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SUBJECT ABRAHAM BROTHMAN

FILE NO. 100-95068

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| 853 | 4/29/58 | S.A. letter to S.A.C. N.Y. | 1 | 1 | |
| 854 | 5/1/58 | SAC Memo to R.A.S. NY NY | 1 | 1 | |
| 855 | 6/30/58 | NY Report to HQ. | 3 | 0 | See Bufile #100-365040 |
| 856 | 6/30/58 | NY letter to HQ. | 1 | 0 | See Bu file # ^{291/10-5-78} 100-365040-583 |
| 857 | 6/30/58 | NY letter to HQ | 2 | 0 | See Bu file # ^{291/10-3-78} 100-365040-583 |
| 858 | 6/30/58 | SA letter to SAC | 2 | 2 | |
| 859A | 5/7/58 | SA. Memo to SAC | 1 | 1 | |
| 859 | 6/27/58 | Airtel PH. to HQ | 5 | 0 | See Bufile #100-365040 |
| 860 | 7/1/58 | Airtel NY to HQ | 5 | 0 | See Bufile #100-365040 |
| 861 | 7/2/58 | Airtel NK to HQ | 1 | 0 | See Bufile #100-365040 |
| 862 | 7/30/58 | PH letter to HQ | 3 | 0 | SEE FILE # BU 100-365040 |
| 863 | 8/19/58 | UNION GAZETTE Newspaper Clipping | 1 | 1 | |

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| 864 | 9/9/58 | PH letter to HQ | 2 | 0 | See Bu file # 100-365040-586 ^{291/10-28-78} |
| 865 | 12/4/58 | NY memo to file | 1 | 1 | |
| 866 | 12/9/58 | SAC memo to RA SUPER NY | 1 | 1 | |
| 867 | 4/20/59 | SA letter to SAC NY | 1 | 1 | |
| 868 | 4/22/59 | SAC memo to RA SUPER NY | 1 | 1 | |
| 869 | 4/28/59 | NY memo to file | 1 | 1 | |
| 870 | 6/12/59 | SA Memo to SAC NY | 1 | 1 | |
| 871 | 6/30/59 | NY Report to HQ | 7 | 0 | See Bu file # 100-365040-587 ^{291/10-28-78} |
| 872 | 9/1/59 | SA Memo to SAC NY ^(PHOTOSTAT) | 1 | 1 | |
| 873 | 8/20/59 | ^{NY} SAC Letter to HQ | 1 | 0 | See Bu file # 100-365040-587 ^{291/10-28-78 (1st time after 587)} |
| 874 | 8/20/59 | ^{Same as serial 873} SAC NY letter to HQ ^{291/10-28-78} | 1 | 0 | See Bu file # 100-365040-587 ^{291/10-28-78 (1st time after 587)} |
| 875 | 10/7/59 | SA memo to SAC | 1 | 0 | SEE NY FILE #65-15304 |

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| 876 | 11/4/59 | NY Memo to File | 1 | 1 | |
| 877 | 11/20/59 | SAC NY Memo to RA & BROWN | 1 | 1 | |
| 878 | 12/29/59 | SA letter to SAC NY | 1 | 1 | |
| 879 | 4/25/60 | SA letter to SAC NY | 1 | 1 | |
| 880 | 5/5/60 | SAC NY Memo to RA ^{NY} NY | 1 | 1 | |
| 881 | 6/28/60 | SA Memo to SAC | 7 | 0 | See Bu file #100-365040 |
| 882 | 6/28/60 | NY Memo to File | 1 | 1 | |
| 883 | 9/2/60 | SAC ^{NY} letter to HQ | 8 | 0 | SEE NY FILE ^{291/10-28-78} 65-15324-748 |
| 884 | 12/1/60 | NY Memo to file | 1 | 1 | |
| 885 | 1/25/61 | Airtel NY to HQ | 1 | 1 | |
| 886 | 2/10/61 | ^{processed - 291/10-5-78} Ident. Div Form NY to HQ | 2 | 2 | ^{Processed 10-28-78 (281) RJA} See Bu File #100-365040 |
| 887 | 2/23/61 | Identification Record - HQ to NY ^{291/10-5-78} | 2 | 2 | See Bu File #100-365040 ^{Processed 10-28-78 (281) RJA} |

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| 888 | 2/21/61 | ^{process - 291/10-20-78} HQ letter to SAC NY | 1 | 1 | Processed 10-28-78 (281) BIR See Bu File 100-365040 |
| 889 | 5/24/61 | SA memo to SAC NY | 1 | 1 | |
| 890 | 5/29/61 | SAC NY memo to RA ^{NY} Suffolk | 1 | 1 | |
| 891 | 7/21/61 | SAC ^{NY} letter to HQ | 1 | 0 | See Bu file #100-365040 |
| 892 | 9/12/61 | SAC NK letter to HQ | 2 | 0 | See Bu file #100-365040 |
| 893 | 9/22/61 | NY Report to HQ | 8 | 0 | See Bu File #100-365040 |
| 894 | 9/28/61 | NY letter to HQ | 2 | 0 | See Bu file #100-365040 |
| 895 | 11/29/61 | NY memo to file | 1 | 1 | |
| 896 | 10/2/61 | SAC NK letter to HQ | 1 | 0 | See Bu File #100-365040 |
| 897 | 10/18/61 | SAC NK letter to HQ | 1 | 0 | See Bu File #100-365040 |
| 898 | 3/6/62 | ^{291/10-14-78} IC memo to SAC NY | 3 | 3 | |
| 899 | 3/8/62 | ENCLOSURE to SER. 900 | 2 | 2 | |

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| 900 | 3/8/62 | SAC NY letter to file | 2 | 2 | |
| 901 | 3/14/62 | SAC ^{NY} letter to SAC NY | 1 | 1 | |
| 902 | 3/14/62 | SA letter to SAC NY | 1 | 1 | |
| 903 | 3/12/62 | Supv. letter to SAC NY | 1 | 1 | |
| 904 | 3/13/62 | ASAC NY letter to file | 1 | 1 | |
| 905 | 3/21/62 | SAC NY letter to HQ | 1 | 0 | See Bu file # 100-365040-398 ^{291/10-23-78} |
| 906 | 3/24/62 | SAC NY letter to HQ | 1 | 0 | See Bu file # 100-365040-597 ^{291/10-23-78} |
| 907 | 5/1/62 | SAC NY letter to SAC NY | 1 | 1 | |
| 908 | 12/11/62 | Letter FROM 3rd PARTY to ASAC MALONE (NY) | 2 | 2 | |
| 909 | 12/14/62 | SA letter to SA NY | 1 | 1 | |
| 910 | 12/14/62 | ASAC ^{NY} Malone letter to 3rd PARTY | 1 | 1 | |
| 911 | 10/6/64 | Letter from Bulky Units Section to N.Y. | 1 | 1 | |

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| 912 | 5-66 | HQ to NK (Letter) | 1 | 1 | |
| 913 | 7-31-67 | SA memo to File | 1 | 1 | |
| 914 | 8-4-67 | NY to NK (Letter) | 4 | 4 | |
| 915 | 12-26-67 | ENC. TO Ser. 916 - LHM | 2 | 2 | |
| 916 | 12-26-67 | NK to HQ (Letter) | 2 | 2 | |
| 917 | 12-20-67 | NY to HQ (LHM) ENC. TO SER 918 | 3 | 0 | (between serials 617-618) 391/10-5-78 SEE BU FILE 100-365040 dated 12-20-67 unrecorded |
| 918 | 12-20-67 | NY to HQ (Airtel) | 2 | 0 | See BU File (between serials 617-618) 391/10-5-78 100-365040 - dated 12-20-67 unrecorded |
| 919 | 1-24-68 | SA Memo to File | 2 | 2 | |
| 920 | 2-15-68 | ENC. TO SER. 921 (LHM) | 1 | 0 | SEE BU FILE #100-365040 |
| 921 | 2-15-68 | NR to HQ (Letter) | 1 | 0 | SEE BU FILE #100-365040 |
| 922 | 2-6-68 | ENC. TO SER. 923 (LHM) | 7 | 0 | See BU File 391/10-5-78 100-365040 - 619 |
| 923 | 2-6-68 | NY to HQ (Letter) | 1 | 0 | See BU File 391/10-5-78 100-365040-619 |

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| 924 | 3-29-68 | NY to HQ (Letter) | 1 | 0 | See Bu File 100-365040 |
| 925 | 4-25-68 | SAC Memo to SAC | 2 | 2 | |
| 926 | 5-28-68 | NK to HQ (Letter) | 1 | 0 | See Bu File 100-365040 |
| 927 | 7-19-68 | NK to HQ (Letter) | 1 | 0 | See Bu File 100-365040 |
| 928 | 12-19-68 | ENC. TO SER. 929 (LHM) | 2 | 0 | 39/10-23-78 (no presumptive release) See Bu File 100-365040 |
| 929 | 12-19-68 | NY to HQ (Airtel) | 2 | 0 | 39/10-23-78 (6th issue, after ser. 621) See Bu File 100-365040 - release 12/19/68 |
| 930 | 2-4-69 | NY to HQ (Letter) | 2 | 0 | See Bu File 100-365040 |
| 931 | 2-20-69 | ENC. TO SER. 931 (LHM) | 1 | 0 | See Bu File 100-365040 |
| 932 | 2-20-69 | NY to HQ (Letter) | 1 | 0 | See Bu File 100-365040 |
| 933 | 12-5-69 | NY to HQ (Letter) | 2 | 0 | See Bu File 100-365040 |
| 934 | 12-1-75 | SA to Memo to SAC | 2 | 0 | SEE BU FILE 65-15348 |

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK

Date: 4/29/58

FROM:

SA FRANCIS W. ZANGLE (15)

(100-95068)

SUBJECT:

ABRAHAM BROTHMAN

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ESPIONAGE-R

~~SECRET~~

Subject on Security Index. Last report 6/26/57
Reopen for submission of annual investigative report.

FWZ:jnc

Chief Clerk:

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assign → W.C. GUTHEIL

MAY 7, 1958

MEMO, SAC
AttentionSUFFERN RARe: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, was.~~SECURITY MATTER - C~~
ESPIONAGE - R

The captioned subject was reported residing at 80 KINGSTON AVE.
PORT JERVIS NY, and employed as a TECHNICAL CORP. PORT JERVIS NY, as of 4/1, 1957.
 Subject's spouse is NAOMI METT BROTHMAN.

The subject has been reported involved in the following subversive activity on the dates shown:

1. Involved in Soviet Espionage with Elizabeth Bentley in
2. Reportedly a Communist during 1940's.
3. Associate of HARRY GOLD, convicted ESPIONAGE agent.

It is requested the following investigation be conducted: (Check where applicable.)

- (X) A. Verify current employment and residence.
- (X) B. Determine current Credit Record, it being noted the subject's credit was last checked July 1956.
- (X) C. Determine current criminal record, it being noted the subject's criminal file was last reviewed July, 1956.
- () D. Obtain background, and dates, from subject's employment record.
- () E. Check subject's marriage record at Probate Court, it being noted subject was reported married _____, 19____, at _____.
- () F. Check official birth record at Bureau of Vital Statistics, it being noted subject reported born on _____, 19____, at _____.
- (X) G. Determine whether subject has access to classified or restricted material.
- (X) H. Conduct neighborhood investigation; the following specific information is desired: _____
- (X) I. Check Security Informants, it being noted _____, _____, and _____ have given information in the past.
- () J. Review INS records.
- () K. Determine if subject has military service.
- () L. Obtain photograph of subject (), description (), handwriting specimen ().
- () M. Determine subject's education; check school or college records, it being noted subject was reported attending _____ in 19____.
- () N. Determine subject's status of health.

The agent conducting the investigation will be alert for any evidence of subversive activity and in addition will _____

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WALTER C. Gutheil, Jr.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, N.Y. (100-95068)

DATE: 6-25-58

FROM : SA Lawrence V. Spillane

SUBJECT: Abraham Brothman
Esp - R

b7D

[REDACTED], Port Jervis, N.Y., P.D. advised on 6-25-58 that there was no change in subject's residence and employment. He stated the Techniflex Corp, 55 Jersey Ave, Port Jervis, N.Y., where subject is employed, did not have any classified contracts and subject did not have access to classified material. He said subject lives very quietly and makes no effort to have any friends in Port Jervis, N.Y. He said subject does not belong to any of the local organizations at Port Jervis, N.Y. Subject's interest appears to be in his work at Techniflex Corp where he spends long hours in research work on flexible tubing and electronic work.

He further stated subject's daughter graduated from Port Jervis High School in June 1958 and she was the valedictorian at graduation having the highest grades in the class.

He said subject has no arrest record.

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[REDACTED] Credit Bureau of
Port Jervis, Port Jervis, NY advised on 6-25-58
that subject's credit rating was satisfactory.
She stated there were no recent inquiries
regarding subject and information available
was reported previously. BTD

May 7, 1957

MEMO, SAC Suffern RA

Re: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN

WAS. ~~SECURITY MATTER - C~~
ESPIONAGE - R

ESPIONAGE - R

The captioned subject was reported residing at 80 Kingston Ave.
Part 36895 NY, and employed as a Technitex Corp. at the
Part 36895 NY, as of 4/1, 1951?
Subject's spouse is NAOMI METT BROTHMAN.

The subject has been reported involved in the following subversive activity on the dates shown:

1. Involved in Soviet Espionage with ELIZABETH BENTLEY IN 1940.
2. REPORTING A Communist Character in 1940's.
3. ASSOCIATE of HARRY GOLD convicted Espionage Agent

It is requested the following investigation be conducted: (Check where applicable.)

- () A. Verify current employment and residence.
- (✓) B. Determine current Credit Record, it being noted the subject's credit was last checked July, 1956.
- (✓) C. Determine current criminal record, it being noted the subject's criminal file was last reviewed July, 1956.
- () D. Obtain background, and dates, from subject's employment record.
- () E. Check subject's marriage record at Probate Court, it being noted subject was reported married _____, 19____, at _____.
- () F. Check official birth record at Bureau of Vital Statistics, it being noted subject reported born on _____, 19____, at _____.
- (✓) G. Determine whether subject has access to classified or restricted material.
- () H. Conduct neighborhood investigation; the following specific information is desired: _____

- (✓) I. Check Security Informants, it being noted _____, _____, and _____ have given information in the past.
- () J. Review INS records.
- () K. Determine if subject has military service.
- () L. Obtain photograph of subject (), description (), handwriting specimen ().
- () M. Determine subject's education; check school or college records, it being noted subject was reported attending _____ in 19____.
- () N. Determine subject's status of health.

The agent conducting the investigation will be alert for any evidence of subversive activity and in addition will _____

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WALTER C. BUTLER

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Tuesday, August 5, 1958

Miss Brothman Enters Barnard

New York City — Two girls from Orange County have been accepted as members of the freshman class at Barnard College, the women's undergraduate division of Columbia University. Miss Elise H. Brothman, of 80 Kingston Ave. Port Jervis, and Miss Robert J. Weintraub, of 68 Henry Ave. Newburgh, will be among the 325 new students who will participate in the freshman orientation program beginning Wednesday, September 17.

Both girls hold New York State Regents Scholarships.

Miss Brothman is a graduate of the Port Jervis High School where she was valedictorian of her class, on the staff of the yearbook, and a member of the Science Club, French Club, and Photography Club. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Brothman.

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Brothman

Port Jervis NY
"Union Gazette"

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WCGUTHEIL *[Signature]*

VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION ON SECURITY INDEX CARD

MEMORANDUM RE:

Abraham Brothman, was

Office File

*100-95068**Esp-R*

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

Residence: *80 Kingston Avenue, Port Jervis, New York*
 Employment: *Techniflex Corp., 55 Jersey Avenue, Port Jervis, New York*
 Address: *Port Jervis, New York*

Key Facility ☐ Yes ☒ No

Detcom

☒ Yes☐ No

Photo

☒ Yes☐ No

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

A physical description based on personal observation of the subject appears in serial *11/1/59*

Residence:

Same

Method of Verification:

[redacted]

Neighborhood Source:

Date:

12-11-58

Verified by SA:

L. W. Spillane

Employment:

Same

Address:

Key Facility:

☐ Yes☒ No

Date Checked:

Geographical Reference Number:

Tab Detcom:

☐ Yes☐ No

Method of Verification:

[redacted]

Employment Source:

Date:

12-11-58

Verified by SA:

L. W. Spillane

FD-122 should be submitted to Bureau:

☐ Yes☒ No

File Reviewed

12/19/58☒

Subject Meets SI Criteria

☐

Does Not Meet SI Criteria

Agents Initials

LSL

Date

12-11-58

Chief Clerk:

Class Case on this

Port Jervis, NY, PD

NOTED

SI UNIT

DATE

Geographical Reference Number:

*States subject has
No access to classified
or restricted material*

Chief Clerk:

Open Case

Original New York

*100-95068-86**get #33**Assign to**W.C. Gutheil**SI Unit**#33*

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| FBI - NEW YORK | |
| <i>W.C. Gutheil</i> | |
| <i>SI Unit</i> | |
| <i>#33</i> | |

Re: 12/18/58

December 9, 1958MEMO, SAC
Attention SUFFERN RARe: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN

was.

SECURITY MATTER - C
ESPIONAGE - R

The captioned subject was reported residing at 80 Kingston Ave.,
Port Jervis NY, and employed as a RESEARCH CHEMIST at the
TECHNIFLEX CORP. Port Jervis NY, as of 6/25/58, 19__.
Subject's spouse is NADINE METT BROTHMAN.

The subject has been reported involved in the following subversive activity
on the dates shown:

1. Involved in Soviet Espionage with ELIZABETH BENTLEY in 1940.
2. Reported by a Communist during 1940's.
3. Associate of HARRY GOLD, convicted espionage agent.

It is requested the following investigation be conducted: (Check where
applicable.)

- (V) A. Verify current employment and residence.
- () B. Determine current Credit Record, it being noted the subject's credit was
last checked _____, 19__.
- () C. Determine current criminal record, it being noted the subject's criminal
file was last reviewed _____, 19__.
- () D. Obtain background, and dates, from subject's employment record.
- () E. Check subject's marriage record at Probate Court, it being noted subject
was reported married _____, 19__, at _____.
- () F. Check official birth record at Bureau of Vital Statistics, it being
noted subject reported born on _____, 19__, at _____.
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desired: _____
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and _____ have given information in the past.
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noted subject was reported attending _____ in 19__.
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subversive activity and in addition will _____

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L.W. Spillane

SA

Walter C. Gutierrez, Jr. Sec. 33

100-95068-866

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :

DATE

SAC, NEW YORK

4/20/59

FROM :

SA FRANCIS W. ZANGLE (100-95068)

SUBJECT:

ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, was

ESP. - R

IS - R

ISA OF 1950

SM - C

OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

Subject on S.I. Last report dated 6/30/58.

Case should be reopened for submission of annual investigative report.

Chief Clerk:

Reopen Case

Origin

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New York

4/20/59

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W.C. GUTHER

APR 23, 1959

MEMO, SAC
Attention Suffern RARe: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN

was.

SECURITY MATTER - C

ESP-R

The captioned subject was reported residing at 80 Kingston Ave.
Port Jervis, N.Y., and employed as a RESEARCH CHEMIST at the
Techniflex Corp. Port Jervis, N.Y., as of 6/25/58, 19__.
 Subject's spouse is NAOMI DELL BROTHMAN.

The subject has been reported involved in the following subversive activity on the dates shown:

1. Involved in Soviet Espionage with ELIZ. BENTLEY in NYO.
2. Reported as a Communist during 1940's
3. Associate of HARRY GOLD, convicted Espionage Agent.

It is requested the following investigation be conducted: (Check where applicable.)

- (☒) A. Verify current employment and residence.
- (☐) B. Determine current Credit Record, it being noted the subject's credit was last checked 4-19-59.
- (☐) C. Determine current criminal record, it being noted the subject's criminal file was last reviewed 4-19-59.
- (☐) D. Obtain Background, and dates, from subject's employment record.
- (☐) E. Check subject's marriage record at Probate Court, it being noted subject was reported married 4-19-59, at Port Jervis, N.Y..
- (☐) F. Check official birth record at Bureau of Vital Statistics, it being noted subject reported born on 4-19-59, at Port Jervis, N.Y..
- (☒) G. Determine whether subject has access to classified or restricted material.
- (☐) H. Conduct neighborhood investigation; the following specific information is desired: _____
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MEMORANDUM RE: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN

Office File 100-95068

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

Residence: 80 Kingston Avenue, Port Jervis, NY

Employment: Techniflex Corporation
Address: 55 Jersey Avenue, Port Jervis, NYOrange
Key Facility☐

Yes

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No

Detcom

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Yes

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No

Photo

☒

Yes

☐

No

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

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

Residence:

80 Kingston Ave. Port Jervis, NY

Method of Verification:

[REDACTED] Port Jervis, NY

Neighborhood Source:

Date:

6/11/59

Verified by SA:

[REDACTED] B7D

Employment:

Address:

Chemist, Techniflex Corporation
55 Jersey Ave. Port Jervis, NY

Key Facility:

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Yes

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No

Date Checked:

Geographical Reference Number:

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Yes

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Method of Verification:

Employment Source:

Date:

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Verified by SA:

SI LAURENCE, Mr. SPILLANE

FD-122 should be submitted to Bureau:

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Yes

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No

File Reviewed

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Subject Meets SI Criteria

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Does Not Meet SI Criteria

Agents Initials

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, N.Y. (100-95068)

DATE: 6/12/59

FROM : SA Lawrence W. Spillane

SUBJECT: Abraham Brothman
Esp - R

On 6/11/59 [REDACTED] ^{B7D} Port Jervis, N.Y., Police Department advised that subject resides at 20 Kingston Ave, Port Jervis, N.Y. and is employed as a Research Chemist at the Techniflex Corporation 55 Jersey Ave, Port Jervis, N.Y. He stated the Techniflex Corporation has no contracts with the U.S. Government at the present time and subject does not have access to classified or restricted material. He stated subject worked long hours at his place of employment and his associates consisted of other employees of Techniflex Corporation. He said subject lived very quietly with his family and no unfavorable information was available concerning subject's loyalty.

[REDACTED], who is familiar with certain phases of Communist activities in [REDACTED] advised on 6-12-59 that [REDACTED] did not know subject and had no information concerning subject. [REDACTED]

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK DATE: AUG - 7 1959

FROM : CYRIL J. RYAN, SUPERVISOR, #42

SUBJECT: SECURITY INDEX TABULATION

In accordance with Bureau instructions, a review has been made of Security Index cases to tabulate the occupation of the subject and the product produced by the employer. The information obtained on stapled Photostat below was furnished to the Bureau by letter dated 8/3/59.

BROTHMAN, ABRAHAM NY 8755/13 100-365040 DC NEWY
CHEMIST Techniflex Corporation, 55 Jersey Avenue NY 100-95068
Port Jervis, New York FLEXIBLE
PIPES

This information as to occupation is not included on the subject's Security Index card. Appropriate FD 122 should be submitted.

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W.C. GUTHER

VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION ON SECURITY INDEX CARD

MEMORANDUM RE:

ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, aka
100-95068

Office File

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

Residence: 80 Kingston Avenue, Port Jervis, New York
 Employment: Chemist, Techniflex Corporation, 55 Jersey Avenue
 Address: Port Jervis, New York

Key Facility ☐ Yes ☒ No Detcom ☒ Yes ☐ No
 Photo ☒ Yes ☐ No

It is requested that the place of employment, address of employment, residence address of the subject, as well as the accuracy of the priority tabbing, be verified and the proper notations be made below. The absence of a photograph and posting of a [redacted] should be noted and efforts made to secure a photograph and determine the existence of a criminal record. b7D

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

Residence: 80 Kingston Ave. Port Jervis, NY
 Method of Verification: Chief Edward Cullinan, Port Jervis, NY Case 100-95068
 Neighborhood Source: [redacted] Port Jervis, NY Origin New York
 Date: 12/28/59
 Verified by SA: LAURENCE W. SPILLANE b7D 11-31/59
 Employment: Chemist, Techniflex Corporation
 Address: 55 Jersey Ave, Port Jervis, NY
 Key Facility: ☐ Yes ☒ No Date Checked: 33
 Geographical Reference Number:

Tab Detcom: ☐ Yes ☒ No
 Method of Verification:

Employment Source: [redacted] Port Jervis, NY
 Date: 12/28/59
 Verified by SA: SA LAURENCE W. SPILLANE

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

File Reviewed: 12/27/59

☒ Subject Meets SI Criteria
☐ Does Not Meet SI Criteria

Agents Initials: [signature]

Date: 12/29/59

Old Clerk:
 Close Case on this [signature]

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Re: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN
was.
SECURITY MATTER - C-
ESP - R

The captioned subject was reported residing at 30 Kingston Ave.
Port Jervis NY, and employed as a Research Chemist at the
Chemical Corp. Port Jervis NY, as of 1/25/57, 19__.
Subject's spouse is MADAME BROTHMAN

The subject has been reported involved in the following subversive activity on the dates shown:

1. Involved in Sov. Esp. with ELIZ. BENTLEY in 1940.
2. Residence of Communist during 1940's.
3. Associate of HARRY GOLD, Communist Esp agent.

It is requested the following investigation be conducted: (Check where applicable.)

- (☒) A. Verify current employment and residence.
- (☐) B. Determine current Credit Record, it being noted the subject's credit was last checked 1/25/57, 19__.
- (☐) C. Determine current criminal record, it being noted the subject's criminal file was last reviewed 1/25/57, 19__.
- (☐) D. Obtain background, and dates, from subject's employment record.
- (☐) E. Check subject's marriage record at Probate Court, it being noted subject was reported married 1/25/57, 19__, at 1/25/57.
- (☐) F. Check official birth record at Bureau of Vital Statistics, it being noted subject reported born on 1/25/57, 19__, at 1/25/57.
- (☒) G. Determine whether subject has access to classified or restricted material.
- (☐) H. Conduct neighborhood investigation; the following specific information is desired:
- (☒) I. Check Security Informants, it being noted 1/25/57, 1/25/57, and 1/25/57 have given information in the past.
- (☐) J. Review INS records.
- (☐) K. Determine if subject has military service.
- (☐) L. Obtain photograph of subject (), description (), handwriting specimen ().
- (☐) M. Determine subject's education; check school or college records, it being noted subject was reported attending 1/25/57 in 19__.
- (☐) N. Determine subject's status of health.

The agent conducting the investigation will be alert for any evidence of subversive activity and in addition will _____

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NY (100-95068)

FROM : SA Lawrence W. Spillane

SUBJECT: Abraham Brothman
Esp - R

DATE: 12/29/59

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On 12-29-59, [REDACTED] Port Jervis, N.Y., P.D. advised that subject resided at 80 Kingston Ave with his family and was employed at the Techniflex Corp, Port Jervis, N.Y. He said that subject did not have access to classified or restricted material.

On 12/21/59, [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] had no information concerning subject.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK

DATE: 4/25/60

FROM :

SA FRANCIS W. ZANGLE (100-95068)

SUBJECT:

ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, akaESP - RIS - RISA of 1950SM - CREG. ACT.

subject on SI. Last report dated 6/30/59.
Annual investigative report should be prepared and submitted.

4/29/60
OPEN OR REOPEN CASE
ORIGIN NY DATE 9-29-60
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Re: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN

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SECURITY MATTER - C

ESP - R

The captioned subject was reported residing at 80 Kingston Ave.
Port Jervis, NY, and employed as a Research Chemist at the
Techniques Corp Port Jervis NY, as of 12/9/59, 19__.
 Subject's spouse is NAOMI BROTHMAN

The subject has been reported involved in the following subversive activity on the dates shown:

1. Involved in Sov. Esp. with ELIZ. BENTLEY in 1940.
2. Reported to be a Communist during 1940's.
3. Associate of KARRY GOLD convicted Esp. Agent.

It is requested the following investigation be conducted: (Check where applicable.)

- () A. Verify current employment and residence.
- () B. Determine current Credit Record, it being noted the subject's credit was last checked _____, 19__.
- () C. Determine current criminal record, it being noted the subject's criminal file was last reviewed _____, 19__.
- () D. Obtain background, and dates, from subject's employment record.
- () E. Check subject's marriage record at Probate Court, it being noted subject was reported married _____, 19__, at _____.
- () F. Check official birth record at Bureau of Vital Statistics, it being noted subject reported born on _____, 19__, at _____.
- () G. Determine whether subject has access to classified or restricted material.
- () H. Conduct neighborhood investigation; the following specific information is desired: _____
- () I. Check Security Informants, it being noted _____, _____, and _____ have given information in the past.
- () J. Review INS records.
- () K. Determine if subject has military service.
- () L. Obtain photograph of subject (), description (), handwriting specimen ().
- () M. Determine subject's education; check school or college records, it being noted subject was reported attending _____ in 19__.
- () N. Determine subject's status of health.

The agent conducting the investigation will be alert for any evidence of subversive activity and in addition will _____

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WALTER C. GUTHRIE JR. #33
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VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION ON SECURITY INDEX CARD

MEMORANDUM RE:

ABRAHAM BROTHMAN

Office File

100-95068

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

Residence: 80 Kingston Ave. Port Jervis, NY

Employment: Chemist, Techniflex Corp.

Address: 55h Jersey Ave. Port Jervis, NY

Key Facility ☐ Yes ☒ No

Detcom

Photo

☒ Yes☐ No☒ Yes☐ No

It is requested that the place of employment, address of employment, residence address of the subject, as well as the accuracy of the priority tabbing, be verified and the proper notations be made below. The absence of a photograph and posting of a [redacted] should be noted and efforts made to secure a photograph and determine the existence of a criminal record. B-7E

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

Residence: Same

Method of Verification [redacted]

Neighborhood Source: Port Jervis, PD

Date: 1-30-61

Verified by SA: L.W. Spillane

Employment: Same

Address: [redacted]

Key Facility: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Date Checked: [redacted]

Tab Detcom: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Method of Verification [redacted]

Employment Source: Port Jervis, PD

Date: 1-30-61

Verified by SA: L.W. Spillane

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

File Reviewed [redacted]

☒ Subject Meets SI Criteria
☐ Does Not Meet SI Criteria

Agents Initials [redacted]

Date: 1-30-61

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SI UNIT

DATE 2/20/61

CITE: [redacted]

CASE: [redacted]

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Geographical Reference Number: 12/1/60

OPEN (C) CASE

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-341632)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-78633)
SUBJECT: ISIDORE GIBBY NEEDLEMAN
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Foregoing for information.

- 4 - Bureau (100-341632)(RM)
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To: Director, FBI

Date: 2/10/62

From: SAC, New York

Re: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, was
ESPIONAGE-R; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

☒ Place, or ☐ Cancel, stop in files of Identification Division for reasons indicated:

☐ wanted for

Flash: ☒ Security Index

☐ Security Informant

☐ Criminal Informant

☐ Application for Pardon After Completion of Sentence

☐ Probation

☐ Cancel because

Furnish: ☐ Photo if possible

☒ Identification Record

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| Name ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, was. | | If application for pardon or probation flash desired, give following if pertinent: | |
| Aliases Abe Brothman, "Pa," "The Penguin" | | Date of Sentence | |
| FBI # 481 995 A | | Place of Sentence | |
| Other # Social Security 068-10-2150 | | Charge | |
| Fingerprint Classification 10 0 5 T 10 7 M 17 R 110 | | Contributor of Fingerprints | |
| Birth Date 8/15/13 | | Actual Sentence Imposed | |
| Birthplace New York, New York | | Suspended Sentence Imposed | |
| Race White | | Probation Imposed | |
| Sex Male | | Period of Probation | |

1-Bureau (100-365040) (RM)

1-New York (100-95068)

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Source To Be Notified If Information Received

New York Office

READ INSTRUCTIONS ON BACK OF THIS FORM

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In all instances when FBI number is known it should be furnished. When it is not known, furnish following descriptive data in addition to that requested on face of form:

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|---|-------------------------------|--|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Height 5'7" | Weight 185-190 lbs. | Eyes Brown | Hair Black | Complexion Pasty |
| Scars, Marks and Peculiarities Never wears hat; has waddling walk; paunchy; high blood pressure; boastful, conceited individual | | | | |
| Nationality American | Occupation Chemist | Residence 80 Kingston Avenue, Pt. Jervis, NY | | |

INSTRUCTIONS:

If an application for pardon after completion of sentence flash is requested, source to be notified if information received by Identification Division is Special Inquiry Section, Investigative Division.

When probation flash requested appropriate United States Probation office should be indicated for referral of subsequent arrest information.

If subject's fingerprints are submitted, forward to the Identification Division stapled to this form. Cover memo not necessary.

Form FD-165, when involving matters concerning security informants and the Security Index, should be forwarded to the Bureau by "Registered Mail."

ATTENTION: 1964 EDITION 3-12-64

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.**

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Director

The following FBI record, NUMBER

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| CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS | NAME AND NUMBER | ARRESTED OR RECEIVED | CHARGE | DISPOSITION |
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| USM, New York, N.Y. | Abraham Brothman #C-1057-50 | 7-31-50 | Conspiracy to defraud US Govt. and influencing a witness. Sec. 83 T 18-1946 Edition, Sec. 241 7-18-1946 Edition | Pending |
| Fed Det Hdqtrs NY NY | Abraham Brothman #60256 | 7-29-50 | conspiracy obstruct justice | 9-1-50 on bail |
| Fed Det Hdqtrs NY NY SP Atlanta Ga | Abraham Brothman #60735 Abraham Brothman #71547 | 11-3-50 9-11-51 | consp to obstruct justice obstruction of Justice, false test | 8-28-51 trans to USP Atlanta 2 yrs. 11-5-52 min exp on chg of influence & witness |
| ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE | | | | |
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Director.

The following FBI record, NUMBER

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| CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS | NAME AND NUMBER | ARRESTED OR RECEIVED | CHARGE | DISPOSITION |
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| BFD, New York, N.Y. | Abraham Brothman #100-95068-16325 | 7-29-50 | Conspiracy to obstruct Justice | 11-28-50 5 yrs and \$5000 fine on Ct II of indictment 2 yrs and \$10,000 fine on Ct I of indictment, sent on Ct I to begin after completion of sent on Ct II on charge of obstruct- ion of Justice. |
| | Refer two copies of record on all inquiries re. Abraham Brothman, was. Abe Brothman, Pa Brothman, The Penguin; to BFD NY NY their file #100-95068, per inf rec therefrom 2-27-51 Bu File #100-365040, (Ident FBI #481 995 A) | | | |
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

TO:

Date **2-21-61**Your inquiry **2-10-61**

SAC, New York (100-95068)

RE: **ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, was**
ESPIONAGE-R; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

Bureau file #100-365040

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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OTHERWISE

- ☒ Attached furnished in reply to your inquiry.
- ☐ Only record available attached.
- ☐ This matter is receiving attention and you will be advised at an early date.
- ☐ Supplementing FBI Laboratory report dated
- ☐ Records FBI #
are furnished since there is a possibility that one may pertain to the subject in whom you are interested.
- ☐ Fingerprint files fail to disclose
- ☐ Confirming FBI wire of
- ☐ A wanted notice has not been placed as subject appears to be in custody.
- ☐ When you no longer desire your notice maintained, please advise.
- ☐ If you determine subject to be in custody, please advise so that your notice may be canceled.
- ☐ Subject of your inquiry searched in name indices only. Enclosed record(s) possibly identical. If identical, resubmit request and wanted (or flash) notice will be placed.
- ☐ If it is determined that the subject of this record is not the individual in whom you are interested, please advise.
- ☐ Your communication is returned.
- ☐

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☐ Copy to:

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

DATE: 5/24/61

FROM : SA Walter C. Roetting Jr (NY 100-95068)

SUBJECT: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, aka
ESP-R
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT, 1950

Subject is on SI. Last report dated 6/25/60.
Annual investigative report should be prepared
and submitted.

Reopen case and assign.

OPEN 100-95068 100-95068-889
CHARGE 5/24/61
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Reassign to W.C. Gutheil & K

May 29, 1961MEMO, SAC
Attention Suffern RARe: ABRAHAM BROTHMANwas-
SECURITY MATTER 0
ESP-R

The captioned subject was reported residing at 80 Kingston Ave.
Port Jervis N.Y., and employed as a Research Chemist at the
Technical Corp. Port Jervis N.Y., as of 1/30/61, 1961.
 Subject's spouse is NORM BROTHMAN.

The subject has been reported involved in the following subversive activity
 on the dates shown:

1. Involved in Sov. Esp. with ELIZ. BENTLEY in 1940.
2. Reportedly a Communist during 1940's.
3. Associate of HARRY GOLD, convicted Esp. Agent.

It is requested the following investigation be conducted: (Check where applicable.)

- ☒ A. Verify current employment and residence.
- ☒ B. Determine current Credit Record, it being noted the subject's credit was last checked 1961.
- ☐ C. Determine current criminal record, it being noted the subject's criminal file was last reviewed 1961.
- ☐ D. Obtain background, and dates, from subject's employment record.
- ☐ E. Check subject's marriage record at Probate Court, it being noted subject was reported married 1961, at 1961.
- ☐ F. Check official birth record at Bureau of Vital Statistics, it being noted subject reported born on 1961, at 1961.
- ☒ G. Determine whether subject has access to classified or restricted material.
- ☒ H. Conduct neighborhood investigation; the following specific information is desired: _____
- ☒ I. Check Security Informants, it being noted _____, _____, and _____ have given information in the past.
- ☐ J. Review INS records.
- ☐ K. Determine if subject has military service.
- ☐ L. Obtain photograph of subject (), description (), handwriting specimen ().
- ☐ M. Determine subject's education; check school or college records, it being noted subject was reported attending _____ in 1961.
- ☐ N. Determine subject's status of health.

The agent conducting the investigation will be alert for any evidence of subversive activity and in addition will _____

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WALTER C. GUTHEIL JR.
 SA
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VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION ON SECURITY INDEX CARD

MEMORANDUM RE: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN

Office File 100-95068

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

Residence: 80 Kingston Ave. Port Jervis, NY

Employment: Chemist, Techniflex Corp.

Address: 55 Jersey Ave. Port Jervis, NY

Key Facility ☐ Yes ☒ NoDetcom ☒ Yes ☐ NoPhoto ☒ Yes ☐ No

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

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

Residence:

Method of Verification:

Neighborhood Source:

Date:

Verified by SA:

Employment:

Address:

Key Facility:

☐ Yes ☒ No

Date Checked:

Geographical Reference Number:

Tab Detcom: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Method of Verification:

Employment Source:

Date:

Verified by SA:

FD-127 should be submitted to Bureau:

☒ Yes ☐ No

File Reviewed

☒ Subject Meets SI Criteria
☐ Does Not Meet SI Criteria

Agents Initials

Date

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-95068)

DATE: 3-6-62

FROM : IC FRANCIS A. BURNS JR (12)

SUBJECT: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, aka
ESPIONAGE - R
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
ISA of 1950

On 3/5/62, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], Transitel International Corporation, 615 Winters Avenue, Paramus, New Jersey, telephone 201-Colfax 2-8200, appeared at the New York Office and provided the following information concerning ABRAHAM BROTHMAN who is employed as Manager of Research and Development for Transitel International Corporation. B7D

[REDACTED] advised that his firm was formerly known as the Electronics Division of Industrial Process Engineers, Incorporated but was now known as Transitel International, a separate corporate entity owned jointly by Industrial Process Engineers Incorporated, and the Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corporation. This firm manufactures "Transicode", an advanced solid-state supervisory control and telemetering system; "Transilarm", a solid-state annunciator and "Teledigitizers", a low-cost analog-to-digital converter for telemetering purposes. [REDACTED] further advised that his firm does its main business with public utilities firms throughout this country. B7D

[REDACTED] stated that during the combination of Industrial Process Engineers and the Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corporation, various statements were made concerning the background of ABPAHAM BROTHMAN who was associated with Industrial Process Engineers. These statements concerned the fact that BROTHMAN had been involved in an investigation by the United States Government but at the present time he was not concerned with any such investigation. [REDACTED] stated that his firm had been assured that BROTHEAN's background would in no way, influence the operations of Transitel International. B7D

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(100-95068)

[redacted] stated that [redacted] had made available to him a copy of the book entitled [redacted] by [redacted], published by [redacted]. [redacted] stated that he had just finished reading this book and noted numerous references to the actions of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN in connection with the espionage activities of JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG. [redacted] said that he had further noted that BROTHMAN had been convicted by a Federal Court and had received a prison term and fine. B7D

[redacted] advised that he had established positive relationship between the BROTHMAN mentioned in the above book and the employee of his firm by means of his firm's personnel records and his personal knowledge of BROTHMAN's family. B7D

[redacted] stated that at the present time, he had not discussed BROTHMAN's background with any other officials of his firm. He expressed his personal concern for future operations of his firm inasmuch as BROTHMAN's position was one of great influence within said firm. [redacted] characterized BROTHMAN as an extremely independent individual who refused to conform to work schedules and usual business practices. He has been known to arrive late for work but will work all night long in some instances. B7D

[redacted] stated that although his firm is not presently involved in any type of defense contracts he believed that the systems developed and the information available thru other business associations might be of valuable intelligence value to any foreign power. [redacted] further stated that BROTHMAN, as Manager of Research and Development, had access to all of the firm's plans, records and related material. B7D

[redacted] advised that he was mainly interested in obtaining information as to possible source of public information concerning BROTHMAN activities in relation to the Federal Government's investigation. He was advised that any such material would be available from local newspapers or from the records of the Federal Court in which this matter was handled. B7D

[redacted] stated that he would be willing to cooperate in any manner with the FBI concerning BROTHMAN but wished to remain a highly confidential source [redacted]. He also expressed concern that any mention of a further investigation of BROTHMAN might upset the internal operations of his firm. B7D

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[REDACTED] provided the following listing of officials
associated with Transitel International Corporation: *B7D*

C.T. KASTNER
F.E. BAKER

President
Vice-President, Secretary-
Treasurer

COMPANY DIRECTORS

MC CLURE KELLEY
WILLIAM S. GINN
JAMES M. WHITE
CHRISTOPHER T. KASTNER
ALFRED LEWISON
WILLIAM ROSSMOORE
ALEXANDER KIDD

Chairman of the Board
President
Executive Vice-President
President
President
Attorney
President

B7D

3-8-62

Abraham Brothman, 48, chemical engineer Columbia University BS 1933, subsequent masters degrees in math and chemical engineering

~~xxxx~~ with exception of the T Rosenbergs perhaps the most productive of the Soviet atom spies

never confessed so far as I know, served a couple of years out of seven year sentence

back in circulation since about 1952, now manager of research and development for Transitel International Corp.
615 Winters Av.
Paramus, N.J.

Transitel formed in August, 1961 by the joint action of Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corp. and Industrial Process Engineers. (Phil. Nat Bk Bldg, Phil 7) (8 Lister Av., Newark, N.J.)

Brothman had joined Industrial Process Engineers in 1959, and was its chief engineer at time of merger.

In a Transitel press release dated Nov. 7, 1961, it was said falsely that Brothman served from 1949-1959 as chief engineer of the Techniflex Corp.

Naturally he would not boast of his jail experience.

Release said: "He worked initially in the chemical field, being associated with Blaw Knox Inc. and Hendrick Manufacturing Co. as well as owning his own engineering firm. A specialist in the plastics and resins field, Brothman is credited with the development of the original aerosol bomb dispenser

"He has made major contributions to the development of color ~~xxxx~~ television tubes, digital computers and digital data transmission systems. As an author, Brothman has had published some 45 technical papers on mathematics, physics, chemical engineering, electronic instrument and control systems and digital telemetering techniques."

Brothman bitterly opposed issuance of this release, for good reasons.

~~XXXX~~ IPE where he used to work had govt sub-contracts. Transitel has no govt contracts and Brothman has opposed any idea of seeking any. Co. deals with major utilities, Westinghouse and Leeds & Northrup (Phil) and General Electric and he is in position to stroll through these companies and photograph processes mentally

Transitel as near as I can figure it does the serve system for the brains which are called computers, but not the computers — very advanced stuff, not military secrets but info usable by military

(more)

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Brothman got a five year contract at \$25,000 a year last August 18

As one of four owners of IPE, Brothman acquired 1/8 interest in Transitel

He brought with him to Transitel a number of people from IPE. Of those mentioned to me, the one which interests me most, for some reason, is named Richard Reiser, a young man of 23 from Port Jervis, where Techniflex was located, who is described as a "brilliant engineer" who has HAD NO EDUCATION BEYOND PT. JERVIS HIGH SCHOOL and some practical experience in the service

Bruce Cuddeback, 28, an engineer from Pt. Jervis, graduate of Williamsport Technical School, Williamsport, Pa., also reached Transitel in Brothman's entourage

So did Paul Lewison, 23, Columbia U engineer and son of Alfred Lewison, IPE President

So did Alan Miller, a son of a Dr. Louis Miller, and an electronics engineer named Stephen Halpern, son of a dental surgeon by that name.

My informant, [REDACTED] who read [REDACTED] noted a reference to [REDACTED] as playing a network role, but [REDACTED] has nothing to go on beyond this coincidence.

B7C

B7D

Techniflex and IPE have a sort of intermingled history. IPE being a subdivision of Techniflex dealing with computer services

From what I can gather, Brothman worked with Blaw Knox from 1933-36, then with the Hendricks Manufacturing Co. about which I have some vague memories in connection with the Brothman trial

then he set ^{up} Brothman Associates in Long Island City Philadel

Brothman covered up Harry Gold successfully when FBI got on Gold's trail but I'd have to consult my own book for details

Apparently he is still living with his wife and daughters I think his address is 17 Franklin St. Dumont NJ

On the basis of a credit check of Brothman, my informant seemed to think he was in still another business of some sort with somebody living in a second floor flat at an address [REDACTED] remembers vaguely as 111 Bloomfieldx Av., Bloomfield, N.J. Wrote it down somewhere and will check for me on it.

B7D

Brothman may still own his old summer place x near Poughkeepsie

No trace of the dynamic Mrs. Moskowitz who played such a role in fooling the FBI for Brothman Associates

Memorandum

TO : FILE (100-95068)

DATE: 3/8/62

FROM : SAC, NYC

SUBJECT: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN
ESPIONAGE-R

On 3/8/62, [REDACTED], telephonically advised me that he had a [REDACTED] writer, [REDACTED] who was quite conversant with espionage activities [REDACTED]. He stated that [REDACTED] had told him he had what looked to be coincidentally some excellent information which could conceivably lead to an espionage ring and wished to be advised as to whether or not we would like to talk to [REDACTED]. I advised him that we would be pleased to do so. B7D

[REDACTED] came to my office at 4:30 PM and furnished the attached material. He advised that in the past he had furnished information to the FBI but never received anything in return. He felt it his duty to furnish the information as an American citizen but was somewhat reluctant as a reporter. He was advised that we would be pleased to take the information but that we would not be in a position to furnish him any information. B7D

With regard to the attached, after furnishing it, he stated that the source of the quoted information was himself, and that he could quote it in this fashion because he made a research of all the records of the ROSENBERG and GOLD trials and knew that he knew the facts. He then stated that his first inclination was to just go ahead and talk to Mr. BROTHMAN and write his story but that he wanted to do the right thing and furnish the information to us and not interview him if it would be of interest to this Bureau that he not. B7D

[REDACTED] was advised that he should go ahead and handle this in any way he saw fit; that we would interpose no objection to his interviewing BROTHMAN or writing any story he desired to write. He stated that he felt we would be interested in the address of this man's second rooming house where he was reputed to have another business and possibly any other residence address. He was advised that if he secured this information and wished to furnish it, we would be pleased to receive it. B7D

Subsequent to the above interview, I advised that [REDACTED] had been advised to handle this matter in any

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way he saw fit; if he wished to write a story and they wished to publish it, we would interpose no objection, but that he could draw no implications from our not interposing any objection.

SAC, NEWARK (100-33638)

3/14/62

SAC, NEW YORK (100-95068) (RUC)

ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, aka
ESP-R
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
ISA OF 1950

Forwarded herewith for Newark is one copy of a two page memorandum of SAC H. G. FOSTER dated 3/8/62 and one copy of a two page typewritten document furnished to SAC, NY, by [REDACTED]. This material is self-explanatory and is being furnished Newark for any action deemed desirable. **B7D**

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- 1 - New York (100-95068)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, New York (100-95068)

DATE: 3-14-62

FROM : SA Douglas P. White

SUBJECT: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, aka
Ego - R

Re Memo of SAC Foster.

It is requested duplication be made of reference
and attachment (4 pages) for transmittal to
Newark (OO).

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NY

DATE: 3/12/62

FROM : SUPERVISOR JAMES H. KAVANAGH, JR.

SUBJECT: *ABRAHAM BROTHMAN*

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On 3/10/62, [REDACTED] called to *B7D* speak to SAC. He left following message which he said would be clear to SAC and ASAC SCHMIT.

The address he mentioned as 111 Bloomfield Ave., Bloomfield, N.J. is actually 662 Bloomfield Ave., Bloomfield. This information was developed as a result of a credit check. Business was known as Independent Products Co., however at the address there appears to be a hairdresser and an appliance store with some free space above. He is going out there Monday afternoon early instead of morning. He will call later in week to say "Hello."

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Memorandum

TO : FILE (100-95068)

DATE: 3/13/62

FROM : ASAC E. HUGO WINTERROWD

SUBJECT: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN;
ESPIONAGE - R

On 3/13/62, [REDACTED] of the [REDACTED] B7D
called saying that he wanted to talk further concerning
BROTHMAN. He said he would call back, which he did at
approximately 3:40 PM, saying that he was anxious to
talk to BROTHMAN but did not wish to "press him" if
this office had other thoughts. He said he would tell
him that if BROTHMAN did not wish to talk with him, he
would have to speak with the ranking officials of [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] He said he understood BROTHMAN was in a B7D
position to go through the various vital defense plants
and that he felt in view of the background he should
talk to him.

[REDACTED] was informed that the matter of talking B7D
with BROTHMAN was one of his own selection and that this
office was in no position to advise him. He said he
understood, but he still wanted to have his proposals
a matter of record in this office.

The above is submitted for record information.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-95068)

ABRAHAM BROTHMAN aka
ESPIONAGE - R;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
ISA of 1950
(OO: Newark)

Forwarded herewith for Newark is one copy of a
three page memorandum containing information furnished
by [REDACTED] of the Transitel International
Corporation to IC [REDACTED] *B-7C*

- 2 - Newark (100-33638) (Enc. 1) (RM)
① - New York (100-95068)

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Dec. 11, 1962.

Mr. John Malone
FBI
201 E. 69th St.
New York City

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Dear Mr. Malone:

A year or so ago I had some inconclusive contact with your predecessor, Mr. Foster. A business man from New Jersey came to see me because his secretary had recognized a formerly imprisoned atom-spy, Abraham Brothman, from my description in [redacted] Brothman was the company's research expert and part owner. I told Mr. Foster about this visit and then went to New Jersey in an effort to see Mr Brothman. I must have worried him, though he evaded me, because I received phone calls which produced only buzzing-- you know that kind of thing -- for a few days. Then I let him alone and he let me alone and what if anything the FBI did ~~have~~ about it, I will never know.

I had an experience yesterday and today which seems ^{even} more inconclusive. I will give it to you for what it is worth. A little preamble is necessary.

Several months ago, my literary agent, Mavis McIntosh, needed a photo-copy of a manuscript of mine (which will appear in May as a book) and she got it made by [redacted] The work was done well, quickly and cheaply, and she said the proprietor, [redacted] said he knew me. This weekend I will have a non-emergency, nostalgic session of an anti-Communist caucus I organized 25 years ago in the New York Newspaper Guild. ~~XXXX~~ I needed some copies of our anti-CP newspaper, the Progressive, for distribution at the gathering. ~~XXXX~~ Since all the newspapers are shut down by a strike this week, I was free to drop around [redacted] at 3:30 p.m. This is on the ground floor of an apartment building and has [redacted] and I think [redacted] on the door. When the door opened, a tall girl with reddish hair hustled me down a hallway to the left to see Hills but there was enough light from the hallway for me to see three men in a sort of living room to the right, two standing, one sitting, shades drawn, no light on in the room, frozen and watchful as I went by. There was also a tall, dark, Greek-looking man tending a reproduction machine in the hallway and no effort was made to introduce him.

[redacted] turned out to be a lively, eager man, very friendly, and he explained he knew all about me from [redacted], a lawyer [redacted] and who is a political acquaintance, almost a friend of mine. The tall girl came to the threshold once to stare at me fixedly but was not introduced yesterday.

B7C

When he saw the anti-CP nature of the material I wanted copied, [redacted] prattle increased. He had been a newspaperman in [redacted] and had discovered that [redacted] of the [redacted], was framed by a forged signature-- but he never wrote about it. He added hastily-- and he mentioned other things he had done as a reporter, but never written about-- as though he was afraid I might check. He had been called a Communist by somebody in [redacted] but he had been previously cleared for Navy service in the Pacific and actually did secret work later. Some [redacted] racist -- [redacted] -- had gotten after him when he refused to display [redacted] book in his bookshop. I decided that this was what his prattle had been directed toward proving. He had been in Spain in 1936, to see if he could help the loyalists, but decided not to get involved, or something. He went back to his anti-CP theme, which was really unnecessary, since I would not have been curious in the slightest if he had not told my agent that he was a friend of mine.

B7C

The three men in the darkened room were still there when I went out, and if there was a sense of tension, it may have been in my mind.

Today I phoned before dropping around for the photo-copies, and the atmosphere was different. The living room was empty and open to window light. The tallish redhead was introduced as Miss Britten, and she was amiable. More prattle, some of it sophisticated and literary, some of it autobiographical, about a suit against a doctor in Mt. Sinai Hospital who stuck [redacted] with a "dirty needle," a reference to a former wife, etc. The phone rang and Miss Britten took it, managing to say "in a little while" with significance and then laying down the receiver. To her annoyance, [redacted] said: "Who is it?" She said: "Oh, that actor fellow" and he took the call and after several sentences said: "... in a few minutes," and that was it. The tall Greek fellow fumbled for minutes making a clumsy parcel, and Miss Britten hustled me out and I could almost see [redacted] moving to the phone.

B7C

I just phoned [redacted] and he said he had handled legal affairs for [redacted] that [redacted] was a [redacted]

[redacted] a harmless, nice guy to whom it was advisable not to talk too frankly since he repeated everything he heard with variations. So there is no point in writing this note, but I started it and it might just possibly jibe with something in your files. If so, good luck. If not, forgive me for wasting your time.

B7C

Sincerely

65-0-1151

B7C

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-95068)

DATE: 12/14/62

FROM : SUP. JAMES T. O'BRIEN, #331

SUBJECT: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN
ESP-R

The contact with former SAC FOSTER mentioned by [REDACTED] in his 12/11/62 letter related to information which [REDACTED] furnished in person concerning ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, a member of the ROSENBERG apparatus who was convicted of perjury. BROTHMAN presently resides in the Newark Division. Mr. FOSTER's memo concerning this contact is set forth in 100-95068-900, which is attached. B7C

no identifiable info in my files on
[REDACTED]

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NEW YORK
J.T.O.

201 East 69th Street
New York 21, New York

December 14, 1962

Indefinite
[REDACTED]
New York 25, New York *b7C*

Dear [REDACTED]

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 11, 1962, the contents of which have been carefully noted.

Your interest in furnishing this information to this office is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

JOHN F. MALONE
Assistant Director in Charge

1 - NY 100-95068 (A) BROTHMAN

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JOB:HC

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO : SUPERVISOR *[Signature]*

DATE *10-16-64*

FROM : BULKY EXHIBITS SECTION (FILE *100-95068*)

SUBJECT: EXHIBITS MAINTAINED IN RED ROPE
FOLDERS IN BULKY EXHIBIT VAULT

The Bulky Exhibit Section has instituted a project to have above captioned exhibits thoroughly reviewed for disposal or retention.

Attached are first and last sections of file referring to exhibits in question. The first section contains the green sheets listing the exhibits.

Each supervisor receiving a copy of this memorandum is requested to have the pertinent exhibits reviewed and fill in the spaces listed below. This memorandum is to be returned to the Bulky Exhibit Section by *10-22-64*.

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Director, FBI (100-365040)

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ABRAHAM BROTHMAN
ESP - R

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By letter dated 12-23-65 the Department of Justice has advised that the name of Abraham Brothman should be removed from the Security Index. This has been done at the Bureau and the same should be done at your office.

You should review this file and submit your recommendations concerning the inclusion of the name of Brothman on the Reserve Index in your office.

① - New York (100-365040)

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SAC (100-64971)

SA [REDACTED]

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SONYA JOSEPHINE SOKOLOW
IS - R

Remymemo 6/15/67 captioned "AFTON TOURS, INC.,
IS - R".

On 7/26/67, [REDACTED] furnished the following
additional information re the association of the subject
with ABRAHAM BROTHMAN.

According to the informant, BROTHMAN is an
engineer who lives in Dumont, NJ, and who is attempting
to do some private engineering type business involving
computers, outside his regular employment which the
informant has not been able to identify. Subject and
BROTHMAN have held several conferences at the former's
office at Afton Tours, Inc., 1776 Broadway, relative to
the possible application of a computer operation to
Afton's travel business. The informant added that the
subject has indicated to him that she has a [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] with BROTHMAN.

Review of indices reflects that the individual
in contact with the subject is probably identical with
ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, the subject of an espionage investigation
in 100-95068. It is noted that BROTHMAN lives at 17
Franklin St., Dumont, and is employed as Manager of the
Research and Development Section, Transitel International
Corp., Paramus, NJ.

[REDACTED] has been instructed to furnish any
further developments regarding the progress of subject's
discussions with BROTHMAN.

- 1 - 100-95068 (ABRAHAM BROTHMAN)
- 1 - 105-38982 (AFTON TOURS)
- 1 - [REDACTED]

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to NK.

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This is original
memo of Kinsky
reflecting contact
[REDACTED]
giving info on
BROTHMAN
and others

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SAC, NEWARK (100-33638)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-95068)

ABRAHAM BROTHMAN aka
ESP - R

OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
ISA OF 1950

(OO: NEWARK)

The following information is being furnished
Newark for any action deemed desirable:

On [REDACTED], who has furnished reliable
information in the past, furnished the following information
to SA RICHARD G. KINSEY. [REDACTED] b1P

[REDACTED] b1

[REDACTED] b1

Characterization of SOKOLOW is as follows:

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close on [REDACTED]
this [REDACTED]
JTB

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LOUIS BUDENZ, former Communist Party (CP) functionary until his defection from the CP in October, 1945, advised in 1951, that SONYA SOKOLOV worked at World Tourist, Incorporated, until about 1940. BUDENZ stated that her position appeared to be that of confidential secretary to JACOB GOLOS.

In November, 1945, ELIZABETH BENTLEY, now deceased, a self-confessed former Soviet espionage agent, advised that prior to his death, JACOB GOLOS was a Director of Soviet espionage in the US.

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications", revised and published December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the World Tourist, Incorporated:

"World Tourist, Incorporated

- "1. Cited as an organization 'used as a cover for Soviet Espionage activities' (Committee on Un-American Activities, Report on the Shameful Years, H.R. 1229, January 8, 1952, originally released December 30, 1951, pp. 16 and 58)"

In regard to Afton Tours, Incorporated, the following characterization is noted:

Records of the Foreign Agents Registration Section (FARS), Department of Justice,

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Washington, D.C., reflect that ALEXANDER SVENCHANSKY registered Package Express and Travel Agency, Incorporated, Brooklyn, NY, on February 24, 1958, as an agent of Intourist Limited, Moscow, USSR. The purpose of the business was given as transmitting parcels to citizens of the USSR. SVENCHANSKY named Afton Tours, Incorporated, 1776 Broadway, NYC, as a branch of Package Express and Travel Agency.

FARS records reflect further that Afton Tours was registered individually as an Intourist agent from May 1, 1959 to December 24, 1960, when the registration was terminated by action of the FARS. Package Express and Travel Agency, as of February 24, 1967, continued to be registered with the FARS.

A source advised during April, 1967, that Afton Tours, Incorporated, continues to operate from 1776 Broadway, NYC. The source stated that the majority of the tours arranged by the firm are for individuals or groups travelling to the Soviet Union, and other East European countries. According to the source, some of the individuals who have used Afton Tours are publicly known as Communist Party members. The source added that many of the group tours handled by Afton Tours have been organized by groups recognized as Communist front organizations.

ALEXANDER SVENCHANSKY was linked with a Soviet espionage ring in testimony before the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee on November 2, 1953, by HARRY GOLD, confessed atomic spy.

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The 1966 - 1967 NY Telephone Directory lists
Afton Tours at 1776 Broadway.

The above source is [REDACTED] who has furnished
reliable information in the past.

Intourist, 355 Lexington Avenue, in registering
with the US Department of Justice, pursuant to the Foreign
Agents Registration Act of 1938 as amended, lists its
purpose as:

"Promoting tourism between the USSR and the
USA. Maintaining contacts with travel companies which have
agreements with Intourist. Publishing information on tourism
in the USSR for individuals, companies and organizations"

The foreign principal was listed as:

"VAO, Intourist,
16 Marx Avenue,
Moscow, USSR"



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Newark, New Jersey

December 26, 1967

ABRAHAM BROTHMAN
ESPIONAGE - R
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

Records of the Passport Department, United States Department of State, Washington, D. C. under date of November 20, 1967, disclosed that Abraham Brothman, born August 15, 1913, in New York, residence 17 Franklin Avenue, Dumont, New Jersey, in November, 1967, renewed his passport numbered D634626 issued August 30, 1963, at Washington, D. C. He indicated travel plans to depart New York on November 14, 1967, via Pan American Airways for a three week business and pleasure trip to Venezuela.

On December 18, 1967, [redacted] T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the subject had not departed the United States as planned, but rather was waiting until plans he had for marriage were complete at which time he would then depart. [redacted] T-1 stated that he did not learn the name of the subject's intended bride. B7D

On December 21, 1967, [redacted] T-1 advised that the subject had scheduled his departure date for the evening of this date, December 21, 1967. He stated that he had not learned the name of the carrier, but that the subject was scheduled to depart by plane with his first stop being London, England. B7D

[redacted] T-1 stated that he was also unable to learn of the subject's itinerary, but in connection with his interest in theoretical mathematics he has been working on projects with a Professor of Mathematics in Moscow. Concerning the latter the subject with this individual plans to present a paper on their work in Switzerland in 1968, the exact date and place being unknown to [redacted] T-1. B7D

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ABRAHAM BROTHMAN

T-1 stated that from the information he learned from the subject he has traveled to Moscow in the past and given lectures on mathematics. His former wife, now deceased, spoke Russian and was able to give direct translations for him. 870

Abraham Brothman was found guilty on November 22, 1950 in the United States District Court, Southern District of New York, of conspiracy to obstruct justice and intimidation of a government witness. On November 28, 1950, he was sentenced to five years imprisonment and a \$5,000 fine on the count charging intimidation of a government witness and two years imprisonment and a \$10,000 fine on the charge of conspiracy to obstruct justice.

On July 26, 1951, the United States Court of Appeals, Second District, affirmed the conspiracy count, but reversed the count charging the intimidation of a government witness. He was confined to a United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia, on August 21, 1951, and released on November 5, 1952.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100365040)
FROM: SAC, NEWARK (100-33638) (P)
SUBJECT: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, aka
ESP-R
OOJ;
ISA, 1950

Re New York letter and LHM dated 12/20/67, and titled
"SONYA JOSEPHINE SOKOLOV, aka; IS-R".

Enclosed for the Bureau are an original and six
copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above. Three
copies are being furnished to New York to include an
information copy for the SOKOLOV file.

T-1 is identical to [REDACTED]

In addition to the information set forth in the LHM
[REDACTED] advised that he had conducted a [REDACTED]
on the subject at which time the subject informed him of his
impending marriage. Though he was unable to learn of the identity
of the subject's intended bride he did learn that she was an
old friend of the family and that the subject's two daughters
were anxious for him to get married. B7D
B7C

[REDACTED] also advised that the subject recently
had a "blowup" with his employers and made it known he was
anxious to leave his position, but since he is under contract
until 1971 he has remained as a consulting engineer in the
computer field. [REDACTED] stated that he spends two to three days in
this capacity with the company in Paramus, N.J., and the
remaining days of the week with a branch of the company in
Newark, N.J. [REDACTED] learned that the subject receives for this
work \$500 per day, but upon completion of this contract intends to
occupy himself in the field of theoretical mathematics. B7D

4-Bureau (Enc. 7) (RM)
(1-100-336527) (SOKOLOV)
3-New York (Enc. 3) (100-95068) (RM)
(100-64071) (SOKOLOV) (Info)

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In view of the information received from [REDACTED] that the subject possibly planned to travel to London, England on December 21, 1967, and that submitted concerning the itinerary of SONIA JOSEPH SOKOLOV the NYO is requested to ascertain whether subject traveled to London via Pan American Airways or left New York via KLM Airlines Flight 644 for Amsterdam, the Netherlands with SOKOLOV. The NYO after confirmation of his departure will thereafter report this information in form suitable for dissemination. 87D

The Newark Office will maintain contact with established sources and verify subject's return to the U.S.

Memorandum

TO : SAC (100-64971)

FROM : SA RICHARD G. KINSEY (#343)

SUBJECT: SONYA SOKOLOV
IS-R

DATE: 1/24/68

On 1/12/68, [REDACTED] advised that the subject returned to NYC on 1/8/68, following her trip to the USSR. \$70

[REDACTED] b1

[REDACTED] b1

[REDACTED] b1

- 1 - 100-95068 (BROTHMAN) 331
- 1 - 100-95321 (SVENCHANSKY)
- 1 - 100-115267 (SWAN)
- 1 - 105-38932 (AFTON TOURS)
- 1 - [REDACTED]

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SVENCHANSKY's brother, TOM SWAN, is making slow progress following his serious automobile accident and apparently is again running another of SVENCHANSKY's enterprises, Package Express and Travel Agency, which is now located at the 1776 Bdwy. address.

The National Council of American Soviet Friendship has scheduled five tours through Afton Tours for the forthcoming tourist season. The informant has obtained information on the first tour leaving in April, and will provide information on the later four as it becomes available.

Memorandum

TO : SAC (100-95921)

FROM : SA RICHARD G. KINSEY (343)

SUBJECT: ALEXANDER SVENCHANSKY
ESP - R

DATE: 4/25/68

On 4/16/68, [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed, furnished the following information: \$70

ALEXANDER SVENCHANSKY, who is President of Afton Tours, 1776 Bdwy., NYC, returned at the end of March, from his most recent trip to the USSR. Since his return, he has been in Chicago on a least one occasion discussing matters relating to the book store which he operates in that city. The informant is not aware of additional details concerning SVENCHANSKY's operations of the store.

SONYA SOKOLOW, who is a co-owner of Afton Tours with SVENCHANSKY, continues to maintain her apt. at 161 W. 54th Street, NYC. Her sister is occupying the apt. since the low rent, due to rent controls makes it a more desirable apt. to have.

SOKOLOW is residing in Dumont, New Jersey, with her husband, ABRAHAM BROTHMAN.

[REDACTED]

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1-100-64971 (SOKOLOW) (343)
1-100-115267 (SWAN) (42)
1-105-88125 (LYSKIN) (343)
1-97-1110 (PETA) (343)
1-100-7518 (NCASF) (41)
1-105-38982 (AFTON TOURS) (343)
1-100-95068 (BROTHMAN) (343)

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According to the informant, SVENCHANSKY's brother, THOMAS SWAN, has started to reappear at Afton Tours and also at Package Express and Travel Agency, which is now headquartered at 1776 Broadway, NYC. He said that SWAN still looks very weak following his long convalescence from his automobile accident.