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8	1/17/51	REPORT FM. NY TO HDQS.	4	4	* 1
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23	2/28/52	LETTER FM. TO HDQS.	1	1	/
24	3/11/52	REPORT FM. CIN. TO HDQS.	1	1	/
24	3/27/52	LETTER FM. HDQS. TO CIN.	1	1	/
25	4/3/52	REPORT FM. NY TO HDQS.	3	3	/
25	4/3/52	LETTER FM. NY TO HDQS.	1	1	/
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26	4/1/52	REPORT FM. NH TO HDQS.	5	5	/
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30	7/22/52	LETTER FM. PHIL. TO HDQS.	1	1	/
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NR	8/20/52	LETTER FM. WFO TO HDQS.	1	1	/
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35	1/21/53	TELETYPE FM. NY TO HDQS.	1	1	/
36	2/4/53	REPORT FM. NY TO HDQS.	5	5	/
36	2/4/53	<sup>36</sup> COPY OF COVER PAGE SERIAL	1	1	* 1
37	2/28/53	REPORT FM. PHIL. TO HDQS.	2	2	/
37	2/28/53	<sup>37</sup> COPY OF COVER PAGE SERIAL	1	1	* 1
38	4/29/53	LETTER FM. BS. TO HDQS.	2	2	/
NR	4/22/53	MEMO FM. HDQS. TO NY	1	1	/
39	5/6/53	LETTER FM. HDQS. TO NY	1	1	/
40	5/15/53	LETTER FM. PHIL. TO HDQS.	1	1	/
41	6/10/53	REPORT FM. NY TO HDQS.	<del>11</del> 10	0	REFERRED

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43	7/21/53	REPORT FM. PHIL. TO HDQS.	2	2	/
43	7/21/53	COPY OF COVERAGE SERIAL <sup>43</sup>	1	1	*1
44	9/15/53	REPORT FM. NY TO HDQS.	5	5	/
44	9/15/53	COPY OF COVERAGE SERIAL <sup>44</sup>	1	1	*1
45	10/16/53	REPORT FM. WFO TO HDQS.	3	0	REFERRED
45	10/16/53	COPY OF COVERAGE SERIAL <sup>45</sup>	1	0	REFERRED *
46	11/3/53	REPORT FM. NY TO HDQS.	8	8	/
46	11/3/53	COPY OF COVERAGE SERIAL <sup>46</sup>	1	1	*1
47	12/7/53	REPORT FM. PHIL. TO HDQS.	2	2	/
47	12/7/53	COPY OF COVERAGE SERIAL <sup>47</sup>	1	1	*1.
48	12/10/53	LETTER TO HDQS. FM. NY	2	2	/

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50	1/8/54	LETTER FM. NY TO HQQS.	1	1	/
51	12/22/53	TELETYPE FM. HQQS. TO NFO	1	1	/
NR	1/14/57	LETTER FM. NY TO HQQS.	2	2	/
NR	8/19/54	MEMO TO FILE	2	2	/
NR	2/14/74	NEW YORK TIMES ARTICLE	1	1	/
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. FRED;  
HENRY GOLD - INFORMANT  
ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: June 5, 1950

This is to advise that two 8" by 10" photographs of ARSHAK A. VARTANIAN were forwarded to the Philadelphia Office by special messenger on June 1, 1950. These photographs were copies of pictures taken from the "Seattle Post Intelligencer" in 1937. Each photograph contained a group of two or more individuals among which was ARSHAK A. VARTANIAN. It was requested that these be shown to HENRY GOLD by the Philadelphia Office because of the similarity in the descriptive data and photograph of VARTANIAN and the descriptive data furnished by GOLD concerning UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. FRED.

According to the Manifest of the "SS Derengaria" and information supplied by [REDACTED] former Soviet agent, VARTANIAN was described as follows:

Age: 38 (in 1934)  
Height: 5' 5" or 5' 6"  
Eyes: Brown  
Hair: Black (graying in 1941)  
Complexion: Dark  
Occupation: Engineer  
Race: Humanian  
Birth Place: [REDACTED] (stated he looked Armenian)  
Wife: NATAL VARTANIAN  
Daughter: NINETTE - age 10 in 1934.

VARTANIAN arrived in New York City on June 15, 1934, and Immigration and Naturalization Service records reflect that he departed from the United States on March 8, 1939 aboard the "SS Normandy."

While in this country VARTANIAN was an engineer and a Vice-President of the Amtorg Trading Corporation and was reported by [REDACTED] to have been the "legal resident" of the Fourth Division, Soviet Military Intelligence in the United States.

It is requested that the above-mentioned photographs be returned to the New York Office by the Philadelphia Office inasmuch as they have served their purpose.

cc - Philadelphia  
New York 65-15037

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UNSUB., WA., FRED, HARRY GOLD, INFT., ESP-R. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND LOUIS BUDENZ ALL INTERVIEWED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: August 24, 1950

FROM : SAC, Philadelphia

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. "FRED"  
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Re New York letter dated 6-5-50. - Ser 1

In accordance with instructions set forth in the above referenced letter, the two 8 x 10 photographs of ARSHAK A. VARTANIAN are being returned as enclosures to the New York Office.

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cc: New York (Enc.)

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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REPORT MADE AT <b>PHILADELPHIA, PA.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>SEP 5 1950</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>5/22, 23; 6/1, 3, 7; 13, 15, 17, 18, 29, 30; 6/7, 10/50</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>ROBERT G. JENSEN</b>
TITLE <b>UNKNOWN SUBJECT; wa. FRED</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

HARRY GOLD, self-admitted Soviet espionage agent, advised that his third Soviet superior was known to him as "FRED". GOLD furnished "FRED" with general industrial information prior to going to Cincinnati in fall of 1938. Under the direction of "FRED", GOLD attempted to interest BENJAMIN SMILG in Soviet espionage. "FRED" gave GOLD varying sums of money during their relationship. The search of GOLD's residence at 6823 Kindred St., Philadelphia, reflected numerous rough draft reports. These were reports of general industrial information and other assignments given GOLD by "FRED". GOLD has furnished a description of "FRED" but has been unable to identify him.

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**DETAILS:**

AT PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

I. INTRODUCTION

HARRY GOLD, on May 22, 1950, admitted he received A Bomb information from EMIL JULIUS KLAUS FUCHS in 1945 for transmission to the Soviet Union. GOLD is currently in Federal custody at the Holmesburg County Prison, Philadelphia. He has been charged with violating Section 32, Sub-Section A, Title 50, United States Code.

Subsequent to the arrest of HARRY GOLD on May 23, 1950, he has been interviewed and has been furnishing information regarding his espionage activities. Interviews with HARRY GOLD have been conducted by Special Agents

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T. SCOTT MILLER, JR. and RICHARD E. BRENNAN.

HARRY GOLD has advised that he first began his Soviet espionage work in the fall of 1935. An individual known to GOLD only as PAUL SMITH was his initial Soviet superior. SMITH was followed by an individual known to GOLD as STEVE SWARTZ. On June 30, 1950, SWARTZ was identified as SEMEN MEFOODIEVICH RUGA by HARRY GOLD. *Later disproof.*

## II. GOLD'S VERSION OF HIS DEALINGS WITH "FRED"

In late 1937 or early 1938, GOLD met SWARTZ in New York City and the two went to a restaurant on Broadway in the Eighties. GOLD advised he recalled this restaurant was of the chain type such as Rudley's. While the two of them were in this restaurant, SWARTZ left, saying that he would be back in a few moments. GOLD was of the impression that SWARTZ left to make a telephone call. About five minutes after SWARTZ returned, the latter motioned to GOLD to notice an unknown man enter the restaurant. At this time SWARTZ informed GOLD that this man was to begin working with him and instructed GOLD to make a sign of recognition to the man, who later turned out to be "FRED". GOLD said he did give such a sign, which he cannot recall, but stated it was probably a smile or a nod and "FRED" sat down with them and at this time an introduction was made. GOLD has advised that he had no subsequent dealings with SWARTZ after he was introduced to "FRED".

HARRY GOLD, on June 29, 1950, expressed the idea that because of the size of SWARTZ, who was over six feet in height, his next contact, "FRED", was more nearly his size in order to avoid being conspicuous.

"FRED" was described by GOLD as a "strict disciplinarian" who lived "by the book". When asked to enlarge upon this, GOLD said that "FRED" was more insistent upon GOLD's being careful when meeting him than any of his Russian contacts. He was of the opinion that it was "FRED" who told him that if he wanted to see if he were being followed, to stop and tie his shoelace or walk up deserted side streets. "FRED" also advised him that any time GOLD had to tear up a piece of paper which he had in connection with his activities with the Russians, it should be torn up in very small pieces and each piece dropped in a separate block while GOLD was walking down the street.

In addition, GOLD said that "FRED" was constantly suggesting that he obtain more information, and when GOLD said that the Pennsylvania Sugar Company, his place of employment, had very few possibilities left, "FRED" insisted that GOLD attempt to obtain a position with the government.

GOLD distinctly recalled a suggestion that he obtain employment at the Philadelphia Navy Yard. He said he never did this and during his entire association with "FRED", he merely supplied him with odds and ends relative to chemical processes obtained from the Pennsylvania Sugar Company.

"FRED" also gave GOLD instructions on how to wrap information which was to be turned over to "FRED" by GOLD. He said that "FRED" told him to put the paper containing the information between the folds of newspapers and when the two met, the Russian contact, who would also be carrying a newspaper, but with nothing in it, would exchange papers with GOLD. "FRED" also said that if the information were so bulky that the use of a wrapper was necessary, it should be wrapped in plain brown paper.

In this regard, GOLD said although he could not definitely attribute it to "FRED", he was given instructions that he should never wear anything with an initial on it, such as a tie clasp, a belt buckle or the like, or wear a ring with an unusual design, or wear anything which might attract the attention of someone who might be looking at GOLD.

Relative to the various contacts of GOLD made by "FRED", GOLD advised that to the best of his recollection his contacts were all made in New York City with the exception of possibly two or three occasions that he met "FRED" in Middletown and Cincinnati, Ohio. He is also of the impression that he may possibly have met with "FRED" once in Philadelphia.

GOLD said that his relationship with "FRED" extended from late 1937 or early 1938 until a period shortly before his graduation from Xavier University in Cincinnati, Ohio in June, 1940. GOLD said that "FRED" was followed by an alternate contact identified by GOLD as JOSEPH KATZ. This alternate contact was subsequently followed by SEMEN M. SEMENOV, whom GOLD first met in July of 1940.

### III. GOLD'S ACTIVITY AT XAVIER UNIVERSITY, CINCINNATI, OHIO

On June 7, 1950, HARRY GOLD advised that during the period he was handled by "FRED" he, GOLD, had given much thought to returning to college to complete work on his degree. He said that when he first broached the idea to "FRED" in early 1938, "FRED" suggested the Massachusetts Institute of Technology as being the only place to go. GOLD said he was finally able to convince "FRED" he could not explain to his parents where he got the money for his education at M.I.T. GOLD said that at this time he wrote to numerous

universities about the country to see which would accept his previously earned undergraduate credits. Among these was the University of Cincinnati, which would not accept his credits at face value. However, he said that Xavier University at Cincinnati, Ohio accepted his credits. In the fall of 1938, GOLD enrolled at Xavier University to complete work on his B. S. Degree.

HARRY GOLD advised that shortly after he arrived at Cincinnati in 1938, and while he was attending Xavier University, he received a telephone call from his Soviet contact "FRED". GOLD advised that "FRED" asked him to meet him immediately in the down-town section of Cincinnati. At this time "FRED" asked GOLD to establish contact with a man named BEN SMILG. GOLD said that "FRED" informed him that SMILG lived in Dayton Ohio and was a high government official. According to GOLD, "FRED" intimated that SMILG would have information for GOLD when he was contacted.

GOLD said that contrary to his instructions to immediately contact SMILG, he did not go to the SMILG residence in Dayton, Ohio until about two days later. He said that SMILG admitted him to his home rather reluctantly and treated him rather coolly and warily throughout the evening. GOLD said that when it came time to leave, he asked SMILG to drive him to the trolley stop, which SMILG did reluctantly. He advised that he furnished SMILG his Philadelphia address, 5032 Boudinot Street, and told SMILG if he happened to be in the East to get in touch with him.

Approximately two weeks later, GOLD said that he met "FRED" by pre-arrangement, in Middletown, Ohio. At this time "FRED" wanted to know if SMILG had furnished any material to GOLD. GOLD said that he reported there must be some mistake because of the manner in which SMILG acted. GOLD advised that following this first unsuccessful contact of SMILG, he made approximately two visits in 1939 and two in 1940, upon instructions of his Soviet superior, "FRED" to see SMILG in Dayton. GOLD said that after each of these visits he became more certain that some mistake had been made because SMILG was obviously trying to keep from meeting him. GOLD said he furnished information concerning SMILG's reluctance to "FRED" who kept on insisting that GOLD go back to see SMILG.

IV. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GIVEN GOLD BY "FRED"

On August 7, 1950, HARRY GOLD advised the writer that he had received varying sums of money from his Soviet superior "FRED". During the period from early 1938 to September, 1938, "FRED" gave gold approximately \$50.00 for expense money in connection with his espionage activities. Prior to enrolling at Xavier University at Cincinnati, Ohio, in the fall of 1938, GOLD received from "FRED", approximately \$300 or \$400 for assistance in his education. In either April or May, 1939, "FRED" contacted GOLD in Cincinnati and gave him a sum of either \$100 or \$200 for assistance at Xavier University.

GOLD has also advised that he was of the opinion that in early spring, possibly March 1940, he received the sum of \$200.00 from "FRED" at a meeting in Cincinnati.

V. CORROBORATIVE EVIDENCE OF GOLD'S DEALINGS WITH "FRED"

During the search of the GOLD residence at 6823 Kindred Street, conducted on June 3, 1950, various items were located that appeared to have some relationship to GOLD's espionage activities. The items that pertained to GOLD's dealings with FRED will be discussed hereafter. Special Agents T. SCOTT MILLER, JR. and RICHARD E. BRENNAN conducted the interview of HARRY GOLD.

1. This item consists of 15 pages of white, unlined paper, 8½" x 11" in size, bearing the pencilled heading "HERBERT EPSTEIN". This material apparently concerns itself with attempts to recruit EPSTEIN into espionage activities.

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## II. GOLD'S VERSION OF HIS DEALINGS WITH "FRED"

In late 1937 or early 1938, GOLD met SWARTZ in New York City and the two went to a restaurant on Broadway in the Eighties. GOLD advised he recalled this restaurant was of the chain type such as Rudley's. While the two of them were in this restaurant, SWARTZ left, saying that he would be back in a few moments. GOLD was of the impression that SWARTZ left to make a telephone call. About five minutes after SWARTZ returned, the latter motioned to GOLD to notice an unknown man enter the restaurant. At this time SWARTZ informed GOLD that this man was to begin working with him and instructed GOLD to make a sign of recognition to the man, who later turned out to be "FRED". GOLD said he did give such a sign, which he cannot recall, but stated it was probably a smile or a nod and "FRED" sat down with them and at this time an introduction was made. GOLD has advised that he had no subsequent dealings with SWARTZ after he was introduced to "FRED".

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GOLD distinctly recalled a suggestion that he obtain employment at the Philadelphia Navy Yard. He said he never did this and during his entire association with "FRED", he merely supplied him with odds and ends relative to chemical processes obtained from the Pennsylvania Sugar Company.

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It is contemplated that if no further leads are outstanding after receipt of a report from Philadelphia, this case will be closed and a summary of information about "Fred" will be placed in the unsolved situations file for future reference. This procedure will be followed in this case and in similar cases of other unknown principals of HARRY GOLD UACB. (U)

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On October 11, 1950, advising that this case would be closed if no leads were outstanding after the receipt of Philadelphia's report. Reference also is made to Philadelphia report of Special Agent Robert G. Jensen dated September 5, 1950, which does not set forth any leads.

It is not desired that this case, or similar cases of unknown principals of Harry Gold, be closed until exhaustive efforts to identify the subject have been made.

In an effort to obtain possible additional details and descriptive data the Philadelphia Office is instructed to reinterview Harry Gold concerning this subject. It is noted that Gold has stated that "Fred" might be identical with Gus A. Ovakianian, but that if Ovakianian did not have dark eyes he could not be "Fred." It is not reflected that further inquiry has been made to determine whether "Fred" and Ovakianian are identical. It would also be helpful to know whether "Fred" had a residence during the entire period that Gold knew him.

You will recall that "Fred" appears to have given Gold assignments on Trotskyite matters. As you know, Thomas L. Black, close associate of Gold, was more extensively involved in Trotskyite assignments on behalf of the Soviets than Gold. Accordingly, Philadelphia is instructed to inquire of Gold whether he ever discussed "Fred" with Black, or anyone else for that matter, and thereafter Black should be thoroughly interviewed in a further effort to identify "Fred."

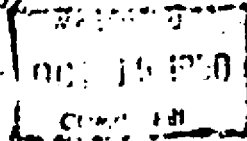
New York should make efforts to identify "Fred" through review of the Unolved Situation file and other investigative files pertinent to the period of "Fred's" activity. In this connection attention is invited to the individuals known to Louis F. Budenz as "Roberts" and "Richardson." You will recall that Black was involved in efforts to infiltrate the Trotskyite movement.

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DR. GREGORY L. RABINOVICH

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: October 30, 1950

FROM : SAC, Philadelphia

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. "Fred"  
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Rebulet dated October 19, 1950.

Inasmuch as ~~HARRY GOLD~~ is currently in the New York Field Division territory, it is requested that New York handle the matter set forth in referenced Bureau letter.

In the event that GOLD indicates he has discussed this Soviet superior of his with THOMAS L. BLACK, New York is requested to furnish that information to Philadelphia.

Upon receipt of this information Philadelphia will interview THOMAS L. BLACK in a further effort to identify "FRED."

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CC: New York (65-15333)

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SERGEANT L. BENTLEY, WAG., NEW-Y.

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*One, Fred*

UNSUB, WAS., ROBERTS, RABINOVITZ, MR. RICH. ESP-R. BUFILE  
SIXTY FIVE DASH FIVE SEVEN NINE EIGHT ONE. REFERENCE IS MADE  
TO REPORT OF SA DONALD G. HANNING, OCT. THIRTY, FIFTY, WASHINGTON,  
D.C. ENCLOSING SEVERAL PHOTOGRAPHS OF DR. GREGORY L. RABINOVITCH.  
THESE PHOTOGRAPHS DISPLAYED TO LOUIS AND MARGARET BUDENZ, WHO IMMEDIATELY  
IDENTIFIED RABINOVITCH AS "UNSUB ROBERTS". IDENTIFICATION POSITIVE  
AS SUBJECT-S PHOTOGRAPH DISPLAYED WITH SEVERAL UNRELATED PHOTOGRAPHS  
AND NO INDICATION GIVEN TO THE BUDENZES THAT A PICTURE OF RABINOVITCH  
WAS BEING SHOWN. COPIES OF PHOTOGRAPHS BEING FORWARDED PHILA OFFICE  
TO BE DISPLAYED TO THOMAS BLACK TO POSSIBLY IDENTIFY RABINOVITCH  
AS BLACK-S ESPIONAGE SUPERIOR "DR. SCHWARTZ".

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SAC, NEW YORK URGENT

GREGORY LEONID RABINOWITZ, WAS., ESPIONAGE R. REUNTEL  
INSTANT. NYC FILE SLTNY FIVE DASH ONE FOUR SEVEN FIVE THREE. SUBJECT'S  
PHOTO SHOULD BE EXHIBITED TO HARRY GOLD AS A CANDIDATE FOR JESUS FRED  
WHO WAS GOLD'S SOVIET SUPERIOR FROM EIGHTEEN THIRTY-EIGHT TO FORTY TWO.  
ALSO EXHIBIT PHOTO TO ELIZABETH BENTLEY AS A CANDIDATE FOR A PERSON  
SHE KNEW AS DR. RABINOWITZ.

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

November 14, 1950

Mr. Ladd

Mr. Belmont

MR. GREGORY IVORICH KABINOVITCH, was.,  
Gregory Ivorich Kabinovitch, Roberts,  
Mr. Rich, Kabinovitch  
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WAF-13

To advise you of the identification of Mr. Gregory Ivorich Kabinovitch, Director of the USSR Red Cross in the U.S. from 1934 to 1939 by Louis F. Budenz as his Soviet espionage superior from 1937 to 1939. Kabinovitch was known to Budenz as "Roberts" and "Mr. Rich."

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You will recall that Louis F. Budenz advised Bureau Agents in March, 1946, that he did once work for some "Roberts," aka "Mr. Rich," of the Russian Secret Police for about 1 1/2 years from 1937 to 1939. Budenz did active work for "Roberts" in the field of Trotskyite infiltration. He last saw "Roberts" in the Spring of 1939 in NYC.

On 10-25-46, Budenz advised Bureau Agents that he and Elizabeth Bentley had discussed "Roberts" and that from similar descriptions and general background information, she had concluded that "Roberts" was identical with a person known to Elizabeth Bentley as Mr. Kabinovitch. Bentley knew Kabinovitch as a doctor employed at the Antary summer camp in 1936.

b1 [REDACTED] confidential informant of the NYC Office, advised on 10-15-47 that one Mr. Kabinovitch, head of the Russian Red Cross in the U. S. in the 1930's had been described to him by a former Antary official as the "big boss" of the GPU in the U. S. in 1936 and 1937. (c)

When Thomas E. Black, admitted Soviet agent was interviewed on 6-21-50, he advised that one of his Soviet superiors in 1938 was Mr. Robert Schwartz, whom he believed to be identical with Mr. Gregory Ivorich Kabinovitch of the Soviet Red Cross. Schwartz wanted Black to join Leon Trotsky's household in Coyococan, Mexico. He also helped pay Black's medical expenses in 1938 after Black had been involved in an explosion at his place of employment. In October, 1950, the WFO obtained photographs of Gregory Ivorich Kabinovitch, former Director of the USSR Red Cross in the U. S. and forwarded them to the NY Division. By teletype dated 11-10-50, NYC advised that Louis F. Budenz had positively identified the photograph of Gregory Ivorich Kabinovitch as his Soviet superior from 1937 to 1939, who was known to him as "Roberts" and "Mr. Rich."

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The photographs will be exhibited to Thomas L. Black and Elizabeth Bentley. They will also be exhibited to Harry Gold in that Rabinovitch may be identical with unknown subject "Fred," one of Harry Gold's Soviet superiors. ✓

Rabinovitch was last known to be in Moscow, Russia, in 1946, and was at that time still active as a Director of the Russian Red Cross. He left the U. S. 11-26-39. ✓

RECOMMENDATION

None. The above is for your information. All leads will be pressed vigorously to run out Rabinovitch's espionage contacts while he was in the U. S. ✓

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To: COMMUNICATI

N. November 16, 1950

Transmit the following message to: SAC'S PHILADELPHIA  
NEW YORK CITY

GREGORY LVORICH RABINOVITCH, WAS., ESPIONAGE R. RE NYC TEL TENTH INSTANT  
ADVISING OF IDENTIFICATION OF SUBJECT BY LOUIS BEDENZ AS UNSUB ROBERTS.  
PHILADELPHIA ADVISE IMMEDIATELY RESULTS OF EXHIBITION OF RABINOVITCH'S PHOTO  
TO THOMAS L. BLACK. NYC ADVISE RESULTS OF EXHIBITION OF PHOTO TO ELIZABETH  
BENTLEY AND HARRY GOLD.

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TITLE <b>UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: Fred HARRY GOLD, Informant</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

HARRY GOLD advised that FRED had a mustache during the entire time he knew him, and that OVAKIMIAN was not identical with FRED. Some of the individuals known through the investigation of the FELDMAN-OVAKIMIAN case were discussed with GOLD without effecting an identification. GOLD believed two individuals appearing in a 1934 group photo of Amtorg employees bore some resemblance to FRED.

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**DETAILS:**

**At New York City, New York**

HARRY GOLD was interviewed at the New York City Prison, 100 Centre Street, New York City by SAs JOSEPH C. WALSH and FRANCIS W. ZANOLE. GOLD stated he discussed his Soviet superior FRED with THOMAS L. BLACK on a few occasions. He recalls particularly after BLACK was severely burned in a laboratory explosion in the Spring of 1939 and was

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to N.Y. Phil - ER  
L. Seeberg.  
Bridging information of  
Gold's testimony in  
Korenberg trial. ER*

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hospitalized in Kearny, New Jersey, BLACK told him that he had lost contact with the Soviets. GOLD said he then contacted FRED and told him about BLACK'S predicament. FRED told GOLD he should not have discussed the matter of being contacted by the Soviets with BLACK. However, GOLD later learned that BLACK had been recontacted by a Soviet shortly thereafter.

GOLD said he also told BLACK that FRED had induced him to go to Cincinnati to school, and also in 1939 he specifically recalls telling BLACK that FRED remarked to him that he would not only appear poor, but would also in fact be poor. GOLD stated that FRED had a mustache during the entire time he knew him. He stated that GAIK OVAKIMIAN was definitely not identical with FRED.

A review was made of the FELDMAN-OVAKIMIAN case file in an effort to turn up suspects for instant unknown subject. As a result of this, photos of VLADIMIR FRIDMAN and BORIS L. ERMIN were exhibited to HARRY GOLD with negative results. All the other photographs of persons known in the FELDMAN-OVAKIMIAN case had already been exhibited to GOLD with negative results.

A description of MAX or MARK STERN was discussed with HARRY GOLD but GOLD stated that because of the gold teeth which STERN had, he could not have been FRED.

Another individual who could possibly be FRED, but who has not yet been discussed with HARRY GOLD is ISRAEL WOLINSKY.

A group photograph allegedly taken in 1934 of Amtorg employees was exhibited to HARRY GOLD. He pointed out two individuals in this photograph who bore some resemblance to FRED, but he stated he would not like to make any definite statement about these without further examining the photograph.

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A photograph of Dr. G. L. RABINOVICH, former Russian Red Cross representative in the United States who was identified by THOMAS L. BLACK as the Dr. ROBERT SCHWARTZ who contacted him in the hospital in Kearny, New Jersey in 1938, was exhibited to HARRY GOLD. He stated that he did not recognize the photo.

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PHILADELPHIA

At Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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Will interview THOMAS L. BLACK and inquire if GOLD ever discussed FRED with him and if so, what he recalls about the discussion.

NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will reinterview HARRY GOLD concerning possible suspects for instant unknown subject, including ISRAEL WOLINSKY and the two individuals he picked out in the 1934 group photo of Amtorg employees.

REFERENCE:

Report of SA ROBERT G. JENSEN, Philadelphia,  
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**ADMINISTRATIVE**

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**DETAILS:**

**G. I. R. -7**

At Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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Trotskyite assignments*

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TITLE <b>UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: Fred HARRY GOLD, Informant</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

ADMINISTRATIVE

HARRY GOLD positive that individuals in 1934 group picture of Amtorg employees are not identical with subject. Discussion with GOLD of description of ISRAEL WOLINSKY inconclusive as to unknown subject. GOLD believes WOLINSKY may have been too old for subject. **U**

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DATE 1/20/78 *11/1/91*

**DETAILS:** At New York City

HARRY GOLD was interviewed on March 5, 1951 at the New York City Prison and on April 4, 1951 in the United States Marshal's Office in the United States Court House, Foley Square, New York City, by SAS JOSEPH C. WALSH and FRANCIS W. ZANGLE.

GOLD examined a 1934 group photograph of Amtorg employees which he had seen before. He stated that he was positive that none of the individuals therein were identical with the unknown subject FRED. **U**

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A description of ISRAEL<sup>+</sup> WOLINSKY, as furnished by Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, is as follows: J

Name:	ISRAEL WOLINSKY
Height:	5'5" to 5'6"
Age:	45 (in 1948)
Hair:	Black, receding
Eyes:	Dark brown
Forehead:	Prominent
Nose:	Prominent, fat
Complexion:	Sallow
Appearance:	Dissipated looking
Dress:	Favors dark blue clothes
Physique:	Not muscular
Peculiarities:	Squints eyes when talking
Language Ability:	Spoke Russian, possibly speaks English

Confidential Informant T-1 advised that from a newspaper clipping dated January 1, 1946 appearing in the "New York Times" and entitled, "Soviet Hits At Spain", one WOLINSKY, described as a Soviet propagandist, was quoted as having made comments concerning the Spanish situation. The informant believed that this WOLINSKY was a man with whom the informant had worked in Communist activities in Russia as a youth many years previous. WOLINSKY, according to the informant, had become a Party member about 1920. Although the informant knew WOLINSKY in Russia, there was no indication that WOLINSKY had ever been in the United States. U

The above description was discussed with HARRY GOLD and he stated that from the material available, WOLINSKY could not be definitely eliminated, but GOLD said he was fairly sure of the age of FRED as thirty or thirty-one in 1938, and GOLD said he had given FRED'S age as thirty to thirty-three in his first description so as to leave some leeway. As WOLINSKY would have been thirty-five, according to the description, in 1938, GOLD stated that he felt that WOLINSKY would have been too old for FRED. U

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The Confidential Informant mentioned in the report  
of SA FRANCIS W. ZANGLE dated APR 10 1951 at New York, New  
York, is as follows:

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REFERENCE: Report of SA FRANCIS W. ZANGLE, 1/17/51, New York.

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TITLE <b>UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: Fred HARRY GOLD, Informant</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

ADMINISTRATIVE

HARRY GOLD positive that individuals in 1934 group picture of Amtorg employees are not identical with subject. Discussion with GOLD of description of ISRAEL WOLINSKY inconclusive as to unknown subject. GOLD believes WOLINSKY may have been too old for subject. (U)

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**DETAILS:**

At New York City

HARRY GOLD was interviewed on March 5, 1951 at the New York City Prison and on April 4, 1951 in the United States Marshal's Office in the United States Court House, Foley Square, New York City, by SAs JOSEPH C. WALSE and FRANCIS W. ZAHOLE. (U)

GOLD examined a 1934 group photograph of Amtorg employees which he had seen before. He stated that he was positive that none of the individuals there'n were identical with the unknown subject FRED. (U)

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TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: Fred  
HARRY GOLD, Informant  
ESPIONAGE - R  
(Bureau File #65-59199)

DATE: April 10, 1951

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AND FIELD OFFICES  
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SLIP(S) (date) 1/30/77 RH/mt

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There are enclosed herewith two copies of the report of  
SA FRANCIS W. ZANGLE dated April 10, 1951 at New York.

As no further leads are presently outstanding, this case is being placed in a pending inactive status until such time as further information is received or an identification is made by GOLD from photographs of individuals which will be shown to him from time to time in connection with other espionage and security cases.

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Director, FBI

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa.,  
Fred  
Harry Gold - Informant  
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UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa.,  
John  
Thomas L. Black - Informant  
ESPIONAGE - R

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY SLIP(S) OF  
DATE 4/29/51 R4/10/51

Re NYC file 100-54684 and Philadelphia file 100-29172  
pertaining to Vladimir D. Kazakovich, was.; Security Matter - C. U

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In view of Kazakovich's background and the general similarity existing between his description and that of Unknown Subject Fred and that of Unknown Subject John, subjects of above-captioned cases, it is suggested that Kazakovich's photograph be exhibited to Harry Gold by the New York division and to Thomas L. Black by the Philadelphia division. U

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There are attached hereto two copies each of two photographs of Kazakovich for New York and Philadelphia. His description appears upon the back of one of the photographs for each office. U

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TO :  
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Director, FBI

DATE: 7/16/51

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Photo of VLADIMIR D. KAZANTVICH shown to HARRY GOLD  
with negative results. Case (UNSUB. Fred) being continued  
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TO : Director, FBI

DATE:

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa.

Fred  
 HARRY GOLD - INFORMANT  
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This case is presently in a pending inactive status in the New York Office and all outstanding and logical leads have been covered.

Bureau authority is requested to place this case in a closed status and to place pertinent information therefrom in the Unsolved Situations file.

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October 4, 1951

Director, FBI

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Fred

HARRY GOLD - INFORMANT

RE: MURDER - R

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ReNYlet 6-24-51, requesting authority to close this case.

A review of previous investigation in this matter and information furnished by Harry Gold has been made to determine what, if any, additional investigation might be conducted in an effort to identify subject, brother of Harry Gold during 1938-1940. Harry Gold has furnished information concerning the whereabouts of subject at certain times as follows:

1. About two days prior to Thanksgiving Day 1938, the latter being the day on which Gold first contacted Benjamin Salls in Dayton, Ohio, Fred visited Gold in Cincinnati.

2. About two weeks after Thanksgiving Day 1938, Fred visited Gold in Milletown, Ohio, a town located approximately forty or fifty miles from Cincinnati.

3. On September 24, and October 15, 1938, January 16, and April 22, 1939, and on March 10, 1940, all of which dates are during the period Gold attended Butler University in Cincinnati, Gold deposited moneys which he received from subject in his bank account at the Provident Savings Bank and Trust Company, Cincinnati, thus indicating the possibility that subject visited Gold in Cincinnati on or about the dates of the deposits.

Philadelphia is requested to interview Harry Gold concerning his meetings with subject in Cincinnati in order to determine so far as possible where the meetings occurred in Cincinnati and whether Gold obtained any indication of where subject may have stayed in that city. Gold should be questioned about the length of time that may have elapsed between the payments to him by subject and his subsequent deposits in his

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bank account as mentioned above. It should be verified whether the deposits referred to were all paid to him in Cincinnati. If such is the case, it would appear, in view of the September 26, and October 15, 1938 deposits, that subject had visited Gold in Cincinnati on at least two occasions prior to the meeting just before Thanksgiving Day 1938 when subject instructed Gold to contact Galt. Concerning the meeting in Willetown, Gold should be questioned as to whether he believes subject might have stayed in Willetown on that occasion.

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Cincinnati is requested to consider the feasibility of checking the records of hotels selected on the basis of the interview with Gold, bearing in mind that subject apparently was a Russian probably connected with Amtorg Trading Corporation, and may have registered as such or given the address of Amtorg in registering. In this regard it is to be noted that there are six to seven known visits of subject to Cincinnati, the dates of which are quite fairly certain by Gold and the deposits of Gold set forth above. It would seem that a check of records for four or five days prior to the date of each deposit might develop significant information.

The attention of New York is called to the separate investigation concerning Carl Buchman concerning whom Gold has given an assignment to subject. New York should bear in mind that an interview of Buchman may possibly develop information concerning subject.

It is noted that the information set forth above concerning sums of money received by Gold from Fred and deposited in Gold's account in Cincinnati has not been incorporated in this case file. Accordingly, New York is instructed to include in its next report in this matter all information presently available concerning subject not already reported under this caption.

This matter should be given expeditious attention.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59199)  
 FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (65-4337)  
 SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa FRED  
 HARRY GOLD - IMPORTANT  
 ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: 11/19/51

Rebulet to New York, 10/4/51.

HARRY GOLD was interviewed at the U. S. Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pa., concerning the facts set out in reference letter and advised as follows:

1. With reference to this visit which FRED made to GOLD in Cincinnati, GOLD stated that this visit was made by FRED on Thanksgiving Day, 1938, not two days prior thereto. GOLD said that on that day he had asked his landlady, Mrs. BROOKES, to let him sleep late, but on that morning, FRED had called the house by telephone and asked to speak to GOLD. Mrs. BROOKES told FRED that GOLD was asleep. FRED demanded that Mrs. BROOKES get GOLD up, which she did. When GOLD talked to FRED on the telephone, FRED told him to get downtown immediately. GOLD thereafter met FRED on the streets, in Cincinnati. He stated that most of their contacts in Cincinnati were made on the sidewalk outside the Shillito Store, or across the street in front of the Netherlands Plaza Hotel, and that he believes they met at one of these two places. FRED talked with GOLD on the street and the former told GOLD to contact a very important government official, BENJAMIN SMILE, in Dayton, Ohio. GOLD objected, but FRED demanded that he make this trip, and in fact, accompanied GOLD directly to Union Station after their talk, and saw that he got on the train for Dayton. GOLD stated that he believes he originally told FRED that he had gone to a football game on Thanksgiving Day, 1938, but he now recalls that he had planned to, and then after talking with FRED he planned to go to the football game before he went to Dayton, but that FRED gave him no choice and actually put him on the train.

GOLD stated that they may have made the above meeting at the Union Station, but he believes they met on the street at

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one of the two places mentioned above. He said he got the impression that FRED had just arrived on the train that morning, and was not staying in Cincinnati, but has nothing concrete on which to base this impression. FRED was still in Cincinnati when he put GOLD on the train to depart, and accordingly GOLD does not know whether FRED stayed in Cincinnati the night of Thanksgiving, or not.

GOLD stated that FRED did not have any baggage with him at the time of the above or any other meeting. He said that at the time of the above meeting FRED told GOLD to meet him at a later date at Middletown, Ohio.

2. Regarding the meeting at Middletown, Ohio, GOLD stated that he is now almost certain that this took place on the first Sunday following Thanksgiving Day, 1938, although there is a remote possibility that this meeting was held the Sunday later. He is certain, however, that this meeting was on a Sunday. GOLD described this as a very clear, cold day. He went by the bus which ran from Hamilton to Cincinnati, Ohio, and passes through Middletown. According to their prior arrangement GOLD went to the railroad station in Middletown and found FRED already there, waiting for him. Before they left the station, FRED went to the ticket window and reserved a space for a train leaving either on the late morning or the early afternoon of that day. The time when the reservations were made was about 10.00 a.m. GOLD is of the belief that FRED had come into town on an early morning train and did not stay overnight in Middletown, stating that he does not believe FRED would risk staying overnight in a town as small as Middletown. GOLD can not recall the location for which reservations were made by FRED, but stated he believed it may have been New York City. He stated that quite possibly the reservations were made for Chicago or St. Louis.

After FRED made the above reservations, they left the railroad station. GOLD believes that FRED had scouted the town before his arrival inasmuch as he appeared to know his way around the town.

After they left the station they took a walk around various side streets in Middletown and did most of their talking.

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They went then to a restaurant and had breakfast and did some talking there. He advised that this restaurant was uphill on a main street running almost directly from the station and was on the left hand side of the street going away from the railroad station. Just beyond the restaurant is another main street in Middletown, intersecting and running vertical to the main street on which the restaurant is located. Proceeding away from the railroad station and going past the restaurant, the bus station is located to the left down this second main street, and is actually a candy and cigar store, rather than a bus terminal. This is where the bus stops which runs between Hamilton and Cincinnati.

After they had breakfast they split up, GOLD walking around town by himself for awhile, and FRED leaving him. GOLD then caught the bus back to Cincinnati. He believes that when they split up, FRED went back to the railroad station and caught the train for which he had made reservations.

In an effort to determine the most probable dates on which FRED visited GOLD in Cincinnati he was interviewed as to deposits made by him in the Provident Savings Bank and Trust Company on the dates mentioned in reference letter, plus all the other deposits made by him in that bank and set forth in the report of SA JULIAN E. ENGELSTAD, Cincinnati, June 23, 1950, in this case. With the assistance of information set forth in that report, and in SA ENGELSTAD's report of June 2, 1950, plus calendars for the years 1938-40, GOLD was able to furnish the following information:

The most probable dates on which GOLD met FRED in Cincinnati and received money from him are as follows:

- October 1, 1938
- January 13, 1939
- March 9, 1939 (remote possibility only)
- April 21, 1939
- November 3, 1939 (remote possibility only)
- March 11, 1940

GOLD stated he registered at San Xavier University on September 9, 1938, and started school on September 14, 1938.

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At that time he was staying at the Cincinnati Club. Concerning each deposit made by him, he advised as follows:

September 24, 1938, deposited \$270. GOLD advised that he was not contacted by FRED in Cincinnati prior to the time he made this deposit, and that this money represents money brought by him to school.

October 15, 1938, deposited \$77. GOLD stated that FRED visited him on Saturday morning or afternoon, October 1, 1938, in Cincinnati, and that this was their first contact there. He believes that part or all of the \$77 was paid to him by FRED. He believes they made this contact in the vicinity of Fountain Square, Cincinnati. GOLD stated that if FRED had been registered in a hotel on this occasion, he would probably have been registered on the night of September 30, 1938, prior to their meeting.

January 7, 1939, deposited \$150. GOLD believes this was money he withdrew from a bank in Philadelphia over the Christmas vacations, and does not believe FRED paid him any part of this money.

January 14, 1939, deposited \$115.83. GOLD believes that FRED visited him in Cincinnati on Friday, January 13, 1939. He stated that all contacts made by FRED with him in Cincinnati, after 1936, were made on Friday evenings, at about 6:00 p.m., and that they met on the sidewalk in front of the Billito Store, or across the street in front of the Netherlands Plaza Hotel. He does not know whether FRED stayed overnight in Cincinnati on this occasion.

February 8, 1939, deposited \$40; February 15, 1939, deposited \$79.75; March 10, 1939, deposited \$120; April 5, 1939, deposited \$34.41. GOLD stated he believes all these deposits were made with money received from home, but that because of the size of the deposit on March 10, 1939, there is the bare possibility that FRED may have met him on the Friday preceding this date, and paid part

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April 22, 1939, deposited \$150. GOLD stated that he believes this money was paid by FRED to him in Cincinnati on the sidewalk in front of the Skillito Store, on April 21, 1939. All their meetings after 1938 were at this point or across the street. GOLD believes that they had a rather long talk on this occasion and that FRED may have stayed overnight the night preceding April 21, 1939, or on that night, but could furnish no information to substantiate this.

May 23, 1939, deposited \$50; June 20, 1939, deposited \$70; August 7, 1939, deposited \$5; September 15, 1939, deposited \$50; November 1, 1939, deposited \$75; November 4, 1939, deposited \$40; February 10, 1940, deposited \$20; February 27, 1940, deposited \$70. GOLD believes that all these moneys were received from home or borrowed from friends. He stated, however, that because the deposits on November 1 and November 4, 1939, were made so close together, it is possible that he may have met FRED on the Friday preceding November 4, 1939, which would have been November 3, 1939, and received some money from him. He believes this possibility to be remote, however.

March 16, 1940, deposited \$230. GOLD recalls the meeting preceding the date of this deposit and stated such meeting was in Cincinnati on March 15, 1940. He stated that they met, as usual, on Friday evening, and that at about 12:30 or 1:00 a.m., March 16, 1940, FRED got into a taxi after telling GOLD that he had to catch a train. Accordingly if he had stayed at a hotel on this occasion it would have been on the night of March 14, 1940, or during the daytime of March 15, 1940. GOLD stated this was the last time he ever saw FRED.

April 30, 1940, deposited \$115, which he received from JOSEPH FINE in New York, and May 31, 1940, deposited \$40, which he had received from home.

Concerning their first meeting in Cincinnati on October 1, 1938, GOLD recalls that prior to this time he had been looking around for a place to stay, inasmuch as it was too expensive to continue living at the Cincinnati Club. He recalls that when he met FRED on this occasion, he was

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bawled out by FRED for staying at the Cincinnati Club, inasmuch as this was too public a place and too expensive. On October 2, 1950, he moved from the Cincinnati Club to the home of ABIGAIL JONES.

GOLD stated he has no information to indicate FRED ever stayed in Cincinnati overnight or registered in a hotel there, but feels that if he did, he would have registered at either the Wetherland Plaza or Gibson Hotels. He said he cannot state why he has a feeling that FRED may have stayed at one of these two hotels, but did state that most of their meetings were held in front of the Shillito Store or across the street, in front of the Wetherland Plaza Hotel. He said that he also has the feeling that FRED may have been meeting someone else in Cincinnati, and accordingly may have spent enough time in Cincinnati on each of his visits to necessitate his registering at a hotel. He could furnish no other information in this regard however.

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DESCRIPTIVE DATA OTHER THAN AGE, CI REQUESTED TO ATTEMPT TO  
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59199)

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (65-4337)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa., FRED;  
HARRY GOLD - INFORMANT;  
ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: 12/14/51

Re Cincinnati letter of 12/6/51, Cincinnati teletype of 12/7/51,  
and Philadelphia teletype of 12/10/51.

Photographs of FRED G. L. BOYER, WILLIAM BULL STODDARD, Jr., and MARY STODDARD, were exhibited to HARRY GOLD, U. S. Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pa., on December 10, 1951. He advised that he did not recognize any of these photographs. He advised that he did not believe BOYER to be identical with the unknown subject in that he did not believe FRED could have possibly been more than 35 years of age in about 1938, FRED's face is much fuller than BOYER's, FRED had a very definite Russian accent, and GOLD felt that FRED was of Russian origin inasmuch as he did not seem to understand American ways or language too well. He said, however, that other descriptive data concerning BOYER is similar to that of FRED and that there is a very vague resemblance between FRED and the photograph of BOYER.

Despite GOLD's belief that FRED is not identical with FRED, it is believed that additional photographs of BOYER should be obtained and exhibited to GOLD because of the similarity in descriptive data and because BOYER resides near the places where GOLD met FRED on many occasions. Accordingly, Cincinnati is requested to attempt to secure such additional photographs, including, if available, any taken during the period 1938 to 1940. Upon the receipt of such photographs, they will be exhibited to GOLD.

The photographs of the above individuals, together with the Withholding Exemption Certificate on BOYER, are being returned herewith to Cincinnati.

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CC: Cincinnati (Encl.) (65-1746)  
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TO : Director, FBI (65-59199)

FROM : SAC, Cincinnati (65-1746)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa Fred  
HARRY GOLD-INFORMANT  
ESPIONAGE-R

DATE: December 6, 1951

Re Philadelphia let to Director, dated 11-19-51, captioned as above. Rerep, SA WALTER L. PARKER, dated 9-22-51, captioned "WILLIAM BULL STODDARD, JR., wa, [REDACTED] BuFile [REDACTED] 12108. **67C**

Investigation, Cincinnati, reflects Unknown Subject possibly identical to FRED G. L. BOYER, Patent Director, Research Department, Champion Paper and Fibre Company, Hamilton, Ohio.

BOYER is suspected by potential Security Informant [REDACTED] **67D** as a Communist sympathizer and knows him to be a close friend of WILLIAM BULL STODDARD, JR. The informant knows RUTH BOYER, suspect's wife, to be acquainted with JOHN PAUL MILAN WARSALKA (subject of New Haven Security case) who is Acting President, American Slav Congress. BOYER also has the reputation at the Champion Paper and Fibre Company for being a Russian sympathizer.

Mr. KENNETH L. FAIST, SR., co-ordinator of Employment, Champion Paper and Fibre Company, states this company has had defense orders but does not believe any were classified contracts.

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The following information was obtained from Personnel File maintained on FRED BOYER at Champion Paper and Fibre Company and interview of Mr. FAIST by SA WALTER L. PARKER:

Name:	FRED G. L. BOYER
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	Born 3-27-88, Ohio
Residence:	85 Orchard Drive, Hamilton, Ohio
Former residences:	327 Progress St., Hamilton, Ohio (1929) 2236 E. 82nd St., Chicago, Ill. (Prior to 1929)
Height:	5'4" to 5'6"
Weight:	140 to 150 pounds

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Build:	Small
Hair:	Black, bushy, gives appearance of being uncombed
Eyes:	Dark
Complexion:	Dark
Peculiarities:	Has a pitch to his voice that is considered by [redacted] to be an accent. Does not mingle and associate well with other people
Occupation:	Mechanical Engineer, Research man and Patent Director, Champion Paper and Fibre Company, Hamilton, Ohio Employed 12-16-29
Social Security#:	275-10-9671
Immediate relatives:	RUTH D. BOYER, wife, born 3-7-99, place unknown; WILLIAM DAVIS BOYER, son, age unknown; DONALD CHASE BOYER, son, born 10-20-30.
Religion:	Friends
Education:	Franklin School, Dayton, Ohio; 8 years; Steele High School, Dayton, Ohio, 4 yrs., graduated; Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, 4 years, graduated; Dates for above not given
Former employment:	Self-employed, Consulting Engineer, 5 years until May, 1926, at Dayton, Ohio; Mechanical Engineer, Western Electric Company, Chicago, Ill., 2 years, resigned January, 1928; Mechanical Engineer, Batesville Bay Corp., Chicago, Ill., 2 years, until December, 1929.

The city of Middletown, Ohio, mentioned in relet, is 14 miles from Hamilton, Ohio, approximately 34 miles from Cincinnati, and about 16 miles from Dayton, Ohio.

[redacted] advises that BOYER is a Pacifist and states he was almost sent to prison for refusing to go into military service during World War I. Further, the informant states that BOYER appears to be about 50 years of age at present time and not a man of 62, as reflected by his birth date. RUTH BOYER will not discuss any business whatever

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over the telephone and always insists on talking to the informant in person.

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*Handwritten: C-15*  
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TO : Director, FBI (65-59199)

DATE: 12-21-51

FROM : SAC, Cincinnati (65-1746)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, Wa. "Fred";  
HARRY GOLD - INFORMANT  
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Mr. HERBERT T. RANDALL, Vice President, Champion Paper and Fibre Co., Hamilton, Ohio, turned over to SA WALTER L. PARKER the picture of FRED G. L. BOYER enclosed herewith. Mr. RANDALL states that this is an excellent likeness of BOYER and that he has not changed appreciably in the past ten to fifteen years. BOYER has never been known to wear a mustache, according to Mr. RANDALL and Mr. A. S. ANDERSON, Assistant Director of General Industrial Relations, both of whom have known him almost the entire time he has been employed here. It is Mr. ANDERSON'S belief that BOYER could raise a heavy mustache in a few days' time if he so desired, due to his heavy beard. Since this is an excellent likeness of the suspect, it is believed that HARRY GOLD should be able to definitely determine whether or not he is identical with the unknown subject.

Mr. RANDALL also turned over a photograph of one WALTER BRENTON, employee in the Research Department, Champion Paper and Fibre Company. WALTER BRENTON and his wife, IRMA, are described by [redacted] as good friends of the suspect and his wife, RUTH. [redacted] advises that IRMA BRENTON is extremely security conscious for a reason unknown to the informant.

The following additional background information concerning BOYER was developed by SA ARTHUR G. TISDALE:

b7c [redacted] Transcript Section, Registrar's Office, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, presented records which reflected that one FREDERICK GEHART LONGSTRETH BOYER entered that university September 17, 1907 and received his BA and BSc in Education degrees in 1912. His birthdate is listed as March 27, 1888, and he graduated in 1906 from Steele High School, Dayton, Ohio. His home address was Dayton, Ohio, and his mother was listed as Mrs. EDITH E. L. BOYER. In 1929 the above mentioned BOYER applied for a professional degree in Mechanical Engineering and submitted a thesis entitled "Test of a Cement Packing Machine." The professional degree was awarded in June 11, 1929, the thesis having been submitted to Professor WILLIAM T. MAGRUDER.

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22V For the purpose of elimination, the Philadelphia Office should also display the photograph of WALTER BRENTON to HARRY GOLD. The photographs enclosed should be returned because they are the personal property of Mr. RANMALL.

BRENTON is described by [REDACTED] as being of average height and weight and approximately fifty years of age. b7d

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SAC, Cincinnati (65-1746)  
SUBJECT: UNSUB, wa Fred  
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DATE: December 10, 1951

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Reylet to Bureau, dated 12-6-51.

Enclosed herewith one pack PX 520, Kodak film, 12 exposures of a photograph of suspect FRED C. L. BOYER, Patent Director, Research Dept., Champion Paper and Fibre Company, Hamilton, Ohio.

The Laboratory is requested to make 20 enlarged positives of the best negative. The enlargements should be up to pocket size for use on FISUR.

Please expedite.

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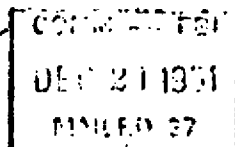
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February 8, 1939, deposited \$40; February 15, 1939, deposited \$79.75; March 10, 1939, deposited \$120.; April 5, 1939, deposited \$34.41. GOLD stated he believes all these deposits were made with money received from home, but that because of the size of the deposit on March 10, 1939, there is the bare possibility that FRED may have met him on the Friday preceding this date, and paid part. April 22, 1939, deposited \$150. GOLD stated that he believes this money was paid by FRED to him in Cincinnati on the sidewalk in front of the Shillito Store, on April 21, 1939. All their meetings after 1938 were at this point or across the street. GOLD believes that they had a rather long talk on this occasion and that FRED may have stayed overnight the night preceding April 21, 1939, or on that night, but could furnish no information to substantiate this.

May 23, 1939, deposited \$50; June 20, 1939, deposited \$70.; August 7, 1939, deposited \$50.; September 16, 1939, deposited \$50.; November 1, 1939, deposited \$75.; November 4, 1939, deposited \$40.; February 10, 1940, deposited \$20.; February 27, 1940, deposited \$70. GOLD believes that all these moneys were received from home or borrowed from friends. He stated, however, that because the deposits on November 1 and November 4, 1939, were made so close together, it is possible that he may have met FRED on the Friday preceding November 4, 1939, which would have been November 3, 1939, and received some money from him. He believes this possibility to be remote, however.

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March 16, 1940, deposited \$230. GOLD recalls the meeting preceding the date of this deposit and stated such meeting was in Cincinnati on March 15, 1940. He stated that they met, as usual, on Friday evening, and that at about 12:30 or 1:00 AM, March 16, 1940, FRED got into a taxi after telling GOLD that he had to catch a train. Accordingly if he registered at a hotel on this occasion it would have been on the night of March 14, 1940, or during the daytime of March 15, 1940. GOLD stated this was the last time he ever saw FRED.

April 30, 1940, deposited \$145, which he received from JOSEPH WITZ in New York, and May 31, 1940, deposited \$40, which he had received from home.

Concerning their first meeting in Cincinnati on October 1, 1938, GOLD recalls that prior to this time he had been looking around for a place to stay, inasmuch as it was too expensive to continue living at the Cincinnati Club. He recalls that when he met FRED on this occasion, he was bawled out by FRED for staying at the Cincinnati Club, inasmuch as this was too public a place and too expensive. On October 2, 1938, he moved from the Cincinnati Club to the home of ELYS BROCKES.

GOLD stated he has no information to indicate FRED ever stayed in Cincinnati overnight or registered in a hotel there, but feels that if he did, he would have registered at either the Netherland Plaza or Gibson Hotels. He said he cannot state why he has a feeling that FRED may have stayed at one of these two hotels, but did state that most of their meetings were held in front of the Shillite Store or across the street, in front of the Netherland Plaza Hotel. He said that he also has the feeling that FRED may have been meeting someone else in Cincinnati, and accordingly may have spent enough time in Cincinnati on each of his visits to necessitate his registering at a hotel. He could furnish no other information in this regard however.

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CARL BUCHMAN was interviewed by SAs HERMAN C. LITTLEJOHN and the writer on December 7, 1951, in an effort to identify HARRY GOLD'S Soviet Superior FRED who had given GOLD the assignment of investigating CARL BUCHMAN, it being GOLD'S impression that BUCHMAN was to be used in Trotskyite matters. BUCHMAN was questioned concerning Russians whom he had known and he denied ever having any close association with Russian Nationals and people of Russian descent. He advised that the only Russians with whom he was acquainted was EUGENE HELMER, 1320 Madison Avenue, New York City, and Mrs. HELENE MALYSCHIEFF, 28 West 75th Street, New York City. BUCHMAN stated that he first knew HELMER while both were attending the Curtis Institute of Music at Philadelphia in 1937 and that he lost contact with him until about 1945 when he received some assistance from HELMER in the translation of Russian music.

BUCHMAN described HELMER as Russian born, and a resident of Cuba prior to his emigration to the United States which he thought was right about the period 1937. BUCHMAN stated that HELMER'S father was a teacher of voice in Cuba and believed to be a citizen of Cuba. BUCHMAN advised that HELMER has been employed as a piano accompanist for many well known violin and vocal soloists and has also worked as a violinist with the stage production, "Finian's Rainbow". BUCHMAN furnished the following description of HELMER:

Age	40
Height	5' 6"
Weight	160 lbs.
Build	Stocky
Hair	Dark
Complexion	Ruddy
Characteristics	- Wears glasses, no moustache.

BUCHMAN advised that his only association with Mrs. HELENE MALYSCHIEFF was for a short period in 1946 when he was enrolled in a course in Elementary Russian at Columbia University. He advised that MALYSCHIEFF was the instructor in the course and that he was acquainted with her only in that capacity. BUCHMAN

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advised that he enrolled in the course to assist himself in interpreting Russian music and because at the time he was attending the Columbia University Summer Work Shop in Opera and, therefore, had the opportunity to attend the class in Elementary Russian.

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised that the name EUGENE HELMER, 1320 Madison Avenue, appeared in the address book of ERIC BERNAY, owner of the Keynote Recordings, Inc. BERNAY was a close associate and employer of ALBERT WEISS, known Soviet Agent, and was also named by LOUIS BUDENZ as a concealed Communist.

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, furnished the list of approximately 225 names and addresses obtained from Communist Party Headquarters, 35 East 12th Street, New York City. The list is entitled, "Fascionaria - Yorkville Section" and is believed to be a list of names of members or contacts of the LaFascionaria Club, Yorkville Section of the Communist Party. This list contains the name EUGENE HELMER, 1320 Madison Avenue, New York City.

Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, advised that on one occasion Mrs. RUTH HELMER, wife of EUGENE HELMER, came to the home of her parents with a container for the collection of funds for some Russian Relief and was securing signatures for some cause, the identity of which was not known to the informant.

A review of the Board of Election records, New York City, reflect that EUGENE HELMER, 1320 Madison Avenue, New York City was enrolled as a member of the American Labor Party for 1946 and 1948. These records also reflect that RUTH HELMER of 1320 Madison Avenue, New York City, registered for the American Labor Party in 1944, 1945, 1946 and 1948.

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"1. 'For years, the Communists have put forth the greatest efforts to capture the entire American Labor Party throughout New York State. They succeeded in capturing the Manhattan and Brooklyn sections of the American Labor Party but outside of New York City they have been unable to win control.' (Special Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, March 29, 1944, page 78.)

"2. Among 'organizations that are victims of Communist domination.' (California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1940, pages 40 and 41.)"

BUCHANAN advised that he was never interested in the Trotskyite Movement and to his knowledge had never associated with any members of the Communist Party or followers of Trotsky. BUCHANAN advised that the names GRAPE, LEN and LEO C. PARR which were found in the notes of HARRY GOLD, were unknown to him.

No further investigation concerning HELMER is being contemplated in that BUCHANAN described him as never wearing a moustache, did not speak with a noticeable Russian accent and would be considerably younger than the description of subject furnished by GOLD.

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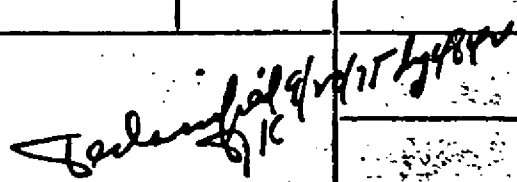
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In an effort to determine the most probable dates on which FRED visited GOLD in Cincinnati he was interviewed as to deposits made by him in the Provident Savings Bank and Trust Company on the dates mentioned in reference letter, plus all the other deposits made by him in that bank and set forth in the report of SA JULIAN B. ENGELSTAD, Cincinnati, June 23, 1950, in case entitled HARRY GOLD, was.; ESPIONAGE - R. With the assistance of information set forth in that report, and in SA ENGELSTAD's report of June 2, 1950 in case entitled HARRY GOLD, was.; ESPIONAGE - R, plus calendars for the years 1938-1940, GOLD was able to furnish the following information:

The most probable dates on which GOLD met FRED in Cincinnati and received money from him are as follows:

October 1, 1938  
January 13, 1939  
March 9, 1939 (Remote Possibility only)  
April 21, 1939  
November 3, 1939 (Remote possibility only)  
March 15, 1940

GOLD stated he registered at San Xavier University on September 9, 1938, and started school on September 14, 1938. At that time he was staying at the Cincinnati Club. Concerning each deposit made by him, he advised as follows:

September 24, 1938, deposited \$270. GOLD advised that he was not contacted by FRED in Cincinnati prior to the time he made this deposit, and that this money represents money brought by him to school.

October 15, 1938, deposited \$77. GOLD stated that FRED visited him on Saturday morning or afternoon, October 1, 1938, in Cincinnati, and that this was their first contact there. He believes that part or all of the \$77. was paid to him by FRED. He believes they made this contact in the vicinity of Fountain Square, Cincinnati. GOLD stated that if FRED had been registered in a hotel on this occasion, he would probably have been registered on the night of September 30, 1938, prior to their meeting.

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January 7, 1939, deposited \$150. GOLD believes this was money he withdrew from a bank in Philadelphia over the Christmas vacations, and does not believe FRED paid him any part of this money.

January 14, 1939, deposited \$115.83. GOLD believes that FRED visited him in Cincinnati on Friday, January 13, 1939. He stated that all contacts made by FRED with him in Cincinnati, after 1938, were made on Friday evenings, at about 6:00 PM, and that they met on the sidewalk in front of the Shillito Store, or across the street in front of the Netherland Plaza Hotel. He does not know whether FRED stayed overnight in Cincinnati on this occasion.

February 8, 1939, deposited \$40; February 15, 1939, deposited \$79.75; March 10, 1939, deposited \$120.; April 5, 1939, deposited \$34.41. GOLD stated he believes all these deposits were made with money received from home, but that because of the size of the deposit on March 10, 1939, there is the bare possibility that FRED may have met him on the Friday preceding this date, and paid part April 22, 1939, deposited \$150. GOLD stated that he believes this money was paid by FRED to him in Cincinnati on the sidewalk in front of the Shillito Store, on April 21, 1939. All their meetings after 1938 were at this point or across the street. GOLD believes that they had a rather long talk on this occasion and that FRED may have stayed overnight the night preceding April 21, 1939, or on that night, but could furnish no information to substantiate this.

May 13, 1939, deposited \$50; June 20, 1939, deposited \$70.; August 7, 1939, deposited \$50.; September 16, 1939, deposited \$50.; November 1, 1939, deposited \$75.; November 4, 1939, deposited \$40.; February 10, 1940, deposited \$20.; February 27, 1940, deposited \$70. GOLD believes that all these moneys were received from home or borrowed from friends. He stated, however, that because the deposits on November 1 and November 4, 1939, were made so close together, it is possible that he may have met FRED on the Friday preceding November 4, 1939, which would have been November 3, 1939, and received some money from him. He believes this possibility to be remote, however.

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March 16, 1940, deposited \$230. GOLD recalls the meeting preceding the date of this deposit and stated such meeting was in Cincinnati on March 15, 1940. He stated that they met, as usual, on Friday evening, and that at about 12:30 or 1:00 AM, March 16, 1940, FRED got into a taxi after telling GOLD that he had to catch a train. Accordingly if he registered at a hotel on this occasion it would have been on the night of March 14, 1940, or during the daytime of March 15, 1940. GOLD stated this was the last time he ever saw FRED.

April 30, 1940, deposited \$145, which he received from JOSEPH KATZ in New York, and May 31, 1940, deposited \$40, which he had received from home.

Concerning their first meeting in Cincinnati on October 1, 1938, GOLD recalls that prior to this time he had been looking around for a place to stay, inasmuch as it was too expensive to continue living at the Cincinnati Club. He recalls that when he met FRED on this occasion, he was bawled out by FRED for staying at the Cincinnati Club, inasmuch as this was too public a place and too expensive. On October 2, 1938, he moved from the Cincinnati Club to the home of ALYS BRUCKES.

GOLD stated he has no information to indicate FRED ever stayed in Cincinnati overnight or registered in a hotel there, but feels that if he did, he would have registered at either the Netherland Plaza or Gibson Hotels. He said he cannot state why he has a feeling that FRED may have stayed at one of these two hotels, but did state that most of their meetings were held in front of the Shillito Store or across the street, in front of the Netherland Plaza Hotel. He said that he also has the feeling that FRED may have been meeting someone else in Cincinnati, and accordingly may have spent enough time in Cincinnati on each of his visits to necessitate his registering at a hotel. He could furnish no other information in this regard, however.

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CARL BUCHMAN was interviewed by SAs HERMAN C. LITTLEJOHN and the writer on December 7, 1951, in an effort to identify HARRY GOLD'S Soviet Superior FRED who had given GOLD the assignment of investigating CARL BUCHMAN, it being GOLD'S impression that BUCHMAN was to be used in Trotskyite matters. BUCHMAN was questioned concerning Russians whom he had known and he denied ever having any close association with Russian Nationals and people of Russian descent. He advised that the only Russians with whom he was acquainted was EUGENE HELMER, 1320 Madison Avenue, New York City, and Mrs. HELENE MALYSCHIEFF, 28 West 75th Street, New York City. BUCHMAN stated that he first knew HELMER while both were attending the Curtis Institute of Music at Philadelphia in 1937 and that he lost contact with him until about 1945 when he received some assistance from HELMER in the translation of Russian music.

BUCHMAN described HELMER as Russian born, and a resident of Cuba prior to his emigration to the United States which he thought was right about the period 1937. BUCHMAN stated that HELMER'S father was a teacher of voice in Cuba and believed to be a citizen of Cuba. BUCHMAN advised that HELMER has been employed as a piano accompanist for many well known violin and vocal soloists and has also worked as a violinist with the stage production, "Finian's Rainbow". BUCHMAN furnished the following description of HELMER:

Age	40
Height	5' 6"
Weight	160 lbs.
Build	Stocky
Hair	Dark
Complexion	Ruddy
Characteristics	- Wears glasses, no moustache.

BUCHMAN advised that his only association with Mrs. HELENE MALYSCHIEFF was for a short period in 1946 when he was enrolled in a course in Elementary Russian at Columbia University. He advised that MALYSCHIEFF was the instructor in the course and that he was acquainted with her only in that capacity. BUCHMAN



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advised that he enrolled in the course to assist himself in interpreting Russian music and because at the time he was attending the Columbia University Summer Work Shop in Opera and, therefore, had the opportunity to attend the class in Elementary Russian.

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised that the name EUGENE HELMLER, 1320 Madison Avenue, appeared in the address book of ERIC BERNAY, owner of the Keynote Recordings, Inc. BERNAY was a close associate and employer of ARTHUR ADAMS, known Soviet Agent, and was also named by LOUIS BUDENZ as a concealed Communist.

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, furnished the list of approximately 225 names and addresses obtained from Communist Party Headquarters, 35 East 12th Street, New York City. The list is entitled, "Pasionaria - Yorkville Section" and is believed to be a list of names of members or contacts of the LaPasionaria Club, Yorkville Section of the Communist Party. This list contains the name EUGENE HELMER, 1320 Madison Avenue, New York City.

Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, advised that on one occasion Mrs. RUTH HELMLER, wife of EUGENE HELMER came to the home of her parents with a container for the collection of funds for some Russian relief and was securing signatures for some cause, the identity of which was not known to the informant.

A review of the Board of Election records, New York City, reflect that EUGENE HELMER, 1320 Madison Avenue, New York City was enrolled as a member of the American Labor Party for 1946 and 1948. These records also reflect that RUTH HELMER of 1320 Madison Avenue, New York City, registered for the American Labor Party in 1944, 1945, 1946 and 1948.

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The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications", dated March 3, 1951, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the American Labor Party:

"American Labor Party

"1. 'For years, the Communists have put forth the greatest efforts to capture the entire American Labor Party throughout New York State. They succeeded in capturing the Manhattan and Brooklyn sections of the American Labor Party but outside of New York City they have been unable to win control.' (Special Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, March 29, 1944, page 73.)

"2. Among 'organizations that are victims of Communist domination.' (California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1940, pages 40 and 41.)"

BUCHANAN advised that he was never interested in the Trotskyite Movement and to his knowledge had never associated with any members of the Communist Party or followers of Trotsky. BUCHANAN advised that the names GRAFF JEN and LEO C. PENN which were found in the notes of HARRY GOLD, were unknown to him.

No further investigation concerning HELMER is being contemplated in that BUCHANAN described him as never wearing a mustache, did not speak with a noticeable Russian accent and would be considerably younger than the description of subject furnished by GOLD.

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Informants

T-1

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T-2

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Miscellaneous

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Reference

Bureau letter to New York, 10/4/51.  
Philadelphia letter to Bureau, 11/19/51.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-59199)

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: UNSUB, wa., Fred  
Harry Gold, Informant  
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DATE: JAN 8 1952

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A review of this case file reflects no further investigation to be conducted inasmuch as all outstanding leads to identify Unknown Subject FRED have been conducted.

It is contemplated that this case will be kept in a pending inactive status until such time as further leads are developed that might identify the Unknown Subject.

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January 30, 1952

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa., Fred,  
Harry Gold, Informant  
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Reference is made to the report of SA Philip J. Crock, dated 1-2-52 at New York, referring on page 4 to report of SA Julian E. Engelstad, Cincinnati, dated June 21 and 22, 1950, in this case. The reports of SA Engelstad for the dates mentioned were captioned Harry Gold, was, Espionage - R, and were not submitted in this matter.

New York is requested to furnish the Bureau and appropriate offices, including Cincinnati, for whom a copy of report is being furnished, a revised page 4, corrected as indicated above.

cc - Cincinnati (65-17416) (Enclosure)

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59199)

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (65-4337)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa "Fred"  
HARRY GOLD - INFORMANT  
ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: 1/11/52

Re Cincinnati letter dated 12/21/51.

The additional photograph of FRED G. L. BOYER, and the photograph of WALTER BRENTON were shown to HARRY GOLD at the U. S. Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pa., on 1/7/51. He stated that he is quite certain that neither is identical with the unknown subject, alias "FRED."

GOLD was unable to furnish any additional information which might be of assistance in identifying FRED. He stated, however, that he has given much thought to the matter, and he believes "FRED" was Jewish. He commented that "FRED" is not a common Jewish name, but GOLD stated that when a person takes an alias he usually takes the name of a friend or relative, and cited an instance when he used the alias FRANK KESSLER on the spur of the moment on one occasion, and realized afterward that it was the name of a friend of his.

Accordingly, he stated that it is entirely possible that the unknown subject, alias "FRED", may have been an acquaintance or relative of FRED G. L. BOYER.

The photographs of BOYER and BRENTON are being returned to the Cincinnati Office with the copy of this letter designated for that office. RUC

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cc: Cincinnati (65-1746) (Enc.)

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-59199)

DATE: February 28, 1952

FROM : SAC, NYC (65-15333)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa., Fred,  
Harry Gold, Informant  
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Rebulet dated 1/30/52. - 21

Enclosed herewith is revised page 4 of the report of SA PHILIP J. CROAK dated 1/9/52 at New York. All offices receiving copies of this letter are requested to destroy page four of this report and insert the enclosed corrected page.

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cc Cincinnati (65-1746) (2 Encls.)  
Los Angeles (1 Encls.)  
San Francisco (1 Encls.)  
Washington Field (1 Encls.)

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

This Case Originated At: NEW YORK

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Made at:	Date:	Period:	Made By:
CINCINNATI	3/11/52	12/5,6,7,13,14/51; 2/5,6/52	WALTER L. PARKER

Title:	Character:
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, Wa., Fred, Harry Gold, Informant	ESPIONAGE - R

**Synopsis:**

Investigation, Cincinnati area, failed to definitely identify FRED. Identity of other possible contacts of subject in Cincinnati territory set out. [redacted] believes JOHN PAUL MILAN MARSALKA, Chairman, American Slav Congress, could possibly be FRED.

PART CONTAINS CERTAIN INCLUSIONS & NO SUBSTANTIVE INFO. - NO DISSEM. 3/12

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**DETAILS:**

AT HAMILTON AND CINCINNATI, OHIO

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Inquiry at the Netherland Plaza and Gibson Hotels, Cincinnati, Ohio, reveals their register records have been destroyed for the period down to 1944.

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- 1 - San Francisco (Info)
- 2 - Cincinnati (65-1746)

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HARRY GOLD stated that he believes it possible that FRED was in contact with other persons in the Cincinnati area. GOLD being a research chemist, FRED could conceivably have been in contact with persons in the same profession who had Communist sympathies. On one occasion, he had a meeting with FRED in Middletown, Ohio. GOLD stated that on occasions, he, GOLD, has used a name of a friend in order to conceal his identity. Further, GOLD made an abortive attempt to recruit BENJAMIN SMILG, employee at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, the latter being contacted on instructions from FRED. U

*Conclusion*  
When giving the above careful consideration, it seems reasonable to suspect the following two individuals as contacts of FRED:

(1) FRED G. L. BOYER, full name FREDERICK GEBHART LONGSTRETH BOYER, 85 Orchard Drive, Hamilton, Ohio, Occupation - professional engineer, and holds position of Patent Director of the Champion Paper and Fibre Company, Hamilton, Ohio. By reason of his employment, he makes trips to Washington, D. C. to confer with the United States Patent Office. BOYER is a pacifist. Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, states BOYER almost went to prison during World War I for refusing to go into military service. In 1920-21, he worked for the Child Feeding and Relief Administration in Europe. He is a member of the Friends Church. U

*2.7. was  
5-35 in 1937 +  
not married  
has been  
to 5 yrs of  
in 1906*  
BOYER graduated from Steele High School, Dayton, Ohio, in 1906. After graduating from Ohio State University in 1912 with a Bachelor of Science Degree, he worked at Dayton until 1919. Since December 16, 1929, he has been employed by the Champion Paper and Fibre Company as a Research Engineer. T-1 states BOYER owns property at Dayton, Ohio and apparently has a large number of acquaintances in the Hamilton, Middletown, and Dayton, Ohio area. U

RUTH D. BOYER, wife of FRED BOYER, is extremely security conscious, according to T-1. Mrs. RUTH BOYER does not like to use the Post Office at Hamilton, Ohio, because she does not trust the postal employees. U

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*re 2/3/51*  
The Cincinnati Office has no information at this time which reflects the membership of BOYER or his wife in the Communist Party or any Communist Party front groups; therefore, it is difficult to understand why these persons would be security conscious at this time, unless they have engaged in some type of illegal activity. U

Photographs of BOYER and STODDARD were displayed to GOLD December 10, 1951 and January 7, 1952. GOLD was not able to identify BOYER or STODDARD as FRED or as contacts. U

*NOT in  
GOLD's  
info. 5/5/51  
1938-40*  
(2) WILLIAM BULL STODDARD, JR., Route 4, Hamilton Ohio. (Address until Fall of 1951). His present address is P. O. Box 1145, College Station, Texas. STODDARD worked for the Stalin Automobile Works, Moscow, Russia, from 1936 to 1939 as an engineer specializing in metal plating. After returning to the United States in 1939, he came to Hamilton, Ohio to work as a research chemist for the Champion Paper and Fibre Company. During World War II, he was loaned to the Kellogg Corporation to do work on atomic energy. U

STODDARD admitted to Informant [redacted] in the Spring of 1951, in a joking manner, that he was a Russian spy. The Informant further reports that on the STODDARD's dresser in the bedroom at their residence, Route 4, Hamilton, Ohio, there was observed a mimeographed copy of the Espionage Act of 1940. U

[redacted] advises that STODDARD has always maintained, since returning from Russia, an unswerving loyalty to that form of government. His wife, MARY STODDARD, has been identified before the House Committee on Un-American Activities in July, 1950, as an admitted Communist Party member. [redacted] reports MARY WEAVER STODDARD as a devoted Communist Party sympathizer, but not a Party member at the present time. U

It may be of interest to note that the STODDARDS left Hamilton, Ohio on April 21, 1951 for Chicago, Illinois, taking with them their portable typewriter (source: [redacted]). On Sunday, April 22, 1951, STODDARD was observed entering the plant of the National Aluminate Company, Chicago, Illinois, at 10:06 A. M., accompanied by his brother-in-law, JOHN WEAVER, where they remained until 10:33 A. M., April 22, 1951 (source: [redacted] of unknown reliability). U

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██████████ further reported that STODDARD was observed departing from Chicago at 10:58 A. M. on April 22, 1951. ██████████ reports that the National Aluminate Company had just installed a newly developed machine (cost, approximately \$200,000) manufacturing catalytic crackers. U

JOHN MYERS ~~WEAVER~~ ran for the office of State Representative from the city of Chester, Pennsylvania on the Communist Party ticket in an election held November 5, 1940 (source records of the Delaware County Commission, Media, Pennsylvania). U

On April 26, 1951, ██████████ stated the STODDARDS departed from Hamilton, Ohio for New York City for the purpose of bidding farewell to MILADA ~~MRS. LKA~~ before she departed on her trip to Czechoslovakia. When the STODDARDS arrived in New York City, they met with JOHN PAUL MILAN ~~MRS. LKA~~, and his wife, MILADA, and accompanied them to the ship on which MILADA departed. U

██████████ has no direct information that the STODDARDS have ever engaged in espionage. The Informant stated that they are so devoted to the Russian Government that there is no doubt in the Informant's mind but that they would engage in espionage if they were given the opportunity. U

██████████ has reported that DOLLA ~~WEAVER~~, the wife of JOHN WEAVER, was up until recently an employee of the Standard Oil Company in Chicago, Illinois. DOLLA WEAVER has stated that she had access to confidential information on oil deposits in the ocean by reason of her employment. WILLIAM BULL STODDARD developed an interest in oceanography as related to his interest in oil, after his resignation from the Champion Paper and Fibre Company on August 11, 1950. Accordingly, Informant ██████████ states that STODDARD passed an entrance examination to study oceanography at Texas A & M College through the help of DOLLA WEAVER. At the present time, STODDARD is studying oceanography at Texas A & M College. U

Confidential Informant ██████████ of known reliability, advised on May 15, 1941 that STODDARD had recognized IVAN ~~IVANOVIC~~ KARZOV in the Amtorg Trading Corporation, 210 Madison Avenue, New York City, as a person whom he had known when he lived in Russia. Subsequently, STODDARD, in interview on March 25, 1943 by an Agent of the Cincinnati Office, denied knowing IVAN ~~KARZOV~~. U

[redacted] reports that STODDARD has corresponded with one F. F. TREVLING, 157 Tesson Terrace, Heaton, New Castle-On-Lynne, England. Informant believes this person is identical with the person who went with STODDARD on an inspection of the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in 1949. TREVLING and an unidentified man who came with him stayed at the STODDARD home in Hamilton, Ohio for approximately two weeks during the period when this inspection was made. Shortly thereafter, TREVLING and the unidentified man returned to England. The Informant believes that TREVLING works on inventions relating to airplanes. The Informant, [redacted] has met a number of the friends of the STODDARDS throughout the United States, and the Informant reports that in each case where the friendship is close, these persons are mostly pro-Communist or pro-Russian. U

Inasmuch as [redacted] has known the STODDARDS since a short time after they arrived in Hamilton, Ohio, a description of FRED was furnished to the Informant. The Informant immediately replied that that description fitted the description of JOHN PAUL MILAN MARSALKA. [redacted] states that MARSALKA is the type of individual who could assume any identity, that he speaks with an accent, and has a black mustache. The rest of the physical description, as well as the age, fits the description of FRED, with the exception of weight. The Informant states that it is the Informant's impression that MARSALKA now weighs in the neighborhood of 170 to 180 pounds. [redacted] states that MARSALKA knows the Cincinnati, Hamilton, Middletown, Dayton area and has stated that he has visited in this area on occasions, reasons or dates unknown to the Informant. U

It is interesting to note that JOHN MARSALKA is a member of the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case. U

For the information of the New Haven Office, GOLD was contacted by FRED in Cincinnati, Ohio as follows:

10/1/38  
1/13/39  
3/9/39 (remote possibility only)  
4/21/39  
11/3/39 (remote possibility only)  
3/15/40  
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GOLD was contacted by FRED in Middletown, Ohio  
on Thanksgiving Day, 1938. ✓

The following is a description of FRED, as furnished  
by GOLD:

Age:	30 - 35 (1938)
Height:	5'4" - 5'6"
Weight:	140 pounds
Hair:	Dark
Eyes:	Dark
Complexion:	Swarthy
Face:	Sagging jowls, medium-sized black mustache
Nose:	Large
Build:	Stocky
Speech:	Russian accent
Mannerisms:	Definitely foreign; GOLD of opinion he had not been in U.S. very long. ✓

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LEADS

NEW HAVEN OFFICE

AT NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

Should furnish the Philadelphia Office with picture and background data concerning MARSALKA for the purpose of an interview with HARRY GOLD. ✓

CINCINNATI OFFICE

AT DAYTON, OHIO

Will attempt to identify F. F. TREVLING through OSI at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio. ✓

AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

Will continue to attempt to identify FRED. ✓

INFORMANTS

T-1 is [REDACTED] contacted by SA WALTER L. PARKER. ✓

T-2 is the [REDACTED] Cincinnati at Chicago. ✓

T-3 is [REDACTED] New York City. ✓

REFERENCES: Report of SA PHILIP J. CROAK dated 1/9/52 at New York City. ✓

Philadelphia letter to Director dated 11/19/51. ✓

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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This Case Originated At: NEW YORK

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Made at:	Date:	Period:	Made By:
CINCINNATI	3/11/52	12/5,6,7,13,14/51; 2/5,6/52	WALTER L. PARKER
Title:			Character:
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, Wa., Fred, Harry Gold, Informant			ESPIONAGE - R

**Synopsis:**

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY ROUTING  
SLIP(S) OF THIS REPORT

Investigation, Cincinnati area, failed to definitely identify FRED. Identity of other possible contacts of subject in Cincinnati territory set out. [redacted] believes JOHN PAUL MILAN MARSALKA, Chairman, American Slav Congress, could possibly be FRED.

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**DETAILS:**

AT HAMILTON AND CINCINNATI, OHIO

Inquiry at the Netherland Plaza and Gibson Hotels, Cincinnati, Ohio, reveals their register records have been destroyed for the period down to 1944.

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Classified by 4842  
Exempt from GDS, Category 1  
Date of Declassification Indefinite

**March 27, 1952**

**Director, FBI**

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; wa Fred  
Harry Gold - Informant  
ESPIONAGE - R

In view of Boyer's graduation from high school in 1906 and the fact that Harry Gold has not identified his photograph, it is unnecessary to consider him further as a suspect for this subject who was 30 to 35 years of age in 1938 and therefore could not have been over 3 years of age in 1906, the year in which Boyer graduated from high school.

Inasmuch as subject was Harry Gold's superior in the United States from 1938 to 1940, no further consideration need be given to William Bull Stoddard, Jr., as a suspect for the unknown subject in view of the information that Stoddard was employed by the Stalin Automobile Works in Moscow, Russia, from 1936 to 1939.

Rerep sets forth a lead for the Cincinnati Office to identify F. F. Truveling of England who visited Stoddard in 1949. It will not be necessary that this lead be covered in this investigation.

cc - New York (65-25333) to [redacted]

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*Memo* • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-59199)  
FROM : SAC, New York (65-15333)

DATE: APR 3 1952  
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SUBJECT: UNSUB, wa: Fred;  
HARRY GOLD, INFORMANT  
ESPIONAGE - R

Rerep of SA WILLIAM R. YATES, New York, dated APR 3 1952  
five copies of which are enclosed, and Bulet to New York,  
10/23/51.

ReBulet advised that Bureau authority to close this  
case could be requested when the investigation outlined in that  
letter was completed provided no further logical leads were  
present.

Inasmuch as all outstanding leads have been covered  
and the requested investigation in relet has been conducted,  
Bureau authority to close this case is requested agin. In the  
event that such authority is granted, pertinent information from  
this case file will be incorporated in the unsolved situations  
file.

It is to be noted that JOHN HENRY De GRAAF declared  
that he was never in the United States between 1914 and 1941,  
and that from 1935 until March, 1940, he was in Brazil, Argentina,  
France, Russia, Denmark, England and Brazil respectively.

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L. BLACK, along with numerous other photographs, and was not  
advised of their identity and of the fact that they were the  
individuals who were acquainted with the unknown subject. De  
GRAAF was unable to identify them as anyone he ever knew. De  
GRAAF likewise could not identify the photograph of GAIK B.  
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HARRY GOLD, INFORMANT

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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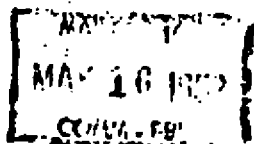
Re NY let April 3, 1972, requesting authority to close this case.

Authority to close this case is granted. An unsolved situations write-up should be promptly prepared and a copy thereof designated for this case file. You should be certain that the write-up contains all available information concerning subject in detail.

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(Note: - "Fred" was the superior of Harry Gold from 1938 to 1940. All logical leads have been covered. Inasmuch as only the cover name "Fred" is available, it is recommended that this case be closed without search of Bu indices. An unsolved situations write-up will insure that further consideration is given to the problem of identifying the unknown subject.)

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Background and description of JOHN PAUL MILAN  
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TO : Director, FBI (65-59199)

DATE: May 29, 1952

FROM : SAC, New York (65-15333)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. "Fred";  
HARRY GOLD - INFORMANT  
ESPIONAGE - R

Rebulet to NY, 5/16/52.

Reference is made to a letter for the Unsolved Situations File for the Bureau and other interested offices dated May 29, 1952.

Inasmuch as all logical leads in this case looking toward the identity of the unknown subject "FRED" have been covered, this case is being closed per Bureau authority contained in rebulet.

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DATE: May 29, 1952

HARRY GOLD, on 5/22/50, admitted he had received atom bomb information from EMIL JULIUS KLAUS FUCHS, in 1945, for transmission to the Soviet Union. GOLD was convicted for violation of the war time Espionage Statute and is now serving a Federal penitentiary sentence.

Subsequent to his arrest, GOLD has been furnishing information regarding his espionage activities and advised that he first began his Soviet espionage work in the Fall of 1935, and that an individual, known only to him as PAUL SMITH, was his initial Soviet superior. GOLD said SMITH was followed by an individual known to him as STEVE SWARTZ.

GOLD said that, in late 1937 or early 1938, he met SWARTZ in NYC, and the two went to a restaurant on Broadway in the Eighties. GOLD said that he recalled this restaurant was of the chain type and that, while the two of them were there, SWARTZ left saying he would be back momentarily, giving GOLD the impression he had gone to make a phone call. About five minutes after SWARTZ returned, he motioned to GOLD to notice an unknown man enter the restaurant, at which time SWARTZ informed GOLD that this man was to begin working with him and instructed GOLD to make a sign of recognition to the man who later turned out to be "FRED". GOLD said he gave such a sign, either a smile or a nod, and "FRED" sat down with them, and, at this time, an introduction was made. GOLD said he had no subsequent dealings with SWARTZ after he was introduced to "FRED".

"FRED" was described by GOLD as a "strict disciplinarian", who lived "by the book". When asked to enlarge upon this, GOLD said that "FRED" was more insistent upon GOLD'S being careful when meeting him than any of his other Russian contacts. He believed it was "FRED" who told him that if he wanted to see if he were followed to stop and tie his shoelace or walk up deserted side streets. "FRED" also advised GOLD that anytime GOLD had to tear up a piece of paper which he had in connection with his Russian activities, it should be torn in very small pieces and each piece dropped in a separate block while GOLD was walking down the streets.

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In addition, GOLD said that "FRED" was constantly suggesting that he obtain more information. When GOLD said that the Pennsylvania Sugar Company, his place of employment, had very few possibilities left, "FRED" insisted that GOLD attempt to obtain a position with the Government. GOLD distinctly recalled a suggestion that he obtain employment at the Philadelphia Naval Yard. GOLD said he never did this and, during his entire association with "FRED", he merely supplied him with odds and ends relative to chemical processes obtained from the Pennsylvania Sugar Company.

"FRED" also gave GOLD instructions on how to wrap information which was to be turned over to "FRED" by GOLD. He said "FRED" told him to put the paper containing the information between the folds of newspapers, and when the two met, the Russian contact, who would also be carrying a newspaper with nothing in it, would trade papers. GOLD said he believed that it was "FRED" who told him he should never wear anything with an initial on it or wear a ring with an unusual design or anything else which might attract the attention of someone, who might be looking for GOLD.

Relative to the various contacts of GOLD made by "FRED", GOLD advised that to the best of his recollection, his contacts were all made in New York City, with the exception of possibly two or three times when he met "FRED" in Middletown and Cincinnati, Ohio. He is also of the impression that he may possibly have met with "FRED" once in Philadelphia.

GOLD said that his relationship with "FRED" extended from late 1937 or early 1938 until a period shortly before his graduation from Xavier University in Cincinnati, Ohio, in June, 1940. GOLD said that "FRED" was followed by an alternate contact identified by GOLD as JOSEPH KATZ. This alternate contact was subsequently followed by SEMEN N. SEMENOV, whom GOLD first met in July of 1940.

GOLD advised, during the period he was seeing "FRED", that he had given much thought to returning to college to finish work on his degree and that when he first mentioned the idea to "FRED" in early 1938, the latter suggested Massachusetts Institute of Technology as being the only place to go. GOLD said he finally convinced "FRED" he could not explain to his parents where he got the money for his education at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and, at the same time, he wrote numerous universities around the country to see which would accept his previously earned undergraduate credits. Among these was the University of Cincinnati, which would

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not accept his credits at face value, but he did discover that Xavier University, in Cincinnati, Ohio, would accept his credits and, in the Fall of 1948, GOLD enrolled at Xavier to obtain his BS degree.

GOLD advised that, shortly after he arrived in Cincinnati, in 1938, and while he was attending Xavier, "FRED" called him and asked him to meet him at once in the downtown section of Cincinnati, at which time "FRED" asked GOLD to establish contact with a man named BEN SMILG, who lived in Dayton, Ohio, and was a high Government official who would have information for GOLD when he was contacted. GOLD said he saw SMILG, who treated him rather coolly and warily. About two weeks later, GOLD said he met "FRED", by prior arrangement, in Middletown, Ohio, at which time "FRED" wanted to know if SMILG had furnished any information to GOLD, whereupon GOLD told "FRED" that there must have been a mistake because of the manner in which SMILG acted.

GOLD advised that following his first unsuccessful contact of SMILG, he made about two visits each, in 1939 and 1940, upon instructions of "FRED" to see SMILG in Dayton, Ohio. GOLD said that after each of these visits, he became more certain that some mistake was made because SMILG was obviously trying to keep from meeting him.


GOLD advised that he received varying sums of money from "FRED" totaling about \$600.00 or \$700.00 mostly to cover his additional expenses at Xavier. GOLD said that "FRED" was originally very happy about GOLD'S being unable to enter the University of Cincinnati as he wanted to see GOLD work for another year before going to school so that he might induce GOLD to enter Massachusetts Institute of Technology and pay his way and that he would also work on getting recruits in the Philadelphia Navy Yard. GOLD said that "FRED" was very bitter when he found GOLD was going to Xavier.

The following physical description of "FRED" was furnished by GOLD:

Age	30 to 33 in 1938
Height	5' 4" to 5' 6"
Weight	140 lbs.
Hair	Dark
Eyes	Dark
Complexion	Swarthy

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Face	Sagging in jowls; mustache - medium size, black; nose large
Build	Stocky
Characteristics	Speaks with Russian accent; mannerism definitely foreign - GOLD of opinion he had not been in this country very long.



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THOMAS L. ELACK, a self-confessed former Soviet espionage agent, advised he had discussed "FRED" with GOLD only briefly and was satisfied that he had never seen "FRED". GOLD also felt that ISRAEL WOLINSKY, who was active in Communist affairs in Russia, was not identical with "FRED" since WOLINSKY would have been too old. A photograph of VLADIMIR D. KAZAKEVICH, FRED G. L. BOYER, WILLIAM BULL STODDARD, JR., and MARY STODDARD were exhibited to HARRY GOLD, who advised he did not recognize any of these individuals.

Among HARRY GOLD'S possessions was a sheet of paper bearing the penciled heading of CAR BUCHMAN and "GRAFF PAEN". GOLD advised that the pencil writing appearing on these sheets was his and that the information concerning BUCHMAN was in connection with an assignment "FRED" had given GOLD. GOLD believed BUCHMAN as possibly a Trotskyite. "FRED" had asked GOLD to make inquiries concerning above.

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Relative to the matter on "GRAFF PAEN", GOLD said that it might have been in connection with some other material on a LEO C.-PENN, but that he could not recall the circumstances.

CARL BUCHMAN was interviewed by New York agents in December, 1951, in an effort to identify HARRY GOLD'S Soviet superior, "FRED", who had given GOLD the assignment of investigating CARL BUCHMAN. BUCHMAN said he was never interested in the Trotskyite movement and, to his knowledge, he had never associated with any members of the CP or followers of TROTSKY, and further that the names "GRAFF PAEN" and LEO C. PENN were unknown to him.

JOHN HENRY de GRAAF, who is an admitted former agent of the Comintern and Soviet Military Intelligence from 1931 to 1939, has advised that he never heard of the unknown subject and knows nothing concerning his activities.

Inasmuch as all logical leads have been covered in an effort to identify "FRED" with negative results, this case is being closed by Bureau authority. However, in order that this individual's activities may be familiar to other offices, they are being set forth herewith.



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Steve Swartz;  
HARRY GOLD - INFORMANT  
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(New York file 65-15335)  
(Bureau file 65-59190)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa., "Fred";  
HARRY GOLD - INFORMANT  
ESPIONAGE - R  
(New York file 65-15333)  
(Bureau file 65-59199)

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Re NY lets 5-29-52 in above cases incorporating  
Unsolved Situations write-ups on captioned subjects.

A review of the write-up on Swartz reflects  
that on page one it is stated that Harry Gold came in contact  
with his first superior, Paul Smith, in the Fall of 1936. The  
write-up on Fred reflects that this event occurred in the Fall  
of 1935, which is the correct date.

On pages two and three of the write-up on  
Swartz there is set forth a physical description of Swartz.  
This description, however, does not apply to Swartz but rather  
to Joseph Katz. It is appreciated that at a time when Gold was  
not completely cooperative he ascribed this description to Swartz  
but a casual review of the file would have reflected that he  
subsequently corrected this erroneous information.

The write-up on Swartz does not include the  
information on page three, paragraph one, of the report of  
Special Agent Robert G. Jensen, Philadelphia, 8-4-50, regarding  
Swartz, which includes in part Gold's opinion that Swartz was  
connected with Amtorg Trading Corporation.

The write-up on Swartz fails to set forth  
information in the report of Special Agent Francis W. Zangle,  
New York, 1-17-51, in the Swartz case, concerning in part Gold's  
belief that Swartz may have entered the United States in May  
or July of 1936.

cc - 4 - Philadelphia (65-4335, Swartz; cc - 4 - Seattle  
65-4337 "Fred") 4 - Washington Field  
- 4 - Los Angeles 4 - Boston  
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The write-up on Swartz does not include Gold's information concerning his introduction of John Jack Bruin to Swartz and the outcome of the recent interview of Bruin. In fact, it appears that this information has never been incorporated in the case file on Swartz.

The write-up on Swartz fails to include Gold's information that Swartz once asked Gold for background information on William Malisoff for recruitment purposes. This information likewise has never been incorporated in the Swartz case file. The write-up on Swartz also does not include data mentioned by Gold at pages 66 and 73 of the document he compiled under the title "The Circumstances Surrounding My Work as a Soviet Agent - A Report," which was furnished to the Bureau by New York letter dated 5-10-51 in the Gold case. Again, this information does not appear in the Swartz file. (65-57449, Serial 790)

In the write-up on Fred, it is set forth on pages four and five that Gold had received an assignment from Fred concerning Carl Buchman whom Gold believed to be a Trotskyite. It is stated that Buchman advised on interview that he had never been interested in the Trotskyite movement and, to his knowledge, had never associated with any members of the Communist Party or followers of Trotsky. No mention is made of the fact that Carl Buchman's brother, Alexander Hassel Buchman, was in close contact with followers of Trotsky at the pertinent time and, in fact, later spent considerable time in the Trotsky household in Mexico. This is considered pertinent because it supports Gold's information to the effect that he received assignments concerning Trotskyite matters from Fred. (105-11929)

Neither of these write-ups contain an analysis of various pertinent facts and probabilities which tend to identify these subjects with various known Soviet agents and thus, indicate more clearly the possibilities of effecting identifications.

These subjects are former superiors of Harry Gold. Gold was brought into Soviet espionage in the Fall of 1935 when Thomas L. Black introduced his then superior, Paul Petersen, to Gold as Paul Smith. Prior to Black's connection with Petersen/Smith, Black became connected with Soviet espionage through contact with Gaik B. Ovakimian. Starting with Ovakimian as Black's first superior, the subsequent superiors of Black and Gold up into the 1940's are as follows:

Black

Paul Petersen/Smith, 1935-38  
Semen M. Semenov, 1938  
Dr. Gregory L. Rabinovich, 1938-39  
John, 1939 and 1940  
Karl, 1939  
Joseph Katz, 1940-47

Gold

Paul Petersen/Smith 1935-37  
Steve Swartz, 1937-38  
Fred, 1938-40  
Joseph Katz, 1940 (once)  
Semen M. Semenov, 1940-43  
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It will be noted that up to the time indicated Black and Gold had three known superiors in common, though at different times. Further, in connection with Fred's assignment of Trotskyite matters to Gold, it must be noted that Ovakimian was interested in Trotskyite affairs around 1938, according to Frank Laverne Palmer, and that Black was principally concerned with Trotskyite work under Rabinovich, John and Karl. In addition, the fact that Gold effected an establishment of contact between Black and Rabinovich by notifying Fred of Black's hospitalization, is of further significance.

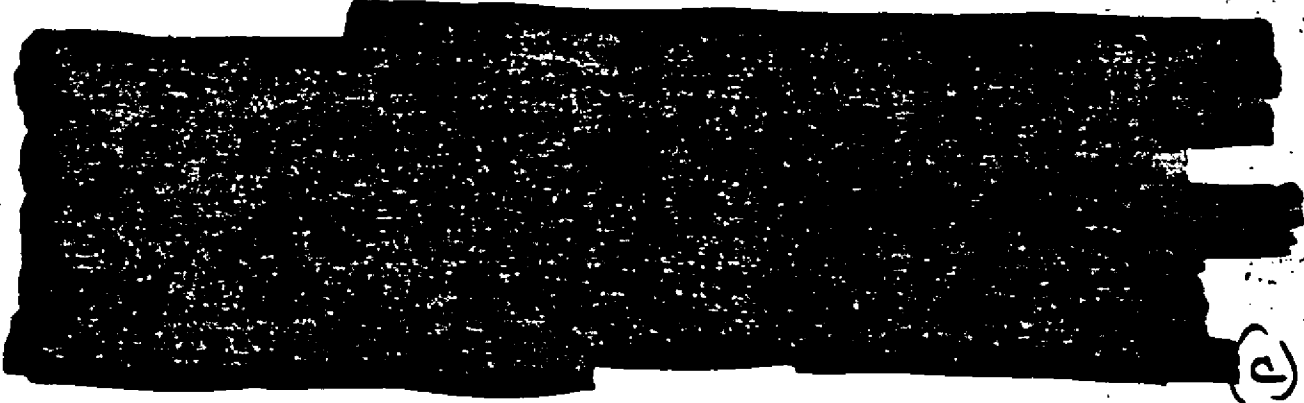
Concerning the Trotskyite aspects of this matter, Louis F. Budenz has advised that in about 1936, Frank Laverne Palmer requested him to engage in Trotskyite work for the Russians and, as you know, Budenz subsequently engaged in such work under Dr. Gregory L. Rabinovich. Under Rabinovich, Budenz brought Sylvia Callen, wife of Zalmond David Franklin, to New York in 1938 to serve as a Communist Party "plant" in the Socialist Workers Party. Franklin has been identified as the first espionage superior of Jones Orin York who was recruited in 1935 or 1936 by Stanislaus Shumovsky of Amtorg. Shumovsky's name was utilized by Fred in connection with Fred's direction of Gold's contacts with Ben Smilg of Dayton, Ohio, and furthermore, Shumovsky is known to have been an associate of Semenov who succeeded Fred as Gold's superior.

The above described interrelation of Fred with the activities of Rabinovich and other superiors of Black suggest most strongly that Fred probably was connected with Amtorg and was an associate of Rabinovich of the Russian Red Cross and Ovakimian, Semenov and Shumovsky of Amtorg. Likewise, it would appear that the same conclusion applies to Steve Swartz who, according to Gold, was succeeded by Fred as Gold's superior, merely because of Swartz's unusual height in comparison with that of Gold. Furthermore, it appears that Swartz may have been connected with William Malisoff and that Swartz and/or

Fred may possibly have been known to Zalmond David Franklin.

Accordingly, the Bureau feels that efforts to identify these subjects must encompass thorough reviews of available information on Ovakimian, Semenov, Rabinovich, Shumovsky, York, Malisoff, and Franklin, all subjects of separate investigations, in order that known associates of these individuals may be considered as suspects. Likewise, consideration should be given to information supplied by Budenz and Palmer though at this time Palmer has not been completely interviewed. Referenced Unsolved Situations write-ups indicate that efforts to identify these unknown subjects have not been based on analysis of Fred and his connections as outlined above, and do not reflect that consideration has been given to the information available concerning the above-mentioned individuals, except in the case of Ovakimian. It is instructed, therefore, that instant cases not be closed at this time and until the above research and investigation is conducted.

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The report of SA C. H. Kimball, Boston, 1-22-41, entitled "Stanislaw Shumovsky, was., Espionage," reflects that in February, 1938, Shumovsky appeared at MIT on behalf of Nicholas Nicholaievich Ershov, a student from Russia. The above-mentioned report of SA Heywood reflects that Ershov was born 4-16-07 in the USSR and graduated from MIT in 1940. He was connected with Amtorg and his mailing address was 751 St. Marks, Brooklyn, New York. It is to be noted that this address is identical with the onetime address of Semen Semenov and that Ershov, when later in England, is known to have corresponded with Semenov. Further descriptive data is not available but it is to be noted that Black has stated that Ershov resembles his superior, John. It is desired that further information be developed concerning Ershov and that arrangements

be made for the eventual display of his photograph to Gold, even though this may have been done before, for his further examination.

(65-2954-8)

It should be noted that there is some possibility that Black's superior, Karl, may be identical with Swartz. While there is a difference in the height and weight of Swartz and Karl, as respectively described by Gold and Black, it is to be noted that Black has not been particularly accurate in the furnishing of descriptions. Black stated that Karl appeared to be well read since he could discuss philosophy, art, etc. Gold's document entitled "Circumstances Surrounding My Work as a Soviet Agent - A Report," mentioned earlier, refers in part to Swartz's ability to discuss flowers and art and the fact that it was Swartz who introduced Gold to Cezanne, Van Gogh and the world of the great masters. Black advised that the photograph of one Ilia Agapov resembled Karl though he felt certain that it was not. It also appears that Agapov was employed at Amtorg in 1936. It is believed advisable that the photograph of Agapov be discussed with Gold.

(65-57862, Serial 17; 100-344894-4; 100-272042)

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In connection with the investigation of Dr. Gregory L. Rabinovich, Bulet dated 10-22-51 instructed that investigation be conducted to identify other members of the Russian Red Cross and to display photographs of such individuals to Black. In view of the indicated connection between Fred and Rabinovich, investigation in these cases should also include the display to Harry Gold of photographs of other members of the Russian Red Cross.

The Bureau desires that genuine efforts be made to identify these unknown subjects in order that these cases can be brought to a logical conclusion. The information mentioned earlier as not having been included in the individual case file on Swartz should be incorporated in the next investigative report. Careful consideration should be given to the suggestions contained herein after which you should initiate the necessary investigation, set forth specific leads, and arrange for the display of all pertinent photographs to Harry Gold.

Referenced Unsolved Situations write-ups are not being included in the Unsolved Situations file at this time and should not be included by the offices receiving copies of this letter. In the event that it becomes necessary to include these cases in the Unsolved Situations file the write-ups should be rewritten so as to include all pertinent information.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59199)

DATE: 7/22/52

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (65-4337) ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. Fred  
ESPIONAGE - R



The photo racks were displayed to HARRY GOLD at the U. S. Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pa., on 7/16/52. He failed to recognize any of the individuals therein. He said, however, that there is a very vague resemblance between STANISLOV PRAPORT, shown in photographs "A" and "C", and his former Soviet superior, whom he met only as P.M. He said that he does not believe the two are identical, because PRAPORT had a fuller head of hair and a fuller face than does the individual shown in the photo racks referred to.

However, because of extensive investigation in the past and still to be made the identity of PRAPORT wa. PRAPORT, it is felt advisable to conduct further inquiries along this line. Accordingly, the Bureau has been advised and requested to furnish Philadelphia with all information available concerning STANISLOV PRAPORT and any additional photo copies of him which might be available. In the event any further information is known, and additional photo racks are obtainable, GOLD will be recontacted in connection with this case.

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cc: (1 - Bureau (65-59199) (1 - Philadelphia (65-4337) (1 - Cincinnati (65-1346)

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa., Fred  
HARRY GOLD - INFORMANT  
ESPIONAGE - R

ReFElet July 22, 1952, requesting the Bureau and New York to furnish Philadelphia all available information concerning Stanslov Fraport and any additional photographs of him which might be available.

Bufiles contain no information concerning Fraport other than that included in the case entitled 'Armond Labis Feldman, wa., et al, [REDACTED] New York file [REDACTED] 235. b7C

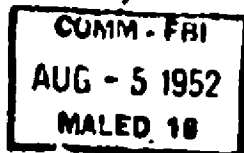
New York is requested to include this information in the review of its files for Philadelphia.

Two extra copies of this letter are being designated for the Philadelphia files on Peter Davidovich Gusev, wa. b7C [REDACTED] 1452) and Harry Gold (65-4307).

CC - 2 - New York (65-15333; 65-15476)  
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FREDERICK GEBHART LONGSTRETH BOYER, AKA FRED G. L. BOYER, SM DASH  
C. MR. HERBERT RANDALL, VICE PRES., CHAMPION PAPER AND FIBRE CO.,  
HAMILTON, OHIO, ADVISES SUBJECT DEPARTING BY PLANE FOR ENGLAND, GERMANY,  
AND AUSTRIA FROM NYC AT EIGHT PM, JULY TWENTY SIX, NEXT. SUBJECT,  
THE PATENT DIRECTOR FOR CHAMPION AND A RESEARCH CHEMIST, IS ON  
VACATION LEAVE, AND IS TRAVELING ALONE TO EUROPE, PAYING HIS OWN EX-  
PENSES. RANDALL STATES PURPOSE OF TRIP UNKNOWN ALTHOUGH HE IS PERMITTED  
TO MAKE INQUIRY CONCERNING PATENTS CHAMPION PAPER IS INTERESTED IN  
WHILE HE IS IN GERMANY AND AUSTRIA.

STATES SUBJECT MAY BE GOING IN CONNECTION WITH SOME WORK FOR QUAKER  
CHURCH. SUBJECT NOT KNOWN TO BE ASSOCIATED ACTIVELY WITH CP. SUBJECT  
AND WIFE, RUTH, ARE CLOSE FRIENDS OF WILLIAM BULL STODDARD, A PRO-RUSSIAN  
SYMPATHIZER, AND HIS WIFE, MARY WEAVER STODDARD, AN ADMITTED  
COMMUNIST. RUTH BOYER SPENT APPROXIMATELY ONE WEEK IN NYC WITH MARY  
STODDARD IN MAY, FIFTY TWO. ABOVE FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-59199)  
 FROM : SAC, Seattle (65-3248)  
 SUBJECT: UNSUB, wa. Fred;  
 HARRY GOLD - Informant  
 ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: 6/7/52

Reference is made to Bulet to New York dated 7/6/52 carrying the dual caption "UNSUB, wa. Steve Swartz; HARRY GOLD - Informant; ESPIONAGE - R" and "UNSUB, wa. Fred; HARRY GOLD - Informant; ESPIONAGE - R".

This is to advise that information contained in the files of the Seattle Office concerning STANISLAUS SHUMOVSKY, SEMEN M. SEMENOV, GAIK B. OVAKIMIAN, Dr. GREGORY L. RABINOVICH, JAMES GRIN YORK, WILLIAM MALISOFF and ZALMAN DAVID FRANKLIN has been reviewed with regard to developing information which will aid in determining the identity of the UNSUB, Fred. In this regard, it is noted that New York Office is in possession of all information contained in the files of the Seattle Office concerning the above mentioned individuals.

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cc: New York (65-15333)(REG.)

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SAC, New York (100-54127)

SEMEN MARKOVICH SEMENOV, was  
ESPIONAGE - R

Rebulet 7/28/52.

There is no record in the New York indices reflecting this office has a photograph of ALEXANDER NIKOLAEVICH SUDBIN.

The Washington Field Office is requested to review its indices for a photograph of SUDBIN. If none is available, you are requested to obtain a copy of his photograph filed with his Pr 1 form at the State Department. Copies of SUDBIN's photograph should be furnished to the Philadelphia and New York Offices.

For the information of the Philadelphia Office the Bureau in relet has suggested SUDBIN's photograph be exhibited to HARRY GOLD for possible identification as FRED and STEVE SWARTZ.

The Bureau, Washington Field and Philadelphia Offices are being furnished extra copies of this letter for their Unsub., wa: Fred file.

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DIRECTOR, FBI 100-47063

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SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD 100-16449

SEVEN MARKOVICH SEMENOV, was.  
ESPIONAGE - R

Re New York letter, dated August 14, 1952.

The indices of the Washington Field Office fail to reflect the existence of a photograph of ALEXANDER NIKOLAEVICH SUDEIN in the files.

A search of the State Department Protocol forms, which have been furnished to the Washington Field Office, failed to reflect the filing of a PR-1 form concerning SUDEIN. In addition, the PR-1 files located at the Walker-Johnson Building were checked for any information concerning SUDEIN with negative results.

New York is requested to furnish any available information showing that a PR-1 form was filed for SUDEIN.

It will be recalled that SUDEIN was an employee of the Amtorg Trading Corporation, and was not believed to have been connected with the Diplomatic Corps of the USSR; therefore, a PR-1 form was not filed.

The Bureau, New York and Philadelphia offices are being furnished extra copies of this letter for their Unsub., wa. Fred file. RUC

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REPORT MADE AT <b>NEW YORK</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>OCT 10 1952</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>9/8, 10, 17, 24, 29/52</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>PHILIP J. CROAK</b>
TITLE <b>UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: "Fred"; HARRY GOLD - INFORMANT</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

STANISLOV PRAPORT, Amtorg employee, entered U.S. 3/11/29 and is reported to have returned to Russia sometime in the latter part of Dec. 1930. HARRY GOLD advised that JOHN JACK BRUIN was interested in Soviet espionage, and that GOLD had turned over a sketch of BRUIN to either his Soviet superior, "FRED" or "STEVE SWARTZ." BRUIN denied, however, having been introduced to any of HARRY GOLD'S friends. GOLD'S description of "FRED" as reported in his report, "The Circumstances Surrounding My Work As A Soviet Agent," set forth.

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**DETAILS:** In August 1940 SIMON ROSENBERG, self-admitted Soviet OGPU Agent, engaged in industrial espionage from June 22, 1932, until April 1938, was interviewed by SAS R. H. SIMONS and C. F. LANMAN. ROSENBERG advised that STANISLOV PRAPORT was the director of the Dniesprostal Commission at the Amtorg Trading Corporation in 1930. ROSENBERG stated that he was introduced to PRAPORT through a man whose last name was KONOVALOV, who was connected with Bookniga. ROSENBERG advised that PRAPORT in turn introduced him to the chief engineer of the commission whose name was ALEXANDER JOSEF MAJEWSKY.

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ROSENBERG advised that the Pittsburgh offices of Amtorg were located in the Bessemer Building in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and that he arrived there in July 1930, at which time PRAPORT and MAJEWSKY were in charge. He advised that it was his job to design the Dniesprostal plant in Russia. U

ROSENBERG stated that around Christmas of 1930 all of the officials with Amtorg in Pittsburgh were sent to Russia, and that he, ROSENBERG, was ordered to return to Amtorg in New York City. U

According to the Immigration and Naturalization Service's "Amtorg Employee Files," STANISLOV PRAPORT was an Amtorg employee affiliated with the Ferrous Metals, metallurgy, and entered the United States on March 11, 1929. No information was available concerning the date of his departure from the United States. U

In the interviews of HARRY GOLD conducted by SAS T. SCOTT MILLER, JR. and RICHARD E. BRENNAN during the summer of 1950, GOLD advised that he first met JOHN JACK BRUIN, whom he knew as JOSEPH BRODSKY, while they were both attending Drexel Institute, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1934. GOLD advised that sometime in 1937 BRUIN told him that he would like to assist GOLD in Soviet espionage and told GOLD that he would be very valuable to the Soviets in obtaining recruits for them since he knew people who were not only technically trained but who were also Communists. U

GOLD brought this information to the attention of his Soviet superior at that time, whom he knew as "STEVE SWARTZ" and "SWARTZ" instructed GOLD to obtain biographical data on BRUIN. GOLD stated that he had a series of meetings with BRUIN, during which time he obtained BRUIN'S background, and that it was on one of these occasions that BRUIN supplied GOLD with a biographical sketch of himself. U

The sketch to which GOLD referred was one found in GOLD'S home at the time his home was searched with his permission on June 3, 1950. GOLD advised that this sketch was biographical, and that he had no reason to doubt that the sketch contained BRUIN'S handwritten signature. U

GOLD advised that he drew up a report with the thought that BRUIN might be used to suggest names of individuals who might be



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sources of information in Soviet espionage, and that he believed the biographical sketch had been given to him by BRUIN sometime subsequent to 1936. U

GOLD stated that he was not certain whether he turned this sketch over to "STEVE SWARTZ" or another of his Soviet contacts, "FRED." He stated that the subject "FRED" had been constantly bothering him for suggestions as to possible recruits and it was around the time that he was in touch with "FRED" and "STEVE SWARTZ" that the sketch was submitted. U

Finally, in the early fall of 1937 "SWARTZ" agreed to meet BRUIN, and the introduction was made by GOLD in Philadelphia. GOLD could recall no details concerning the introduction, but he did recall that "SWARTZ" never again mentioned BRUIN. At a subsequent time BRUIN told HARRY GOLD that he had seen "SWARTZ" on one occasion after the introduction, but it appeared that nothing would come of it. GOLD interpreted this to mean that BRUIN did not think he was going to be utilized as a Soviet agent. U

GOLD recalled that in the late fall of 1936 he introduced THOMAS L. BLACK to BRUIN and told BRUIN that BLACK too was engaged in espionage for the Soviet Union. GOLD thought that he subsequently informed BLACK of this, at which time he received a violent upbraiding from BLACK. U

GOLD stated that when "STEVE SWARTZ" began asking GOLD the names of possible recruits, GOLD made contact with BRUIN and obtained names of individuals from him as well as their backgrounds and submitted these names to his Soviet superior, "SWARTZ." U

GOLD could only recall one of these names and was very vague about him. GOLD seemed to recall the name of TOM JACKSON, a draftsman or a mechanical engineer who in 1937 was employed at the Baldwin Locomotive Works. GOLD stated that JACKSON was of English ancestry and was possibly a member of the Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians. U

GOLD continued that after he introduced BRUIN to "STEVE SWARTZ", his contact with BRUIN became very infrequent, and usually any meetings between them would take place at BRUIN'S request. Usually on these occasions BRUIN would ask GOLD for donations for the Communist Party or some front organization. U

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GOLD stated that BRUIN supplied him with about five or six names which GOLD turned over to his Soviet superiors. U

JOHN JACK BRUIN was interviewed by SAS ROBERT M. GRANT and JACK WEST on April 16, 1952, at Philadelphia, at which time BRUIN stated that he and HARRY GOLD were never more than "casual acquaintances," and that his only contacts with GOLD were at Drexel Institute or on the streets of Philadelphia sometime between 1935 and 1941. U

BRUIN denied that he had ever introduced GOLD to any of his friends or that GOLD had ever introduced him to any of GOLD'S friends. BRUIN denied that he had any knowledge that GOLD was engaged in Soviet espionage or that he had conducted industrial espionage for the Soviets at the time he and GOLD were students at Drexel Institute or at any other time. U

He also denied soliciting contributions from GOLD or that he ever knew any person named "STEVE SWARTZ" or TOM JACKSON, and further denied ever furnishing GOLD with any background information concerning himself. When BRUIN was asked under what circumstances he had prepared and delivered the typewritten biographical sketch on himself to HARRY GOLD when a photostatic copy of the document was exhibited to him, BRUIN read the document and appeared shaken. BRUIN'S hands holding the document as he slowly read it shook perceptibly, and when he finished reading the document, he handed it back to the interviewing agents and asked in a low voice to again be advised of his legal rights. He then advised that he desired to terminate the interview, and would, after consulting an attorney, advise the Philadelphia Office if he would consent to further interviews. U

On April 19, 1952, BRUIN refused to resume the interview which had been conducted on April 16, 1952. U

In his report, "The Circumstances Surrounding my Work as a Soviet Agent," HARRY GOLD makes the following statements concerning his former superiors: U

"PAUL and FRED were close-mouthed about their personal lives, but STEVE, SEMENOV and YAKOVLEV spoke with great pride of their wives and children and would elaborate on their plans for the future of the young ones. U

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"PAUL SMITH, STEVE and FRED had one thing in common-- a determination to do their job well. J

"STEVE was a huge man, some six feet and three or four inches in height with a heavyweight boxers build, but for all that he was gentle and shy and had an inborn liking for flowers and art, which as his English improved, I could discuss with great knowledge--it was he who introduced me to CEZANNE and then VAN GOGH and the world of the great masters. J

"FRED was a small dark man with a mustache and was a fanatical martinet. I hated him--he was, in fact, the only Soviet agent with whom I never got along. But still, as with PAUL and STEVE, I had to respect his zeal to get results-- albeit grudgingly in his case." J

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A copy of this report is being furnished to the Philadelphia Office in that they are presently showing photographs to GOLD in an effort to identify the unknown subject. U

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WASHINGTON FIELD

At Washington, D. C.

34. Will review State Department records to determine if a PR-1 Form is on file for STANISLOV PRAPORT, and review INS files, Washington, D. C., for any record or photograph of STANISLOV PRAPORT in the event he may have returned to the U.S. at some date subsequent to Dec. 1930. In the event such record is located, any additional photos of PRAPORT should be forwarded to the Philadelphia Office to be displayed to HARRY GOLD. U

NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will forward photo and complete description of NICHOLAS NICHOLAIEVICH ERSHOV to the Philadelphia Office to determine if HARRY GOLD can identify him as a Soviet contact. U

Will review the New York file on GREGORY L. RABINOVICH to obtain photographs of his associates in the Russian Red Cross for display to GOLD, inasmuch as RABINOVICH was connected with MIT, Amtorg and was also interested in obtaining Trotskyite information. U

Will review available information concerning GAIK OVAKIMIAN, SEMEN SEMENOV, GREGORY RABINOVICH, STANISLOV SHUMOVSKY, J. O. YORK, WILLIAM MALISOFF and ZALAMOND DAVID FRANKLIN in order that known associates of these individuals may be considered as suspects. U

REFERENCE

Bureau letter to New York, 7/8/52.  
Philadelphia letter to Bureau, 7/22/52. U

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TO : Dir., FBI (65-59199)

FROM : SAC, NY (65-15333)

SUBJECT: UNSUB, wa: "Fred"  
HARRY GOLD - INFT  
ESP - R

DATE: Oct. 10, 1952

Rerep of SA PHILIP J. CROAK, at NY, 10/10/52, two copies of which are enclosed, and Philadelphia letter to Bureau, 7/22/52.

As set forth in rerep, STANISLOV PRAPORT is reported to have departed from the U.S. in Dec. 1930 and for this reason is not believed identical to unsub.

No pictures of PRAPORT are available in the NYO other than those already displayed to GOLD in this case. However, a lead to WFO is set out in rerep to determine if other photos might be available in the State Dept. or INS records, at which time WFO can determine whether PRAPORT ever re-entered the U.S.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59199)

DATE: November 3, 1952

FROM : SAC, WFO (65-5506)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT  
wa. "Fred"  
HARRY GOLD - INFORMANT  
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Re New York report dated October 10, 1952.

State Department records as reviewed on October 23, 1952, failed to reflect any information concerning STANISLOV PRAPORT.

The records of the Central Office, Immigration and Naturalization Service, contained no information concerning STANISLOV PRAPORT.

This matter is being considered RUC'd in this Office.

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NEW YORK, 1/21/53  
Transmit the following Teletype message to: BUREAU

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** List of Russian students at Massachusetts Institute of Technology set out. No photographs of these students located in NYO. Photograph of NICHOLAS ERSHOV located. File review on GREGORY RABINOVICH, JONES ORIN YORK, and ZALMOND DAVID FRANKLIN failed to disclose additional suspects for the Unknown Subject.

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**DETAILS:** At New York, New York

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The above facts indicate the possibility that "FRED", himself, was at one time a student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

In 1941 Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised that the following Russian students have

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attended the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Also given was their year of graduation and supposed whereabouts in 1941:

I.Y. TRASHUTIN	1933	Krakov, USSR
N.C. ERMOLAEV	1933	Leningrad, USSR
S.M. MOROSOFF	1933	Leningrad, USSR
A.G. CHINIAKOV	1934	Moscow, USSR
N.A. EGAROFF	1937	Moscow, USSR
A.I. KURGANOFF	1933	Moscow, USSR
E.I. MICLKOFF	1932	Moscow, USSR
I.M. MURAVJOFF	1932	Moscow, USSR
V.T. POUCHOFF	1933	Moscow, USSR
I.C. PROTZENKO	1933	Moscow, USSR
I.Z. KYBKIN	1933	Moscow, USSR
I.I. SOLOVIEFF	1933	Moscow, USSR
V.J. TRUSHLENICH	1915	Moscow, USSR
W. WANJUKOFF	1912	Moscow, USSR
N.S. PENN	1914	Novosibirsk, USSR
M.T. ORTIN	1914	Snerdlousk, USSR

It is noted that the last four names can be eliminated from further consideration as possible suspects for "FRED," inasmuch as the date of their attendance at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, would indicate that they would be at least ten years too old to fit the description which has been given by GOLD.

At the same time that the above list of students was secured, a search of the directory of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for the year 1931-1932 revealed that the following students, apparently Russians, had attended the Institute at some time during the school year. There was no information as to their whereabouts:

PETER ELYSSEERICH BOLSHAKOFF  
ALEXANDER PETROVICH BRAGIN  
EUGENE TAKOVLIVICH BUKLEY  
BASIL IVANOVICH KOUNCHENKA  
VICTOR KUTHMICH KANDRATIEFF  
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IVAN MATTHEW MURAVIJOFF  
DMITRI KUZMICH PAVLENKA  
EMMANUEL LEON PAVLA  
VASILE FEODORANICH POUCHCOFF  
ALEXANDER ALEXANYINICH RASTARCHUK  
IVAN ZAKHARONICH RYBKIN  
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IVAN IVANOVICH SALOVIOFF  
IVAN YAKOVLIVICH TRASHUTKIN  
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RE. NICHOLAS NICHOLAIEVICH ERSHOV

In 1941 Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised that NICHOLAS ERSHOV graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1940, and that his home was at 62 Usachav Street, Moscow, Russia.

It was further stated by the informant that he had received a degree from the Moscow Mining College in 1936. He was born in Russia on April 16, 1907, according to the informant, and at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology advised that he was connected with the Amtorg Trading Corporation, New York City. ERSHOV'S mailing address was shown as 751 St. Marks Place, Brooklyn, New York. A photograph of ERSHOV was obtained from the Confidential Informant and forwarded to the New York Office.

A review of information available in the New York Office failed to locate a description of ERSHOV and did not indicate the location of such a description in other offices. The photograph of ERSHOV was located in New York.

RE. REVIEW OF INFORMATION CONCERNING GREGORY  
RABINOVICH, JONES ORIN YORK, AND ZALMOND  
DAVID FRANKLIN

A review of the New York files in the cases of RABINOVICH, YORK, and FRANKLIN and consideration given to their associates and contacts as suspects for the unknown subject. No logical suspects were developed during these interviews.

Enclosure (1) - Philadelphia  
Photograph of NICHOLAS ERSHOV.

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Identity of Source	Date of Activity and/or description of information	Date Rec'd	Agent to Whom Furnished	File and Serial No. Where located
T-1 Alumni Office Massachusetts Institute of Technology	List of Russian students at M.I.T.	1941	SA W. H. HEYWOOD	NY 65-7471, Ser. 1006, pgs. 4 and 5

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The list of Russian students set out in this report were originally listed in the report of SA W. H. HEYWOOD, at Boston, November 26, 1941, in the case entitled AMTORG TRADING CORPORATION, ESPIONAGE - R.

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BOSTON

At Boston, Massachusetts

Will check the files of the Boston Office for any pictures which may be available, of the Russian students at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, who are listed in this report.

At Cambridge, Massachusetts

Will attempt to locate any photographs of the above mentioned students which may be available at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, making use of all possible sources such as yearbooks, campus periodicals, etc.

Will look for names of additional Russian Students at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, up through 1939-1940 term, and report such names. Will also attempt to get photographs of any such additional students.

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Will send a copy of each photograph located to the Philadelphia Office to be shown to HARRY GOLD for his comments as to similarity to the Unknown Subject, and will send one copy of each photo to New York for inclusion with photos of Russian nationals. U

PHILADELPHIA

At Lewisburg, Pennsylvania

Will display enclosed photograph of NICHOLAS ERSHOV to HARRY GOLD for consideration as a suspect for "FRED." U

NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will review available information concerning GAIK OVAKIMIAN, SEMEN SEMENOV, STANISLOV SHUMOVSKY, and WILLIAM MALISOFF in order to determine if any of their associates may be considered as logical suspects. U

REFERENCES: Bureau letter to New York, 7/8/52.  
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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59199)

DATE: April 29, 1953

FROM : SAC, BOSTON (65-3733)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, Wa., FRED  
 HARRY GOLD, INFORMANT  
 ESPIONAGE - R  
 (Origin - N.Y.)

Reference is made to New York report in the above entitled case of SA NORMAN E. BLISS, dated February 4, 1953.

Professor PAUL CHALMERS, Advisor to Foreign Students, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts, has advised the Institute does not maintain a breakdown of students by nationality; and, therefore, it is impossible to establish a specific list of Soviet students who have attended the Institute. A review of the year books for the period 1931 through 1936 has been made resulting in the obtaining of the following photographs

IVAN ANDREW EREMIN  
 SERGE NICHAILOVITCH MOROSOFF  
 ALEXEY GREGORY CHINIAKOV  
 ALEXANDER LEO PAVLO  
 VICTOR KUTNICH KONDRATIEFF  
 DMITRI KUZNICH PAVLENKO  
 IVAN VASILIEVICH KLOKOFF  
 ALEXANDER A. ROSTARTCHUK  
 ISAAK LOONTY LEVCOVICH  
 STANISLAW ANTON SHUMOWSKY

One copy of each of these photographs is being forwarded to the Philadelphia Office as an enclosure to instant letter. Additional copies of these photographs are being made up and will be supplied to the New York Office in the near future as requested.

Reference is made to the case, "Unknown Subject, BROOKS, Espionage - R," Bufile 65-59134; Los Angeles File 65-5020; New York File 65-15321. It is noted that this file also concerns a student who apparently attended the Massachusetts

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Institute of Technology and in this connection the photographs mentioned in this letter were obtained for the assistance of the Los Angeles and Washington Field Offices. It is further noted that Los Angeles had requested WFO to obtain certain information with reference to one IVAN COUZMICH PROTZENKO who was a student at Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the early 1930s.

For the assistance of the New York and Philadelphia Divisions, there is being forwarded as an enclosure to this letter one copy of Boston letter to the Director, dated May 9, 1952, in that case entitled, "Unknown Subject, BROOKS, Espionage-R," reflecting Boston investigation concerning 17<sup>letter</sup> students mentioned in a cablegram to the Chief of the Visa Office, Department of State in 1931.

New York is advised that Professor CHALMERS at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, is making additional efforts to locate photographs of Russian students and the results of this investigation will be made available to the New York Office and Philadelphia within the next two weeks.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, *NEW YORK* (Your file *65-15333*) DATE *4/22/53*FROM : Director, FBI (*65-59199*)SUBJECT: *UNKNOWN SUBJECT, WA FRED*  
*HARRY GOLD, INFORMANT*  
*ESPIONAGE - R*

- ( ) The deadline in this case has passed and the Bureau has not received a report. You are instructed to immediately submit a report. In the event a report has been submitted, you should make a notation of the date on which it was submitted on this letter and return it to the Bureau.

Report submitted \_\_\_\_\_

Report will be submitted *5/30/53*Reason for delay *EXTENSIVE file review**necessary.* *65-59199-*

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- ( ) Advise Bureau re status of this case.
- (☒) Advise Bureau when report may be expected.
- ( ) Surep immediately.

(Place your reply on this form and return to the Bureau. Note on the top serial in the case file the receipt and acknowledgment of this communication.)

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SAC, New York (65-15333)

May 6, 1953

Director, FBI (65-59199)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa.

"Red"

HARRY GOLD - INFORMANT

ESPIONAGE - R

Your attention is directed to New York report of SA William V. Grickis, dated 12/12/49, captioned "Unknown Subject, wa., 'Charley,' Espionage - R," your file 65-14778. The referenced report contains a physical description of Jacob Mindel. The general description of Mindel compares favorably on all principal points but age with that of the unknown subject in this case. Despite the obvious disparity in ages, it is believed desirable to exhibit the photographs of Mindel to Harry Gold.

The New York Office should forward available photographs and pertinent information concerning Mindel to the Philadelphia Office promptly.

Results of the interview with Gold conducted by the Philadelphia Office should be submitted promptly.

cc - 2 - Philadelphia (65-4337)

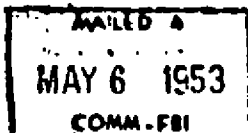
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-59199)  
FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (65-4337)  
SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, Wa. FRED;  
HARRY GOLD, INFORMANT  
ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: 5/15/53

G.I.R.-6

Re Boston letter to Bureau dated 4/29/53.

On May 8, 1953, the ten photographs of foreign students who attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology were exhibited to Mr. HARRY GOLD, United States Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pa., and he stated that two of them, ALEXANDER A. ROSTARTCHUK and ISAAK LOONTY LEVCOVICH were "extremely far-fetched possibilities" but stated if they are over 5'6" in height they could be ruled out entirely. He stated if their descriptions are known, they should be furnished to him.

RUC.

WGH:lks

cc New York  
Boston (65-3733)  
65-4307 (HARRY GOLD)

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-59199)

DATE: 7/15/53

FROM : SAC, Boston (65-3733) ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~SUBJECT: UNSUB, wa. FRED;  
HARRY GOLD, Informant  
ESPIONAGE - R

Re mylet to Bureau April 29, 1953, and report of SA  
NORMAN E. BLISS dated 2/4/53 at New York in the above-  
entitled case.

Enclosed herewith for the assistance of the New York  
Office are one copy each of photographs of the following  
individuals, who were Soviet students attending the  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology during the period  
1931 through 1936:

IVAN ANDREW ~~YEREMIN~~  
SERGE MICHAILOVITCH ~~MOROSOFF~~  
ALEXEY GREGORY ~~CHINIAKOV~~  
ALEXANDER LEQ ~~PAVLO~~  
VICTOR KUTHMICH ~~KONDRATIEFF~~  
DMITRI KUZMICH ~~PAVLENKO~~  
IVAN VASILIEVICH ~~KLOKOFF~~  
ALEXANDER A. ~~ROSTARTCHUK~~  
ISAAK LOONTY ~~LEVCOVICH~~  
STANISLAW ANTON ~~SHUMOWSKY~~

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These photographs were obtained from ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~  
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cc:s. New York (65-15333)(Encs. - 10)(RM)

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TITLE <b>UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa. "Fred" HARRY GOLD - Informant</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Mr. HARRY GOLD, Inmate, USP, Lewisburg, Pa., advised after viewing photographs of ILIA STEPANOV and JACOB WINDEL that neither are identical to "FRED." Stated facial features of WINDEL correspond generally, but face too thin and hairline too high. Advised he noticed no close resemblance between photograph of STEPANOV and "FRED."

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**DETAILS: At Lewisburg, Pa.**

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REFERENCE: Report of SA NORMAN F. BLISS  
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TITLE <b>UNKNOWN SUBJECT, vs. "FRED" HARRY GOLD - Informant</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SECURITY - R</b>

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TITLE <b>UNKNOWN SUBJECT; wa "FRED" HARRY GOLD - INFORMANT</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

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**DETAILS:**

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A review of the yearbooks for Massachusetts Institute of Technology was made resulting in the location of photographs of the following individuals who were Soviet students attending the Massachusetts Institute of Technology during the period 1931 through 1936.

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On May 8, 1953, the photographs of the above ten men were shown to HARRY GOLD, United States Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, and he stated that two of them, ROSTARTCHUK and LEVCOVICH, were "far-fetched" possibilities for "FRED", and stated that if they are over 5'6" in height they can be ruled out altogether. The files of the New York office have been reviewed with negative results in an effort to locate a physical description of ROSTARTCHUK and LEVCOVICH.

T-1, of known reliability, was unable to find photographs of the following Russian students at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, all of whom graduated in the years 1933-1937.

I. ANTONI  
N. C. ARLOV  
N. A. BAROFF  
E. B. BICKOFF  
I. B. BIRAVOFF  
V. C. BOUCHOFF  
I. C. BROTHMAN  
I. Z. BUBIN  
I. I. SOLOVIEFF  
V. J. SHELTON  
V. M. SHELTON  
IVAN M. TRASHUTIN  
IVAN YAKOVLEVICH TRASHUTIN  
NICHOLAS YAKOVLEVICH TRASHUTIN

M. T. TROTSKY  
PETER KISSERICH BELSHAKOFF  
ALEXANDER PETROVICH BRAGIN  
EUGENE TATOLIVICH BUKLEY  
BASIL IVANOVICH KOUNCHENKA  
ALEXIS IVANOVICH MURGANOFF  
LEONID EVANOVICH KUSHPELL  
FEI IVANOVICH MEDKOFF  
SERGE MIKHAILAVITCH MEDKOFF  
N. S. SEIN  
VASILE FIODORA NICH BOUCHOFF  
IVAN IVANOVICH SALOVIOFF  
IVAN YAKOVLEVICH TRASHUTIN (Probably identical with I. Y. TRASHUTIN)

RE: FRANK LAVERNE PAMPER's Russian Contacts.

A careful review was made of all information available concerning FRANK LAVERNE PAMPER and his Soviet superiors on the possibility that one of his contacts could be identical with "FRED". It will be recalled that HARRY GOLD has expressed the opinion that "FRED" was very possibly engaged in getting information about the Trotskyites. This belief on GOLD's part is given some corroboration by the fact that "FRED" asked GOLD to check up on CARL BUCHMAN. CARL's brother, ALEXANDER BUCHMAN, is a self-admitted former Trotskyite and spent half a year at the Trotsky household in Mexico in 1939 and 1940.

LOUIS BUDENZ has previously reported that in approximately 1936 FRANK LAVERNE PAMPER asked him to engage in some Secret Police work for the Russians against the Trotskyites. BUDENZ did not accept this offer, although he eventually did get into anti-Trotsky work. On July 31, 1951,

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PALMER was interviewed at the Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania office and admitted he had once been engaged in Soviet espionage activities, although he could not recall having approached LOUIS BUDENZ in this connection.

PALMER stated that in 1931 he met his first two Russian superiors who preceded his contacts with GAIK OVAKIMIAN. However, he was able to describe only one of these two men, and this description was not very complete. Subsequently PALMER was unable to state with certainty that there were actually two such men. The description which PALMER was able to furnish of one of these two men is as follows:

Dark complexion  
In his late thirties in 1932  
5'6" to 5'7" tall  
good head of hair  
Spoke English with difficulty - (a Russian)

It is noted that "FR D" has been described by HARRY GOLD as follows:

Age	30-33 in 1938
Complexion	Swarthy
Height	5'4" to 5'6" tall
Hair	Dark
Eyes	Dark
Face	Sagging jowls
Mustache	Medium size
Nose	Large
Build	Stocky
Speech	Russian accent
Mannerisms	Definitely foreign. GOLD of opinion he had not been in the United States very long.

From the above descriptions it appears unlikely that PALMER's contact and FR D could be identical. This is mainly because of the ten year difference in estimated ages. In several respects there are similarities, such as in the dark complexions and the Russian accents. It is realized, of course, that PALMER is especially likely to have made a poor guess as to his contact's age inasmuch as PALMER has had considerable difficulty recalling clearly even of the details concerning his espionage activities.

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It is not considered that it would be of any value to re-interview PALMER inasmuch as this was done on January 22, 1953, at the New York office. At that time PALMER declared that he has not been able to fix, with any accuracy, the date he met his Russian contacts, their descriptions, or the events surrounding his meetings with them. He was unable to furnish any additional recollections whatsoever concerning his Soviet contacts, and pointed out that his period of association with them had an "unreal, dreamlike" quality which led him to put the whole thing as far out of his mind as possible in later years.

RE: LOUIS BUDENZ' Russian Contacts

LOUIS BUDENZ, former editor of the "Daily Worker", has previously advised that he was in contact, in the late 1930's, with three members of the Russian Secret Police, and he worked with them in the counter-Trotskyite movement. Information furnished concerning these men, known to BUDENZ as "RICHARDS", "MICHAELS", AND "ROBERTS", was reviewed without developing any suspects for "FRED". According to the description of "RICHARDS", he would have been almost fifteen years too old to be a suspect. "ROBERTS", who was fifty to fifty-five years old in 1938, according to BUDENZ, would have been twenty years too old.

The Soviet agent known to BUDENZ as "MICHAELS" has been identified as ~~DAVID ALKHAPOVICH~~ UGER. UGER, who was born in Russia in 1895, would be at least ten years too old to fit "FRED", and was 5'10" tall which would also eliminate him.

A review of all information furnished by LOUIS BUDENZ failed to disclose any logical suspects for the subject of this case.

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T-1 [REDACTED] b7D	Search of M.I.T. records for photos of possible suspects	1953		65-15333-56-1

LEADS:

WASHINGTON FIELD

At Washington, D.C.

Will review INS files for any physical description, especially height, of ALEXANDER A. POSTARTCHUK and ISAK LOONTY LEVCOVICH, and if descriptions are located will forward to Philadelphia for discussion with HARRY GOLD.

Will review INS files in effort to locate photographs of the twenty-seven Russian students who graduated from M.I.T. in the years 1931 through 1939, and will forward any such photographs to Philadelphia for display to HARRY GOLD.

REFERENCE: Philadelphia letter to Bureau, 5/15/53.  
Report of SA NORMAN E. BLISS at New York, 6/10/53.

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TITLE UNKNOWN SUBJECT; wa: "Fred" HARRY GOLD - INFORMANT			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Consideration being given to NOAH KAHN, Brooklyn Navy Yard employee, as suspect for unknown subject "FRED." Review of Dr. DUBROWSKY's 1940 magazine articles regarding the Russian Red Cross produced no logical leads.

## DETAILS:

It is recalled that HARRY GOLD has stated that when information available to him at the Pennsylvania Sugar Company became very scarce, "FRED" insisted that GOLD attempt to obtain employment with the United States Government. He suggested that GOLD should attempt to obtain employment in the Brooklyn Navy Yard. GOLD further reported that when he attempted to enroll at the University of Cincinnati, he was unsuccessful and decided to work for another year before entering college. He recalled that "FRED" was quite happy about this turn of events. One reason that "FRED" was pleased was that he believed that GOLD would continue to work for the Soviets another year and work principally on getting recruits in the Philadelphia Navy Yard.

## Regarding NOAH KAHN

T-1, of known reliability, an admitted Soviet underground espionage agent from 1927 to 1933, has furnished the following information in another investigation:

T-1's Soviet principal, whom he knew as "WALTER," requested T-1 to think of individuals among his acquaintances who might be in a position to gather information desired by the Soviets.

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In considering this matter, T-1 thought of NOAH KAHN.

The factors causing him to think of KAHN were: (1) NOAH KAHN was then employed at the Brooklyn Navy Yard and was possibly in a position which would enable him to secure information of value. (2) T-1 considered NOAH KAHN to be a "professional intellectual" and in those days this group was generally disposed to be friendly toward Russia. (3) T-1 knew that NOAH KAHN had been born in Russia. [REDACTED] and KAHN had been classmates at college. b7D

T-1 further stated that he recultivated NOAH KAHN's acquaintance and once visited the KAHN residence somewhere in Brooklyn, New York. During this period T-1 attempted to sound out NOAH KAHN by making pro-Communist remarks and gauging KAHN's reactions to these remarks.

T-1 related that he arranged to introduce his Soviet principal, "WALTER," to NOAH KAHN at "WALTER'S" request, and that the introduction took place at NOAH KAHN's home possibly early in 1933. T-1 could not recall the pretext used for this meeting or the fictitious name which was furnished KAHN at the time. It was T-1's opinion that "WALTER" requested this introduction to enable him to make a first hand evaluation of KAHN's potential usefulness to the Russians, but T-1 has no way to knowing what conclusions "WALTER" did reach after the interview and believes that "WALTER" would not have discussed such a matter with him. Further, T-1 had no knowledge of whether "WALTER" ever met NOAH KAHN on subsequent occasions and he added that this occasion was the last or near the last time that he, T-1, ever saw "WALTER."

NOAH KAHN was interviewed by SAs FRANCIS W. LANGDON and HERBERT D. CLOUGH, JR. on July 27, 1953 at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, Brooklyn, New York. KAHN related that he had formerly been friendly with THEODORE MAC LEAN-SWITZ while at Lehigh University, Pennsylvania. After leaving Lehigh, KAHN did not see SWITZ for nearly ten years until the early 1930's when, according to KAHN, he met SWITZ by accident. After a brief discussion on the street, they agreed to meet on another date. KAHN recalled meeting SWITZ periodically for three months after

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this first meeting but the occasions of these meetings are not clear to KAHN.

KAHN recalled that SWITZ gave him some corrective speech lessons to assist in eliminating a speech impediment which had been bothering KAHN. KAHN recalled that while he was taking these speech lessons SWITZ married and went on a honeymoon. Following this, SWITZ and his bride were entertained by KAHN at the KAHN home. KAHN further recalled that he and his wife visited the SWITZ residence in Greenwich Village, New York City.

KAHN was able to recall that on one occasion SWITZ invited KAHN and his wife to dine at a restaurant in New York City and on that occasion SWITZ brought along a male companion whom KAHN had never met before. KAHN could not recall the name of this individual or any identifying information concerning him other than the fact that he spoke with a Russian accent.

KAHN declared that the dinner conversation was held in the English language and pertained to general trivial subjects. He stated that no discussion was held concerning KAHN's position by either SWITZ or his companion. KAHN stated that he never met SWITZ's companion on any other occasion and would not know him if he should meet him again. KAHN stated that his association with SWITZ ended upon the discontinuance of the speech lessons that SWITZ had been giving him and the two have not met since.

Mrs. HELEN KAHN, wife of NOAH KAHN, recalled the episode at the restaurant in New York City when SWITZ brought his unknown male companion, but she could furnish no identifying information concerning this individual. She could not recall the topics of conversation during the dinner and could not recall if politics were discussed.

#### Background of NOAH KAHN

Investigation into the background of NOAH KAHN at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, Brooklyn, New York, disclosed the following information:

W. L. PAYNE, Personnel Division, produced records showing that KAHN was born November 15, 1894 at Smorgon, Russia.

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His present residence is 3732 Ocean Avenue, Brooklyn, New York. In 1927 KAHN's legal residence was St. Louis, Missouri. He began probational appointment at the Navy Yard as a metallurgist on September 19, 1927 and received various promotions in the following years.

On January 12, 1951 he was granted final clearance to handle classified material up to and including secret. His record shows that he attended high school in Russia and took engineering at the University of Nebraska from 1916 to 1917. He attended Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, from 1919 to 1922 and went to Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, from 1926 to 1927 where he graduated with a degree of Master of Science. These records show that KAHN had been in the United States since 1914 and could read, speak and understand the German and Russian languages.

T-2, of unknown reliability, advised SA STANLEY P. JOHNSON, JR. on August 18, 1952 that NOAH KAHN was in charge of the Metallurgical Division of the Material Laboratory at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. T-2, who admittedly is a former member of the Communist Party, did not know if KAHN was affiliated with such a group at the Navy Yard. T-2 advised that during the early 1940's KAHN associated with a Navy Yard employee by the name of MORRIS PEARSON. T-2 did not know how these two men became acquainted or how close their relationship was, but he vaguely recalled that PEARSON at one time mentioned that both he and KAHN had belonged to a "left wing fraternal organization" which KAHN subsequently had quit. T-2 asserted that PEARSON was a member of a Communist Party cell organized in the Navy Yard during the 1940's.

According to T-2, KAHN did not talk of political matters while working. Reportedly KAHN was a member of a zionist organization which T-2 believed did not contain persons sympathetic toward Communism. T-2 stated that another reason leading him to believe that KAHN was not affiliated with the Communist Party was the fact that KAHN was unpopular with members of a union at the Navy Yard whose Executive Board was dominated by Communist Party members.

Physical Description of NOAH KAHN and  
the Unknown Subject "FRED"

NOAH ABRAHAM KAHN

Age 44 years (1938)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT "FRED"

Age 30 to 33 (1938)

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Date of birth November 15, 1894

Place of  
birth

Smorgon, Russia

Place of birth

Presumably  
Russia (had  
Russian accent)

Height

5'6"

Height

5'4" to 5'6"

Weight

167 to 175

Weight

140

Hair

Brown-balding

Hair

Dark

Build

Stocky

Build

Stocky

Character-  
istics

Wears glasses,  
speaks ~~with strong~~  
Hebrew ~~accent~~ **FLUENTLY**

Character-  
istics

Wore moustache,,  
possessed Russian  
accent

Regarding Unknown Subject; "Employee  
of the Brooklyn Navy Yard"

In another investigation Dr. JOSEPH ATLAS SCHWARTZ, Chief of the Tuberculosis Service at the Veterans Hospital, San Fernando, California, was interviewed on February 16 and April 7, 1953 at Los Angeles, California. He advised that he was formerly married to one RUTH KITTY, whose mother was FANNIE KITTY. Dr. SCHWARTZ stated that in his opinion the entire KITTY family appeared to be in favor of Communism and his former mother-in-law, FANNIE KITTY, told him that she was a Communist Party member.

Dr. SCHWARTZ stated that on one occasion his former mother-in-law, FANNIE KITTY, told him that one of the most trusted sources of information of the Communist Party was an individual in the Brooklyn Navy Yard. This person was a Naval designer and had been employed in that capacity for years. While Dr. SCHWARTZ could not recall the man's name, he did remember that his wife advised that this person was an "out and out Communist" and had been furnishing information to the Communist Party for years.

Dr. SCHWARTZ recalled that on one occasion he met this person. This was in 1946 when his wife and mother-in-law had taken him to an apartment in Seagate, a bathing resort in Brooklyn. He could not recall the address of this apartment. At this apartment he met an individual, age 58 to 60, dark gray hair, partially bald, height 5'5" to 5'6", chubby and wore rimless glasses. At this meeting he talked with the unknown individual. He ascertained he was Russian by birth,

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that he could speak the Hebrew language, and that he was employed as a civilian Naval designer at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. During this conversation he stated that he had been employed at the Navy Yard for a long time. He also said that he was married and he bragged about his son, age unknown. He also bragged about the length of time he spent as a civil servant and the remainder of his conversation was mainly concerning music.

Dr. SCHWARTZ stated that it was just before he went to the apartment or just after they left the apartment that his mother-in-law had made the statements concerning the Communist activity of the unknown individual.

Regarding DUBROWSKY'S Articles  
on the Russian Red Cross

Previous investigation in this case indicated the possibility that "FRED" might have been connected with Dr. GREGORY RABINOVITCH of the Russian Red Cross.

In reviewing information available concerning this organization, it was noted that one WILLIAM WEISMAN, 1270 6th Avenue, New York City, advised that he was an attorney for Dr. DAVID DUBROWSKY, one-time Director of the Russian Red Cross, in the United States. WEISMAN recalled a series of magazine articles by DUBOWSKY concerning the Russian Red Cross.

"Collier's" magazine for the dates of April 20 May 4, 11 and 18, 1940 were reviewed at the New York City Public Library. These issues carried a series of articles by Dr. DAVID DUBROWSKY entitled "How Stalin Steals Our Money." These articles contain no information concerning the Russian espionage system which was not previously reported in this case or available in the New York files. There was no additional information concerning employees of the Russian Red Cross which could be considered useful in developing logical leads in this case.

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Identity of source	Date of activity and / or description of information	Date received	Agent to whom furnished	File number where located
T-1 [REDACTED]	Attempt to recruit NOAH KAHN	6/26/53	SA JAMES L. POPPAS	65-16014-16 p. 1 and 2
T-2 [REDACTED]	Background re NOAH KAHN	8/19/52	SA STANLEY F. JOHNSON, JR.	65-16014-6, p. 4, 5, 6

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At New York, New York

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LEADS (Cont'd)

Will attempt to secure photographs of NOAH KAHN and will forward instant photographs to Philadelphia to be shown to HARRY GOLD as soon as possible.

REFERENCE: Report of SA NORMAN E. BLISS, September 15, 1953,  
at New York.

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TITLE <b>UNKNOWN SUBJECT; wa: "Fred" HARRY GOLD - INFORMANT</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Consideration being given to **NOAH RAINE**, Brooklyn Navy Yard employee, as suspect for unknown subject "FRED." Review of Dr. **DUBROWSKY's** 1940 magazine articles regarding the Russian Red Cross produced no logical leads.

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**DETAILS:** It is recalled that **HARRY GOLD** has stated that when information available to him at the Pennsylvania Sugar Company became very scarce, "FRED" insisted that **GOLD** attempt to obtain employment with the United States Government. He suggested that **GOLD** should attempt to obtain employment in the Brooklyn Navy Yard. **GOLD** further reported that when he attempted to enroll at the University of Cincinnati, he was unsuccessful and decided to work for another year before entering college. He recalled that "FRED" was quite happy about this turn of events. One reason that "FRED" was pleased was that he believed that **GOLD** would continue to work for the Soviets another year and work principally on getting recruits in the Philadelphia Navy Yard.

Regarding **NOAH RAINE**

**T-1**, of known reliability, an admitted Soviet underground espionage agent from 1927 to 1933, has furnished the following information in another investigation:

**T-1's** Soviet principal, whom he knew as "WALTER," requested **T-1** to think of individuals among his acquaintances who might be in a position to gather information desired by the Soviets.

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TITLE <b>UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa., "Fred" HARRY GOLD - Informant</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

**HARRY GOLD**, Inmate, USP, Lewisburg, Pa., advised **PIERRE BOLCHAKOFF** not identical to unknown subject, "**FRED**".

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**DETAILS:** At Lewisburg, Pa.

A photograph of **PIERRE BOLCHAKOFF** was exhibited to **HARRY GOLD**, Inmate, United States Penitentiary, and he advised that he is not identical to the unknown subject "**FRED**" as he is a little too old, too short, has different color of hair, eyes, and his complexion is too light.

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REFERENCE:

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TITLE <b>UNKNOWN SUBJ OF, aa., "Fred" HARRY GOLD - Informant</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

HARRY GOLD, Inmate, USP, Lewisburg, a., advised **PETER BELCHAKOFF** not identical to unknown subject, "Fred".

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**DETAILS:** At Lewisburg, Pa.

A photograph of **PETER BELCHAKOFF** was exhibited to **HARRY GOLD**, Inmate, United States Penitentiary, and he advised that he is not identical to the unknown subject "Fred" as he is a little too old, too short, has different color of hair, eyes, and his complexion is too light.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-59199)

FROM : SAC, N.Y. (65-15333)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: Fred.  
HARRY GOLD - INFORMANT  
ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: Dec. 10, 1953

ReNYrep of SA Norman E. Bliss, 11/3/53, a copy of which was sent to Philadelphia.

Attached for the Philadelphia Office is a photograph of NOAH KAHN taken at the Brooklyn Navy Yard in approximately 1947. NOAH KAHN is the subject of an Espionage - R case, origin, New York (NY 65-16014, Philadelphia 65-4770, Bufile 65-60678).

Investigation is being conducted at present to determine if KAHN is identical with "UNSUB, Brooklyn Navy Yard," NY origin.

Rerep set out physical description of NOAH KAHN. It is noted that instant description, page 5, states KAHN has strong Hebrew accent. This is in error and should be corrected to show that he speaks Hebrew fluently and speaks English with a Russian accent.

The following additional background is being set out to assist Philadelphia in interview of HARRY GOLD. KAHN entered the U.S. from Germany in 1914 and resided Lincoln, Nebraska, while attending University of Nebraska, 1916-1917. In approximately 1917 he attended the University of Minnesota at Minneapolis. From 1919-1925 he resided in Bethlehem, Pa., and in this period attended Lehigh University and worked in the Bethlehem Steel Co. He attended the George Washington University at St. Louis, Mo. from 1925 to 1927, and received a M.S. Degree in Chemical Engineering. From 1927 to date he has been employed at the U.S. Navy Yard, starting as an associate metallurgist. In 1943 he became a senior metallurgist and is presently head of a metallurgical branch of the Navy Yard. He is a member of the Supervisor's Engineering and Naval Architects Association.

It is noted that the attached photograph was taken in 1947, ten years after GOLD knew "FRED" and would account for some physical changes. It is not known whether or not NOAH KAHN wore glasses or a mustache in the 1937 period.

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It is requested that NOAH KAHN's description and photograph be expeditiously discussed with HARRY GOLD in an effort to determine if he is identical with Unsub: Fred or any other contacts of HARRY GOLD.

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UNSUB. FRED, HARRY GOLD, INFORMANT, ESPIONAGE DASH R.

RE NYTEL TO BUREAU DECEMBER TWENTY TWO LAST. PHOTOGRAPH OF NOAH KAHN EXHIBITED AND HIS BACKGROUND DISCUSSED WITH HARRY GOLD, INMATE USP, LEWISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA, ON DECEMBER TWENTY EIGHT, FIFTY THREE AND GOLD ADVISED THAT KAHN NOT IDENTICAL TO UNSUB. FRED OR ANY OF HIS OTHER CONTACTS. RUC. ABBATICCHIO

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TITLE <b>UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa: "FRED" HARRY GOLD, INFORMANT</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

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**DETAILS:**

On December 28, 1953, a photograph of NOAH KAHN was displayed to HARRY GOLD at Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, and KAHN's background was discussed with GOLD. He advised that KAHN is not identical with "FRED" or any of his other contacts.

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Copies of this report are being sent to the above offices in accordance with Bureau instructions on the HARRY GOLD and related cases.

REFERENCE: Report of SA NORMAN E. BLISS, at New York, 11/3/53.



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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-59199) ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ DATE: 1/8/54

FROM : SAC, NY (65-15333)

SUBJECT: UNSUB, wa: "FRED"  
HARRY GOLD, INFORMANT  
ESPIONAGE - R

Rerep of SA NORMAN E. BLISS at NY dated 1/8/54, 2 copies of which are enclosed herewith.

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This case is being closed. An unsolved situations letter setting out pertinent information in the case is being made up and will be forwarded to the Bureau immediately.

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*This case is an unsolved situation. The investigation conducted by the NY office has resulted in the identification of the UNSUB. The dissemination of this information is being handled by the NY office.*

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UNSUB.. FREI, HARRY GOLD, INFORMANT., ESPIONAGE-R.  
RENYLET TO PHILA, DEC. TEN, LAST AND NY REPORT NOV. THREE, LAST.  
DR. JOSEPH A. SCHWARTZ YESTERDAY DEFINITELY IDENTIFIED NOAH KAHN,  
CHIEF METALLURGIST, BROOKLYN NAVY YARD, AS THE MAN INTRODUCED TO  
SCHWARTZ IN NINETEEN FORTY SIX BY SCHWARTZ-S EX MOTHER IN LAW,  
FANNIE KITTY. IT IS NOW KNOWN THAT KAHN IN PERSON PRESENTS A FAR  
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PHILA. CONSIDERATION BEING GIVEN TO IMMEDIATE INTERVIEW OF KAHN.  
PHILA EXPEDITE DISPLAY OF KAHN-S PHOTOGRAPH TO HARRY GOLD AND SUTEL  
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**UNKNOWN SUBJECT, with alias Fred  
HARRY GOLD, INFORMANT  
ESPIONAGE - R  
(Bufile 65-59199)**

I. Harry Gold advised that from late 1937 or early 1938 until a period shortly before Gold's graduation from Xavier University in Cincinnati, Ohio, in June, 1940, Fred was his espionage superior. On one occasion in 1940 Joseph Katz substituted for Fred.

II. Gold furnished the following information:

Fred was given general industrial information by Gold prior to Gold's enrollment at Xavier University. Fred was also interested in Trotskyite affairs. Gold described Fred as a strict disciplinarian who insisted security precautions be taken by Gold on all espionage assignments. Gold met with Fred on approximately six occasions in Cincinnati from 1938 to 1940. At Fred's directions Gold attempted to activate Benjamin Smilg, an employee at the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio. Fred was closemouthed about his personal life in talking to Gold. He was believed to be a Russian who spoke with a Russian accent and was believed to have arrived in this country shortly prior to his contacting Gold.

Age	30-33 (1938)
Height	5 feet, 4 inches to 5 feet, 6 inches
Weight	140 pounds
Hair	dark
Eyes	dark
Complexion	swarthy
Face	sagging jowls, large nose
Build	stocky
Characteristics	black, medium-sized mustache

III. Harry Gold can identify a photograph of the subject. New York is the office of origin.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (61-7574) DATE: 1/14/57  
 FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (65-235) CONFIDENTIAL  
 SUBJECT: ARMAND LABIS FELDMAN, was, et al.  
 ESPIONAGE - R

Re Philadelphia letter to Bureau, 12/14/56, wherein it is stated that DAVID GREENGLASS tentatively identified photograph number 67 as DAVID ENGELS or ENGELSON, who was introduced to him by JULIUS ROSENBERG in 1938 or 1939. The Philadelphia letter pointed out that photograph number 67 was previously identified tentatively as LEONID ABRAMOV.

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The Philadelphia letter of reference states that GREENGLASS thought photo number 111 appeared similar to a person who associated with JULIUS ROSENBERG in 1938 or 1939, who was a Canadian, a Trotskyite, and who had something to do with the Comco Engineering Company. GREENGLASS thought he had positively identified this person to the FBI on a previous occasion but he could not recall his name.

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A review of the New York files indicated that GREENGLASS apparently had reference to ARTHUR SPRIGMAN, subject of Bufile 105-14551. The summary report of SA RICHARD A. WILHELM, 5/5/52, New York, entitled "ARTHUR SPRIGMAN, was Arthur Cohen, Arthur Kutz, Arthur Kurts, Harold Arthur Sprigman, IS-R, ISA of 1950", reflects that SPRIGMAN entered the United States from Canada; that DAVID GREENGLASS, on 4/4/51, recognized a photograph of SPRIGMAN as ARTHUR, who worked with JULIUS ROSENBERG as an associate or partner in the Cuomo Aeronautical Company on 17th Street, NYC, started by one WILLIAMS, an aviator (PAUL ELISHA WILLIAMS, a negro, subject of Bufile 100-21375). GREENGLASS stated at that time that ARTHUR SPRIGMAN impressed him as being a Communist. The summary report reflects that in an interview, on 12/7/51, SPRIGMAN told Bureau agents he was a student of Marxism, but a socialist, anti-Stalinist and anti-Soviet. Extensive investigation has not shown him to have been involved in espionage. Photos of Sprigman taken about 1945 and in the early 30's have been compared with photo number 111 and although a resemblance exists, the differences, it is felt, are sufficient to make the identification improbable. No further action is contemplated by the NYO in connection with SPRIGMAN. U

The Philadelphia letter of reference states that HARRY GOLD, on 12/5/56, said that photograph number 82 bore some resemblance to "Little FRED", his contact man from around November, 1937, to April or May, 1940, that he was never able to identify "Little FRED" and that this photograph is the only one which in any way resembles "Little FRED". U

As the Bureau is aware, extensive efforts have been made to identify FRED (UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa, Fred, ESPIONAGE-R, Bufile 65-59199) and he has been made the subject of an "unsolved situations" write-up. In view of GOLD's comments, a copy of photograph number 82 is being placed in the New York file on "UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wa, Fred" (NY 65-15333) as of possible future use, in the event that information comes to the NYO on the basis of which additional investigation may be instituted in that case. - P - U

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RE ALDEN WHITMAN

**CONTACT VISITOR**

Sherry Gold, a bachelor  
served in War State Comm  
by his brother, and a U



Early in 1938, according to F.B.I. testimony, Mr. Brown and Mr. Greenbaum met in

After his release from prison, Mr. Gold worked on the Kennedy campaign until he was attacked at the hospital's School of Orthopedic Laboratory, an institution which he frequented as a hobby. Other parties to his brother's death included the Philadelphia Orchestra, the Philadelphia University Music Festival and to Mr. Ballard.

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# Harry Gold, Convicted Atomic Spy

By Josh R. Haller

Washington Post Staff Writer

Harry Gold, a convicted spy and a key witness in the atomic espionage trials of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg in 1951 died 18 months ago in Philadelphia. It was disclosed yesterday.

The disclosure came after Alvin H. Goldstein, a writer-producer for the National Public Affairs Center for TV in Washington, discovered information of the death while researching a television documentary on the Rosenbergs.

He learned that Mr. Gold died Aug. 28, 1973, at the John F. Kennedy Memorial Hospital in Philadelphia while undergoing a heart operation. Mr. Gold was 80 years old at the time.

Mr. Gold was a biochemist at a Philadelphia hospital when he was arrested by the FBI in May, 1950. He was accused, along with the Rosenbergs, of being a member of an espionage ring working with Klaus Fuchs, a convicted atomic spy.

The specific charge was violation of the Federal Espionage Act in that he provided Russian agents with secrets that Fuchs gathered while working at the Los Alamos, N.M., atomic bomb project during World War II.

Shortly after Mr. Gold's arrest, the Rosenbergs, along with Mrs. Rosenberg's brother, David Greenglass, were taken into custody. Mr. Gold was linked directly with Greenglass, who had



Harry Gold, right, testifies before the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee in April, 1954, on the use of Americans in Soviet espionage activities. David Greenglass, left, brother of Ethel Rosenberg, another spy ring member, also testified. U.S. Marshal William O. Douglas sits between the two convicted spies.

been assigned to Los Alamos as a machinist.

Three months after his arrest, Mr. Gold, who was Swiss born, pleaded guilty to the entire indictment against him, which listed 11 secret missions he had made as a spy.

He faced a possible death

sentence but was sentenced in December of that year to 30 years in prison. He then became a witness in the trials of other members of the ring.

The Rosenbergs were found guilty and electrocuted in June, 1953. Their failure to win clemency co-

ated worldwide agitation for many years. Greenglass was given a 15-year sentence.

In 1968, after serving 18 years of his prison term, Mr. Gold was paroled from Lewisburg Penitentiary where he had been described as an "outstanding" prisoner.

He said then that he be-

came a spy "with eyes open; I knew what I was doing."

"I was not misled in the sense of a poor, innocent lamb. I made a hideous mistake. It just seemed to me at the time starting back in 1934 with industrial secrets that it wasn't so bad."

"It started on such a small scale. And then it grew and grew and snowballed, and got to be a way of life."

"I couldn't have got out of it without full disclosure. And when I was threatened with exposure, I kept quiet and kept doing it," he said.

The specific details of how Mr. Gold became involved in spying were never clarified. He said, after his arrest, that he became interested in communism in 1933 and attended Communist meetings.

But he also insisted that he had never been a member of the Communist Party. He eventually was recruited by two Soviet officials, later fled

through a contact who had made at meetings he

After his return to where he Kennedy

"I think laboratory think I can live," he said.

He was hospitalized. Laboratory led a quiet bachelor.

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