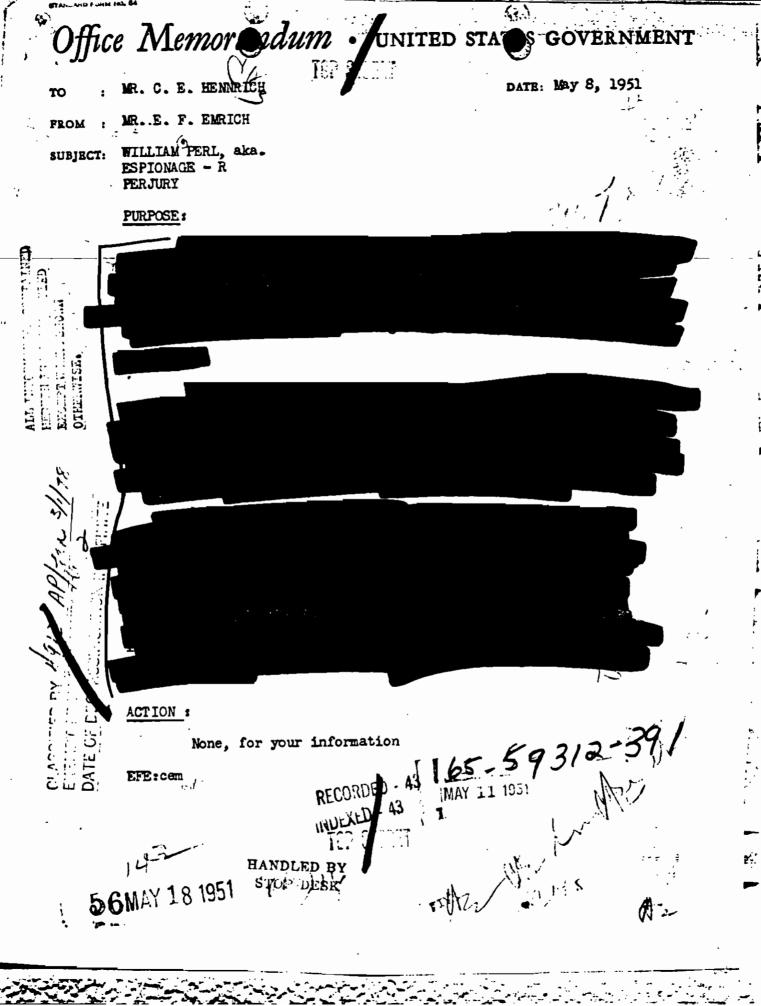
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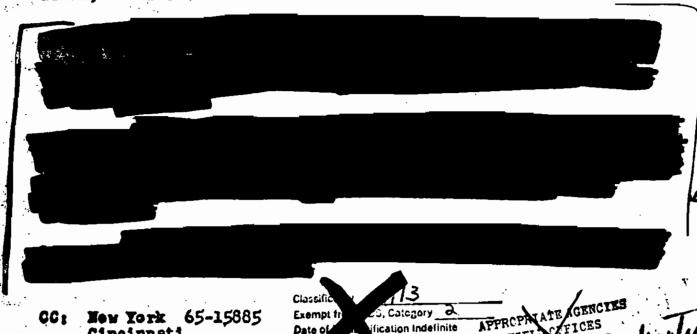
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Rerep SA JOHN B. O'DONOGHUE dated February 6, 1952 and report of SA RICHARD A. MINIHAN dated January 9, 1952, at New York.

Referenced report of SA MINIHAN sets forth a lead for the Cleveland Division to review Selective Service records A Of HAROLD and SIDNEY SHAMES. It is noted that the Selective Service data secured from Local Board 90 is contained in referenced report of SA MINIHAN. For your further information all World War II Selective Service records for the State of Ohio, are located at Columbus, Ohio, and are available through the Cincinnati Field Division. There was no indication in the personnel files of the SHAMES brothers that their Selective Service records were maintained other than at Local Board 90, Bronx, New York.



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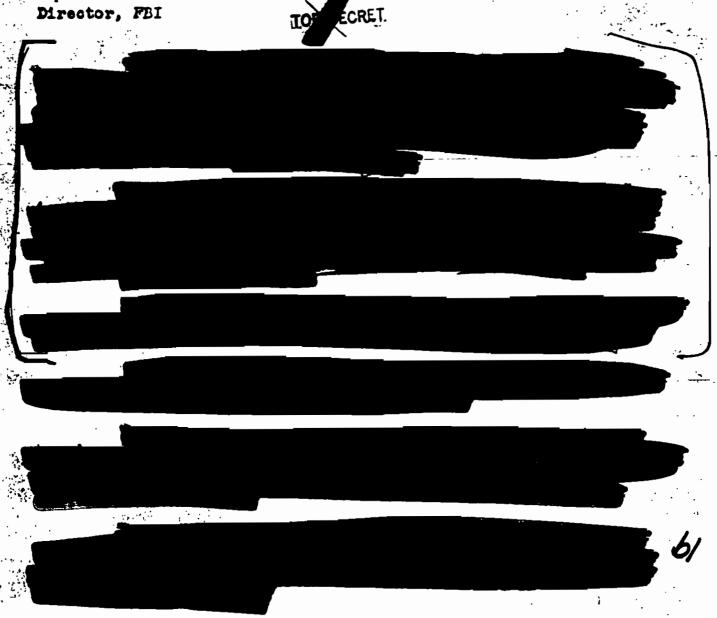
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It is anticipated that prior to the completion of leads in the case of MICHAEL SIDOROVICH, was, ET AL, that both SIDOROVICH and ANNE SIDOROVICH will be re-interviewed.

The opinion of the Bureau and the New York Office is selected as to the advisability of including photographs of the SNAES brothers in a group to be shown during this interview.

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July 30, 1958

ALFRED EPANINONDAS SARANT, WGS

Reference is pide to your number 8/4168 dated July 9, 1953.

The most recent information available indicates that Raymond Sarant currently resides at Red Lodge, Blanford Road, Reigate, London, Surrey, England.

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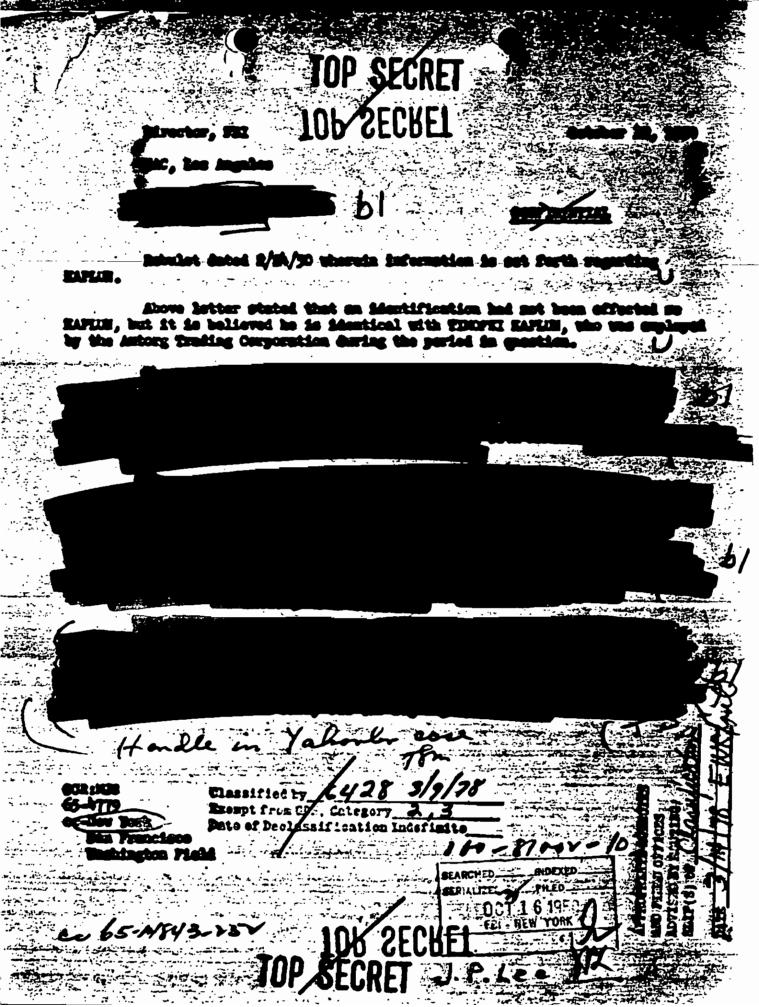
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Office Mem UNITED S. OVERNMENT DATE: 6/22/53 Director, FBI SAC, New York UNKNOWN SUBJECT. wa: /II JohnII ESPTONAGE -R Ы An artist's conception of the subject, which has been shown to all logical informants with negative results, 7 with the Both of these exception of people said that in their opinion, the artist's drawing of "JOHN" is very similar to the appearance of RALPH WILFRED BETTELHEIM. W APPRCPAN AND FIELD ADVISED BY SUIP(S) OF The report of SA NORMAN E. BLISS in this case, dated 1/28/53 at New York, reflects that BETTELHEIM was born in New York City in 1909, and served in the U.S. Army from 11/11/43 to 11/14/45 (u) was a Russian Inasmuch as and spoke with a strong accent, and further that it would appear that BEITELMEIN IS not identical with 67d the subject. (4) has been interviewed on four occasions. has admitted , and has related the circumstances concerning -61847-5 BEING BEATEMED (In Affied by , Category 2 . . . i) ce a readrined = 51 INDEXED - 51 JIIN 25 1953 OOPIES DESTROYED R180 DEC 6 1960 REB: MMCP

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has stated that has been shown any other the artist's grawing or "JOHN" and has said has no idea who the subject may be. \ \ \ b7d

whose activities in Soviet activities, has been espionage shown the artist's arawing with no success. during their period of activity said that would prequently exchange information said that described both

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Bureau letter to Chicago and New York dated 12/2/52 pointed out the similarities between the subject in this Soviet agent also known former Soviet espionage agent. New York arrees that there is a strong likelihood that both are one and the same./u

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The report of SA HARRY A. WALKER dated 2/26/53 at Chicago, Illinois, in the case entitled was, ESPIONAGE-R" are lects that the artist's drawing of the subject was shown results. (U) 670

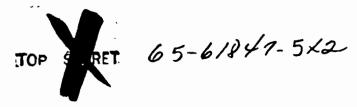
In summation that the seen shown all available pictures in this office on three separate occasions and has been unable to recognize a photograph of the subject. All logical informants have been contacted, and they have not been able to make an identification.

Further action along the above lines does not seem to be destined to meet with any success. (u)

It is, of course, realized that a picture of "JOHN" might well have been among any of the groups of pictures shown but a poor likeness which was unable to recognize. The New York Office has no way of knowing if this occured. W by

New York is aware of the importance and desirability of identifying the subject. However, all logical leads, available at this time, have been exhausted. (u)

An insert is being prepared for the Unsolved Situation File, and this case is being marked closed. (U)



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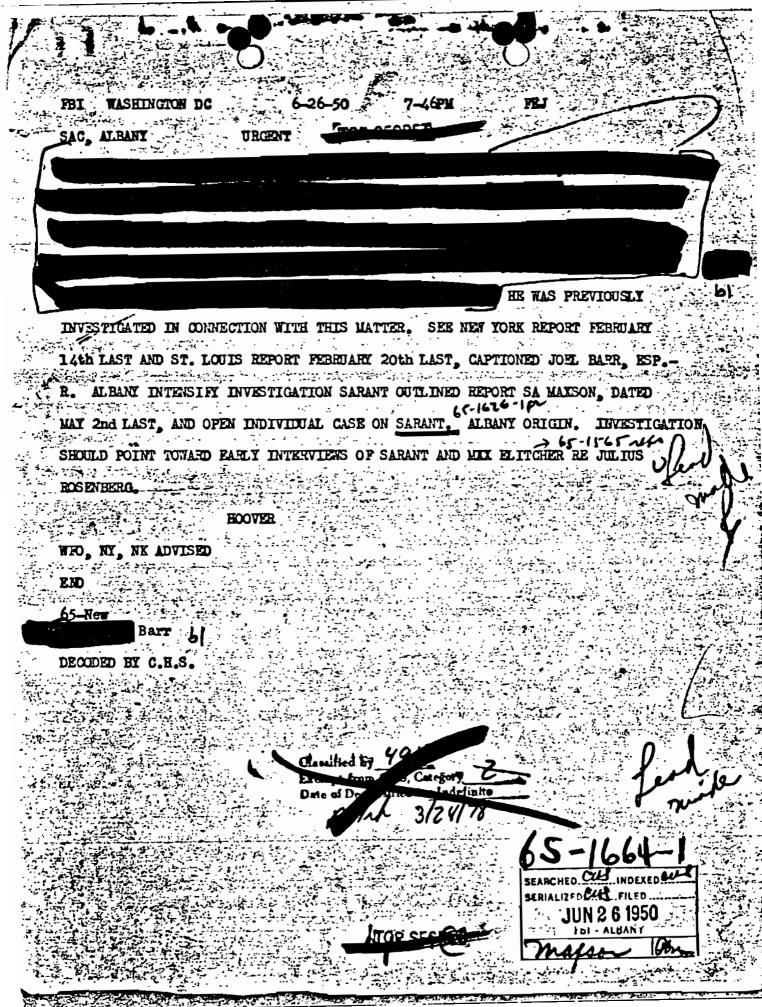
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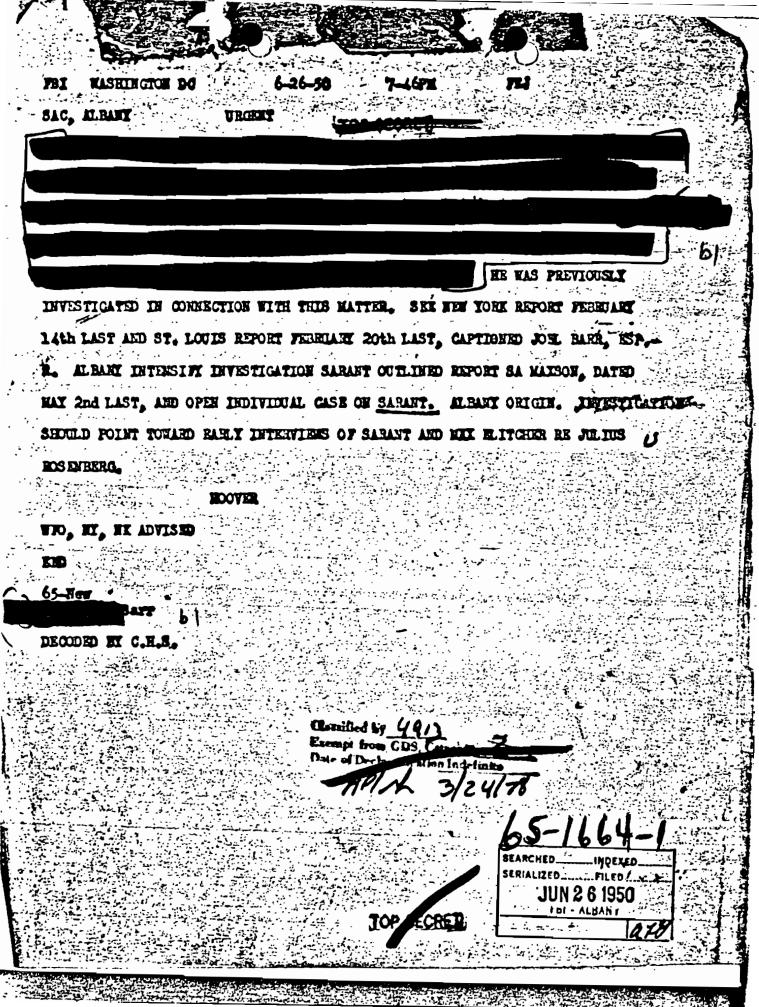


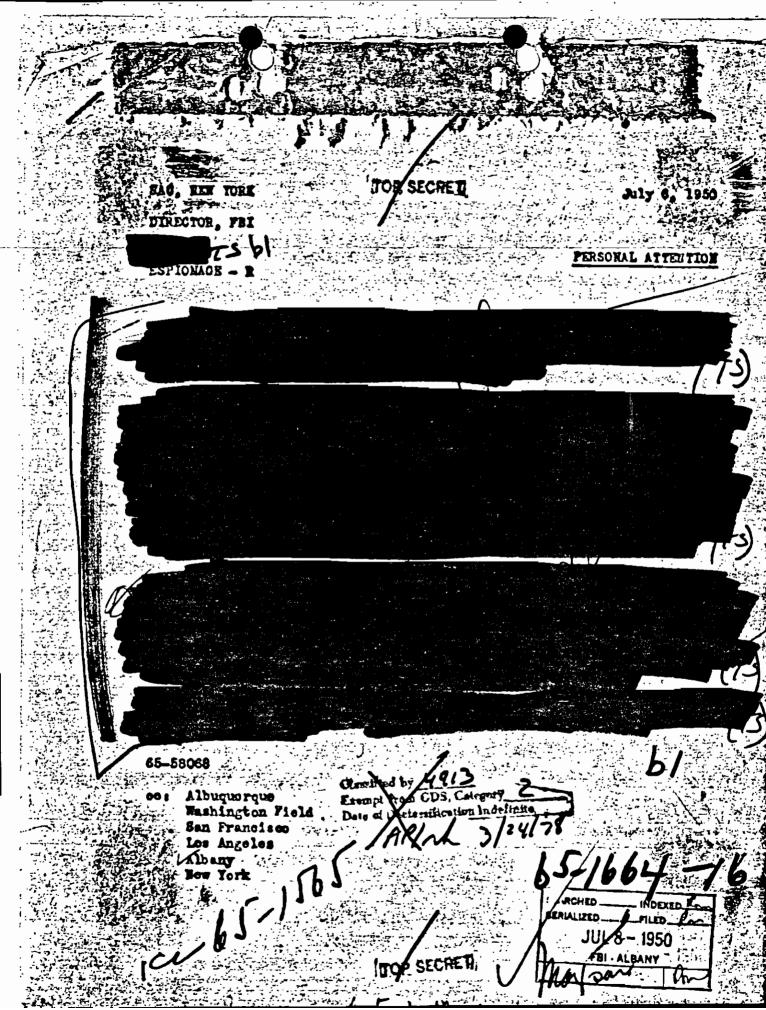
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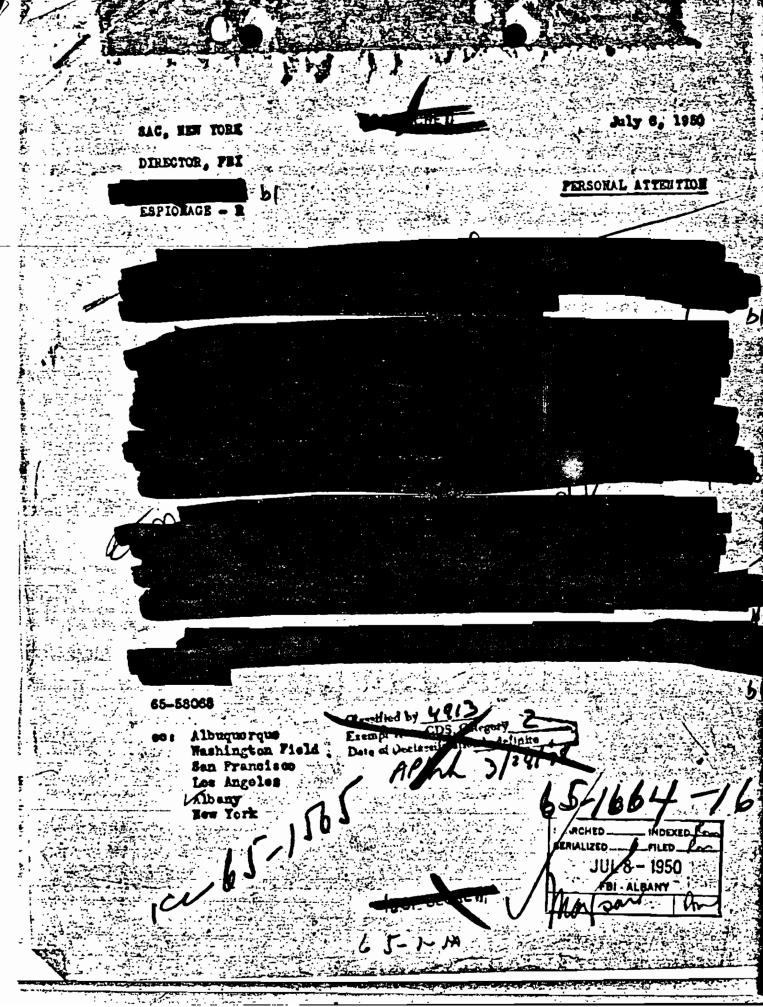
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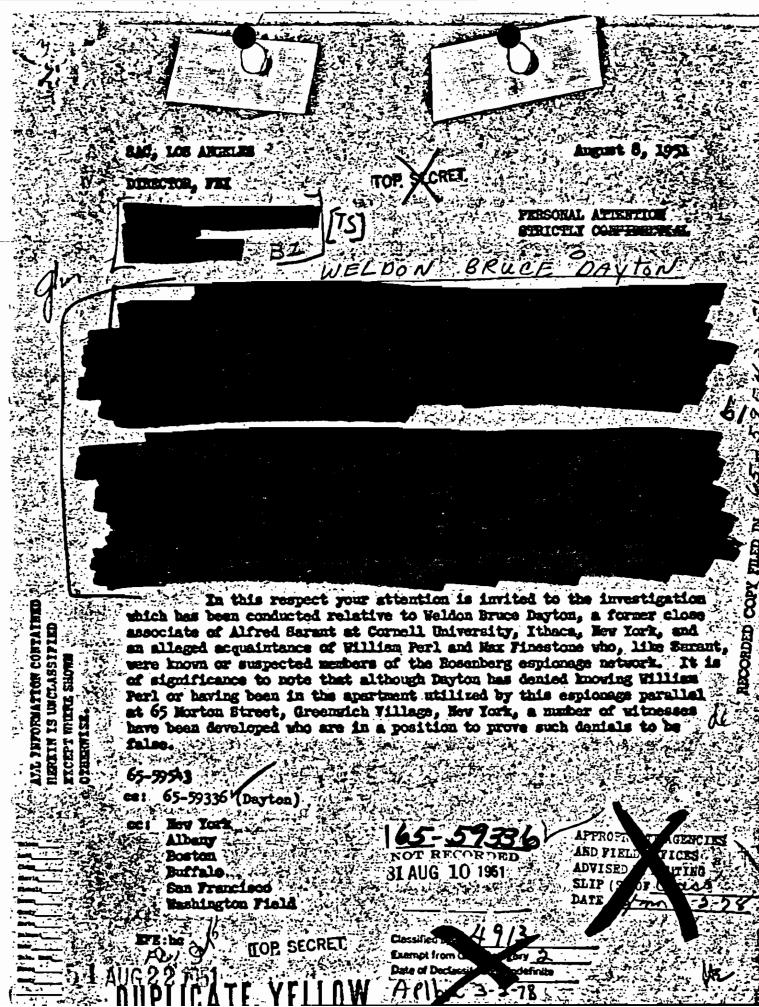








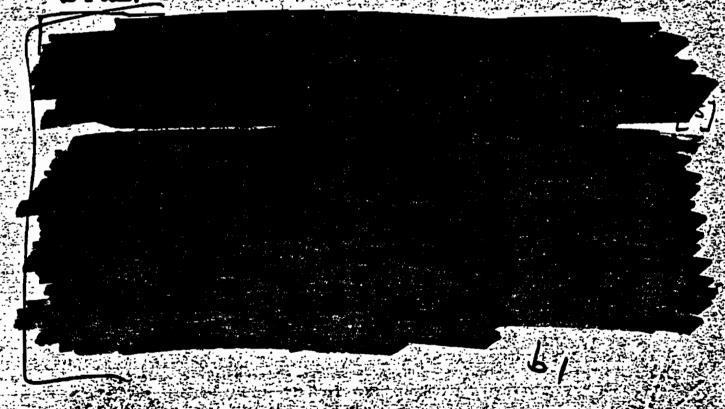




In view of the foregoing it would definitely appear that Dayton is attempting to withhold information concerning these matters by reason of his possible implication in the actual espionese activities of the Rosenberg network. It is therefore desired that consideration be given to developing any information reflecting the exact extent of Dayton's participation in the operations of this group during the course of your future investigation conserning Dayton.

From a review of the employment and occupation record of Dayton there is an indication that he may have been in a position to furnish information of value to the Rosenberg parallel by reason of his connection with the United States Havy at Have Island, California; with the Office of Scientific Research and Development (OSED) at the California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California; and with the Euclear Physics Department at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York.

It is therefore desired that an immediate investigation be conducted with the view of determining the exact nature of his work at each of the aforementioned places of employment in California, and particularly the extent of his connection with any classified project or naterial such as the JB-2 bomb.



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Dependent upon the results of this check consideration will be given to having Dayton interviewed concerning any trips which he made hast during the pertinent period as well as the identity of any person or persons he visited or contacted while on these trips, with perticular regard to the possibility of his having been in contact with

MG, New York

September 89, 1951

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Director, JBI

WILLIAM PIRL, 688 APPROPRIES ASSETS

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Rerep SA Edward J. Cahill deted 9-10-51 at New York in the above-captioned matter. In accordance with your request, you are authorized to make a copy of this report available to the United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, for his information and assistance in connection with the forthcoming prosecution of Perl. A review has been made of the content of rafrep and there are being set forth hereinafter further comments and suggestions with respect to further investigative action to be taken on the basis of the information contained therein.

With respect to the bank account of Perl at the Merchants National Bank, Hampton, Firginia, it is noted that on September 10, 1941, a check in the amount of \$25.00 was frawn payable to Joel Barr. In the event the photographic or recordar record at this bank includes the reverse side of instant check, it is desired that the Norfolk division determine the identity of the various endorsements appearing thereon. This information may be of assistance in developing the information as to the purpose for which instant check was (1)

check dated July 2, 1942, was made payable to the Linguaphone Institute in the amount of \$53.50. An analysis of the endorsement appearing on this check should likewise be made in order to determine the exact location of this institute. Thereafter, an appropriate inquiry should be made at the Linguaphone Institute to determine the reason for Perl's issuance of this check. It is suggested that this check may have been issued as a payment for a home study course in some (I foreign language.

This report also reflects the results of examination of the transcripts of Perl's bank accounts at barious banks in Gleveland, Ohio. It is, however, not indicated as to whether

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these banks customarily retain photographic or recorded copies of the various checks deposited and withdrawn from their oustoners' accounts. The Cleveland division should, therefore, make immediate inquiries along these lines and, if such records are maintained, should carefully examine came as to any deposity or withdrawal items of an unusual nature appearing in these accounts. It is particularly desired that this examination be made if possible as to the \$521.39 deposit item at the Cleveland Trust Company on October 7, 1944, and the \$695.00 deposit item to the joint (y) account of Perl and Henrietta Perl at the same bank on Pebruary 9, 1948.

The Cleveland division is requested to make a similar check concerning the \$200.00 deposit item at the Central National Bank, Cleveland, on June 11, 1948, in an affort to determine the source or payee as to the two \$100.00 checks involved. It is suggested, however, that these checks may possibly have been paid to Perl by either Columbia (U) University or Theodore For Karman.



The transcript of the account of Perl at the Central Mational Bank of Cleveland sets forth that on July 15, 1948, a deposit in the amount of \$379.00 was made to this account. This deposit was indicated as consisting of a check in the amount of \$50.00 from the Fuirchild Camera and Instrument Company, a salary check from the trustees at Columbia University, and the regular salary check to Perl from MACA.

An appropriate check should be made at the Pairchild Camera and Instrument Company, which it is believed is located in New York City, to determine the purpose for which this check

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was issued to Perl. It is noted that the information concerning this transaction may afford additional proof indicating that Perl was in Sew Fork City over the July 4. (4) 1948, holiday week-end.

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The New York office is similarly requested to escertain through the appropriate official at Columbia University the exact amount of money paid to Perl for his services at that institution. At the time this information is secured, it should likewise be determined as to the exact dates and periods of his employment there for (U) which such payments were made.

It is noted for your information that an examination of the Federal income tax returns of subject Perl and his father, Abraham Mutterperl, reflects that, in their returns or the years 1948 and 1949, both claim Sarah Mutterperl, subject's nother, as a dependent. This fact has been pointed (U) out to the Department for their attention.

The investigation in this matter should be given prompt attention in view of the imminence of the Perl trial(U) in the Southern District of New York.

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Director, FBI (65-59312)

DATE: October 2, 1951

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SUBJECT:

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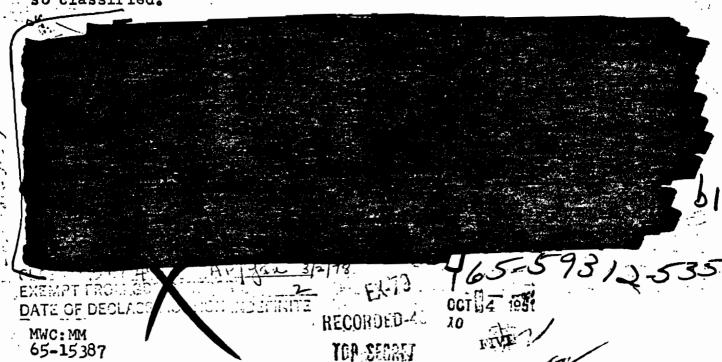
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SA JOHN B. O'DONOGHUE 5/17/51

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Bureau authority is requested to disseminate one copy each of the above-listed reports to the United States Attornay. In connection with this request it is noted that a cover letter accompanying Cleveland report dated 5/17/51 stated that certain portions of the material are classified "restricted data" as defined by the Atomic Engery Act of 1946 or is taken from material so classified.



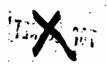
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Reurlet October 2, 1951, requesting authority to disseminate various reports in the above-captioned matter (\*)

In accordance with your request, you are authorized to furnish to the USA a copy of each of the Preports mentioned in the first paragraph of reflet.

It is noted that you point out that the report of SA John B. O'Donoghue dated at Cleveland, Shie, May 17, 1951, contains certain material classified as "restricted data" as defined by the storic Energy Act of 1946. It is suggested that the fact that this report contains "restricted data" be specifically pointed out for the attention of the United States Attorney in your cover letter transmitting same to his office so that he may be on notice and govern his use of any of such information ("eccordingly.

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DATE: November 29, 1951

*PURPOSE* 

To-advise with reference to the attached memorandum dated November 26, 1951, authorizing an interview with Dr. Polykarp Kusch that William Perl, a known member of the Rosenberg espionage network, who is presently under a perjury indictment in the Southern District of New York, is suspected of having made available to this espionage parallel various classified (NACA) National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics reports on/ aeronautical matters.()

To inform that Perl received his Master's Degree in physics at Columbia University and was employed for a period of several years between 1946 and 1948 as an assistant to Dr. Theodore Fon Karman in the Physics Department at Columbia University; further that the investigation determined that in August, 1950, he visited Dr. Kusch purportedly for the purpose of advising him as to the investigation being conducted concerning Perl by the FBI.(W)

#### DETAILS

As indicated in the attached memorandum dated November 26, 1951, it is recommended that the New York Office be authorized to interview Dr. Polykarp Kusch, who is head of the Science Department, Columbia University, concerning his knowledge of the activities of William Perl (u)

As you are aware, William Perl was a known member of the Julius Rosenberg espionage network and he is presently under indictment in the Southern District of New York on the charge of perjury by reason of his having falsely testified concerning his acquaintance with Rosenberg, Morton Sabell, Helens Elitcher, and Michael and Anne Sidorovich. (4)

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Perl, subsequent to his graduation from the College of the City of New York in 1938 received employment with the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics and remained in the employ of that organization until September, 1950, with the exception of a period of two years from 1946 to 1948 when he secured his Master's Degree in Physics at Columbia University and served as an assistant to Dr. Theodore Von Karman in the Physics Department at that University.(4)



Perl is known to have visited Dr. Polykarp Eusch in August, 1950, for the purpose of explaining to Dr. Kusch the nature of his present difficulties and the reason for the investigation of PERL by the FBI.

ACTION

None. For your information. (v)

Dr. Kusch.

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SAC, New York

May 31, 1951

Director, FBI

WILLIAM PERL, aka, William Mutterperl ESPIONAGE - R PERJURY



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A review has been made of the Bureau files in the abovecaptioned matter and the following leads requesting additional investigative attention are being set forth for your office as well as the other offices receiving copies of this letter. It will be noted that these leads are for the purpose of obtaining additional corroborative evidence for use in the forthcoming perjury trial against subject Perl, as well as to develop information as to the extent of Perl's espionage activities in behalf of the Rosenberg espionage network.

In the Proportiof SA John P. Buscher dated at Washington, D. C., September 21, 1950, it is noted that on page 7 there is set forth a list of documents and secret reports which were made available to Perl by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics. It is particularly noted that on December 2, 1948, a confidential document entitled "Effects of Boundary Large Control on Airplane Range" by L. E. Root of the Rand Corporation was made available to Perl. In this respect, you will recall Greenglass' statement that Rosenberg informed him on one occasion that he, Rosenberg, had knowledge of a secret project developed in upstate New York involving the construction of a sky platform which was described

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vehicle to be suspended in the atmosphere at a point where gravity ceases to exist. Insamuch as this project has been identified as the highly secret "Rand Project," it is requested that the Washington Field office discuss this matter with an appropriate official of NACA to determine whether the aforementioned document may have had any pertinence to the proviously described sky platform. (ibid 129, page 6)

On page 32 of the report of SA John B. O'Donoghue dated at Cleveland September 27, 1950, there is quoted a memorandum submitted by Perl on November 9, 1944, explaining his having exceeded the maximum amount of leave granted by a period of B days. It is noted that Perl claimed this excessive amount of leave was necessary by reason of his marriage and the ensuing difficulty he experienced in locating a suitable place to live. It is further noted that during an interview with Perl as reflected in the report of SA Vincent J. Cahill dated at New York December 15, 1950, Perl advised that during his period of leave between August 28 and September 2, 1944, he was busily engaged in the precaration of an apartment at 1516 East 120th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, in anticipation of the arrival of Henrietta Savidge. (ibid. 147, page 32; 187, page 38)

With respect to the above, it definitely appears that neither of his statements is true and that same were made by Perl in order to cover up his frequent trips to New York City in connection with his espionage activities. Inasmuch as some proof of the vfalsity of these statements may be necessary during the course of the forthcoming trial particularly with respect to Blitcher's testimony as to his September, 1944, dinner meeting with Perl in New York City, it is desired that the Cleveland office obtain detailed information concerning the places of residence of Perl in Cleveland during 1944. As to each of his places of residence, the date of rental, the date of occupancy, and the date of expiration of lease or departure should be ascertained. With respect to the apartment at 1516 East 120th Street, appropriate inquiry should be made for the purpose of developing any information concerning the redecorating of this apartment which may have been done by Perl prior to his occupancy.

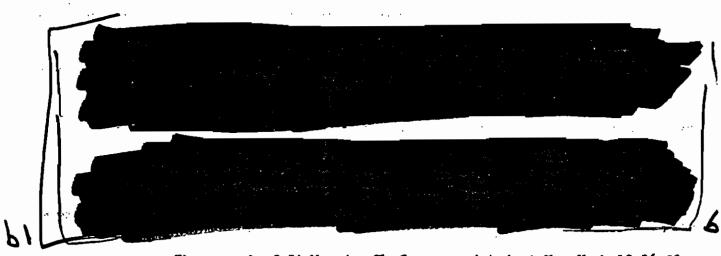
The above information as to Perl's date of occupancy of various apartments in Cleveland during 1944 may also prove to be of some value in further developing evidence as to the close contact and association that existed between Norton Sobell and Perl. You will recall that in May, 1944, Sobell, in executing a U. S. Navy form at General Electric, Schenectady, New York, gave as a reference William Mutterperl, whose address was set forth as 16808 Madison Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. It has been determined through the Bureau's investigation that, during the year 1944, Perl resided at the following 3 different addresses: 11703 Madison Avenue, 16808 Madison Avenue, 1516 Bast 120th Street. The exact date of Perl's occupancy of the apartment at 16608 Madison Avenue might serve to show the very current nature of Perl's contact with Sobell at the time Sobell executed the Mavy form. (ibid 231)

On page 33 of the report of SA John B. O'Donoghue dated at Cleveland September 27, 1950, there was set forth a memorandum submitted by Abs Silverstein dated February 23, 1945, recommending a promotion for Perl. This memorandum described Perl's duties as theoretical and applied research relating to the problems of jet propulsion. It was specifically mentioned in this memorandum that Perl had prepared papers in the field of potential flow among which were listed the following:

(g) "Some Effects of Compressibility of the Flow through Fans and Turbines"

(h) "A General Representation of Axial Flow Fans and Turbines."

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The report of SA Maurice W. Corcoran dated at New York 10-26-50 sets forth the results of a physical surveillance on Perl. It was noted on page 54 of this report that Perl was observed on September 13, 1950, leaving the home of his parents with miscellaneous pieces of baggage and proceeding directly to the Pupin Laboratory at Columbia University. Further, that he was later observed taking this baggage to the address 610 West 110th Street, New York City.

(ibid 114, page 64)

Inasmuch as a search of the residence of Perl at the time of his arrest failed to reveal anympers or documents of partinence to his possible espionage activities, it is suggested for the consideration of the New York office that Perl may have retained certain of his personal and confidential scientific papers at the Pupin Laboratory, the contents of w which may be readily ascertained through an appropriate discreet source.

on page 57 of SA Corcoran's report, the contents of a postal card sent by Perl to his sister, Mrs. AnneBlum, on 11-27-39 were set out as follows:

"I am writing to a friend of mine with this mail to arrange having it typed. He's a classmate and has done this sort of thing before. Would you mind lending your typewriter if need be?"

(ibid 164, page 52)

From other correspondence of Perl, it is possible he may have been referring to his thesis containing various mathematical equations. However, as you are aware, Perl was, at the time of this communication, stationed at the NACA Laboratory, Langley Field, Virginia, and, according to Max Elitcher, was known to have maintained correspondence with Sobell. It is particularly noted that in Perl's subsequent letter to Mrs. Blum on February 4, 1940, he makes specific reference to a friend, "Sobell," who is believed to be Morton Sobell.

In viewof the foregoing, it is requested that the New York office reinterview Mrs. Blum on the basis of Perl's card of November 27, 1939, to definitely establish the nature of the copy work to which she understood Perl was referring and whether anyone actually did borrow or contact her with view of borrowing her typewriter.

On page 60 of this report, Perl's letter to his sister, Mrs. Blum, dated October 3, 1944, was quoted. It is noted that this letter contains the following information:

\*A friend of mine just quit his \$2600.00 a year job to go back to school and study radio. (ibid 164. page 60)

There is little question but that Perl was making reference to Sobell, inasmich as Sobell is known to have resigned his position with the Bureau of Ordnance on October 1, 1944, and according to Elitcher was earning \$2600.00 at the time. In addition, it is known that Sobell thereafter continued his studies at the University of Michigan, taking courses in radio engineering.

This letter which is included in the prosecutive summary prepared in this case is considered of importance by reason of its corroborative value to Elitcher's testimony indicating that he, Elitcher, while living with Sobell in Washington, D. C., had observed correspondence between Perl and Sobell. It is believed that this letter provides rather conclusive proof of the close contact which was maintained between the two in that Perl

although stationed at Langley Field, Virginia, was cognizant of Sobell's resignation from the Burnau of Ordnance in Washington, D. C., within a period of 3 days from the time that this resignation was actually effective. The New York office should therefore determine whether the United States Attorney is desirous of having appropriate Bureau of Ordnance records verifying the date of Sobell's resignation and the amount of his salary, as well as University of Michigan records reflecting Sobell's study of radio engineering in that institution, available for the forthcoming Perl trial. In the event such testimony is desired, immediate steps should be taken to determine the identity and address of proper officials who could introduce such records, so that this information can be made available to the United States Attorney for his assistance in the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum.

In the case entitled "Nathan Sussman, was; Espionage - R," NY file 65-15399, the report of SA Bert S. Taylor dated at New York May 2, 1951, sets forth the results of an interview with subject Sussman in March, 1951. It is noted that on page 4 of this report, Sussman im indicated as having stated that he recalled that Morton Sobell, William Danziger, Max Elitcher, and William Perl were all members of the YCL group which he joined at CCNY. Further, according to Sussman, that these meetings were held at the Karl Marx House on the CCNY campus on a weekly or semimonthly basis. (100-331124-

On page 10 of this report, it was mentioned that Stanley Robert Rich, upon interview on September 5, 1950, advised that he had become a member of the Steinmetz Club at CCNY, which group became affiliated with the YCL. He further recalled his attendance at closed meetings of the YCL, which meetings were likewise attended by Julius Rosenberg, Sobell, Elitcher, Danziger, and Sussman. (100-337124-46)

the testimony of Sussman as to Perl's alleged YCL activities should be immediately brought to the attention of the United States Attorney for his possible use in connection with the forthcoming perjury trial. However, as you are aware, the probative weight of Sussman's testimony in this regard might be somewhat weakened if the government is unable to corroborate this testimony through Elitcher, Rich and Danziger, who were alleged to have been members of the same YCL group at CCNY.

A review of the results of the interview of Rich on August 28, 1950, reflected that Rich admitted knowing William Perl at CCNY and considered him to be sympathetic with the Communist cause. Rich stated, however, that he could not recall any definite association between Perl and the YCL at CCNY. It was Rich's recollection that Perl would have known Danziger, Sobell, and Elitcher, who were classmates in that institution. On the basis of the recent statement by Sussman, the Boston division is being requested to recontact Rich in an effort to determine whether he is able to recall additional details concerning the YCL group at CCNY and the alleged connection of Perl with that group.

You are also aware that Elitcher, when interviewed on September 13, 1950, advised that the name of Steinmetz Club sounded familiar to him but he had no recollection that it was a club on the CCNY campus during the last two years of his attendance at that school. Elitcher stated that the Steinmetz Club was probably the YCL Unit at CCNY and that it was his recollection that around January, 1938, he had been solicited to join the YCL by either Rosenberg or Rich. He claimed, however, that he did not recall whether he actually joined this club but he remembered attending several meetings of the YCL where there were about 12 persons in attendance, among whom he knew were more than a few engineers who had graduated from CCNY.

Further, it will be recalled that Danziger, upon interview on October 25, 1950, flatly denied that he had ever been a member of the YCL or the Steinmetz Club at CCNY or any group or unit affiliated with the CP.

It is requested that the New York office, on the basis of the additional information obtained through the recent interview with Sussman, again interrogate Elitcher as well as Danziger in an effort to determine whether they might recall additional details to that previously furnished by them which might corroborate the allegation as to Ferl's connection with the YCL at CCNY. For the information of the New York office, the Bureau's Legal Attache in Paris, France, is being requested to reinterview Samuel. Perl. The purpose of this reinterview is to specifically question him con-

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cerning his being present at the dinner party at the Bird-in-Hand restaurant in New York City in September, 1944, which affair was attended by Rosenberg, Kax and Helene Elitcher, Ruth Alscher, and his brother, William. He is further to be questioned concerning the subsequent visit by this group at the apartment of Joel Barr's parents and the apartment of Al Sarant. Perl is likewise to be interrogated

concerning his whereabouts during the period of his furlough from Camp Breckenridge, Kentucky, during the period from July 22 to August 4, 1944, as well as to his whereabouts during the period from September 9 to

from Camp Breckenridge, Kentucky, to Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri,

The above investigation should be given the immediate attention of your office as well as the other offices receiving copies of this letter, in view of the imminence of the Perl trial which is expected to be held in Hew York during June, 1951.

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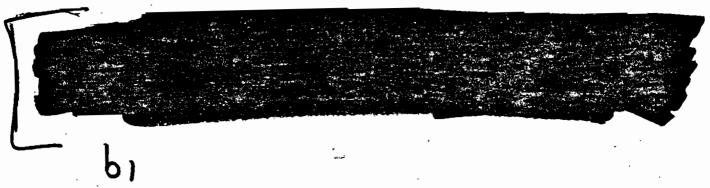
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He recalled that the turbo-unit work was being done at the dyan Aircraft Plant in that California city. PAGE said that he was in St. Louis, Missouri, when he learned this information and thought it was common knowledge in the industry that such experiments were going on in California. PAGE was quite certain that this turbo-prop unit was identical with the TC-100.

Mr. PAGE advised the Curtiss-Wright plants aid not work on the TG-100 until early 1946. He stated that Curtiss-Wright had anticipated that they would work on the project much sooner but the General Electric Company was greatly delayed in shipping the TG-100. He said they had planned to work on it at St. Louis, Missouri, however, the St. Louis plant closed in June of 1945 and operations were moved to Euffalo, New York. PAGE recalled that while in Buffalo he made a plane trip to Schenectady, New York, attempting to expedite the delivery of the TG-100. He said that the Buffalo Plant closed late in 1945, and the operations were moved to Columbus, Ohio. It was, according to PAGE, early in 1946 that the TG-100 unit arrived in Columbus. He said that experiments and tests were then started by installing the unit on one side of a C-46, twin engine cargo-type plane. He stated the experiments and tests were not successful and the plane was never flown for a test. PAGE recalled that the serial number of the TG-100 unit that was used in the tests was either #5 or #7, which indicated to him that several units had been previously manufactured by the General Electric Company. He said the TG-100 was the only unit he, personally, had ever worked with. PAGE could not recall anything concerning the use of the TG-100 in a high altitude jet fighter plane, known as the XP-ol.

PAGE was asked if he knew any aero engineers in the Ryan Aircraft Plant who would have knowledge of the turbo tests supposedly conducted on a Ryan plane during 1943 or 1944. PAGE said he thought the Chief Engineer was a man named --- SALFON at that particular time but did not know if he was still with the Ryan concern.









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#### LEAD PAGE

#### SAN DIEGO OFFICE

#### AT SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

Will contact the Ryan Aircraft Company and attempt to locate the Mr. SALMON mentioned by GEORGE PAGE, and, after a thorough check of the office indices, consider the advisability of interviewing him concerning his knowledge of the history of the turbounit TG-100, which may possibly have been tested in a Ryan plane during 1943 or early 1944.

Will, if it is determined that SALMON is now in employment elsewhere, set out appropriate leads so that he may be located and interviewed.

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#### CINCINNATI OFFICE

#### AT WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE DAYTON, OHIO

Will contact Colonel PAUL NAY at the Power Plant Laboratory to determine if in May, 1944, either Bell Aircraft or the Curtiss-Wright Corporation had classified information concerning the TG-100 or the I-40.

Will also contact the appropriate officer at the Aircraft Projects Section to determine if either Bell Aircraft or the Curtiss-Wright Corporation had classified information regarding the XP-81 as of May, 1944.

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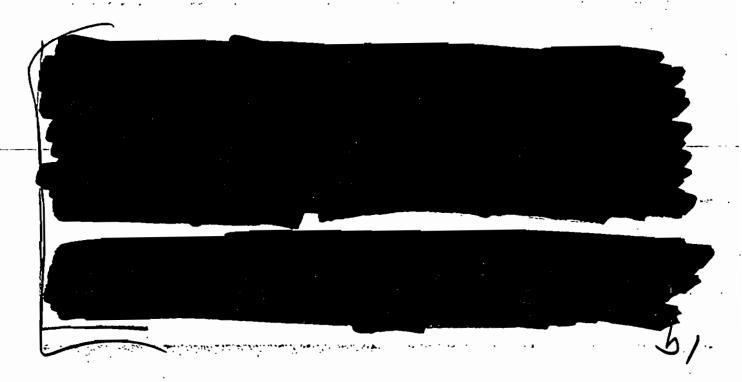
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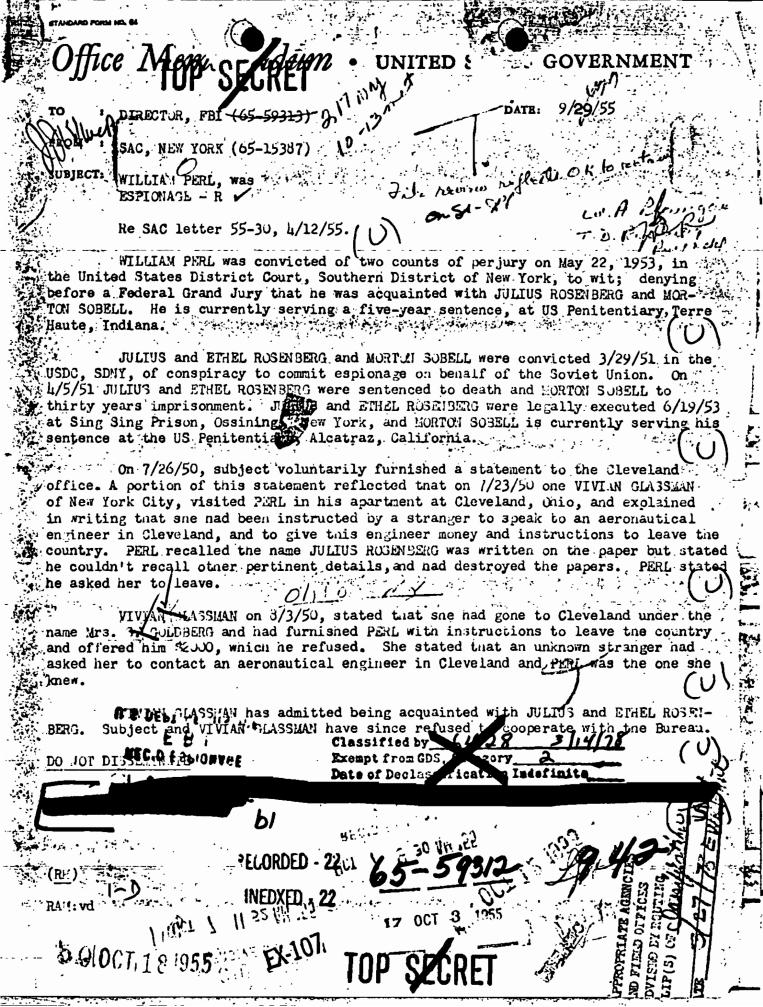
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#### RECORRENDATION

Subject falls within item 1 (D) of S.C letter 55-30, in view of his tentative identification as a Soviet agent coupled with his involvement in the ROSENBERG Case. It is to be further noted that he has failed to cooperate insofar as his knowledge of the ROSENBERGS, and was convicted of perjury in denying before a Federal Grand Jury that he knew ROSENBERG and SOBELL. Retain for S.I.

#### DETCOM TABBING

- 1. Subject has not been tabled for Detcom.
- 2. Subject has not been approved for Detcom under criteria of SAC Letter 55-12, dated 2/10/55. No SI card has been received from Bureau bearing stamp "Detcom" in large red letters.
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In accordance with memorandum to all Supervisors in the Domestic Intelligence Division dated April-13,-1956, consideration has been given to the possibility of use of the terms of the Immunity Act in connection with the investigation of persons involved in the Rosenberg espionage ring. By letter to

Mr. Tompkins dated September 3, 1954, his attention was called to the Rosenberg espionage ring and it was suggested he might wish to consider utilizing the terms of this bill in connection with this ring.

In connection with this review, it is believed Vivian Glassman Pataki and William Perl could possibly furnish information concerning the operations of the kosenbery apparatus. Pataki was utilized as a Acourier to contact Perl in Cleveland, Ohio, and furnish him with money and instructions on how to flee the U.S. She has admitted making this trip to Cleveland upon instructions of an unknown man. She has refused to identify this person and has refused to make any attempt of an identification. She was jormerly the fiancee of Joel Barr, member of the Kosenberg ring who left the United States in 1948. She was a close associate of Alfred Sarant who fled the U.S. in 1950 after preliminary questioning by Eureau Agents. She was also a close friend of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg.

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He could furnish us with information concerning his espionage operations and his method of transmitting his injormation to Rosenberg. Ulassman, it is believed, would be able to furnish information concerns the activities of Barr, Sarant and the Rosenbergs.

It is felt since this matter has been called to the attention of the Department prior to this time that it is not necessary at this time to furnish information about specific cases to the Department.

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 $AC\Gamma 10N$ : None; for your information.

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TOP SECRET Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT A. H. Belmont June 28, 1956 DATE: Lir. Belmont Mr. Branigan Mr. Lee WILLIAM PERL SUBJECT: ESPIONAGE - R PERJURY Breant from GDG. Tele. Room Date of Declassification Indefinite Hollomen . Perl was born 10-1-18 and attended College of the City of New York with Julius Rosenberg, executed Soviet agent, and Morton Sobell, convicted espionage agent. He was employed as an aeronautical engineer with NACA from 1939 to 1950, with the exception nof a two-year leave of absence from 1946 to 1948, when he obtained a Ph. D. degree. ACTION: For your information. 65-57312-949 RECORDED-99 EE JUL 3 1956'

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The above-named subject was convicted of perjury and on 6-5-59 was sentenced to serve 5 years on each of 2 counts to run concurrently. You should, through your sources at the U.S. Penitentiary, Terre Haute, Indiana, determine

when Perl is eligible for release from prison. You should make arrangements with authorities at the prison to notify your office when Perl is released and to obtain from them the address 

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Assistant Attorney General William F. Tompkins february 21,. 7 (orig. & 1). Director, FBI WILLIAM PERL oespionage – R Information has been received from the United States Penitentiary, Terre Haute, Indiana, ...... that William Perl was given his conditional release on February 9, 1957. He indicated that he intended to reside with his wife, Henrietta, at 936 Tiffany Street, Bronx 59, New York. He will be under the supervision of Mr. Arch E. Sayler, Chief United States Probation Officer, 207 United States Courthouse, New York, New York. foregoing is for your information. Empt from CDS. APL: jdb Date of Declass NOTE: ·bl

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and associates. You should also determine where Perl obtains employment. After the above items have been ascertained and if your investigation does

not reflect that Perl is engaged in espionage or subversive activities, you may consider placing the

subversive activities, you may consider placing the instant case in a closed status.

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You are authorized to interview Henrietta Savidge Perl, wife of the subject who is currently separated from Perl. If she is cooperative, you should attempt to obtain all information she has relative to Perl's activities and also any information she has concerning his associations with the Julius Rosenberg espionage ring.

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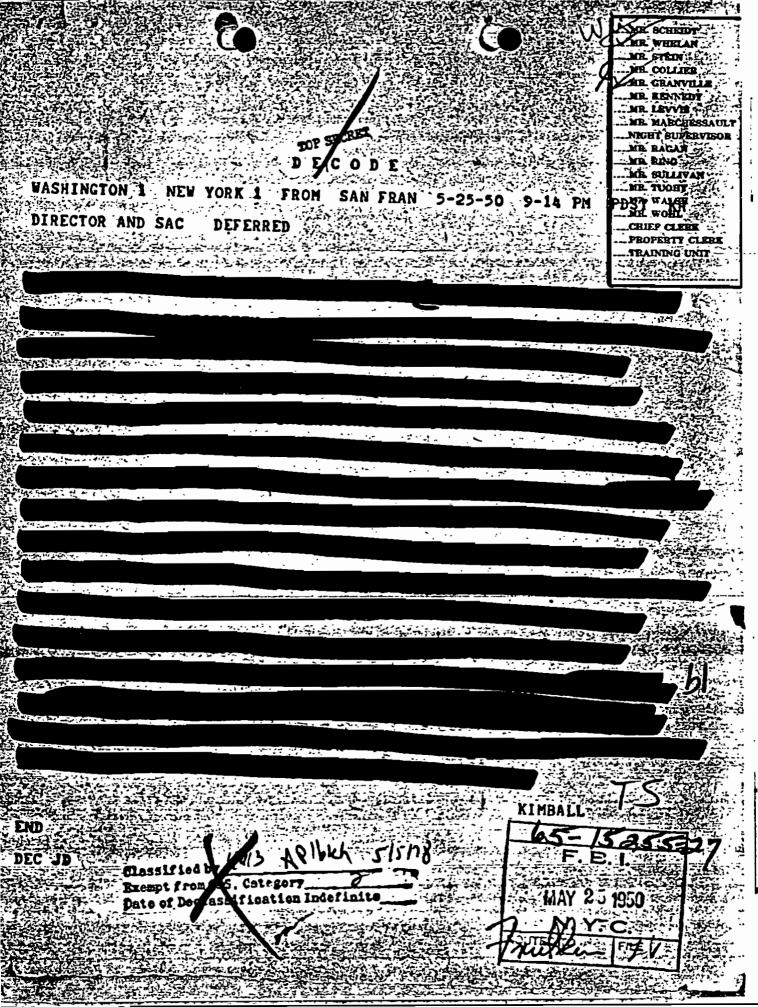
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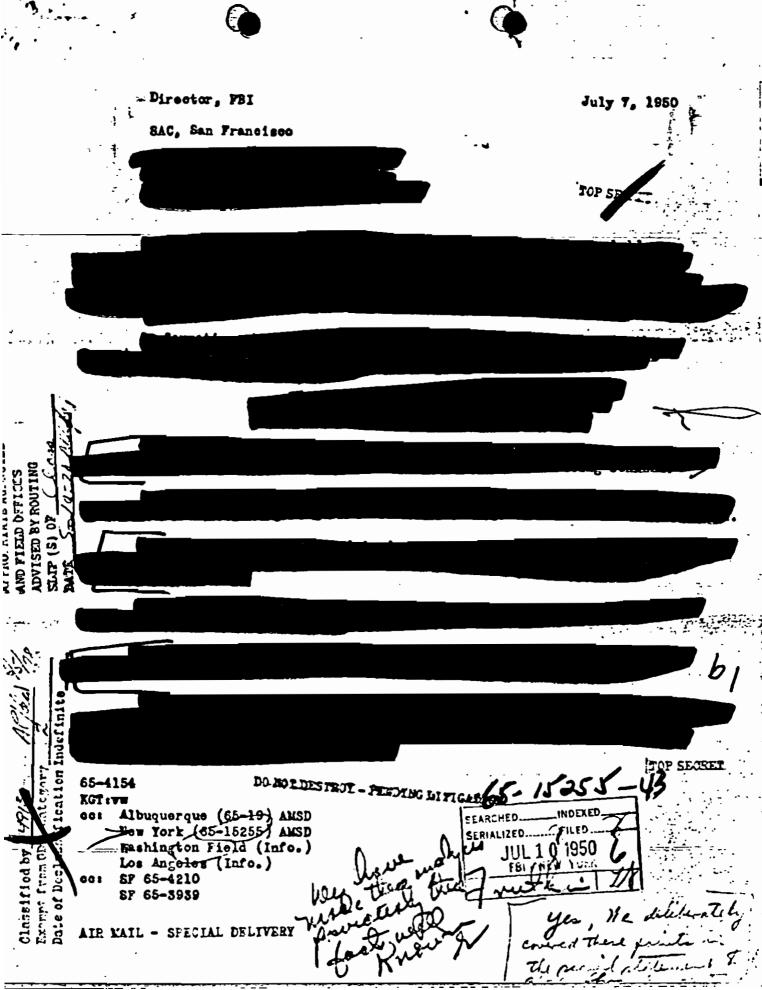
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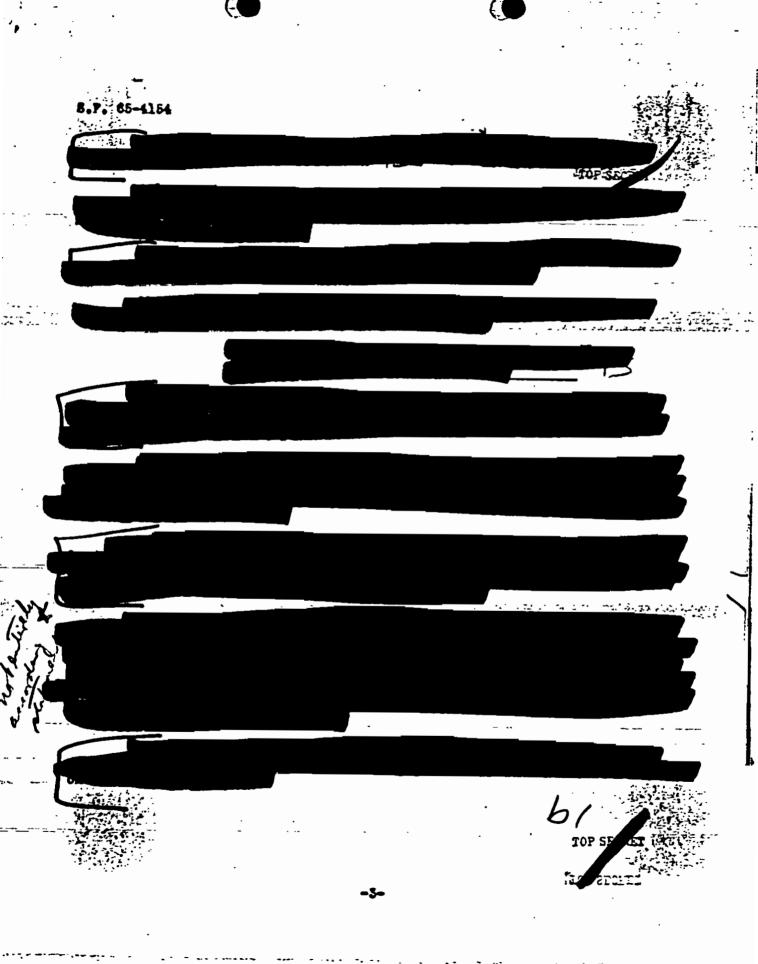
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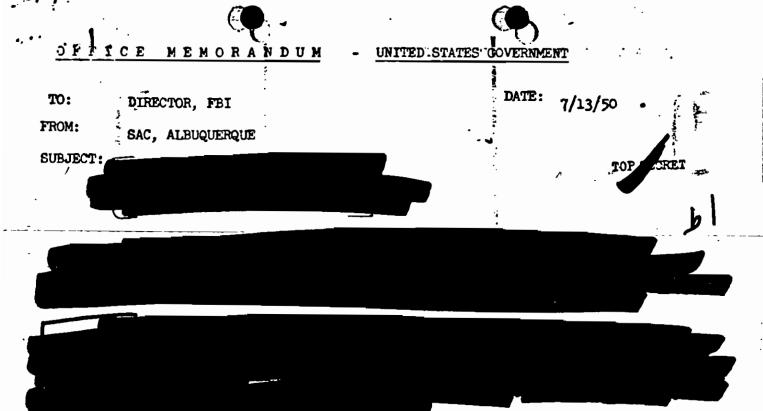
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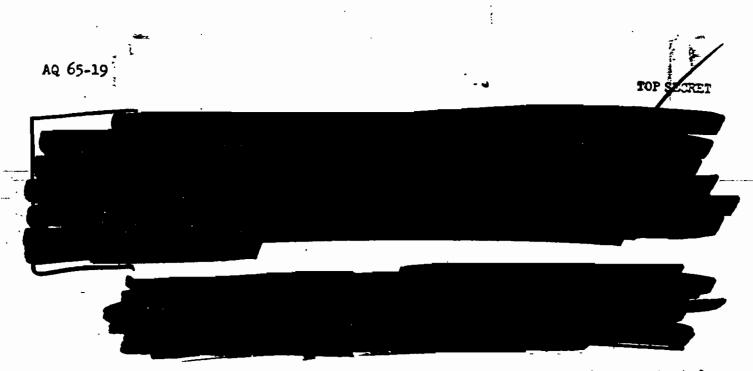
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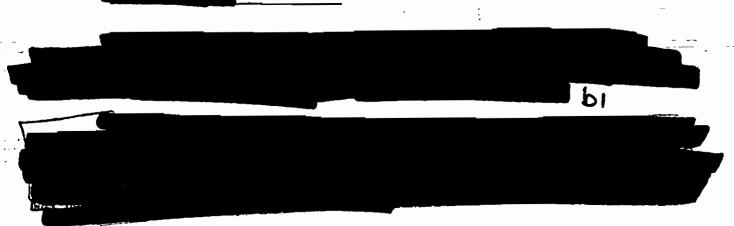
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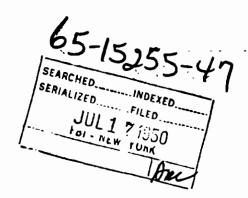


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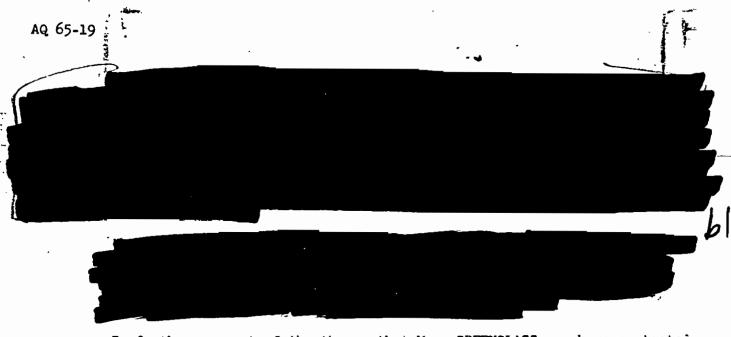
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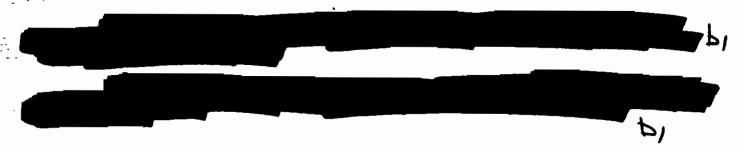
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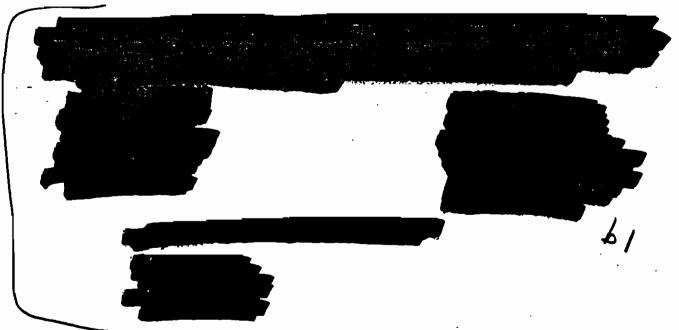
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There are set forth hereinefter the following questions which should be included among those-asked of Julius Rosenberg in the event he desires to cooperate.

(1) Identify for us by name the persons in your network from whom you received information on behalf of the Russians.

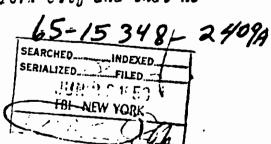


him he was obtaining information from a scientist who was being paid (200 per day as a consultant on the construction of the Aswan Lam in Egypt. (This is possibly William Perl, who worked as an assistant to Professor Yon Laman, who was employed on that project.)

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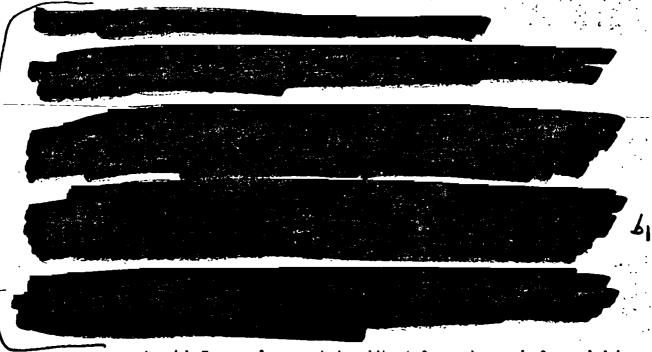


headed one unit and the other unit was headed by two men, one of whom left the United States prior to Rosenberg's arrest (believed to be Joel Barr), and the other one fled since Rosenberg's arrest (believed to be Alfred Sarant).

Rosenberg also of a young couple in the midwest who he set up in business as a cover but actually acted as a go-between in his microfilm transmission (believed to refer to Richael and Anne Sidorovich).

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(2) That type of information was furnished to you by your sub-agents and identify these sub-agents.



Devid Greenglass advised that Rosenberg informed him of contacts that he had in up-state New York, Ohio, and a contact in General Electric in Schenectady, who furnished information to the Russians. He also mentioned a contact in up-state New York who worked on jet aircraft.

Greenglass also described information Rosenberg had obtained concerning the "sky platform" which he had received from one of his contacts in up-state New York. (Investigation reflected that three separate projects similar to this were operated by the Army, havy and Air Force, exploring the possibility of a guided missile similar to a sky platform and this was known as the Satellite Vehicle Program.)

Greenglass also said that Rosenberg told him he had received the mathematics for the nuclear energy for the propulsion of aircraft (NEPA).

received terrific information" from Perl, including information on NEFA.

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(3) Did you photograph the materials received from sub-agents; where was this photographic work done and did other people assist in this work, and who were they?



Ruth and David Greenglass have advised that Kosenberg told them he had two apartments in New York City, one in the Greenwich Village section (tentatively identified as 65 Morton Street, New York City), and another in the vicinity of 12th Street and Avenue B, New York City (which apartment has not been located to date).

Concerning 65 Norton Street, this apartment was occupied intermittently from 1944 to 1949 by Alfred Sarant, Billiam Perl, Joel Barr, and Naxwell Finestone.

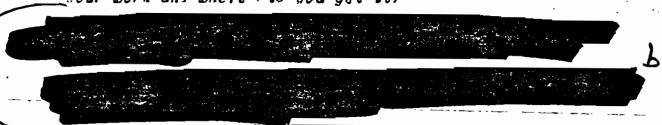
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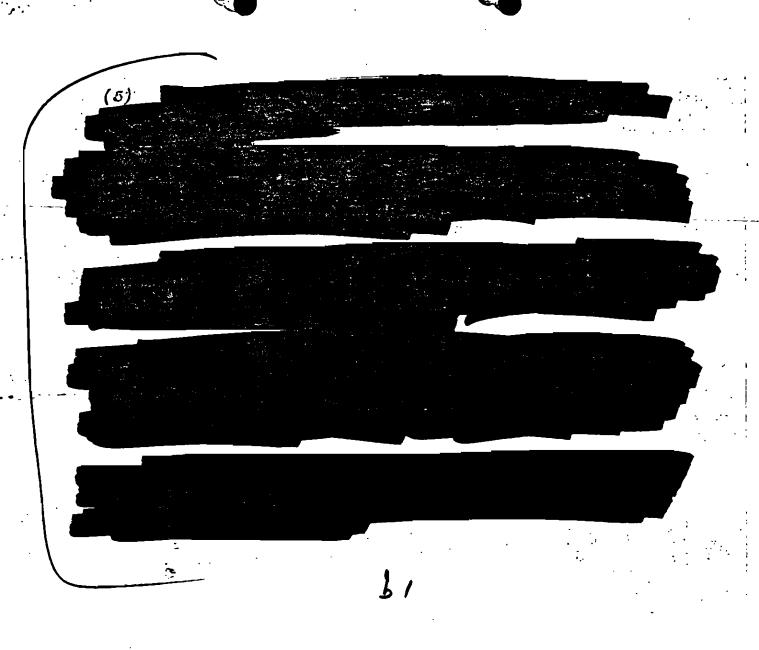
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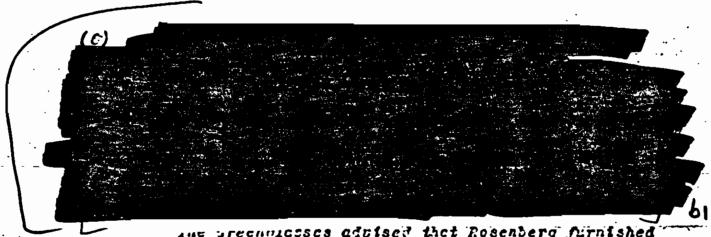
(4) That expert photographic equipment did you use in your work and where did you get it?



Rosenberg had a Leica camera and \$7,000 in his apartment on June 16, 1950, when the FBI invited him to their office for interview and that following his departure Athel Rosenberg rewoved the noney and the camera in a shopping bag to the apartment of a Communist larty member residing in Knickerbocker Village.

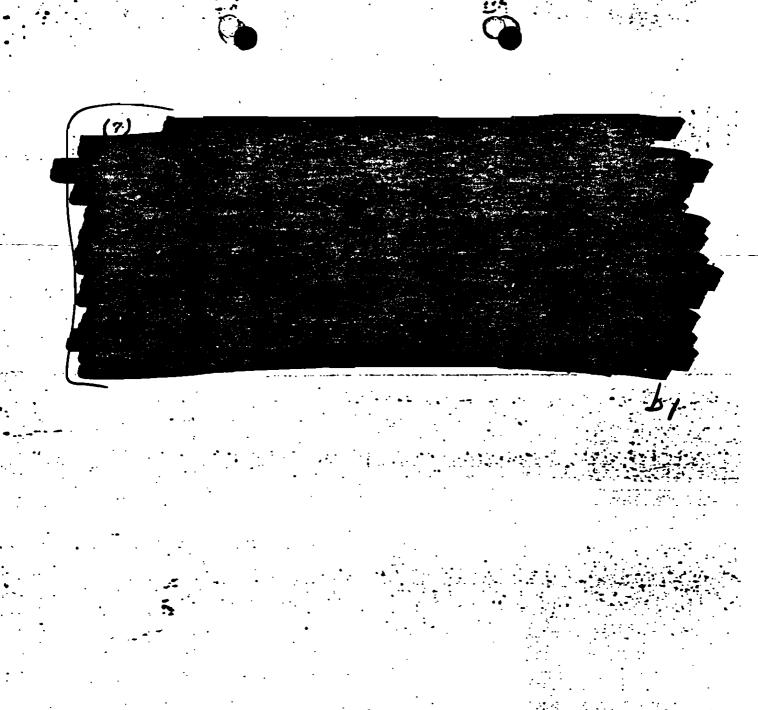
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Greenglass also told that Rosenberg offered to send him to the University of Chicago or the Eassachusetts Institute of Rechnology to study nuclear physics at Eussian expense. He also informed Treenglass he had young men attending engineering schools and he intended to use them after their graduation as sources of technical information.



Greenglass testified that during his furlough in January, 1945, one night Rosenberg took him to a certain location on the east side of New York City where he introduced Greenglass to a man in a car. Rosenberg left and Greenglass and the unidentified man rode around for about fifteen minutes during which time this man questioned him about Los Alamos. Greenglass has not been able to identify this contact.

Greenglass also testified that during this same furlough hosenberg described to him an atomic bomb, which Greenglass realized later was the Hiroshima type bomb.

Las your wife cognizant of your activities?

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mosenberg when the IBI agents invited him to their office for interview he refused permission for a search of his apartment because he had \$7,000 and a Leica camera concealed in a phonograph in the bedroom. On his departure from the apartment Ethel removed the money and the camera, placed them in a shapping bag and delivered them to a reliable Communicat residing in Entekerbocker Village. (This person has not been identified to date.)

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## (10) Fid you know Harry Gold?

NOTE: Gold has identified Julius Rosenberg as being a man with a cigar whom he observed at a prearranged emergency meeting place in Elmhurst, Long Island, on the first Sunday in February, 1850. Gold was to meet a Russian contact unknown to him who was to be identified through a cigar in this mouth at this place. No contact was made.

Greenglass advised that Julius Rosenberg came to his apartment on the morning of May 23, 1950, with a copy of the New York "Herald-Iribune" containing a picture of Harry Gold and informed him that Gold was the man who had contacted him in New Mexico and that he, Greenglass, would have to flee the country.

(11) Rhat were your relations with Jacob Golos and Elizabeth Bentley?

NOTE: Dentley has advised that Golos obtained information from an engineer named Julius who lived in Anickerbocker Village and who was the leader of a cell of Communist engineers turned over to Golos in December, 1942 for espionage purposes. Bentley saw Julius twice-at-a-distance and described him as being 5'10" or 5'11" tall, sliz, and wore glasses. This description fits Rosenberg.

Far Flitcher said that Cobell informed him Rosenberg had talked on the phone with Bentley but had never met her.

Greengless stated hosenberg told him he knew Golos and that Bentley probably knew him.

January 12, 1951

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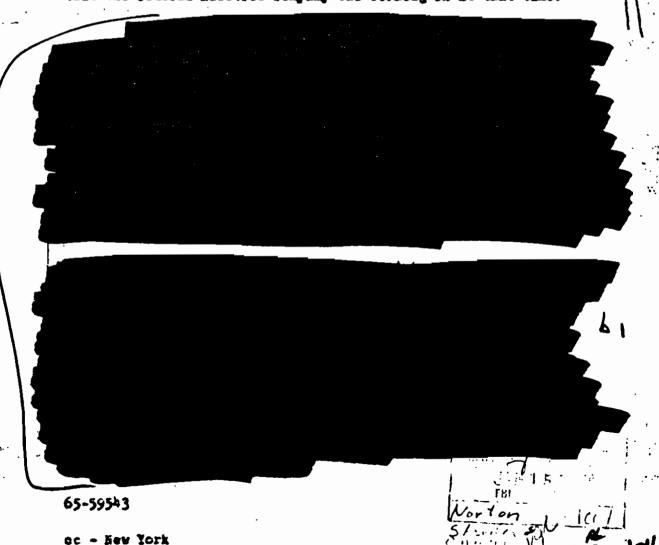
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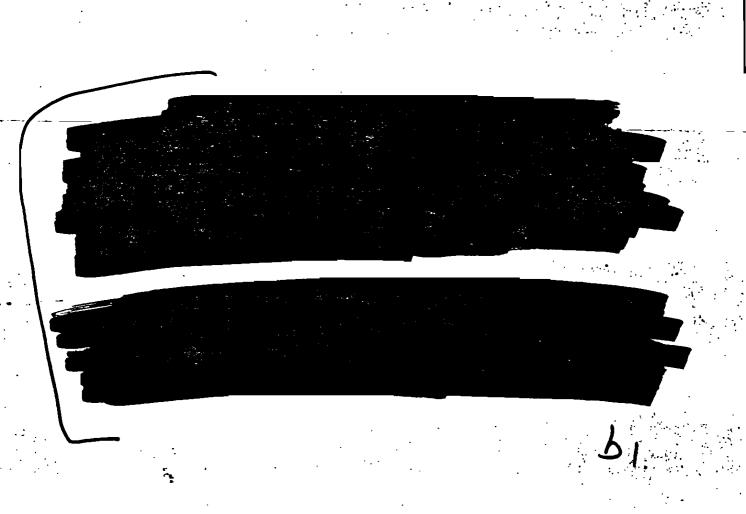
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It is noted on page 63 of this report that according to the testimony of witness Max Elitcher, Morton Sobell during the period of 1944 to 1947 indicated knowledge of a rocket problem that the General Electric Company was working on at that time.







Hew York, New York July 15, 1950

MEGO:

re: julius rosenberg espionage - r

I called Inspector BELMONT of the Bureau at 1:15 today, to ascertain whether there had been any developments with regard to ourtel of the fifteenth instant. He advised that the Bureau was preparing a memorandum for the department with regard to this matter, and would send it over today, and that probably Monday a decision would be reached.

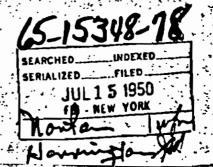
New York Office with regard to preceding against the subject, and it was our belief that we should first attempt to break him on an interview in order to obtain his story as to his implications in espionage AS SET OUT IN OURTEL 1-15-51

I suggested that the Bureau might desire to call to the department's attention, the possibility of filing on the subject in Santa Fe, on's conspiracy charge. I told him that we would not place out-going stops, in view of their ineffective nature, and he agreed. I also advised him that we have not observed the subject today, with respect to the \$1,000 which DAVID GRIFFGLASS had said that he hid in the flu of the fireplace in his apartment.

I pointed out to Mr. BELLOTT that RUTE advised us that she had recoved this \$1,000 prior to the search of her apartment by Bureau Agents, and had given the money to LOUIS ABLE, in an envelope, to keep for her. She did this just prior to going to the hospital, and she stated that after DAVID was arrested arrested by the Bureau, she told ABLE to take the \$1,000 and give it to 0. JOHN ROGGE, to retain him as an attorney.

I explained to Mr. BEHIGHT that we were not conducting a neighborhood investigation, at this point, in the vicinity of 12th Street and exercise our investigation to become known to ROSENBERG through some contact that might be made on a neighborhood investigation.

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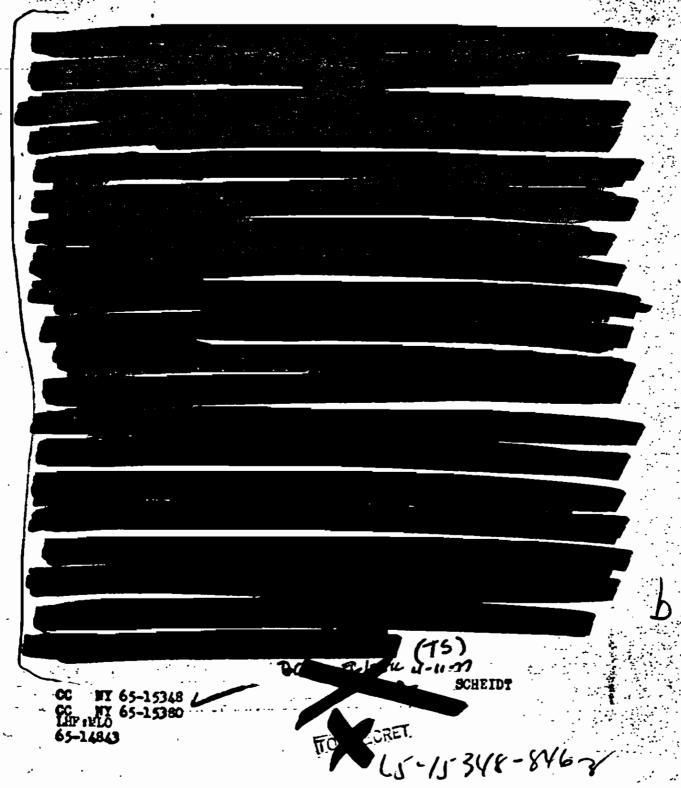
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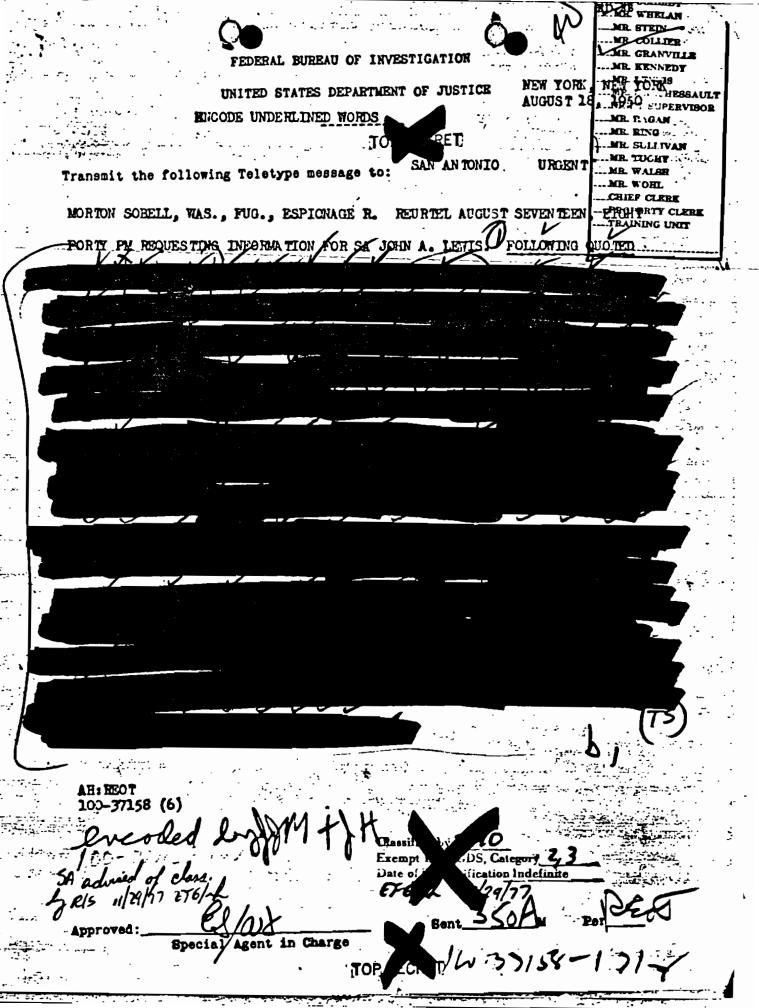
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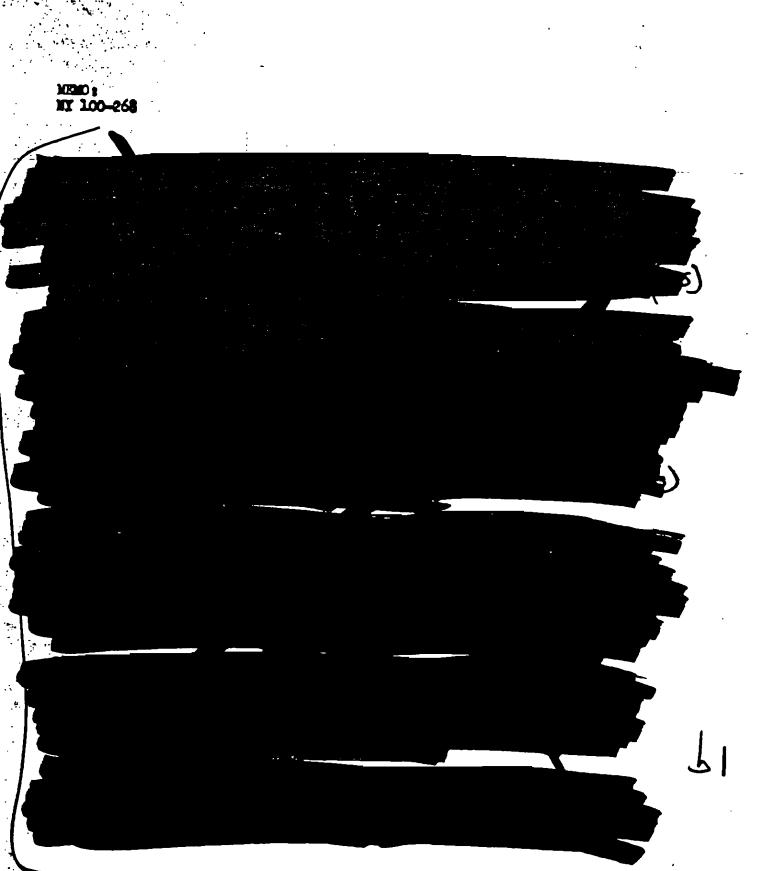
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Bureau letter instructed the New York Office to reinstitute investigation of BERNARD SCHUSTER and submit a wall organized summary report correlating all pertinent details available to date. The file in this matter should be exhaustively reviewed and analyzed, together with any other information developed through a search of the indices and all leads should be set forth in the summary report.

Bureau letter continues that the New York Office should immediately furnish photographs of SCHUSTER and MAE MILLER to the Philadelphia Office to be displayed to HARRY COLD. In addition New York should display these photographs to DAVID and RUTH GREENLASS, MAX ELITCHER and others interviewed in connection with the Rosenburg Case. In regard to the latter case, Bureau letter indicated that it was possible that MAE MILLER may have succeeded SCHUSTER in contacting ROCEMBERG as she succeeded him in contacting BROTHMAE.

Bureau letter related that this matter was of paramount importance and must be given immediate and continuous investigative and supervisory attention.

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