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The following is the most recent residence address, place of employment and employment address of the above subject as contained on the subject's security index card.

Residence: 4108 42 St., Sunnyside

Employment: Partner, A. BROTHMAN Associates

Address: 2928 41st Ave, LIC

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It is requested that the residence address of the subject, place of employment and address of employment be verified and the proper notation be made below:

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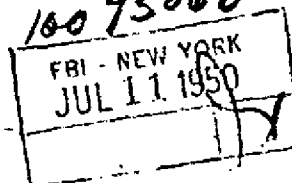
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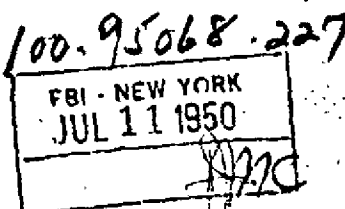
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RE: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, was.  
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Re: SA JOHN R. MURPHY, New York, dated June 30, 1950.

In view of BROTHMAN's refusal to submit to further interview, the following is being submitted for information.

EVENTS LEADING UP TO INTERVIEW WITH BROTHMAN AND MOSKOWITZ MAY 15, 1950

At approximately 12:45 p.m. on May 15, 1950, SAs JOHN M. COLLINS, THOMAS H. ZOELLER, RALPH F. MILLER and JOHN R. MURPHY arrived at BROTHMAN's office on the twelfth floor of the Chatham-Phenix Building, 2928 41st Avenue, Long Island City. At that same time, BROTHMAN was standing in the doorway of his drafting room talking to BERNARD PIDTO, a business associate, who was then standing in the hallway. SA MURPHY identified himself to BROTHMAN as BROTHMAN stepped back into his drafting room. This identification was made out of earshot of PIDTO.

BROTHMAN was informed that the agents desired to speak to him and his business partner, MIRIAM MOSKOWITZ, on a matter effecting the national defense of the United States. At this moment, MOSKOWITZ was in the adjoining room which has typewriters and desks in it and is actually the BROTHMAN business office. BROTHMAN's first reaction to the request was to state he had an urgent business appointment at 1:00 p.m. in Cliffwood, New Jersey. It was pointed out that it was then 12:45 p.m. and that Cliffwood was some thirty to forty miles from New York City and that he could not possibly make the appointment. He insisted, however, that he had to get down there to conduct a complicated chemical operation.

It is also to be noted that BROTHMAN, immediately upon being informed of the identity of the agents, became extremely agitated.

At about this point in the conversation with BROTHMAN, MOSKOWITZ strode into the room in a challenging fashion wanting to know what this was all about. She too was informed of the purpose of the agent's visit and of the fact that the agents desired to speak to her. Her reaction was to launch into a tirade, announcing loudly that Mr. BROTHMAN was a very busy man and

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that he had no time to spare for the agents. She then asked BROTHMAN if it would not be a good idea to contact their attorney, Mr. HAMILTON or Mr. KIFRMAN. BROTHMAN said that this should be done. MOSKOWITZ did this, but neither HAMILTON nor KIFRMAN was then available, however, at about 1:40 p.m. HAMILTON returned the call.

BROTHMAN took the call and asked SA JOHN M. COLLINS to pick up the telephone extension after he, BROTHMAN, had explained that agents were there and desired to talk to him on a matter affecting the national defense. SA COLLINS then picked up the extension and informed HAMILTON as BROTHMAN listened, that the agents desired to speak to Mr. BROTHMAN and Miss MOSKOWITZ on a matter connected with the investigation of EMIL JULIUS KLAUS FUCHS. HAMILTON informed Agent COLLINS as BROTHMAN listened, that his advice to Mr. BROTHMAN would be that he should furnish any and all information in his possession which might assist the Bureau, and to answer any and all questions truthfully and to the best of his knowledge. BROTHMAN's business situation at the moment was briefly discussed and arrangements were made then to see Mr. BROTHMAN and Miss MOSKOWITZ at the New York office at 6:00 p.m. that evening with HAMILTON present. However, as it later developed, BROTHMAN and MOSKOWITZ went to see HAMILTON prior to 6:00 p.m., and on his advice came to the office unaccompanied by HAMILTON, but with instructions from him to cooperate fully with the Bureau.

BROTHMAN and MOSKOWITZ arrived at the New York office at about 6:25 p.m. on May 15, 1950. Prior to the time that the interviews with BROTHMAN and MOSKOWITZ were actually begun, BROTHMAN reasserted his urgent business commitments for that particular day, stating that it was absolutely imperative for him to travel to Cliffwood, New Jersey, that evening after the interviews would be concluded in order to initiate this chemical operation. He asked that if at all possible consideration be given by the agents in this regard in order that he could meet this commitment and thus possibly save himself and other individuals involved financially in the operation some money.

It was there that BROTHMAN and MOSKOWITZ said they wanted to cooperate fully with the Bureau and that they would attempt to answer to the best of their knowledge all questions put to them. It was thereupon tentatively agreed that if possible, the interviews would be terminated at about 8:00 p.m. in order to allow BROTHMAN to conduct his business.

The interview with BROTHMAN was begun at 6:35 p.m. and continued until 8:25 p.m. BROTHMAN and MOSKOWITZ left the New York office at 8:30 p.m., presumably to go to Cliffwood, New Jersey, as they had previously indicated.

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EVENTS LEADING UP TO INTERVIEW OF MAY 16, 1950

It should be stated that prior to the departure of BROTHMAN and MOSKOWITZ from the New York office on the evening of May 15, 1950, it was definitely decided that BROTHMAN would go to Cliffwood, New Jersey, that evening and that the agents would meet him there on the morning of May 16, 1950 to resume the interview.

About twenty minutes after BROTHMAN and MOSKOWITZ left the New York office on May 15, 1950, BROTHMAN telephoned SA JOHN R. MURPHY and stated that he and Miss MOSKOWITZ had now decided they would not go to Cliffwood, New Jersey, but that BROTHMAN would go there early on the morning of May 16, 1950, and he wanted to know whether it would be agreeable to SA MURPHY and SA COLLINS that he be further interviewed at Cliffwood, New Jersey on the following day. He was told that this would be agreeable and he was met by SA COLLINS and SA MURPHY at 42d Street and Ninth Avenue at 8:35 a.m. on the morning of May 16, 1950.

BROTHMAN was driving his own car while the agents were driving a Bureau car. Originally it was intended that the agents drive directly to Cliffwood with BROTHMAN and begin the second interview with him immediately upon arrival and/or as soon thereafter as his job would permit. However, it was necessary for SA COLLINS and SA MURPHY to stop briefly at the Newark office to obtain a message regarding the results of the first interview with HARRY GOLD in Philadelphia. Therefore, BROTHMAN was allowed to continue on to Cliffwood, SA COLLINS, SA CARLTON C. LENZ of the Newark office, and SA MURPHY proceeded to the Ulster Chemical Plant, Cliffwood, New Jersey. The second interview with BROTHMAN was begun shortly after 12:45 p.m. and was conducted in the Bureau car outside the Ulster Plant. This interview was concluded at about 4:30 p.m.

EVENTS LEADING UP TO INTERVIEW WITH ABRAHAM BROTHMAN MAY 22, 1950

At the conclusion of the May 16, 1950 interview, BROTHMAN indicated that due to the fact that he had to complete a complicated chemical operation, he was then uncertain as to the time when he would be next available for interview. He assured agents, however, that he would contact them as soon as he was able to return to New York City, at which time an examination of his books and records could be conducted and if necessary, a further interview conducted. The May 16, 1950 interview was terminated at about 4:30 p.m. BROTHMAN did not return to New York City until the morning of May 19, 1950. In the interim, however, it was determined by a telephone call to him on the morning of May 18, 1950 that he was still working on the chemical project at the Ulster Plant in Cliffwood. BROTHMAN was telephonically contacted on the



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morning of May 19, 1950, at which time he stated that he was physically exhausted from having worked long and continuously during the past few days at the Cliffwood Plant. It was agreed at that time that the examination of his books and records would be initiated on Monday morning, May 22, 1950, at his offices.

BROTHMAN arrived at his office on May 22, 1950 at about 9:15 a.m. and appeared well rested and in a rather affable mood as contrasted with his moods during the prior interviews. After a brief conversation and after getting out all of the files and records in which the agents would be interested, BROTHMAN asked if he could speak to SA JOHN R. MURPHY confidentially outside of his door.

At this time BROTHMAN stated that he had contacted FOWLER HAMILTON, his attorney, on May 19, 1950, and had discussed the prior interviews with the agents with Mr. HAMILTON. Originally he claimed it was HAMILTON's intention to advise SA JOHN R. MURPHY of the nature of these conversations on May 22, 1950, but BROTHMAN related that he was taking it upon himself to get off what he had on his mind.

BROTHMAN advised that prior to May 29, 1947 he had never been contacted by Bureau agents and that at that time, he was considerably upset by that interview but that he had recovered from that in a relatively short period of time. However, in about June 1949, BROTHMAN stated that on a particular Monday morning, the exact date not recalled, he awoke to find that his name had been mentioned in the public press by Senator McCARRAN and that in this press release by Senator McCARRAN, BROTHMAN was referred to, by innuendo at least, as a spy. Furthermore, the article stated, according to BROTHMAN, that he had been a member of the Armed Forces. BROTHMAN stated that he had never been a member of the Armed Forces.

BROTHMAN advised that he was enraged by this "blast" at him by McCARRAN and that at that time he had consulted Mr. HAMILTON, his attorney, regarding the advisability of issuing a public denial to the charges as made by McCARRAN. HAMILTON, according to BROTHMAN, talked him out of making such a denial, assuring him that nothing further would come of it, that it was just a press release that would be forgotten. BROTHMAN advised he had forgotten about the matter as counselled by HAMILTON.

However, BROTHMAN made it very plain that had any FBI agents come to visit him in the period immediately following this press release, he probably would have thrown them out of his office bodily or at least attempted to "throw a punch" at however many Bureau agents showed up at his office to

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speak to him. (BROTHMAN made no threats to SA JOHN R. MURPHY at this or any other time. In fact, throughout this conversation, BROTHMAN was agitated and cowering.)

BROTHMAN then inquired as to the purpose of the present inquiry into his private and business files, after first assuring SA MURPHY that he was not a "spy" as charged by McCARRAN and also insinuated, after relating the above story that he felt at that time (1949) that the release of the information concerning him to Senator McCARRAN may have been "engineered" by the Bureau.

It appeared throughout this conversation that BROTHMAN was attempting by fair means or foul to obtain a commitment of some sort from SA MURPHY to the effect that the Bureau was not interested at this time in him.

BROTHMAN throughout his conversation assured SA MURPHY that he would cooperate in any way the Bureau desired in making available any information in his possession and in making available his books and records. In denying that he was a spy or had ever been a spy, BROTHMAN stated that he had never had the time to be a spy since he was a busy man and had worked eighteen hours a day for at least the past ten years.

Whereas earlier in the morning BROTHMAN had appeared calm and collected, he had become extremely agitated as he related the above events. In the first place, BROTHMAN was told by SA MURPHY that the latter had had no prior knowledge of any press release concerning BROTHMAN by Senator McCARRAN or anyone else, and further that he had no knowledge as to the basis for such a release.

In the second place and particularly in view of the fact that BROTHMAN was giving every indication of wanting to cooperate in the present investigation, which culminated in the arrest of HARRY GOLD, he was informed that his cooperation was now desired in identifying a spy; that the Bureau was interested in him and in his books and records since it might be possible by interrogation and examination of his records to identify this spy.

At this point BROTHMAN again assured SA MURPHY that he would continue to cooperate in any respect the Bureau desired, that he appreciated the consideration that he had been shown up to the present time, May 22, 1950, by SA JOHN M. COLLINS and SA JOHN R. MURPHY, i.e., allowing him to conduct urgent business and not pressing him for immediate interviews in the face of this urgent business.

As has been related previously in the details of referenced report, SA JOHN M. COLLINS spoke to BROTHMAN's attorney, FOWLER HAMILTON, from

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BROTHMAN's office at BROTHMAN's request on May 15, 1950 by telephone. During the course of this conversation from BROTHMAN's office, SA COLLINS informed Mr. HAMILTON that the agents desired to speak to Mr. BROTHMAN and Miss MOSKOWITZ in connection with the investigation of EMIL JULIUS KLAUS FUCHS. In the conversation between BROTHMAN and SA JOHN R. MURPHY, related above, BROTHMAN advised that he had never been personally acquainted with FUCHS, but that he knew him by reputation in the field of theoretical physics.

After this conversation between BROTHMAN and SA MURPHY on May 22, 1950, SA COLLINS and SA MURPHY went to lunch in a restaurant near BROTHMAN's office with BROTHMAN. Out of the presence of BROTHMAN and during this lunch hour, SA MURPHY was officially notified by telephone by Supervisor ROBERT R. GRANVILLE of the fact that on that very morning, HARRY GOLD had confessed to interviewing agents in Philadelphia that he was FUCHS's contact in the United States.

Upon returning to BROTHMAN's office in the afternoon of May 22, 1950, and between the hours of 1:00 and 4:00 p.m., BROTHMAN was interviewed about HARRY GOLD and his association with him. He was asked and apparently furnished every bit of information in his possession regarding HARRY GOLD.

Upon the termination of this interview, BROTHMAN was asked if he had any more problems on his mind, such as he had related to SA MURPHY earlier in the day, i.e., McCARPAN Committee publicity - and he stated that he had a couple of others. He stated that on the evening of May 15, 1950 when he was interviewed in the New York office, he was sitting in one chair at the beginning of the interview and was then asked by SA MURPHY to move to another chair (which actually was a more comfortable chair and BROTHMAN was requested to do this by SA MURPHY in the interest of making him as comfortable as possible). He suspected (1) that his picture would be taken while he was sitting in the new chair, and (2) that the move was requested in order that he would be placed closer to a microphone, which was then recording the interview. BROTHMAN was then asked what suspicions he had concerning the interview on May 16, 1950, which actually occurred in a Bureau automobile parked on the premises of the Ulster Chemical, Inc. at Cliffwood, New Jersey. He stated he had very definite suspicions on that interview, namely that this interview was being recorded since he had observed three or four buttons on the dashboard of the Bureau car which he had never seen on any standard make automobile before that date (actually he was referring to the radio controls).

As a last "problem", BROTHMAN stated that he was worried over the fact that he might not receive his passport for which he had applied in order to conduct business in Europe during the summer. On this point he was told that the Bureau had no jurisdiction over the issuance of passports.

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On the first two "problems", BROTHMAN was told that what he had thought to be facts were not true.

EVENTS LEADING UP TO INTERVIEW OF JUNE 16, 1950

On the morning of June 16, 1950, an attempt was made to contact BROTHMAN at 9:00 a.m. at his office at Queens Plaza. Before entering the building, SA ROBERT M. KANE and SA JOHN R. MURPHY observed BROTHMAN's car parked in the parking lot across from the Chatham-Phenix Building. Several telephone calls were made to his office between 9:00 and 9:50 a.m. No answer was received to any of them.

At about 9:50 a.m., SA KANE and SA MURPHY went to the twelfth floor of the Chatham-Phenix Building for the second time and the office was still apparently unoccupied and the telephone could be heard ringing. As the agents were about to leave the floor, they met SMIL Z. BARISH who was just arriving for work. BARISH was informed that the agents desired to see BROTHMAN and BARISH then invited the agents into the office. BARISH called BROTHMAN's wife at home without informing her that the agents were there and ascertained that BROTHMAN had a business appointment at 9:00 a.m. in New York City, but that he would be in his office at about 11:00 a.m. that day. Arrangements were made with BARISH whereby SA MURPHY would call BROTHMAN's office in an effort to reach him directly, and BARISH agreed to inform BROTHMAN that the agents wanted to see him as soon as BROTHMAN arrived.

As SA KANE and SA MURPHY were leaving the elevator on the first floor of the Chatham-Phenix Building, MIRIAM MOSKOWITZ, BROTHMAN's business partner, was observed waiting for an elevator. She recognized SA MURPHY and MURPHY informed her also that agents desired to see BROTHMAN for further interview. In the course of MURPHY's conversation with Miss MOSKOWITZ at that location, she volunteered the information in a "jocular" fashion that she knew that BROTHMAN did not know or had not ever heard of ALFRED D. SLACK, who had been arrested in Syracuse, New York, as an associate of GOLD on June 15, 1950. Miss MOSKOWITZ also told SA MURPHY to telephone BROTHMAN at around 11:00 a.m. to see whether he was in.

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JOHN R. MURPHY, SA

New York, N. Y.  
July 12, 1950

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RE: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, was.  
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Rerep SA JOHN R. MURPHY, New York, dated June 30, 1950.

In view of BROTHMAN's refusal to submit to further interview, the following is being submitted for information.

EVENTS LEADING UP TO INTERVIEWS WITH BROTHMAN AND MOSKOWITZ MAY 15, 1950

At approximately 12:45 p.m. on May 15, 1950, SAs JOHN M. COLLINS, THOMAS H. ZOELLER, RALPH F. MILLER and JOHN R. MURPHY arrived at BROTHMAN's office on the twelfth floor of the Chatham-Phenix Building, 2928 41st Avenue, Long Island City. At that same time, BROTHMAN was standing in the doorway of his drafting room talking to BERNARD PIDTO, a business associate, who was then standing in the hallway. SA MURPHY identified himself to BROTHMAN as BROTHMAN stepped back into his drafting room. This identification was made out of earshot of PIDTO.

BROTHMAN was informed that the agents desired to speak to him and his business partner, MIRIAM MOSKOWITZ, on a matter effecting the national defense of the United States. At this moment, MOSKOWITZ was in the adjoining room which has typewriters and desks in it and is actually the BROTHMAN business office. BROTHMAN's first reaction to the request was to state he had an urgent business appointment at 1:00 p.m. in Cliffwood, New Jersey. It was pointed out that it was then 12:45 p.m. and that Cliffwood was some thirty to forty miles from New York City and that he could not possibly make the appointment. He insisted, however, that he had to get down there to conduct a complicated chemical operation.

It is also to be noted that BROTHMAN, immediately upon being informed of the identity of the agents, became extremely agitated.

At about this point in the conversation with BROTHMAN, MOSKOWITZ strode into the room in a challenging fashion wanting to know what this was all about. She too was informed of the purpose of the agent's visit and of the fact that the agents desired to speak to her. Her reaction was to launch into a tirade, announcing loudly that Mr. BROTHMAN was a very busy man and

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that he had no time to spare for the agents. She then asked BROTHMAN if it would not be a good idea to contact their attorney, Mr. HAMILTON or Mr. KIERNAN. BROTHMAN said that this should be done. MOSKOWITZ did this, but neither HAMILTON nor KIERNAN was then available, however, at about 1:40 p.m. HAMILTON returned the call.

BROTHMAN took the call and asked SA JOHN M. COLLINS to pick up the telephone extension after he, BROTHMAN, had explained that agents were there and desired to talk to him on a matter affecting the national defense. SA COLLINS then picked up the extension and informed HAMILTON as BROTHMAN listened, that the agents desired to speak to Mr. BROTHMAN and Miss MOSKOWITZ on a matter connected with the investigation of EMIL JULIUS KLAUS FUCHS. HAMILTON informed Agent COLLINS as BROTHMAN listened, that his advice to Mr. BROTHMAN would be that he should furnish any and all information in his possession which might assist the Bureau, and to answer any and all questions truthfully and to the best of his knowledge. BROTHMAN's business situation at the moment was briefly discussed and arrangements were made then to see Mr. BROTHMAN and Miss MOSKOWITZ at the New York office at 6:00 p.m. that evening with HAMILTON present. However, as it later developed, BROTHMAN and MOSKOWITZ went to see HAMILTON prior to 6:00 p.m., and on his advice came to the office unaccompanied by HAMILTON, but with instructions from him to cooperate fully with the Bureau.

BROTHMAN and MOSKOWITZ arrived at the New York office at about 6:25 p.m. on May 15, 1950. Prior to the time that the interviews with BROTHMAN and MOSKOWITZ were actually begun, BROTHMAN reasserted his urgent business commitments for that particular day, stating that it was absolutely imperative for him to travel to Cliffwood, New Jersey, that evening after the interviews would be concluded in order to initiate this chemical operation. He asked that if at all possible consideration be given by the agents in this regard in order that he could meet this commitment and thus possibly save himself and other individuals involved financially in the operation some money.

It was there that BROTHMAN and MOSKOWITZ said they wanted to cooperate fully with the Bureau and that they would attempt to answer to the best of their knowledge all questions put to them. It was thereupon tentatively agreed that if possible, the interviews would be terminated at about 6:00 p.m. in order to allow BROTHMAN to conduct his business.

The interview with BROTHMAN was begun at 6:35 p.m. and continued until 8:25 p.m. BROTHMAN and MOSKOWITZ left the New York office at 8:30 p.m., presumably to go to Cliffwood, New Jersey, as they had previously indicated.

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It should be stated that prior to the departure of BROTHMAN and MOSKOWITZ from the New York office on the evening of May 15, 1950, it was definitely decided that BROTHMAN would go to Cliffwood, New Jersey, that evening and that the agents would meet him there on the morning of May 16, 1950 to resume the interview.

About twenty minutes after BROTHMAN and MOSKOWITZ left the New York office on May 15, 1950, BROTHMAN telephoned SA JOHN R. MURPHY and stated that he and Miss MOSKOWITZ had now decided they would not go to Cliffwood, New Jersey, but that BROTHMAN would go there early on the morning of May 16, 1950, and he wanted to know whether it would be agreeable to SA MURPHY and SA COLLINS that he be further interviewed at Cliffwood, New Jersey on the following day. He was told that this would be agreeable and he was met by SA COLLINS and SA MURPHY at 42d Street and Ninth Avenue at 8:35 a.m. on the morning of May 16, 1950.

BROTHMAN was driving his own car while the agents were driving a Bureau car. Originally it was intended that the agents drive directly to Cliffwood with BROTHMAN and begin the second interview with him immediately upon arrival and/or as soon thereafter as his job would permit. However, it was necessary for SA COLLINS and SA MURPHY to stop briefly at the Newark office to obtain a message regarding the results of the first interview with HARRY GOLD in Philadelphia. Therefore, BROTHMAN was allowed to continue on to Cliffwood. SA COLLINS, SA CARLTON C. LENZ of the Newark office, and SA MURPHY proceeded to the Ulster Chemical Plant, Cliffwood, New Jersey. The second interview with BROTHMAN was begun shortly after 12:45 p.m. and was conducted in the Bureau car outside the Ulster Plant. This interview was concluded at about 4:30 p.m.

EVENTS LEADING UP TO INTERVIEW WITH ABRAHAM BROTHMAN MAY 22, 1950

At the conclusion of the May 16, 1950 interview, BROTHMAN indicated that due to the fact that he had to complete a complicated chemical operation, he was then uncertain as to the time when he would be next available for interview. He assured agents, however, that he would contact them as soon as he was able to return to New York City, at which time an examination of his books and records could be conducted and if necessary, a further interview conducted. The May 16, 1950 interview was terminated at about 4:30 p.m. BROTHMAN did not return to New York City until the morning of May 19, 1950. In the interim, however, it was determined by a telephone call to him on the morning of May 18, 1950 that he was still working on the chemical project at the Ulster Plant in Cliffwood. BROTHMAN was telephonically contacted on the



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morning of May 19, 1950, at which time he stated that he was physically exhausted from having worked long and continuously during the past few days at the Cliffwood Plant. It was agreed at that time that the examination of his books and records would be initiated on Monday morning, May 22, 1950, at his offices.

BROTHMAN arrived at his office on May 22, 1950 at about 9:15 a.m. and appeared well rested and in a rather affable mood as contrasted with his moods during the prior interviews. After a brief conversation and after getting out all of the files and records in which the agents would be interested, BROTHMAN asked if he could speak to SA JOHN R. MURPHY confidentially outside of his door.

At this time BROTHMAN stated that he had contacted FOWLER HAMILTON, his attorney, on May 19, 1950, and had discussed the prior interviews with the agents with Mr. HAMILTON. Originally he claimed it was HAMILTON's intention to advise SA JOHN R. MURPHY of the nature of these conversations on May 22, 1950, but BROTHMAN related that he was taking it upon himself to get off what he had on his mind.

BROTHMAN advised that prior to May 29, 1947 he had never been contacted by Bureau agents and that at that time, he was considerably upset by that interview but that he had recovered from that in a relatively short period of time. However, in about June 1949, BROTHMAN stated that on a particular Monday morning, the exact date not recalled, he awoke to find that his name had been mentioned in the public press by Senator McCARRAN and that in this press release by Senator McCARRAN, BROTHMAN was referred to, by innuendo at least, as a spy. Furthermore, the article stated, according to BROTHMAN, that he had been a member of the Armed Forces. BROTHMAN stated that he had never been a member of the Armed Forces.

BROTHMAN advised that he was enraged by this "blast" at him by McCARRAN and that at that time he had consulted Mr. HAMILTON, his attorney, regarding the advisability of issuing a public denial to the charges as made by McCARRAN. HAMILTON, according to BROTHMAN, talked him out of making such a denial, assuring him that nothing further would come of it, that it was just a press release that would be forgotten. BROTHMAN advised he had forgotten about the matter as counselled by HAMILTON.

However, BROTHMAN made it very plain that had any FBI agents come to visit him in the period immediately following this press release, he probably would have thrown them out of his office bodily or at least attempted to "throw a punch" at however many Bureau agents showed up at his office to

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Speak to him. (BROTHMAN made no threats to SA JOHN R. MURPHY at this or any other time. In fact, throughout this conversation, BROTHMAN was agitated and cowering.)

BROTHMAN then inquired as to the purpose of the present inquiry into his private and business files, after first assuring SA MURPHY that he was not a "spy" as charged by McCARRAN and also insinuated, after relating the above story that he felt at that time (1949) that the release of the information concerning him to Senator McCARRAN may have been "engineered" by the Bureau.

It appeared throughout this conversation that BROTHMAN was attempting by fair means or foul to obtain a commitment of some sort from SA MURPHY to the effect that the Bureau was not interested at this time in him.

BROTHMAN throughout his conversation assured SA MURPHY that he would cooperate in any way the Bureau desired in making available any information in his possession and in making available his books and records. In denying that he was a spy or had ever been a spy, BROTHMAN stated that he had never had the time to be a spy since he was a busy man and had worked eighteen hours a day for at least the past ten years.

Whereas earlier in the morning BROTHMAN had appeared calm and collected, he had become extremely agitated as he related the above events. In the first place, BROTHMAN was told by SA MURPHY that the latter had had no prior knowledge of any press release concerning BROTHMAN by Senator McCARRAN or anyone else, and further that he had no knowledge as to the basis for such a release.

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At this point BROTHMAN again assured SA MURPHY that he would continue to cooperate in any respect the Bureau desired, that he appreciated the consideration that he had been shown up to the present time, May 22, 1950, by SA JOHN M. COLLINS and SA JOHN R. MURPHY, i.e., allowing him to conduct urgent business and not pressing him for immediate interviews in the face of this urgent business.

As has been related previously in the details of referenced report, SA JOHN M. COLLINS spoke to BROTHMAN's attorney, FOWLER HAMILTON, from

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BROTHMAN's office at BROTHMAN's request on May 15, 1950 by telephone. During the course of this conversation from BROTHMAN's office, SA COLLINS informed Mr. HAMILTON that the agents desired to speak to Mr. BROTHMAN and Miss MOSKOWITZ in connection with the investigation of EMIL JULIUS KLAUS FUCHS. In the conversation between BROTHMAN and SA JOHN R. MURPHY, related above, BROTHMAN advised that he had never been personally acquainted with FUCHS, but that he knew him by reputation in the field of theoretical physics.

After this conversation between BROTHMAN and SA MURPHY on May 22, 1950, SA COLLINS and SA MURPHY went to lunch in a restaurant near BROTHMAN's office with BROTHMAN. Out of the presence of BROTHMAN and during this lunch hour, SA MURPHY was officially notified by telephone by Supervisor ROBERT R. GRANVILLE of the fact that on that very morning, HARRY GOLD had confessed to interviewing agents in Philadelphia that he was FUCHS's contact in the United States.

Upon returning to BROTHMAN's office in the afternoon of May 22, 1950, and between the hours of 1:00 and 4:00 p.m., BROTHMAN was interviewed about HARRY GOLD and his association with him. He was asked and apparently furnished every bit of information in his possession regarding HARRY GOLD.

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As a last "problem", BROTHMAN stated that he was worried over the fact that he might not receive his passport for which he had applied in order to conduct business in Europe during the summer. On this point he was told that the Bureau had no jurisdiction over the issuance of passports.

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EVENTS LEADING UP TO INTERVIEW OF JUNE 16, 1950

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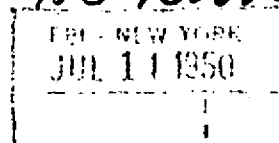
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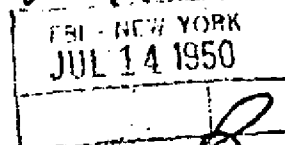
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New York, N. Y.  
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MEMO

Re: HARRY GOLD;  
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This morning I advised Mr. Leo L. Laughlin, Bureau, that SAAG Donegan expects to question ABRAHAM BROTHMAN this morning before the Grand Jury and that he (Donegan) requested to have furnished to him some information regarding the GOLD case and GOLD's tie-ins to better prepare him for any situations which might arise during his questioning of BROTHMAN.

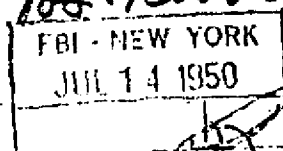
I advised Mr. Laughlin that we felt, if Mr. Donegan were furnished with a copy of rep SA Robert G. Jensen, Philadelphia, 7/7/50, in the case entitled, HARRY GOLD, was., ESP. R., his needs would be satisfied inasmuch as this report would acquaint him sufficiently with GOLD's tie-ins for his present needs.

Mr. Laughlin subsequently advised that the Bureau authorized furnishing Mr. Donegan copy of instant report.

ALBERT J. TUOHY, SA

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CC: NY File entitled ABRAHAM BROTHMAN;  
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ABRAHAM BROTHMAN  
Re: HARRY GOLD;  
ESP. - R

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I advised Mr. Laughlin that we felt, if Mr. Donegan were furnished with a copy of rep SA Robert G. Jensen, Philadelphia, 7/7/50, in the case entitled, HARRY GOLD, was., ESP. R., his needs would be satisfied inasmuch as this report would acquaint him sufficiently with GOLD's tie-ins for his present needs.

Mr. Laughlin subsequently advised that the Bureau authorized furnishing Mr. Donegan copy of instant report.

ALBERT J. TUOHY, SA  
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