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EMPLOYMENT RECORDS AT BELL TELEPHONE LABS WEST STREET, NYC, REFLECT ALFRED SARANT BORN SEPTEMBER TWENTYSIX, NINETEEN EIGHTEEN, NYC, ATTENDED COOPER UNION FROM OCTOBER THIRTYSIX TO MAY FORTYONE AND RECEIVED BACHELOR OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING DEGREE. ATTENDED BROOKLYN POLYTECH NIGHT SCHOOL, SEPTEMBER FORTYTHREE TO SEPTEMBER FORTYFIVE. EMPLOYED WESTERN ELECTRIC COMPANY JUNE SIXTEENTH, FORTYONE, RESIGNED SEPTEMBER TWENTY, FORTYONE. EMPLOYED SIGNAL CORPS LABS, FORT MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY, SEPTEMBER FORTYONE TO OCTOBER FORTYFIVE, TRANSFERRED OCTOBER FIFTEENTH, FORTYFIVE, TO BELL TELEPHONE LABS, RESIGNED SEPTEMBER ELEVENTH, FORTYSIX, LEAVING FORWARDING ADDRESS FOUR TWO TWO EDDY STREET, ITHACA, N. Y. THIS FILE REFLECTS SARANT MARRIED AS OF SEPTEMBER FORTYFIVE TO LOUISE J. ROSS SARANT. CHECK AT GOVERNORS ISLAND REFLECTS PERSONNEL FILE OF SARANT FORWARDED TO ST. LOUIS. ST. LOUIS BEING REQUESTED BY SEPARATE TELETYPE TO REVIEW THIS RECORD. REPORT FOLLOWS.

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1	7/5/42	HQ letter to NY with enclosures	1/6	0	Refer to another agency
2	7/6/42	other gov't agency letter to HQ	1	0	Refer to another agency
3	7/20/42	Memo to file	1	1	
NR	8/26/48	NY TT to HQ, WFO	1	-	See Bufile 65-58236
4	8/30/43	NY letter to HQ	1	1	
NR	8/31/48	WFO TT to HQ, NY	1	-	See Bufile 65-58236
NR	9/17/48	Memo to file	1/3	-	See Bufile 65-58236
5	9/27/48	NK letter to HQ	1	1	
6	9/27/48	NK Report to HQ	7	0	Refer to another agency
NR	10/18/48	NY Report to HQ	22	-	See Bufile 65-58236
7	10/28/48	SL Report to HQ (enc)	5/6	0	Refer to another agency
	11/19/48	HQ letter to NY	1		
8	11/15/48	WFO report with enclosures	4/2	0	Refer to another agency

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9	1/19/48	HQ letter to another gov't agency	2	2	<del>Refer to another agency</del>
10	1/20/49	NY letter to HQ	2	0	Refer to another agency
	4/28/49	HQ letter to NY	1	0	
11	3/8/49	other gov't. agency let. to HQ	1	0	Refer to another agency
12	3/9/49	NK letter to HQ	3	0	Refer to another agency
	3/16/49	WFO letter to HQ	1	1	
13	4/28/49	HQ letter to BA	1	1	
14	3/31/49	NY letter to HQ	1	1	
15	3/31/49	NY Report to HQ	8	0	Refer to another agency
16	4/29/49	BA letter to HQ	1	0	Refer to another agency
17	5/24/49	BA letter to HQ	2	0	Refer to another agency
18	8/26/48	Memo to file	1	1	
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19	6/27/49	another gov't agency	1	0	Refer to another agency
20	8/2/49	WFO letter to HQ	1	0	Held for referral action

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21	1/3/49	Letter to AG from another gov't agency	1	0	Refer to another agency
22	1/30/49	HQ letter to NY advise govt. agency let. to HQ	2	0	Refer to another agency
23	8/12/49	NY letter to HQ with NY report	1/9	0	Refer to another agency
NR	8/18/49	HQ letter to NY	1	1	
24	10/10/49	NY letter to HQ	1	1	
	10/26/49	HQ letter to NY	1	1	
25	10/27/49	NY letter to HQ	1	1	
26	11/3/49	NY letter to HQ	1	1	
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	10/24/49	advise govt. agency let. w/ encl.	2/10	0	Refer to another agency
28	12/22/49	HQ TT to NK, NY	1	0	Refer to another agency
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29	1/4/50	HQ TT to NK, NY	1	1	
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30	1/6/50	NK TT to HQ, NY	1	1	

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32	1/15/50	NK letter to HQ	1	1	
33	1/25/50	NK TT to HQ NY	1	0	Refer to another agency
34	1/25/50	NY TT to HQ NK	1	1	
35	1/30/50	NK Report to HQ	13	0	Refer to another agency

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100-29040

New York, N. Y.  
(Field Office)

July 17,  
(Date)

1942

Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Re: BARR, JOEL  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C  
CUSTODIAL DETENTION

Dear Sir:

This case was received \_\_\_\_\_

(Date)

The source or complainant:

Bureau letter dated July 3rd, 1942, Bureau File 100-77232.  
(Name)

(Address)

\*Summary of Complaint:

This case after due consideration has been placed  
in a deferred status. It will receive appropriate attention  
immediately when personnel is available.

Very truly yours,

P. E. FOXWORTH,

Assistant Director

Special Agent in Charge

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

\*(If Bureau files contain information in field office files,  
list Bureau file number or refer to agent's report.)



Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
New York 7, New York

HER: [REDACTED]  
100-87040

August 30, 1943

Director, F. B. I.

Re: <sup>①</sup> BARR, JOEL  
SECURITY MATTER - C

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated July 3, 1942 in connection with the above -captioned individual. (Bureau File #100-77232.)

This case has been carefully reviewed by this office and it is my belief that the information available to this office does not justify any further investigative effort at the present time.

This case is therefore being placed in a closed status subject to being opened upon receipt of additional information which would appear to justify further investigation.

Very truly yours,

*E. E. Conroy*  
E. E. CONROY  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: September 27, 1948

FROM : SAC, NEWARK

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AND FIELD OFFICESSUBJECT: JOSE BARR  
ESPIONAGE-R

(Bureau file 65-58068 and 100-77232)

DATE 2/3/78

Re report of SA CARLTON C. LENZ at Newark, New Jersey 9/27/48.

This is to advise the name of Newark Confidential Informant T-1 was inadvertently revealed on the first page of reference report. It is requested that the new first page enclosed herewith be substituted.

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cc New York (100-29040)

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Date: November 19, 1948

To: Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
2430 E Street, N. W.  
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Colonel Donald M. Galloway

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: JOEL BARR  
ESPIONAGE - R

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
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Information has been recently received to the effect that Joel Barr may have acted as a Soviet espionage agent in the United States prior to leaving the United States for Sweden in January, 1948. (u)

Joel Barr was born January 1, 1916 in Brooklyn, New York. He attended elementary and high school in New York and from February, 1934 to June, 1938 attended City College of New York, graduating with a B.S.E.E. Degree. From October, 1938 to March, 1940 he was employed by the WPA in New York City as a junior draftsman. From April 1940 to July 1940 he was employed as a topographic draftsman by the Civil Aeronautics Authority in Washington, D. C. He was employed from July 1, 1940 to February 23, 1942 as an assistant electrical engineer at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. He was dismissed after an investigation reflected he had signed a Communist petition for Peter Cacchione on August 9, 1939. Barr was employed as an engineer for the Western Electric Company, 100 Central Street, Kearny, New Jersey from March 16, 1942 until October 10, 1945. From October, 1946 to May, 1947 he was employed by the Sperry Gyroscope Company, Incorporated, Lake Success, New York as a project engineer. (u)

Joel Barr applied for a United States passport on December 1, 1947, giving the reason for travel abroad as the desire to broaden his background by continuous study in Europe. He stated that he had applied to the University of Delft in Holland and the Kungl Technical University at Stockholm, Sweden. His tentative plans were given for studies for about two years. He desired to leave New York City on January 1, 1948 for Stockholm, Sweden for study of one year and then to go to the University of Delft for the second year. He was issued United States passport No. 133825 on December 8, 1947. It was ascertained in August, 1948 that Barr had been in Sweden but had gone to Finland for about two weeks. (u)

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The information contained in this memorandum should under no circumstances be disseminated outside your agency. (u)

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: March 16, 1949

FROM : *Handwritten: HED* [redacted] S.C., Washington FieldSUBJECT: [redacted] - R -  
(Bufile 65-55055)

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
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DATE 2/4/78

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Re Newark letter to Bureau dated March 9, 1949. *(u)*Referenced letter set forth the efforts made by that office to locate MAIRIE GOLDFARB, the reported wife of JOHN. *(u)*

This letter stated that Mr. RAY B. LIPPINCOTT, Personnel Manager, Tuller Construction Company, 95 Monmouth Avenue, Red Bank, New Jersey, produced a 3x5 card. This card was made out in the name of MAIRIE GOLDFARB, 115 Broadway, Long Branch, New Jersey. The card reflected that this person was hired on November 25, 1940, as a stenographer and discharged on April 11, 1941. Mr. LIPPINCOTT said that MAIRIE GOLDFARB had worked for her entire period of employment at Fort Monmouth where the Tuller Construction Company was completing a project. The card contained information to the effect that the employee was 20 years old, a citizen, born May 2, 1920, and was issued Social Security No. 577-22-6246. Mr. LIPPINCOTT said that he had personally supervised that project but was unable to recall the employee. *(u)*

It is requested that the Bureau attempt to ascertain from the Social Security Board any additional facts which it may have concerning MAIRIE or MAIRIE GOLDFARB. *(u)*

*Yer. to Sec. Baltimore  
dated 4/12/49  
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SAC, Baltimore

April 28, 1949

Director, FBI

JOHN BARR

ESPIONAGE - R

The above individual has been tentatively identified as an important Soviet espionage agent who operated in the United States in 1944. His so-called wife during 1944, was one Elaine Goldfarb who lived with Barr at 145 Broadway, Long Branch, New Jersey. Her present whereabouts are not known. The records of the Tuller Construction Company, 95 Monmouth Avenue, Red Bank, New Jersey, reflect that her name was spelled as Iaine Goldfarb, that she was an American citizen, born on May 2, 1920, and the holder of Social Security card #577-22-6246. She was employed as a stenographer by this company from November 25, 1940, to April 11, 1941.

It is requested that through your contact you secure any available information contained in the Social Security records which would assist us in ascertaining the present whereabouts of this woman. In the event that you are able to obtain information in this regard, it should be furnished to the Bureau, Washington Field Office, Newark, and the New York Offices.

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Mr. Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

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New York, N. Y.  
March 31, 1949

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Director, FBI

RE: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, with aliases,  
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ESPIONAGE - R

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
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DATE 2/1/49

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of SA RICHARD E. BRENNAN, dated March 31, 1949, at New York, N. Y. (u)

It is requested that the Bureau obtain certified copies of the income tax returns of JOEL BARR for the period 1940 through 1945. The addresses of BARR for this period were 145 Broadway, Long Branch, New Jersey, 553 Hopkinson Avenue, Brooklyn, and 241 West 97th Street, New York City. (u)

Reference is also made to Washington Field letter to Bureau dated March 16, 1949, in which it was requested that the Bureau attempt to obtain from the Social Security Board any information concerning LAINE or ELAINE GOLDFARB, Social Security No. 577-22-6246, who was born May 2, 1920 and was employed by the TULLER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey from November 25, 1940 to April 11, 1941. (u)

Very truly yours,

*Edward Scheidt*

EDWARD SCHEIDT  
SAC

cc: Washington Field

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Bureau File 65-58068

Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, with aliases,

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It appears that the subject is now believed to be identical with JORIE HARR, presently studying in Europe. (u)

No report has ever been submitted by this office which should be done immediately, after a thorough review of all files concerning subject has been made. (u)

Explanation: This will be done at an early date. (u)

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Washington Field Office  
Inspector GUY HOTTEL  
May 6, 1949 (u)

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SAC, New York

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August 18, 1949

Director, FBI

JOEL BARR

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cc - Newark  
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SAC, New York

October 26, 1949

Director, FBI

SCOTT  
ESPIONAGE - R

Reference is made to your FD-122, dated October 10, 1949, recommending that a security index card be prepared for this subject.

It is requested that you submit a new FD-122 including information concerning the occupation of Joel Barr as is required by the new instructions recently issued in SAC letter No. 97, series 1949.

The security index card in your office should also reflect this information.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
New York 7, New York



IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO  
FILE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

October 10, 1949

Director, FBI

JOEL BARR  
RE: ~~SECURITY MATTER~~  
ESPIONAGE - R

Dear Sir:

It is recommended that a Security Index card be prepared relative to the individual named below:

Name: JOEL BARR  
Aliases:

Residence Address: 241 West 97 Street  
New York, New York

Business Address:

☒ Native Born ☐ Alien ☐ Naturalized  
☒ Communist ☐ German ☐ Miscellaneous  
☐ Fascist (Italian) ☐ Japanese ☒ Soviet Agent

Date of Birth: 1-1-16  
Place of Birth: Brooklyn, N. Y.  
Entered U. S. \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
Naturalized (date) \_\_\_\_\_  
Naturalized (place and Court) \_\_\_\_\_

Very truly yours,

Edward Scheidt  
EDWARD SCHEIDT  
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H. Thompson

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI  
 FROM : SAC, New York  
 SUBJECT: JOEL BARR  
 ESPIONAGE - R  
 (Bureau file 65-58236)

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DATE: October 27, 1949

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
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Investigation conducted by this Office concerning the subject, reflects that his mother, Mrs. REBECCA BARR, 241 West 97th Street, New York City, has recently received a letter from her son JOEL, postmarked Villa Regine, 16 Rue de la Retouse, Seine, France. (u)

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 A report in this case will be submitted by October 30, 1949.

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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI  
FROM : SAC, New York  
SUBJECT: JON BARR  
ESPIONAGE - R  
(Bufile 65-59236)

DATE: November 3, 1949

Reference is made to my letter of October 27, 1949, stating that the subject in this case is presently residing in France. It is to be noted that BARR has been in Europe for close to two years and the exact date of his contemplated return to this country is not known.

A review of the file in this case reveals that the background of the subject, his family, associates, education and employment, have been previously investigated by both the Department of the Army and by Bureau agents. It is felt that further investigation into his background and previous activities at this time would not be sufficiently productive to warrant the possible jeopardy which might result to this case by any repetition of background investigation.

This case is, accordingly, being placed in a pending inactive status until such time as BARR returns to the United States. Upon BARR'S return, this case will be given preferred attention and all investigative techniques will be utilized in monitoring his activities.

Appropriate stops are maintained so that this office will be informed of subject's return to the United States, and a mail cover is being maintained on the subject's mother, Mrs. REBECCA BARR, 241 West 97th Street, New York City, for the purpose of determining subject's location in Europe.

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REPORT MADE AT CHARLOTTE	DATE WHEN MADE 2-20-50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2-6,17-50	REPORT MADE BY EDWARD J. FEIGHAN
TITLE JOEL BARR			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS

ADMINISTRATIVE  
STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

Employment record of CHARLES FREDERICK DAVEY, present employer, Western Electric Company, Burlington, N. C., reviewed. (u)

- RUC -

REFERENCE:

Bureau file 65-58236.  
Report of SA JOHN R. LYONS, NEWARK, 1-30-50. (u)

DETAILS:

At Burlington, N. C.

The employment personnel file of CHARLES FREDERICK DAVEY at the Western Electric Company made available by Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, reflects that CHARLES FREDERICK DAVEY was employed by Western Electric at Kerney, New Jersey on December 19, 1940, was transferred to the Burlington, North Carolina plant on November 10, 1946, and is presently employed as a project co-ordinator at the Western Electric, Burlington, North Carolina plant. (u)

DAVEY'S application for employment lists his birth date as September 16, 1918 at Kerney, New Jersey and his address at the time of his employment as 192 Stewart Avenue in Kerney. (u)

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On his employment application, DAVEY listed his education as the following:

From September 1925 to June 1933 - St. Stephens Grammar School, Kerney, New Jersey  
From September 1933 to June 1938 - Kerney High School, Kerney, New Jersey  
From September 1938 to June 1939 - Coleman's Trade School commercial course, Newark, New Jersey  
DAVEY states he did not graduate. (u)

Also on instant application for employment, DAVEY listed as previous employment the following places:

A and P Tea Company, 126 Midland Avenue, Kerney, New Jersey  
June 15, 1938 to November 18, 1938  
Clark Thread Company, Newark, New Jersey, November 2, 1938 to December 1940 (u)

DAVEY filed his non Communist Party and German-American Bund Affidavit and a copy of the Espionage Act, Title 50, Chapter 4, on December 3, 1940. DAVEY also signed the State of New Jersey non Communist Party and German-American Bund Affidavit on September 4, 1942. (u)

Records showed that DAVEY left the employ of Western Electric on May 19, 1942 on a disability leave of absence due to rheumatic fever and was re-instated in Kerney, New Jersey on September 2, 1942. (u)

DAVEY'S record of Navy Citizenship Status lists his family as follows:

\* Davey

Mother - ELIZABETH MARIE HEIN, born in U. S.  
Min. Mr. Father - ED. ARD DAVEY  
Brothers - WILLIAM GEORGE DAVEY, born in U. S.  
ED. ARD CHARLES DAVEY, " " "  
WALTER JOHN DAVEY, " " "  
RAYMOND FREDERICK DAVEY, " " "  
FRANCIS LESLEY DAVEY, " " "  
Sisters - ODILE MARIE DANEN, nee DAVEY, " " "  
ELIZABETH ODGEN, nee DAVEY, " " "  
CAROLYN ELIZABETH DAVEY, " " "  
MARION ROSE DAVEY, " " " (u)

Instant record shows that DAVEY was transferred to the Burlington Mill Western Electric plant on November 10, 1946 and is presently (u)

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employed as a project co-ordinator, is married, and resides on South Main Street in Graham, North Carolina. His Social Security number is listed as 152-05-5776. (u)

There is no indication in the personnel file of DAVEY'S making many trips to Washington, D. C. at any time during his employment for Western Electric. (u)

Confidential Informant T-1 further advised that there is no indication that DAVEY has made any trips for Western Electric to Washington, D. C. although the job of project co-ordinator would not eliminate traveling for the company. (u)

T-1 advised that DAVEY is considered a trusted, dependable employee, one who is well liked and respected both by his fellow employees and his supervisors. (u)

As stated in the body of the report, there is no indication that CHARLES FREDERICK DAVEY was ever employed in the Signal Corp at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey or that he ever took a course in the Cooper Union during 1940. (u)

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TITLE <b>JOEL BARR</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

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### ADMINISTRATIVE STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

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## REFERENCE:

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FILE NO. **NY 65-3908**

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TITLE <b>JOEL BARR</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

## ADMINISTRATIVE

### SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

~~STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL~~

Records at Western Electric Company, Kearny, New Jersey, indicate BENJAMIN GEORGE LEWIS not re-employed after he resigned in August, 1941.

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### DETAILS:

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According to Informant T-1 he worked as a switchboard engineer and resigned on August 6, 1941 in order to accept a better position. The record indicated that he bore Social Security No. 145-18-7386. T-1 stated that the folder on LEWIS has been destroyed due to the fact that he has been away from the company for over five years.

T-1 also advised that LEWIS was not reemployed after his resignation.

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T-1 is [REDACTED] 670  
Company, Kearny, New Jersey, who was contacted on March 2, 1950 by Special Agent JOHN R. LYONS.

REFERENCE:

Bureau file 65-58236.  
Report of SA S. ARTHUR WHORTON, JR. dated February 20, 1950 at St. Louis, Missouri.



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**REMARKS ON FILE**

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Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
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REPORT MADE AT <b>DETROIT, MICHIGAN</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>3/22/50</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>3/7/50</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>MARLON F. COLLIER</b>	Mr. Belmont _____ Mr. Mohr _____ Tele. Room _____ Mr. Nease _____ Miss Gandy _____
TITLE <b>JOEL BARR</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

ADMINISTRATIVE

~~STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL~~

BENJAMIN G. LEWIS, formerly with 10th Air Force, born December 22, 1920, at Chester, Pennsylvania. Name was originally GOLDBLATT, but changed, June 22, 1943, by Superior Court of Los Angeles. Last known address 1208 Frazier, Topeka, Kansas.

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF Declan DATE 2-7-78 AP/p

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**DETAILS:**

At Selfridge Field:

67 c. [REDACTED], OSI Agent at Selfridge Field, located a record of one BENJAMIN G. LEWIS, with ASN-O-863175 and 19129394. This BENJAMIN G. LEWIS was born December 22, 1920, at Chester, Pennsylvania. He entered Army Service in September 1946, and served for a period of thirty-three months as a Clinical Psychiatrist. Most of his service was with the Veterans Administration Hospital as a Psychiatrist at Topeka, Kansas. This BENJAMIN G. LEWIS, according to the records, had one and one-half years study at the University of Wyoming, and two years at the University of California, where he majored in Chemistry. He was described as follows:

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This BENJAMIN G. LEWIS, was formerly BENJAMIN ~~GOLDELATT~~, who had his name changed legally on June 22, 1943, by the Superior Court of Los Angeles. He is the son of ~~HERMAN GOLDELATT~~, occupied as a Barber and born in Russia. His mother is ~~ETTA LAZURAS~~, born in New York City. The last known resident address is 1208 Frazier, Topeka, Kansas.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau File 65-58236.

Report of Special Agent S. ARTHUR WHOERTON, February  
20, 1950, at St. Louis, Missouri.



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DIRECTOR, FBI

JOEL BARR  
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April 7, 1950

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Reference is made to Bureau letter dated January 4, 1950, instructing that your office endeavor to obtain from the City College of New York a list of 1938 graduates in the technical science field, or, if possible, a list of all technical science students during 1937 and 1938.

In view of the extreme importance of this case, you are requested to expedite this investigation and to furnish the desired information to the Bureau by April 20, 1950.

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There are enclosed herewith two photostatic copies of the withholding receipt for income tax withheld on wages of Joel Barr, 241 West 97th Street, New York City, for the year 1944.

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: April 17, 1950

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: JOEL BARR  
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Rebulet 4/7/50.

In accordance with Bureau instructions a list of graduates in electrical engineering at City College of New York in June, 1938 was obtained and forwarded to Newark on January 10, 1950 for that office's assistance in searching the records of the Western Electric Co.

The report of SA John R. Lyons made at Newark on January 30, 1950 reflects that these names were searched through the files of the Western Electric Company and it was ascertained that [REDACTED] was the only individual whom they had a file on. *NATHAN SUSSMAN* b7c

A copy of this list of graduates should have been forwarded to the Bureau at that time. It is being forwarded herewith.

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The following list of individuals were graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Electrical Engineering at City College of New York in June 1938:

Mr. Max Elitcher  
1571 Lexington Avenue  
New York, New York

Mr. Stanley Dudzienski  
1553 West 2nd Street  
Brooklyn 4, New York

Mr. Maurice Distel  
679 Marlin Avenue  
Bronx, New York

Mr. Aaron Coleman  
42 Branchport Avenue  
Long Branch, New Jersey

Mr. Edward Chalamonsky  
52 Woodland Avenue  
Great Kills, Staten Island

Mr. Cleveland U. Byram, Jr.  
100-47 208th Street  
Queens Village, Long Island

Mr. David I. Breitzer  
186 Tompkins Avenue  
Brooklyn, New York

Mr. Lawrence Berg  
202 Albamarle Road  
Brooklyn, New York

Mr. Morris M. Baylen  
738 Snediker Avenue  
Brooklyn, New York

Mr. Joel Barr  
241 West 97th Street  
New York 25, New York

Mr. William J. Bachman  
16 Beechwood Road, PFD #1  
Florham Park, New Jersey

Mr. Louis Antell  
1636 Park Place  
Brooklyn, New York

Mr. Eincus Katzoff  
372 Clason Avenue  
Brooklyn 4, New York

Mr. Isidore Hodes  
362 Snediker Avenue  
Brooklyn 7, New York

Mr. John Hermayer  
819 Canldwell Avenue  
Bronx, New York

Mr. Herbert F. Hecker  
1152 St. Johns Place  
Brooklyn, New York

Mr. Morris Mandelstman  
1660 Topping Avenue  
New York 57, New York

Mr. Irving Goodman  
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Bronx, 57, New York

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31 Cedar Avenue - apartment 23  
Long Branch, New Jersey

Mr. Irving M. Affias  
3339 Hull Avenue  
Bronx 67, New York

Mr. Benjamin Zuckerman  
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Bronx, New York

Mr. Vincent W. Witkus  
3205 217th Street  
Queens Village, Long Island

Mr. Joseph Uthall  
207 West 106th Street  
New York 25, New York

Mr. Melvin Tanchel  
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Bronx, New York

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

NEW YORK

FILE NO.

65-5076

REPORT MADE AT <b>WASHINGTON, D. C.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>5/4/50</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4/14, 24/50</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>THOMAS A. MENDENHALL MFL</b>
TITLE <b>JOEL BARR</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

Records Personnel Information Branch, AGO, U. S. Army, Washington, D. C., reflect Major **HAROLD EDGAR TIMMERMAN**, ASN O-333727 presently residing Hotel Marcy, 720 West End Avenue, New York City.

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**DETAILS:**

**AT WASHINGTON, D. C.**

The following investigation was conducted by Special Employee **HOWARD SELLERS**:

The records of the Personnel Information Branch, Adjutant General's Office, U. S. Army, Washington, D. C., reflect that Major **HAROLD EDGAR TIMMERMAN**, Army Serial No. O-33727, was relieved from active duty on June 27, 1944, at Fort Dix, New Jersey, after having served as Post Intelligence Officer at Fort Hancock, New Jersey and as District Provost Marshal, Fourth District, Second Service Command. These records reflect that prior to being called for active duty on January 3, 1942, **TIMMERMAN** resided at 90 Caryl Avenue, Yonkers, New York 1, New York, and that he also furnished this address as his residence at the time he was relieved from active duty in 1944. As of January 16, 1950, however, **TIMMERMAN**'s address was reflected as the Hotel Marcy, 720 West End Avenue,

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New York City, and there was an indication that he intended remaining at that address until July 1, 1950, at which time he planned to move to West Shokan, New Jersey.

No information has been located concerning Lieutenant JOHN T. FREEMAN in the files of the Personnel Information Branch, Adjutant General's Office, but a further check is being made of these records.

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THE WASHINGTON FIELD DIVISION

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Will report the results of a further check of the Personnel Information Branch, Adjutant General's Office, U. S. Army, Washington, D. C., in an effort to locate residence address for Lieutenant JOHN T. FREEMAN.

REFERENCES:

Report of Special Agent S. ARTHUR WHORTON, JR.,  
dated February 20, 1950, at St. Louis  
Bureau File No. 65-58236



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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: May 8, 1950

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: JOEL BARR  
ESPIONAGE - R  
Bufile 65-58236

X It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above captioned individual.

\_\_\_\_\_ The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows: (Specify change only)

NAME JOEL BARR

ALIASES \_\_\_\_\_

RACE W SEX M NATIVE BORN X NATURALIZED \_\_\_\_\_ ALIEN \_\_\_\_\_

COMMUNIST X SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY \_\_\_\_\_ INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE \_\_\_\_\_

MISCELLANEOUS (Specify) SOVIET AGENT

TAB FOR DETCOM X TAB FOR COMSAB X

DATE OF BIRTH January 1, 1916 PLACE OF BIRTH Brooklyn, N.Y.

RESIDENCE ADDRESS 241 West 97th Street, NYC

Villa Regine, 16 Rue de la Retoussa, Seine, France

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address) \_\_\_\_\_

Student

NATURE OF INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS (Specify from Strategic and Vital Industry List)

None

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*Not in U.S.  
Presenting NY  
advise to  
submit when  
over returns to U.S.*

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SAC, NEW YORK

May 23, 1950

DIRECTOR, FBI

JOEL BARR  
ESPIONAGE - R  
New York File 65-14872

Re FD-122 submitted by your office 5/8/50 in captioned case, recommending that a Security Index Card be prepared on Joel Barr.

Inasmuch as the latest available information indicates that Barr is still in Europe, a Security Index Card is not being prepared at this time.

You should take the necessary steps so that you will be advised of his return to the United States, and thereafter resubmit your recommendation.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: June 8, 1950

FROM : SAC, BUFFALO

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ESPIONAGE - R  
(Bufile 65-58236)

Re report of SA PETER F. MAXSON, 5-2-50 at Albany in captioned matter. (u)

The lead for the Buffalo Office in referenced report is to furnish the New York and Albany Offices with a summary on BERNARD PETERS, including any suspected espionage activities on his part. A review of Dr. PETER'S file in this office reflects a summary investigative report, dated May 31, 1950 by SA ROBERT G. AULENBACHER. Two copies of this report were sent to the New York Office (N.Y. file 100-87166). Two copies of this report were also sent to the Albany Office (Albany file 100-9828). This report contains all the information relative to Dr. BERNARD PETERS, who at the present time is a professor of physics at the University of Rochester, Physics Building, River Campus, University of Rochester. He presently resides at 172 Salina St., Rochester, N. Y. with his wife and two children. (u)

In view of the above, this case is being considered referred upon completion to the office of origin. (u)

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RGA:JH

cc: New York (65-14872)  
Albany (65-1626)

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI  
FROM : SAC, New York  
SUBJECT: JOEL BARR  
ESPIONAGE - R  
Bufile 65-58236

DATE: June 12, 1950

A report in this case will be delayed inasmuch as the agent to whom this case is assigned has been for the past few weeks engaged in the interview of HARRY GOLD in Philadelphia.

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TITLE  <b>JOEL BARR</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

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**DETAILS:**

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Reference: Report of Special Agent Richard E. Brennan dated May 11, 1950  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI  
FROM : SAC, Albany  
SUBJECT: JOEL BARR  
ESPIONAGE - R  
Bufile 65-59236

DATE: June 29, 1950

Pursuant to instructions contained in referenced Bureau tel, Albany has opened a case on ALFRED SARANT, in which it is origin. Accordingly, future information concerning SARANT will be reported in that file rather than in the JOEL BARR case. The latter is being considered RUC by Albany, with this letter. (u)

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65-1626  
CC - New York (65-14872)

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# Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI  
FROM : SAC, San Francisco  
SUBJECT: JOEL BARR  
ESPIONAGE - R  
(Bufile 65-58236)

DATE: July 11, 1950

Reference report of SA CHARLES F. BRUSCH at San Francisco dated June 22, 1950.

Attached are corrected Page 6 of above report. It is pointed out that San Francisco T-5 should be T-5 and San Francisco T-7 should be T-6. San Francisco copies have been corrected.

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cc: New York (65-14372) (Encls. 3)  
cc: Albany (65-1626) (Encls. 2)  
cc: Los Angeles (Encl. 1)

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: July 31, 1950

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: JOEL BARR  
ESPIONAGE - R  
(Bufile 100-77232)

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Reference is made to Bureau letter of 7/6/49 captioned as above advising that CIA had reported that the subject was intending to return to the United States in the near future.

In view of his continued absence for the past year, and his definite involvement in Soviet espionage, as related recently by DAVID GREENGLASS, it is felt that inquiries should be made of CIA at the present time to determine his present whereabouts, his current activities and in addition any available information on the source of BARR'S funds. Reference letter pointed out that BARR claimed to be supported by funds sent to him by a brother who resides in New York.

However, in view of GREENGLASS' allegation that ROSENBERG said BARR was now out of the United States because of his work in the Soviet spy apparatus, it is possible an inquiry conducted to ascertain the source of BARR'S funds might disclose a heretofore unknown relationship between BARR and the Soviet intelligence system in the United States.

It is requested that the Bureau take steps to initiate this inquiry through its foreign liaison sources. It is noted that BARR'S address as reflected in the New York Office files as of May 8, 1950 was Villa Regine, 16 Rue de la Retouse, Seine, France.

*My being advised  
not being requested  
about informant as CIA, Paris,  
has requested to interview Paris  
concerning source of his funds.  
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DIRECTOR, FBI

JOEL BARR  
ESPIONAGE - R  
NY File 65-14872

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Reurlet July 13, 1950, captioned as above. (u)

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Reurlet July 31, 1950, suggesting that inquiries be made of CIA to determine the present whereabouts and activities of subject. (u)

As you know, the Legal Attache in Paris was instructed on July 25, 1950, to locate and interview Barr concerning his knowledge of and participation in the espionage operations of the Rosenberg network. Barr has not yet been located in France, although it is known that he was in Paris on June 2, 1950. The Legal Attache is, of course, continuing his efforts to locate Barr, and in addition has been requested to conduct any feasible investigation to determine the source of Barr's funds. (u)

Inasmuch as the Legal Attache is actively conducting investigation of Barr, CIA is not being requested to undertake further inquiries concerning Barr at this time. (u)

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File No: 65-59453

Re: JOEL BARR

Date: 12-20-77  
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55	7-28-50	SAC SF LETTER TO HQ, NY, AL, LA	4	4	
NR	7-21-50	NY TELETYPE TO HQ, WFO	1	—	See Bufile 65-58236
56	7-21-50	NY TELETYPE TO HQ	1	1	
57	8-3-50	NY TELETYPE TO HQ	1	1	
58	8-9-50	SAC NY MEMO TO HQ, WFO	1	1	
59	8-10-50	NY TELETYPE TO HQ, BS	1	1	
60	8-11-50	NY REPORT TO HQ	9	9	
61	9-7-50	NH REPORT TO HQ	3	3	
62	8-4-50	SAC NY MEMO TO HQ	1	1	
63	9-7-50	WFO REPORT TO HQ	4	4	
64	9-7-50	BU REPORT TO HQ	5	0	Referred
65	10-24-50	SAC NY LETTER HQ	1	1	

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			Actual	Released	
65	10-24-50	BU TELETYPE TO NY	1	1	
66	9-8-50	NY TELETYPE TO HQ	1	1	
66	9-23-50	HQ LETTER LEGAT LON	2	0	Referral
NR	10-4-50	SAC NY LETTER TO HQ	1	—	See Bu file 65-58236
67	10-10-50	NY REPORT TO HQ	11	11	
67	11-4-50	HQ LETTER TO SAC NY	1	1	
NR	9-27-50	SAC SJ LETTER TO HQ	2	2	
NR	10-16-50	HQ LETTER TO WFO	1	1	
NR	10-17-50	OTHER GOVT AGENCY TO HQ	2	0	Referral
68	10-25-50	INTERNAL MEMO WITH ENCLOSURE	1	—	See Bu file 65-58236
69	10-23-50	LEGAT LON LETTER TO HQ	1	1	
NR	10-26-50	SAC WFO LETTER TO HQ	1	0	Referral

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70	11-6-50	AL REPORT TO HQ	3	3	
71	10-24-50	INTERNAL MEMO	1	1	
72	11-18-50	SAC NY TELETYPE TO HQ	1	1	
73	11-16-50	LEGAT LON LETTER TO HQ	1	1	
74	12-6-50	NY REPORT TO HQ	8	8	
74	12-6-50	COPY OF REPORT	8	8	
75	12-6-50	LEGAT LON LETTER TO HQ	6	6	
75	12-20-50	HQ LETTER TO SAC NY	1	1	
76	10-12-50	INTERNAL MEMO	2	0	Referred
77	9-28-50	INTERNAL MEMO	5	5	
77	12-7-50	HQ LETTER TO SAC NY	1	1	
78	12-16-50	BS REPORT TO HQ	5	5	



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78	1-3-51	HQ LETTER TO SAC BS	1	1	
79	1-8-50	INTERNAL MEMO (Blind memo)	2	0	Referral
80	1-6-51	INTERNAL MEMO	1	1	
81	1-13-51	INTERNAL MEMO	1	1	
82	1-13-51	INTERNAL MEMO	1	0	Referral
83	12-20-50	LEGAT PARIS LETTER TO HQ	6	-	See Bufile 65-59312
NR	1-3-51	<sup>SAC</sup> NY LETTER TO HQ	10	-	See Bufile 65-58236
83	1-15-51	HQ LETTER TO SAC NY	5	-	See Bufile 65-59312
84	1-15-51	HQ LETTER TO OTHER GOVT AGENCY	2	2	
85	1-22-51	SAC HQ LETTER TO HQ	1	1	
86	1-19-51	SA LETTER TO SA	1	1	
87	1-27-51	NY TELETYPE TO HQ	2	2	

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NR	3-15-51	HQ LETTER TO NY	3	—	See Bufile 65-59334
88	3-16-51	BO REPORT TO HQ	5	5	
89	3-27-51	SAC NY LETTER TO HQ	3	3	<del>Being processed</del> <del>See NY file 65-15348</del>
NR	4-3-51	HQ LETTER TO SACPH	1	—	F1264 9-19-78 See Bufile 65-59334-117
NR	4-4-51	MEMO FROM OTHER GOVT AGENCY	1	1	
NR	4-17-51	HQ LETTER TO SAC NY	1	1	
NR	<del>4-26-51</del> <del>5-24-51</del>	NY TELETYPE TO HQ	2	—	F1264 9-19-78 See Bufile 65-59334-115
90	4-4-51	NY REPORT TO HQ	14	0	Referred

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TO : Director, FBI  
FROM : SAC, San Francisco  
SUBJECT: JOEL BARR  
ESPIONAGE - R  
(Bufile 65-58236)

DATE: July 28, 1950

Re report of SA CHARLES F. BRUSCH at San Francisco dated June 22, 1950.

Attached are corrected copies of Page 4 of above report to replace the page 4 originally submitted. In the original Page [redacted] was erroneously reported as [redacted]

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cc: New York (65-14872) (Encls. 3)  
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 DIRECTOR URGENT

JOEL BARR, ESP-R. INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED THIS DATE AT TWO FOUR ONE  
 WEST NINE SEVEN STREET, NEW YORK CITY, REFLECTS THAT BARR HAS NOT  
 RETURNED TO U.S. [REDACTED] AT THIS <sup>672</sup>  
 ADDRESS REFLECTS THAT MRS. REBECCA BARR IS STILL LIVING THERE ALONE.  
 BUREAU-S ATTENTION CALLED TO NEW YORK LETTER, OCTOPER TWENTYSEVEN,  
 FORTYNINE, REFLECTING THAT BARR-S EUROPEAN ADDRESS IS VILLA REGINE,  
 SIXTEEN RUE DE LA RETOUSE, SEINE, FRANCE. BUREAU IS REQUESTED,  
 THROUGH ESTABLISHED SOURCES, TO DETERMINE IF BARR IS PRESENTLY RESIDING  
 AT THIS ADDRESS IN FRANCE. CLOSE CONTACT WILL BE MAINTAINED WITH  
 WEST NINE SEVEN STREET RESIDENCE IN ORDER TO IMMEDIATELY DETERMINE  
 IF BARR RETURNS TO U.S.

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JOEL P. BARR, ESP-R. REBUTEL, JULY THIRTYONE, LAST, CAPTIONED,  
WILLIAM PERL, FSP-C. REBECCA BARR, INTERVIEWED  
~~REBECCA BARR, INTERVIEWED~~ AND ADVISED SHE HAD

NOT RECEIVED ANY LETTERS OR INFO FROM HER SON, JOEL, IN A YEAR.

AS SHE CANNOT WRITE, SHE HAS NEVER WRITTEN HIM AND IS ABLE TO READ  
VERY LITTLE. ELEVATOR OPERATOR IN BUILDING ADVISED HE READE MOST  
OF HER LETTERS TO HER. MRS. BARR HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF JOEL-S PRESENT  
ADDRESS OR ANY PAST ADDRESSES. SHE ADVISED HER OTHER SON, BERNARD  
BARR, RESIDES IN BROOKLYN, ADDRESS UNKNOWN. AS SOON AS BERNARD BARR  
IS LOCATED, HE WILL BE INTERVIEWED REGARDING ANY KNOWLEDGE HE MAY  
HAVE CONCERNING BARR-S PRESENT LOCATION.

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: August 9, 1950

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: JOEL BARR  
ESPIONAGE - R

By letters to the Washington Field Office dated July 27, 1950, that office has been requested to place a national lookout notice for the subject with the Immigration and Naturalization Service and a national stop notice with the Bureau of Customs.

By letter of the same date, the Washington Field Office has been requested to check the Passport Division of the State Department to see if BARR has had his passport renewed abroad.

Above for information of the Bureau.

cc-Washington Field

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Miss Gandy	

CONF WASHINGTON 43 AND BOSTON 1 FROM NEW YORK 10 7-27 P  
DIRECTOR AND SAC URGENT

JOEL BARR, ESPR. RNYTEL TO BUREAU AUG THREE FIFTY. BERNARD BARR AND ARTHUR BARR, BROTHERS OF SUBJ, AND IRIS BARR GILBOARD, WHO WAS VISITING WERE INTERVIEWED AT TWENTY W. TWENTYSECOND ST., NYC. NONE KNEW SUBJ-S PRESENT OR PAST ADDRESS. HOWEVER, IRIS LATER FURNISHED THE LAST ADDRESS, KNOWN TO HER AS OF SEVEN MONTHS AGO WHICH IS CARE OF VILLA REGIENE, SIXTEEN RUE DE LA TELOUSE, NEUILLY-PLAISANCE /SNO/, FRANCE. NONE HAVE RECD ANY COMMUNICATION FROM THE SUBJ IN OVER SEVEN MONTHS. ARTHUR ADVISED HE SENDS MONEY TO JOEL WHEN HE HEARS FROM HIM AS PAYMENT FOR THE AUTO HE BOUGHT FROM JOEL BEFORE SUBJ LEFT FOR EUROPE. NO ADDL INFO OF VALUE WAS OBTAINED. BOSTON IS REQUESTED TO COVER MAIL RECD FROM EUROPE BY IRIS BARR GILBOARD, THIRTYTHREE AMES ST., LAWRENCE, MASS.

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TITLE <b>JOEL BARR</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject as of June, 1950 still in Europe, but left Paris address for destination unknown and left personal belongings behind. RESECCA BARR, mother, and BERNARD BARR, brother of subject, have not heard from subject in over six months. DAVID GREENGLASS stated JULIUS ROSENBERG told him JOEL BARR was doing espionage work for the Russians overseas and was formerly a contact of his, ROSENBERG, in United States. BARR rented premises 227 West 11th Street to JAMES YATES. VIVIAN GLASSMAN advised in interview that BARR was formerly her fiance until he left for Europe.

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## DETAILS:

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised that in an interview with SAMUEL PERL, PERL advised that he had talked to BARR and that BARR had denied being a Communist but admitted being fired from a Federal job due to false accusations that he was a Communist.

PERL stated that his last contact with BARR was on June 2, 1950, at which time he was informed that BARR was leaving Paris for a destination which he refused to state.

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According to PERL, BARR made efforts to sell his motorcycle prior to departure but same was left at his former residence among his personal effects. BARR'S former landlady expected him to return sometime in the future but BARR did not leave any forwarding address.

Mrs. REBECCA BARR, 241 West 97th Street, New York City, mother of the subject, was interviewed by Special Agents DOUGLAS P. WHITE and FREDERICK C. BAUCKHAM on August 3, 1950 and advised that she had not heard from the subject in over a year. She stated that she does not write at all, not being able to, and reads very little, which is the reason she does not hear from her son. She advised that she had no idea as to his present address or any place that he might have intended to go to.

She stated that she has two other sons, namely BERNARD, and ARTHUR BARR, who work at 20 West 22nd Street, in the Barco Press Company. She also has a daughter by the name of IRIS GILBERT or GILBOARD, who recently married, and is now living in Boston.

BERNARD BARR, 20 West 22nd Street, New York City, was interviewed on August 7, 1950 by Special Agents EDWARD C. MORGAN, JR, and FREDERICK C. BAUCKHAM and advised that he had not heard from the subject in over six months, and had no idea as to his present address. He stated he was never very close to the subject as he was older than JOEL and consequently knew very little about his activities. He recalled that JOEL had a girl friend by the name of VIVIAN, but could not recall the last name.

In regard to JOEL'S trip to Europe, he recalled that JOEL sold an automobile, phonograph records and his personal belongings to raise enough money to make this trip. He understood that JOEL was going to Europe to study music.

DAVID GREENGLASS, a self confessed Soviet espionage agent, in an interview conducted July 17, 1950 by Special Agents JOHN W. LEWIS and IEO H. FRUTKIN, stated that JULIUS ROSENBERG came to him and told him he would

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have to leave the country. ROSENBERG, according to GREENGLASS, was a Soviet Agent who recruited GREENGLASS to do espionage for the Russians. GREENGLASS said he refused to leave the United States and when HARRY GOLD'S picture appeared in the papers in connection with his arrest ROSENBERG came to him again and said that this was the man who contacted him in Albuquerque. ROSENBERG again said he would have to leave the country and that more important persons than GREENGLASS have left the country already, such as JOEL BARR, who had left before FUCHS was arrested in England, and is doing work for the Russians overseas.

Mrs. RUTH GREENGLASS, wife of DAVID GREENGLASS, on the same day advised Special Agents JOHN A. HARRINGTON and WILLIAM F. NORTON that JOEL BARR had a girl friend named VIVIAN, last name unknown, who is a social worker and formerly worked for the National Maritime Union in 1944 or 1945 and subsequent to that time worked for the Jewish Philanthropy. RUTH said that in about 1945 VIVIAN lived on the Northwest corner of Fifth Street and Avenue "C", New York City.

In interviews with DAVID GREENGLASS, conducted by Special Agents JOHN W. LEWIS and LEO H. FRUTKIN, GREENGLASS has stated that when JOEL BARR left the United States, probably in 1949 JULIUS ROSENBERG told DAVID GREENGLASS that JOEL BARR had gone to Europe to study music under the famous composer SIBELIUS, who wrote "Finlandia". After the arrest of KLAUS FUCHS, JULIUS ROSENBERG told DAVID GREENGLASS, in February, 1950, that JOEL BARR had left the United States to do espionage work for the Russians in Europe and that BARR had been one of ROSENBERG'S espionage contacts in the United States.

GREENGLASS also stated that ROSENBERG told him that BARR is using his music studies as a cover for his espionage activities. GREENGLASS further advised that JOEL BARR is a very close friend of JULIUS ROSENBERG.

On July 25, 1950, JAMES YATES was interviewed at 227 West 11th Street, New York City, by Special Agents ROBERT F. ROYAL and HERMAN C. LITTLEJOHN, JR., and he advised that in connection with the store located at 227 West 11th Street, in about the latter part of 1946 a friend told him that the shop at 227 West 11th Street might be available for renting. He thereupon went to 227 West 11th Street and met JOEL BARR.

YATES identified a photograph of JOEL BARR shown to him by the Agents as the individual he knew as JOEL BARR.

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YATES continued that he told BARR that he needed a place to work and when BARR told him he would let him use the shop if YATES would pay half the rent which was \$32.50 per month, he decided to work there and conducted his radio business. YATES continued that BARR had never mentioned anyone by the name of ALFRED SARANT to him, but that he saw the sign "SARANT LABORATORIES" on the window of the store and on all papers and letterheads lying around the store.

YATES further stated that BARR told him that he was not using the store but just had his things there. YATES said that after agreeing to BARR'S proposition he moved his equipment, which he described as a Tube-tester, Signal-tracer, Signal Generator, Scope, and a few radios into the shop. He described the equipment that BARR had there as a work-bench with a wooden top, various tools and a large metal drill-press. YATES stated that the shop was very dirty and looked like it had not been used for a time. YATES said that he fixed radio sets at this place for about two months paying half of the \$32.50 rent to BARR in cash.

He stated that BARR was not in the shop more than two or three times during these two months and when BARR was in the shop he worked on a signal-tester that he was building. YATES continued that two months after he started paying his rent a truck came and picked up the drill-press, a few tools and boxes which was everything that BARR had in the shop at the time and took them away. He could not describe the truck or give any information that would indicate the destination of this equipment, and he said he never saw BARR again. He stated that he never observed any photographic equipment in the shop and never at any time saw BARR with a camera.

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FRANK GIBSON, Elevator Man, 241 West 7th Street, New York City, was contacted August 3, 1950 and advised that to his knowledge JOEL BARR had not returned to that address nor had he seen any mail coming to that address from Europe. One of GIBSON'S duties is to sort and deliver mail to the occupants of the building and in this way he can observe all mail going to BARR'S mother. GIBSON also advised that Mrs. BARR'S daughter IRIS GILBOARD, and her son-in-law (HAROLD), to his knowledge lived in Boston, Massachusetts.

VIVIAN GLASSMAN in an interview conducted August 3, 1950, at her residence, 131 East 7th Street, New York City, by Special Agents RICHARD T. HRADSKY and ROBERT F. ROYAL, advised that on July 21, 1950 at about 8 p.m. a man knocked on her apartment door and stated that he was a friend. This

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stranger asked her if she knew "JOHN" and when she said "no" he made reference to JOEL BARR and she advised that BARR was her former fiance. The stranger then stated by way of identifying himself that at one time he was going to help BARR go to Europe. She stated that although she did not know this man she thought she could trust him as long as he was a friend of JOEL BARR'S.

This stranger then asked her if she would go to Cleveland to visit her friend an aeronautical engineer who was interested in her sister. She believed that he was referring to her sister ELEANOR who was very fond of WILLIAM PERL. The stranger told her to tell PERL to go to Mexico and he gave her a roll of money and stated, here is \$2,000. He then departed.

She advised, in brief, that she took this trip to Cleveland and that WILLIAM PERL told her that she must be crazy to get mixed up in such a deal and told her to return to New York and wash her hands of the whole affair.

On the evening of July 27, 1950 she advised that the stranger again appeared at her apartment and asked her if she had gone to Cleveland and she related what PERL had told her, returned the \$2,000 and asked him not to come back. Thereupon the stranger departed.

She advised with regards to JOEL BARR that when BARR was planning to go to France to study in 1947 she also planned to go to France to study. She said she had reservations on one steamship line and he had reservations on another. When he learned that she was going to France, he changed his reservations to the line on which she had reservations. VIVIAN GLASSMAN stated that she thought BARR was going to marry her but had not done so by the sailing time and she cancelled her steamship reservations and they had personal differences.. She stated that BARR has never corresponded with her since that time nor has she written to him.

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On July 22, 1950 Special Agents PAUL J. BLASCO and MICHAEL MC DONAGH reviewed the Manhattan Telephone Directory's at the New York Public Library at 42nd Street and Fifth Avenue, for the years 1940 to 1950 against the name of JOEL BARR but found no listing under that name.

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, was shown the photograph of JOEL BARR but was unable to recognize him.

Miss WEIR SPENCE, on July 25, 1950 was contacted by SA'S HERMAN C. LITTLEJOHN, JR, and ROBERT F. ROYAL and when shown the picture of JOEL BARR identified him as the individual entering and leaving the ALFRED SARANT apartment at 65 Merton Street, New York City from the time of its occupancy up to about two years ago.

Mr. ALLEN MANZAVINOS, 86 Madison Avenue, New York City, advised that he had been a fellow student at C.C.N.Y. with JULIUS ROSENBERG and that he believed JOEL BARR, WILLIAM MUTTERPERL and MAY ELITCHER, were all in a leftist group at the university.

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NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will continue to report information received from interviews of various subjects involved in the ROSENBERG espionage trial.

Will interview ARTHUR BARR at 20 West 22nd Street in order to obtain information concerning the present whereabouts of JOEL BARR and past activities of the subject.

Will report any information received from the Bureau concerning the subject's whereabouts in Europe.

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

The Confidential Informants mentioned in the report of Special Agent FREDERICK C. BAUCKHAM, dated August 11, 1950 at New York, are as follows:

T-1 - Bureau teletype dated July 31, 1950  
setting forth information received  
from the Legal Attache, Paris, France.

T-2 [REDACTED]

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REFERENCE:

New York teletype to Bureau dated 8/4/50.  
New York report of RICHARD E. BRENNAN dated  
5/11/50.

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TITLE <b>JOEL BARR</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Stop placed at U. S. Customs Office  
Bridgeport, Connecticut on subject.

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## DETAILS:

A stop was placed against subject, for  
an indefinite period, with [REDACTED] b7c  
U. S. Customs Service, Bridgeport,  
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TITLE  <b>JOEL BARR</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

National lookout notices placed with the Collector of Customs on subject BARR. Passport Division of the U.S. State Department has been requested to immediately notify Washington Field Office in the event BARR's original passport is renewed.

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**DETAILS:**

AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

By letter dated August 3, 1950, a national lookout notice was placed with the Collector of Customs on subject JOEL BARR, requesting that in the event the subject enters into any United States port the nearest Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation be notified and BARR's clearance delayed in so far as possible without arrest in order that he might be placed under physical surveillance by Federal Bureau of Investigation Agents. It was also requested that if possible a Customs search be made of BARR's personal effects in the presence of Federal Bureau of Investigation Agents. It was stated, however, that under no circumstances should BARR be made aware of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's interest in him.

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By letter dated July 31, 1950, the Washington Field Office requested that the Passport Division of the State Department advise this office immediately in the event BARR's original passport is renewed.

Referenced New York letter to the Washington Field Office dated July 27, 1950, requested that a national lookout notice be placed with the Central Office of Immigration and Naturalization Service. This Service has advised that a stop or lookout notice placed with them on a United States citizen would have no effect, as they do not maintain any checks against the movement of United States citizens.



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<b>TITLE</b>  <b>JOEL BARR</b>			<b>CHARACTER OF CASE</b>  <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

National lookout notices placed with the Collector of Customs on subject BARR. Passport Division of the U.S. State Department has been requested to immediately notify Washington Field Office in the event BARR's original passport is removed.

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**DETAILS:**

AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

By letter dated August 3, 1950, a national lookout notice was placed with the Collector of Customs on subject JOEL BARR, requesting that in the event the subject enters into any United States port the nearest Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation be notified and BARR's clearance delayed in so far as possible without arrest in order that he might be placed under physical surveillance by Federal Bureau of Investigation Agents. It was also requested that if possible a Customs search be made of BARR's personal effects in the presence of Federal Bureau of Investigation Agents. It was stated, however, that under no circumstances should BARR be made aware of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's interest in him.

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT: L. AINE GOLDFARB  
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Authority is requested from the Bureau to interview LAINE FRIEDMAN, nee LAINE GOLDFARB in reference to her association with the subject.

In the report of SA Richard E. Brennan in the above captioned case dated 8/12/49 at New York the background of LAINE GOLDFARB is set forth which reflects she was president of the Queensbridge Club, CPA, in January, 1945 and held a CPA card in the Corona Club, CPA, Queens, Long Island in 1944. Also she attended a State Personnel Training Course for Party Leadership, CPA in 1945.

The New York Office has a closed Security Matter case concerning LAINE FRIEDMAN, was. the last report of which is dated October 26, 1948 (Bufile 100-333728) and at that time there was no indication she was active in the Communist Party. Since that time nothing has come to the attention of the New York Office indicating any activity in the Communist Party.

It should be noted that LAINE GOLDFARB posed as the wife of the subject during 1940 and 1941 at Long Branch, New Jersey when subject was located at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey and employed by the Signal Service at large. GOLDFARB married GEORGE MORRIS FRIEDMAN on May 29, 1942.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

October 24, 1950

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PURSUANT TO YOUR REQUEST, YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO INTERVIEW LARRY  
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**DETAILS:**

Mr. BERNARD BARR, ARTHUR BARR and IRIS BARR GILBOARD, brothers and sister of the subject, were interviewed at 20 West 22nd Street, New York City by SA ROBERT L. STEVENSON and reporting agent, and they advised at that time that they had no knowledge of the present or past address of the subject. (u)

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business consisted of a machine which JULIUS ROSENBERG built for him when ROSENBERG operated the Pitt Machine Company of 370 East Houston Street, New York City. BERNARD BARR further advised that he was very dissatisfied with the machine which had caused him a lot of trouble and that he had had a fight with ROSENBERG concerning the price. He never had any more dealings with ROSENBERG and had not seen him since. (u)

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised that JOEL BARR had applied for a \$2500 loan from the Chase National Bank, 18 Pine Street, New York City, on March 1, 1947. At that time, BARR indicated that he was 31 years of age, single, with no dependents, and resided at Penthouse Apartment, 15K, 241 West 97th Street, New York City, for the past four years. His previous residence was 85 Bristol Street, Brooklyn. He indicated that he had been employed for the last four months by the Sperry Gyroscope Corporation, Lake Success, as a project engineer, Repair Department, at a salary of \$5400 per annum. He gave his previous employment as an engineer with the Western Electric Company, Kearny, New Jersey, from March 1942 to October 1945. (u)

BARR further indicated that he maintained a special checking account at the 96th Street Branch of the National City Bank of New York, and he maintained a \$5000 life insurance with the Hartford Travellers. He stated he owned no real estate or automobile at that time. He gave the purpose for this loan the desire to repay Mr. THOMAS WALLEN, 165 Rutland Road, Hempstead, New York, who was a personal friend. He further stated that WALLEN'S loan amounted to \$3500 and the present balance was \$2500. A co-maker for this proposed loan was given as BERNARD BARR, who was the brother of JOEL BARR. The loan was rejected because the present co-maker was not satisfactory and the bank heard nothing further from JOEL BARR. (u)

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, advised that on March 5, 1945, a loan in the amount of \$540 was made by the Industrial Bank of Commerce, 5 Union Square, New York City, to a Miss JOEL BARR, 241 West 97th Street. This informant believed that this was a clerical error and the word Miss had been inserted on the card. Because the records at the bank on loan applications had been destroyed, he could not verify this. The co-maker on this loan was given as ALFRED SARANT, 65 Morton Street, New York City, telephone number BR 9-9300. A check issued for this loan was endorsed first by JOEL BARR and secondly by ROSE BARR, and was received for deposit by the National City Bank, New York City, on March 8, 1945. (u)

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On March 7, 1947, Confidential Informant T-2 advised that a loan in the amount of \$720.00 was made by the Industrial Bank to JOEL BARR. The terms of this loan were for 15 months with payments of \$48 per month, and the final payment was made August 2, 1948. In the application for this loan, the following information was given for JOEL BARR:

Residence	241 West 97th Street New York City
Previous Residence	65 Bristol Street Brooklyn, New York
Employment	Sperry Gyroscope Corporation, Great Neck, Long Island
Length of Employment	Four months
Supervisor	Mr. ERIC <del>ISBISTER</del>
Salary	\$5400
Previous Employment	Western Electric Company, Kearny, New Jersey
Rent	\$30 monthly and \$60 a month for board
Other Banks	Special checking account at 96th Street Branch, National City Bank, New York City
Citizenship	USA

The co-maker on this loan was BERNARD BARR, brother of the subject. (u)

In addition to the above loan, Confidential Informant T-2 advised that there had been additional loans of \$115.56 made September 29, 1941 and \$153.41 made November 27, 1941 to JOEL BARR. (u)

In interviews with ALFRED SARANT, SARANT advised that in regards to the Sarant Laboratory located at 227 West 11th Street, that BARR located the building at this address and that he and BARR jointly rented the place. He stated that they used it as a work shop and that BARR had had gold letters placed on the window of the building indicating the name Sarant Laboratories. He further stated that BARR and himself had bought a lathe for about \$160 and a bench with steel legs and a wooden top for this laboratory. (u)

SARANT further advised that in regards to the apartment at 65 Morton Street that he had received rent from either JOEL BARR or WILLIAM PERL (u)

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but he could not recall which one. He stated he and BARR shared the apartment originally, but he gave up the apartment when he went to Ithaca, New York in September 1946. (u)

Mrs. ALFRED SARANT was also interviewed and advised that she knew JOEL BARR and had been on a canoe trip in the fall or late summer of 1945. She stated that she did not know if BARR was a member of the Communist Party although she admitted that she had been in 1944 and 1945. She stated that she never saw BARR or her husband making document photographs in the apartment at 65 Morton Street. (u)

In the subsequent interviews, ALFRED SARANT advised that BARR possessed a Leica camera in 1944 and 1945. He stated he had no knowledge of where BARR obtained this camera and further advised that BARR did some portrait work in the apartment at 65 Morton Street, but never did any document work. He said they also did some developing together. (u)

Mr. RONALD EUGENE BURDIC, 12-01 12th Street, Fairlawn, New Jersey, was interviewed at his office, 1100 McGraw-Hill Building, 330 West 42nd Street, New York City, by SA HERMAN LITTLEJOHN. Mr. BURDIC advised that he had been a resident of apartment 6H at 65 Morton Street, New York City, from approximately the fall of 1941 until February 1946. He stated while he was a resident at this address he met ALFRED SARANT and JOEL BARR. He further stated that to all appearances, SARANT and BARR shared the apartment 6I at this address. (u)

Mr. BURDIC continued that during the summer months while the doors of the apartments at 65 Morton Street were generally left open, he and his wife heard classical music being played on a phonograph in the SARANT apartment and because of the mutual interest in such music, he and his wife became friendly with ALFRED SARANT. He further stated that he and his wife had been invited to the SARANT'S apartment before SARANT'S marriage and that there only had been JOEL BARR and SARANT in the apartment. After SARANT'S marriage, however, Mr. BURDIC said that the apartment was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. SARANT only. (u)

Mr. BURDIC further related that he had been told about an old store that BARR and SARANT had rented where they could conduct experiments. He (u)

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said they both felt that they had inventive genius in the electronics field. He stated that after SARANT'S marriage, JOEL BARR appeared to stop visiting the SARANT apartment and he saw very little of them. (u)

The father and brothers of ALFRED SARANT, namely, Mr. N.G. ~~SARANT~~, GEORGE RICHARD ~~SARANT~~, and WILLIAM ~~SARANT~~ were interviewed by SAS DANIEL F. O'CONNOR and FREDERICK C. BAUCKHAM and the only information they could furnish was that they had met JOEL BARR a few times when he came out to visit with ALFRED SARANT. They had no knowledge of JOEL BARR'S background or activities. (u)

In interviews conducted with MAX ~~ELITCHER~~, ELITCHER stated that he knew BARR at College of the City of New York, but did not associate with him. He recalled that BARR graduated from the College of the City of New York in 1938 with a degree in engineering. He did not see BARR from 1938 until about 1944 or 1945, at which time he was brought in contact with BARR again through JULIUS ROSENBERG. (u)

ELITCHER stated that BARR was intelligent, capable, sociable and good company and he and his wife, HELEN ~~ELITCHER~~, both liked BARR. He further stated that he associated with JOEL BARR on two visits to ALFRED SARANT'S apartment, inasmuch as BARR was present and was a close friend of ALFRED SARANT. He also recalled that BARR was present on one occasion at a social gathering in the home of JULIUS ROSENBERG some time around the end of the year 1946. ELITCHER could not recall meeting BARR except at social functions. He also advised that BARR appeared to be very close to JULIUS ROSENBERG, although he thought that BARR was superior to ROSENBERG intellectually. (u)

ELITCHER was able to recall on one occasion when he and his wife went to the home of BARR'S parents which he said was located west of Broadway around 99th Street in New York City. He said at the time there was a small party in progress and to the best of his recollection, WILLIAM ~~PERL~~ was present at this party, but ROSENBERG was not. He further recalled that after refreshments had been served at BARR'S house, they decided to go to see JULIUS ROSENBERG and his wife. Thereafter, he said he and his wife with JOEL BARR and WILLIAM PERL went to JULIUS ROSENBERG'S apartment and he believed when they arrived there that MORTON SOBELL was also present. ELITCHER could furnish no further information concerning BARR. (u)

DAVID GREENGLASS when interviewed on August 31, 1950 by SA LEO H. FRUTKIN advised that he recalled while the G & R Engineering Company was still (u)



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in existence, JOEL BARR came in a few times to use the lathe to make some bushings for a fishing rod or something of that nature. GREENGLASS also recalled that JOEL BARR used to putter at a bench in the rear of the G & R shop working on what appeared to be a radio chassis. GREENGLASS stated that BARR was never employed by the G & R Engineering Company. (u)

Mrs. RUTH GREENGLASS, wife of DAVID GREENGLASS, in an interview by SA JOHN A. HARRINGTON, advised that one night during the Christmas holidays of 1947, she was in ETHEL ROSENBERG'S apartment and that VIVIAN GLASSMAN and JOEL BARR were also there. She recalled that VIVIAN brought clothes, including ski pants, sweaters and other heavy clothes for ETHEL who was going on a vacation with her husband, JULIUS. RUTH stated that she knew nothing else about this proposed vacation. She stated that at most she saw VIVIAN on four or five occasions, but that ETHEL ROSENBERG spoke about her quite often, indicating that she was going out with VIVIAN. (u)

Mrs. GREENGLASS recalled on one occasion when DAVID and she had little funds and apparently JULIUS and ETHEL also had little funds, JOEL BARR and VIVIAN came to ETHEL'S house and BARR bought the whole dinner for everybody. She said that ETHEL told her about this. She stated that on another occasion about two and a half years ago when she was in ETHEL'S house, JOEL BARR and VIVIAN came to the house and brought ETHEL a pressure cooker. She further stated that she did not think that JOEL BARR was working with JULIUS ROSENBERG because BARR seemed to have money and to be on the same level with JULIUS ROSENBERG. (u)

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During the interviews with FLOYD ELWYN, Sr., former Superintendent of 65 Morton Street when he was shown a photograph of JOEL BARR, he advised that this could be a photograph of a man or his twin who used to visit with two single girls who resided in apartment 6C at 85 Barrow Street from 1938 to 1942. He stated that this man was called FELDMAN and that FELDMAN received mail at that address either in the care of the two girls mentioned above or in the care of ARTHUR GRAVES, apartment 1-0, 85 Barrow Street. ELWYN stated that GRAVES had admitted to him personally that he was "Red and Red as hell" in 1938. (u)

A search of ALFRED SARANT'S home at Cayuga Heights Road, RD #1, Ithaca, New York, was conducted after he executed a waiver of search authorizing SAS JOHN D. MAHONEY and PETER F. MAXSON to make such a search. The search disclosed a photograph of IRIS BARR, JOEL BARR and JOEL BARR with VIVIAN GLASSMAN. There was also a letter of five pages dated January 28, 1945 addressed "Dear JOE" signed GIL. The subject stated that this letter was to JOEL BARR from GIL GOODMAN who worked or lived in Bayonne, New Jersey. (u)

Mr. STANLEY ROBERT RICH was interviewed in Hartford, Connecticut, August 28, 1950 by SAS LEO FRUTKIN and JOHN HARRINGTON with SA EDWARD R. WHALEN of the New Haven office, and RICH advised in this interview that he only recalled BARR as a fellow student at the College of the City of New York with whom he had little contact and he had not seen him since graduation from the College of the City of New York. (u)

The photograph of BARR was exhibited to the following people, but they could not identify him: HARRY GOLD, ALFRED DEAN SLACK, ELIZABETH BENTLEY, J. DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and MARK GRAUBARD, who has admitted that he was engaged in Russian espionage in the 1930's. (u)

Confidential Informants T-3 and T-4, both of known reliability, were also shown the photograph of BARR, but could not identify him. (u)

WALDO MC NUTT was also shown the photograph of BARR and although he stated he knew JULIUS ROSENBERG, he could not identify the photograph of BARR. (u)

Mr. ARTHUR BARR, brother of the subject, was contacted October 2, 1950, and advised that he had not heard from his brother, JOEL, and still did not know where he was located. (u)

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Confidential Informant T-5, of known reliability, advised that Mrs. REBECCA BARR, mother of the subject, received a letter from W. BERG, Brackenhill 48, Big Barn Lane, Mansfield, Wales, addressed to Miss HELEN KALM, care of Mrs. BARR. The same Informant advised that no foreign mail had been received by BERNARD BARR or ARTHUR BARR. (r) (u)

In regards to THOMAS WALLEN, who was listed as a creditor of the subject in reference to the bank loan applied for at the Chase National Bank, the New York office conducted an Atomic Energy Act Applicant investigation concerning THOMAS VILLANO WALLEN, 165 Rutland Road, Hemsptead, which reflected no derogatory information. WALLEN'S employment was given as lab technician, Sperry Gyroscope Company, Lake Success, from March 1934 to May 1947. (u)(u)

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At New York, New York

Will interview LAINE GOLDFARB FRIEDMAN when authority is received from the Bureau in regards to her association with BARR.

Will interview THOMAS VILLANO WALLEN concerning his association with BARR.

Will continue the mail covers on the relatives of the subject in view of obtaining BARR'S present whereabouts.

Will report any information received from the Bureau concerning the subject's whereabouts in Europe.

Will continue to report information received from interviews of various subjects involved in the ROSENBERG espionage parallel.

*Auth. by  
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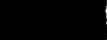
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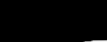
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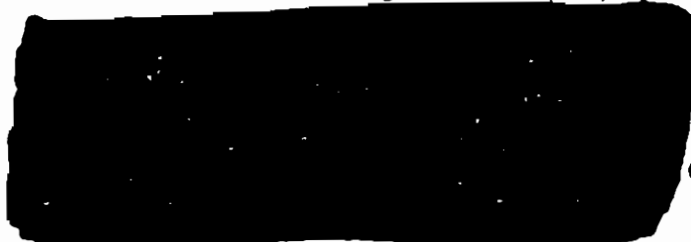
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DIRECTOR, FBI

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Re: Special Agent Frederick C. Deuchman, dated October 16, 1950, at New York City.

It is noted that on Page 8 of referenced report information is set out concerning delivery to Mrs. Rebecca Barr, 241 West 97th Street, New York City, of a letter addressed to Miss Helen Kaln, care of Mrs. Barr. The addressor of this letter is V. Berg, Brackenhill No. 40, Big Barn Lane, Mansfield, Wales. Airtel of September 8, 1950, advised that your files contain no information regarding Helen Kaln. Your office apparently has conducted no investigation to determine her identity, and referenced report sets out no leads for that purpose.

In view of the information developed to date regarding subject, and particularly the statement reportedly made by Julius Rosenberg to Ruth Greenglass in the late Spring of 1950 that Joel Barr was in Europe working for the Russians and using his music studies as a cover for espionage, all leads to locate Barr must be given careful attention. Accordingly, you should discreetly identify Helen Kaln and thereafter determine whether further investigation of her appears warranted. Bureau files contain no identifiable data regarding Helen Kaln.

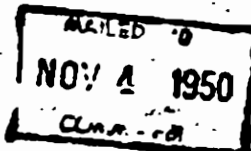
Our Legal Attache in London has been informed of subject's background and probable espionage involvement, and is presently attempting to determine whether V. Berg may be identical with subject.

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By letter from New York to the Bureau dated 7/24/50, captioned ANATOLI ANTONOVICH YAKOVLEV, was., ESPIONAGE - R, the New York Office advised that stops were being placed by the Washington Field Office with the U. S. Customs Service and Immigration and Naturalization Service at all ports of entry and departure from the United States.

As of 9/22/50 no stops have been received here by the Customs Service or Immigration and Naturalization Service at the Port of San Juan to be placed against this subject.

This information is brought to the attention of the Bureau and the office of origin in view of the fact that air lines operating direct from Europe use San Juan as their United States port of entry, and in addition, several foreign air lines operate directly from Europe to neighboring islands in the Caribbean which connect with Puerto Rico through feeder lines. In addition many foreign vessels from European ports make their United States entry at the port of San Juan, or the free port at St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

In view of the above it has been felt that the delay in having stops placed at this port could be very detrimental to the successful investigation of this case, and local stops have been placed by this office.

By letter from New York to Washington Field dated 8/9/50, this office was advised that similar stops with Immigration and Naturalization Service, and the United States Customs Service were being placed against subject JOEL BARR.

It was determined on 9/22/50 that a stop had been placed against BARR with the U. S. Customs Service, but up to date no stop had been received by the District Office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

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Memo to the Director  
Re: ANATOLI ANTONOVICH YAKOVLEV wa  
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Consequently a local stop has now been placed by this office with Immigration and Naturalization Service against BARR for the reason set forth above.

It is being suggested to the Bureau that a check be made of the procedure by which national stops are being placed with the United States Customs and the Immigration and Naturalization Service, in order that it may be determined whether or not their administrative procedure is faulty and certain of the ports are not receiving notices of stops placed by the Bureau.

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SAC, Washington Field

October 10, 1950

DIRECTOR, FBI

ANATOLI ANTONOVICH KAZOVLEV, was.  
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Enclosed herewith for the Washington Field Office is a copy of a letter dated September 27, 1950, from the San Juan Office reflecting that Customs Service and Immigration and Naturalization Service stops on the captioned individuals have not been effectively placed at the Port of San Juan.

You are instructed to contact the United States Customs Service and the Immigration and Naturalization Service concerning this matter to insure that the stops are properly placed.

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Date: October 23, 1950

To: Director, FBI

From: Legal Attache  
London, England

Subject: JOEL BARR  
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TITLE <b>JOEL BARR</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

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REFERENCE: Letter from New York to Director, undated, received at Albany 9-22-50, captioned MORTON SOBELL, Was., Espionage - R. This letter requested that photographs of all the individuals in the ROSENBERG group be exhibited to MORRIS SAVITT.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. BELMONT  
 FROM : MR. HENRICH  
 SUBJECT: JOEL BARR  
 ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: October 24, 1950

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## PURPOSE

To recommend the authorization for the New York Office to interview Laine Friedman, nee Laine Goldfarb, for information concerning Joel Barr.

## BACKGROUND

You will recall that Joel Barr has been implicated as part of the espionage network headed by Julius Rosenberg. Barr's last known address was in Paris, France. His present whereabouts are unknown. During our investigation of him information was developed that during the early 1940's he was living with a woman by the name of Laine Goldfarb, who was purported to be his wife. However, in 1944 Barr was allegedly going with Vivian Glassman, who also has been implicated in the Rosenberg network.

An investigation of Laine Goldfarb has reflected Communist Party activities on her part, the most important of which being that she was President of the Queensbridge Club, CPA, in January, 1945, and had attended the State Personnel Training Course for Party leadership, CPA, in 1945.

A review also has been made of the Bufiles regarding this woman without developing any information which would indicate that she is or has been engaged in espionage activities.

## RECOMMENDATION

It is believed desirable to interview this woman for information concerning Joel Barr because of her alleged close association with him. This recommendation is being made notwithstanding the Communist Party activities on the part of this woman as it is not felt that we can in any way jeopardize our investigation, as members of the Rosenberg network are aware of our interest in Joel Barr.

There is attached for your approval a teletype to the New York Office authorizing their interview of this woman.

Attachment

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Ladd	_____
Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
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Mr. Nease	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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DIRECTOR DEFERRED

JOEL BARR, ESP - R. REBUTEL OCT TWENTY FOUR LAST. LAINE FIEDMAN, NEE LAINE GOLDFARB, INTERVIEWED AND ADVISED THAT SHE LIVED WITH BARR UNTIL FORTY ONE IN LONG BRANCH, NJ. SHE STATED THAT SHE LAST SAW HIM FORTY ONE. SHE ADVISED THAT SHE MET NO FRIENDS OF BARR-S OTHER THAN HIS MOTHER AND BROTHER, ARTHUR BARR. SHE KNEW NOTHING ABOUT ANY COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES ON THE PART OF BARR. SHE STATED THEY HAD NO OUTSIDE CONTACTS. SHE DECLINED TO DISCUSS ANY SUBSEQUENT COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES ON HER PART. SHE COULD NOT IDENTIFY PHOTOGRAPH OF SUBJECTS IN THE ROSENBERG ESPIONAGE PARALLEL. SHE STATED THAT BARR NEVER DISCUSSED WITH HER ANY OF HIS WORK AT FORT MONMOUTH. SHE ADVISED THAT SHE SHARED THE APARTMENT IN LONG BRANCH WITH A SAMUEL SACHS. HOWEVER, SHE DID NOT GET ALONG WITH SACHS AND KNEW VERY LITTLE ABOUT HIM.

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cc Mr. Tamm  
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United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

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DATE: November 16, 1950

TO: Director, FBI

FROM: Legal Attache  
London, England

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AND FIELD OFFICES  
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SUBJECT: JOEL BARR  
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ReBulet September 22, 1950, instructing that inquiries be made to determine whether W. BERG of Mansfield, Wales, may be identical with subject JOEL BARR.

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TITLE <b>JOEL BARR</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

## ADMINISTRATIVE

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

BARR's present whereabouts still unknown. THOMAS V. WALLEN in interview denied ever lending any money to BARR. LAINE FRIEDMAN, nee GOLDFARB, in interview has not seen BARR since 1941 and had no knowledge of subject's activities. CI T-1 advised none of the relatives of the subject have heard from him.

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**DETAILS:**

Relatives of the subject; namely, ARTHUR BARR and BERNARD BARR, were contacted November 24, 1950, and advised they still had no knowledge of the subject's present whereabouts.

THOMAS VILLANO WALLEN was interviewed by the reporting agent November 4, 1950, at his home 165 Rutland Road, Hempstead, Long Island, and advised that he formerly worked at Sperry Gyroscope and was presently employed by the W. L. Maxson Engineering Company in Manhattan.

When first asked if he remembered JOEL BARR, he did not immediately recognize the name but when Sperry Gyroscope was mentioned to him he then recalled that JOEL BARR was one of his

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*File does not reflect that Barr knew his middle name*

He said he was somewhat amazed and curious to know how the subject ever obtained his middle name, which is VILLANO, inasmuch as he never used it and to his knowledge no one in his acquaintance knew what the "V" stood for in his name. In thinking about this, Mr. WALLEN decided the only possible spot that BARR could have obtained the middle name was in the personnel record at Sperry Gyroscope which contained his (WALLEN's) birth record.

WALLEN could furnish no information as to any of BARR's friends or anything concerning any activities of BARR which would indicate that BARR was involved in espionage.

Mrs. LAINE FRIEDMAN was interviewed by SAS ROBERT F. ROYAL and the writer, on November 10, 1950, at her home, 30-21 87th Street, Jackson Heights.

She advised that she was married to GEORGE MORRIS FRIEDMAN May 29, 1942, and that she was born May 2, 1920, in London, England and entered the United States in 1924. She stated she met JOEL BARR in 1940 but she could not recall how she met him or the exact place. She stated that she returned to the United States from England in 1939 and shortly thereafter was when she met the subject.

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Mrs. FRIEDMAN advised the last time she saw him was in 1941 when she separated from him and left Long Branch, New Jersey. She advised that they had shared an apartment with one SAMUEL SACHS in Long Branch, New Jersey, but inasmuch as she disliked SACHS she knew nothing about him and they were not very friendly.

She stated that they had no visitors that she could recall while living in Long Branch, and she had met no friends of the subject with the exception of his brother, ARTHUR BARR. She advised that at the time she and the subject were living together BARR was working at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, in the Signal Corps. She stated BARR never discussed any of his work probably in view of the fact that it was of a technical nature and would not have meant anything to her.

Mrs. FRIEDMAN stated that although BARR was very interested in music he had never mentioned any particular interest in studying music and never mentioned any desire to go to Europe to study music. She stated that she had no knowledge that BARR was ever interested in Communist Party activities or was connected with the Communist Party in any way. She also denied having any activities of her own while in Long Branch in connection with the Communist Party. She, however, declined to discuss any Communist activities on her part in New York, stating that she did not think that she was required to answer any questions concerning her specific activities in the Communist Party.

The photographs of the following people were displayed to Mrs. FRIEDMAN, and she was unable to recognize any of them:

DAVID GREENGLASS  
RUTH GREENGLASS  
ETHEL ROSENBERG  
ALFRED SARANT  
LOUISE SARANT  
MORTON SOBELL  
HELEN SOBELL

MAX ELITCHER  
HELENE ELITCHER  
WILLIAM PERL  
MICHAEL SIDOROVICH  
VIVIAN GLASSMAN  
WILLIAM DANZIGER  
STANLEY RICH  
MARK PAGE

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When she was shown the picture of JULIUS ROSENBERG, she stated that although he looked familiar she could not recall anything concerning him and had no idea why he looked familiar. When she was told that his picture was on the front page of the newspapers, she advised that at that time she was on vacation in Maine and did not see any of the newspapers which contained his photo.

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised that no correspondence had been received by Mrs. REBECCA BARR, ARTHUR BARR or BERNARD BARR from the subject.

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, advised that he knew nothing concerning the subject.

A check was made at the records of the "Blue Cross" Hospitalization Service, 80 Lexington Avenue, New York City, and no record was found for the subject.

Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, advised that on April 6, 1944, Special Checking Account Number 5103 was opened in the name of JOEL DARR, 241 West 97th Street, New York City. At the time, he furnished the name of the Western Electric Company, 11th Avenue and 54th Street, New York City, as a reference and furnished the name of Mr. L. L. O'KEEFE of the same company as a reference. He listed his occupation as an engineer.

The account was closed March 2, 1948, leaving a balance of \$1.25, and the reason given for closing was unsatisfactory account. There was no explanation of this. The following information was furnished on a confidential basis and should not be made public except with the usual proceedings following the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum.

Confidential Informant T-3 made available a complete transcript showing all the activity in this account. The amounts from this transcript which might be of any significance are hereinafter set forth.

May 10, 1944, check in amount of \$91.67, payee Wood, Dolson and Company.

August 19, 1944, check in amount of \$91.67, payee Wood, Dolson and Company.

May 8, 1945, deposit \$413.58, return of twenty-two War Savings Bonds cashed.

May 19, 1945, check in amount of \$320, payee ALFRED SARANT.

March 10, 1947, deposit \$657, drawn on Industrial Bank of Commerce.

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March 15, 1947, check in amount of \$300, payee National City Bank.  
March 15, 1947, deposit \$2,400 cash.  
March 15, 1947, check in amount of \$2,333, payee Packard Jamaica, Incorporated.  
March 15, 1947, deposit \$334.39, comprising of cash, \$150; check, Bankers Trust Co. pay, \$184.39.  
March 15, 1947, check in amount of \$379, payee HENRY O. CRANE.  
May 15, 1947, deposit \$2,675, consisting of check on Manufacturers Trust Company.  
May 20, 1947, check in amount \$350, payee Cash.  
May 20, 1947, check in amount of \$1,701.80, payee Arma Motora.  
June 13, 1947, check in amount of \$164.51, payee Folbot Corporation.  
June 23, 1947, check in amount of \$450, payee BERNARD BARR.

All other checks listed in the account and deposits were of a nominal or regular nature.

The same Informant also advised that a Special Interest Savings Account, Number D66551, was opened at the National City Bank Branch at 96th Street and this account is still open containing a balance of \$5.26. The initial deposit in this account was check No. 8 drawn on BARR's Special Checking Account Number 5103 at the 96th Street Branch of the National City Bank of New York. The only withdrawals of any significance were April 9, 1947, in the amount of \$200 in ten \$20 bills and May 7, 1947, \$75 in cash.

It should be noted also that the same Informant advised that on April 18, 1947, a Special Interest Savings Account was

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opened in the name of REBECCA BARR, the mother of the subject, and at the present time the account contains a balance of \$2,042.37. All deposits with the exception of the first are in the amounts of \$100 and \$200. The first deposit was \$360. There have been no withdrawals from this account since it was originally opened.

Mr. FRANK GIBSON, Assistant Superintendent and Elevator Operator of the building at 241 West 97th Street, advised that the subject's mother had a woman living with her by the name of Miss HELEN KALM. He stated that in regard to Miss KALM he understood that she was working as a housekeeper in the vicinity and was living with Mrs. BARR as a companion, although she did pay rent. He stated that she was an elderly woman in her fifties and had gray hair but could furnish no further description. He further advised that he still assisted Mrs. BARR by reading mail to her.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York were checked by SE RALPH G. MURDY, and no record was found for Miss HELEN KALM.

The records of the New York City Police Department reflected no record concerning HELEN KALM.

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NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will check at Immigration and Naturalization Service for any record they may have on Miss HELEN KALM.

Will continue to maintain a mail cover on Mrs. REBECCA BARR, ARTHUR BARR and BERNARD BARR for the purpose of ascertaining if any mail is received by them from the subject.

Will locate and interview the following who were given as character references by BARR:

R. J. SCHWARZ  
640 Riverside Drive  
New York City

R. R. O'KEEFE  
110 Highland Road  
Long Island

JOHN MELVILLE  
531 West 21st Street

Will conduct any other investigation which may result from interviews and investigations being conducted concerning the other subjects in the ROSENBERG parallel.

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

The Confidential Informants mentioned in the report of  
SA FREDERICK C. BAUCKHAM dated December 6, 1950, at New York  
are as follows:

T - 1 30 days' mail covers maintained on  
the subject's relatives, Mrs. REBECCA  
BARR, ARTHUR BARR and BERNARD BARR.

b7d T - 2 [REDACTED] who was contacted by SA DANIEL  
F. O'CONNOR on October 3, 1950.

b7d T - 3 [REDACTED] National  
City Bank, 96th Street and Broadway, New  
York City

REFERENCE:

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She stated that they had no visitors that she could recall while living in Long Branch, and she had met no friends of the subject with the exception of his brother, ARTHUR BARR. She advised that at the time she and the subject were living together BARR was working at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, in the Signal Corps. She stated BARR never discussed any of his work probably in view of the fact that it was of a technical nature and would not have meant anything to her.

Mrs. FRIEDMAN stated that although BARR was very interested in music he had never mentioned any particular interest in studying music and never mentioned any desire to go to Europe to study music. She stated that she had no knowledge that BARR was ever interested in Communist Party activities or was connected with the Communist Party in any way. She also denied having any activities of her own while in Long Branch in connection with the Communist Party. She, however, declined to discuss any Communist activities on her part in New York, stating that she did not think that she was required to answer any questions concerning her specific activities in the Communist Party.

The photographs of the following people were displayed to Mrs. FRIEDMAN, and she was unable to recognize any of them:

DAVID GREENGLASS  
RUTH GREENGLASS  
ETHEL ROSENBERG  
ALFRED SARANT  
LOUISE SARANT  
MORTON SOBELL  
HELEN SOBELL

MAX ELITCHER  
HELENE ELITCHER  
WILLIAM PERL  
MICHAEL SIDOROVICH  
VIVIAN CLASSMAN  
WILLIAM DANZIGER  
STANLEY RICH  
MARK FACE

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When she was shown the picture of JULIUS ROSENBERG, she stated that although he looked familiar she could not recall anything concerning him and had no idea why he looked familiar. When she was told that his picture was on the front page of the newspapers, she advised that at that time she was on vacation in Maine and did not see any of the newspapers which contained his photo.

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised that no correspondence had been received by Mrs. REBECCA BARR, ARTHUR BARR or BERNARD BARR from the subject.

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, advised that he knew nothing concerning the subject.

A check was made at the records of the "Blue Cross" Hospitalization Service, 80 Lexington Avenue, New York City, and no record was found for the subject.

Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, advised that on April 6, 1944, Special Checking Account Number 5103 was opened in the name of JOEL BARR, 241 West 97th Street, New York City. At the time, he furnished the name of the Western Electric Company, 11th Avenue and 54th Street, New York City, as a reference and furnished the name of Mr. L. L. O'KEEFE of the same company as a reference. He listed his occupation as an engineer.

The account was closed March 2, 1948, leaving a balance of \$1.25, and the reason given for closing was unsatisfactory account. There was no explanation of this. The following information was furnished on a confidential basis and should not be made public except with the usual proceedings following the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum.

Confidential Informant T-3 made available a complete transcript showing all the activity in this account. The amounts from this transcript which might be of any significance are hereinafter set forth.

May 10, 1944, check in amount of \$91.67, payee Wood, Dolson and Company.

August 19, 1944, check in amount of \$91.67, payee Wood, Dolson and Company.

May 8, 1945, deposit \$413.58, return of twenty-two War Savings Bonds cashed.

May 19, 1945, check in amount of \$320, payee ALFRED SARANT.

March 10, 1947, deposit \$657, drawn on Industrial Bank of Commerce.

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March 15, 1947, check in amount of \$300, payee National City Bank.

March 15, 1947, deposit \$2,400 cash.

March 15, 1947, check in amount of \$2,333, payee Packard Jamaica, Incorporated.

March 15, 1947, deposit \$334.39, comprising of cash, \$150; check, Bankers Trust Company, \$184.39.

March 15, 1947, check in amount of \$379, payee HENRY O. CRANE.

May 15, 1947, deposit \$2,675, consisting of check on Manufacturers Trust Company.

May 20, 1947, check in amount \$350, payee Cash.

May 20, 1947, check in amount of \$1,701.80, payee Arma Motors.

June 13, 1947, check in amount of \$164.51, payee Folbot Corporation.

June 23, 1947, check in amount of \$450, payee BERNARD BARR.

All other checks listed in the account and deposits were of a nominal or regular nature.

The same Informant also advised that a Special Interest Savings Account, Number D66551, was opened at the National City Bank Branch at 96th Street and this account is still open containing a balance of \$5.26. The initial deposit in this account was check No. 8 drawn on BARR's Special Checking Account Number 5103 at the 96th Street Branch of the National City Bank of New York. The only withdrawals of any significance were April 9, 1947, in the amount of \$200 in ten \$20 bills and May 7, 1947, \$75 in cash.

It should be noted also that the same Informant advised that on April 18, 1947, a Special Interest Savings Account was

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opened in the name of REBECCA BARR, the mother of the subject, and at the present time the account contains a balance of \$2,042.37. All deposits with the exception of the first are in the amounts of \$100 and \$200. The first deposit was \$360. There have been no withdrawals from this account since it was originally opened.

Mr. FRANK GIBSON, Assistant Superintendent and Elevator Operator of the building at 241 West 97th Street, advised that the subject's mother had a woman living with her by the name of Miss HELEN KALM. He stated that in regard to Miss KALM he understood that she was working as a housekeeper in the vicinity and was living with Mrs. BARR as a companion, although she did pay rent. He stated that she was an elderly woman in her fifties and had gray hair but could furnish no further description. He further advised that he still assisted Mrs. BARR by reading mail to her.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York were checked by SE RALPH G. MURDY, and no record was found for Miss HELEN KALM.

The records of the New York City Police Department reflected no record concerning HELEN KALM.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : All Supervisors in the Espionage and  
Internal Security Sections

FROM : A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: SPECIAL SECTION OF THE SECURITY INDEX

DATE: September 28, 1950

JOEL BARR

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## PURPOSE:

To provide for a review of all cases involving subjects currently in the Special Section of the Security Index for the purpose of determining whether or not they are properly included therein and to provide for instructions to be issued to the field to submit information in summary type reports suitable for distribution concerning these subjects.

## GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

As you are aware, the Special Section of the Security Index contains the names of individuals who should be given special consideration as to the desirability of their apprehension in the event of hostilities. This Special Section is broken down into six categories as follows:

- Espionage Subjects
- Government Employees
- Prominent Individuals
- Atomic Energy Employees
- Foreign Government Employees
- United Nations Personnel

There are over 200 names in the Special Section and since the Bureau will be taking the responsibility for allowing these people to be at large after the start of hostilities while separate consideration is given to the desirability of apprehending them, the investigative files regarding these subjects should be examined now, for the purpose of determining whether the national security might better be served by including the names of various individuals now in the Special Section along with the others in the Security Index.

Each Supervisor should review those cases of individuals assigned to him who are now in the Special Section of the Security Index to determine if they are properly included therein. At the conclusion of the review, each case should be the subject of a memorandum which will indicate why the name should be deleted from the Special Section or why the name should be continued in the Special Section. These memoranda will then be correlated by Supervisor Whitson, Room 1647, and a summary memorandum of recommendations will be prepared.

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It will then be necessary for each Supervisor to whom any of the subjects now included in the Special Section of the Security Index are assigned to issue instructions to the Field for summary type reports concerning those subjects to be continued in the Special Section so that these reports will be readily available for dissemination in the event of an emergency. These instructions should also provide that periodic reports suitable for dissemination be submitted covering the activities of those subjects retained in the Special Section.

With regard to those individuals who are to be deleted from the Special Section and placed in the Security Index for apprehension in the event of an emergency, each Supervisor, in reviewing his case files should determine whether reports now in the file are suitable for dissemination. If necessary, the Field should be instructed to prepare a summary type report suitable for dissemination on such subjects as are being placed in the regular Security Index.

Factors to Consider in Connection with Review:

With regard to all subjects now in the Special Section of the Security Index, you should consider the following five factors in determining whether they should be continued in the Special Section:

1. Is the category in which they are placed supported by the facts of the case?
2. Are any members of their households in the Security Index? If so, are they in the Special Section?
3. Have we ever attempted to interview the subject?
4. Could we adequately cover the subject's activities during the opening days of hostilities?
5. With regard to the application of the Emergency Detention Act of 1950, do we have evidence of the following:
  - A. Instructions or assignment in the Espionage, Counterespionage or Sabotage service or procedures of a foreign country, foreign political party or the Communist Party, USA.
  - B. Any past acts of Espionage or Sabotage or participation in any attempt or conspiracy to commit Espionage or Sabotage.
  - C. Holding of membership at any time after January 1, 1949 in the Communist Party, USA or any other organization seeking the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence.

Espionage subjects are in the Special Section because:

1. Apprehension would destroy chances of penetration and control of an operating Soviet Espionage parallel, or
2. Apprehension would destroy known chances of penetration and control of a "sleeper" parallel.

Additional considerations with regard to Espionage subjects are:

1. Can we present the facts concerning the subject's Espionage activity to the Attorney General now?
2. If subject is a member of the Communist Party, USA, or an official of a party front, are others in a comparable position in the Communist Party, USA, or front in his locality in the Security Index?
3. Do we have sufficient data exclusive of the subject's Espionage connections to hold the subject under the Detention Program?
4. Is the subject employed by a foreign government or employed by or accredited to an international organization?

Government employees are in the Special Section because:

1. The case is still pending under the Loyalty Program, or
2. The case has been determined in the subject's favor by the Loyalty Board.

Additional consideration to be given Government employees is the question of whether our investigation has developed additional evidence or pertinent information since the last referral to the Government Board.

Also, in the case of Government employees, is there any logical objection to presenting the name of the Government employee, at this time, to the Attorney General for inclusion on his Master Warrant of Arrest?

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NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will check at Immigration and Naturalization Service for any record they may have on Miss HELEN KALM.

Will continue to maintain a mail cover on Mrs. REBECCA BARR, ARTHUR BARR and EDWARD BARR for the purpose of ascertaining if any mail is received by them from the subject.

Will locate and interview the following who were given as character references by BARR:

R. J. SCHWARZ  
640 Riverside Drive  
New York City

R. R. KEEFE  
11 Highland Road  
Long Island

JOHN MELVILLE  
531 West 21st Street

Will conduct any other investigation which may result from interviews and investigations being conducted concerning the other subjects in the ROSENBERG parallel.

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

The Confidential Informants mentioned in the report of  
SA FREDERICK C. LAUCKHAM dated December 6, 1950, at New York  
are as follows:

T - 1 30 days' mail covers maintained on  
the subject's relatives, Mrs. REBECCA  
BARR, ARTHUR BARR and BERNARD BARR.

*b7d* T - 2 [REDACTED] who was contacted by SA DANIEL  
P. O'CONNOR on October 3, 1950.

*b7d* T - 3 [REDACTED] National  
City Bank, 96th Street and Broadway, New  
York City

REFERENCE:

Report of SA FREDERICK C. LAUCKHAM, 10/16/50,  
New York.

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United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

American Embassy  
1, Grosvenor Square  
London, W. 1

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AIR COMINT FOUCH

Date: December 6, 1950

To: Director, FBI

From: Legal Attache  
London, England

Subject: JOEL BARR  
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ReBulet September 22, 1950, and reply from this office dated November 16, 1950, regarding W. X. BERG of Mansfield, Wales, and the possibility that he may be identical with JOEL BARR. (u)

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Prominent individuals are in the Special Section because:

1. Apprehension might be attended by considerable publicity tending to make a martyr of the subject, or
2. Apprehension might affect adversely other persons not on the Security Index who are necessary to the war effort.

Additional considerations in regard to prominent individuals are as follows:

1. Why, specifically, is the subject considered a prominent individual?
2. Is the person whom the subject's arrest might affect adversely still necessary to the war effort?
3. What elements need to be developed in order to make the case against the subject a strong case?
4. What could the subject reasonably be expected to do during the first few days of hostilities that could injure the United States and thereby embarrass the Bureau, assuming he was not apprehended at the outset of the Detention Program?
5. What is the reasonable chance of developing data sufficient to make a strong case in the first few days after the outbreak of hostilities?

Atomic Energy employees are in the Special Section because their apprehension must be cleared with Atomic Energy Commission representatives in order to avoid interference with Atomic Energy work. With regard to these individuals, the following additional matters should be considered:

1. Is the subject working for the Atomic Energy Commission, for a contractor, or for a subcontractor? If so, where?
2. Does the subject have access to restricted material?
3. Does the subject have access to restricted areas?

Foreign Government employees are in the Special Section because we can only apprehend those employed by Governments with which we are at war. Additional matters to be considered in connection with

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this category are:

1. Is the subject secretly serving the Soviets though in the employ of a nonsatellite nation which may be friendly or neutral in the event of war?
2. Does the subject have access to classified material which might relate to the conduct of the war by the United States and its allies?

United Nations and international organization employees are in the Special Section by reason of the fact that they are employees of international organizations regardless of their national origin, and notification must be given to the Secretary of the United Nations regarding their detention.

In reviewing cases involving United Nations employees regardless of their national origin, you should consider the advisability of presenting their names at this time to the Attorney General for inclusion in his Master Warrant of Arrest in order that he can take the necessary steps regarding notification to the Department of State and the United Nations in the event of emergency.

ACTION:

Memoranda regarding each of the subjects assigned to any Supervisor should be submitted no later than the close of business Wednesday, October 11, 1950. The memoranda should contain a recommendation to continue the individual subject in the Special Section or should contain a recommendation that he be removed from the Special Section and placed in the regular Security Index. Each memorandum should show that consideration has been given to each of the items set forth in the preceding portion of these instructions.

Instructions to the field regarding summaries will be sent after the correlated summary is approved.

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December 7, 1950

Director, FBI

JOEL BARR

ESPIONAGE - R

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
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Bufiles are being reviewed on Walter Berg, you will be furnished with any identifiable data located. (u)

You are also advised that the Security Index card on Joel Barr has been canceled, inasmuch as he has been absent from the United States for approximately three years and there are no definite indications at this time that he plans to return to this country. The corresponding Security Index card on Barr in your office should also be canceled, but you should take appropriate measures so that the various stops against Barr's entry into the United States remain in effect.

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Title:	Character:		
JOEL BARR	ESPIONAGE--R		

SYNOPSIS: ADMINISTRATIVE

Subject's sister, IRIS BARR GILBOARD, aka MRS. HAROLD GILBOARD, 33 Ames Street, Lawrence, Massachusetts, has received no foreign mail between August 11, 1950, and October 12, 1950. Results of mail cover set forth.

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DETAILS:

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8-27-50

~~PHILIP RICHMAN~~, D. D. S.  
308 Lexington Avenue  
New York City, N. Y.

8-28-50

~~R. BARR~~  
601 East 20th Street,  
New York City, N. Y. (typed)  
On reverse side printed:  
Room 3007, 220 East 42nd St.  
New York City.

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(parcel--small)  
~~MRS. R. BARR~~  
241 W. 97th Street-15-K  
New York City

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~~ERNEST EINSTEIN~~  
146 North Adams Street  
Manchester, N. H.

10-3-50

~~WOOLF~~  
222 Emerson Avenue  
Charlotte, N. C.

10-10-50

~~JAY THORPE~~ (printed)  
24 W. 57th Street  
New York City 19, N. Y.  
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dresses:

118 N. Laurel Avenue  
Charlotte, N. C.  
1920 Euclid Avenue  
Charlotte, N. C.

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The Indices of the Boston Division contained no information not previously reported of any of the the above named individuals.

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Confidential Informant T-1 is a mail cover arranged through  
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REFERENCE: Report of SA FREDERICK C. BAUCKHAM at New York,  
dated 8-11-50.

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January 3, 1951

DIRECTOR, FBI

JOEL BARR  
ESPIONAGE - R  
Boston 65-3392

Re: Special Agent Brenton S. Gordon, dated 12/16/50,  
at Boston.

The mail cover on Mrs. Harold Gilboard, aka Iris Barr  
Gilboard, sister of subject, should be reviewed and the results  
reported regularly to the Bureau and the New York Division.

cc: New York (65-15392)

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TO : MR. LADD  
FROM : MR. BELMONT  
SUBJECT: JOEL BARR  
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DATE: January 6, 1951

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DETAILS

There has been prepared a brief summary of information regarding Joel Barr, suspected Soviet espionage agent, who is known to have been associated closely with Julius Rosenberg, Alfred Sarant, William Perl, Vivian Glassman, and other persons known or strongly suspected of having been engaged in Soviet espionage. (u)

Barr departed from the United States in January, 1948, and the latest information regarding his whereabouts is as of June 2, 1950, when he was reportedly seen by an acquaintance in Paris, France. (u)

RECOMMENDATION

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TO : D. M. Ladd  
FROM : A. H. Belmont  
SUBJECT: JOEL BARR  
ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: January 13, 1951

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Date: January 15, 1951

To: Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
2430 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Colonel Robert Schow

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: JOEL BARR  
ESPIONAGE - R

Reference is made to your memorandum dated June 30, 1949, number SO DB-14407a, concerning captioned subject.

It has now been ascertained that in connection with his attempts to persuade David and Ruth Greenglass to flee from the United States immediately after the arrest of Harry Gold on May 23, 1950, Julius Rosenberg told them that more important people than they had already left the country, that Joel Barr was then in Europe working for the Russians, and that Barr was using his music studies as a cover for espionage activity. (u)

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Joel Barr was seen by an acquaintance in the Students Cite Club, located on the corner of Boulevard Malherbe and Boulevard Courcelles in approximately June, 1950. Barr told this acquaintance that he was leaving Paris, but avoided giving a direct answer when asked about his intended destination. The individual with whom Barr spoke on this occasion has expressed the opinion that Barr may have returned to Sweden inasmuch as he spoke Swedish fairly well and liked the country. (u)

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It would be appreciated if you would cause a very discreet investigation to be conducted to determine if Barr has returned to Sweden, and if so, the nature of his activities there. Identifying and background data re Billy Kliver, who directed a letter to Barr as mentioned hereinbefore, would also be appreciated. (U)

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CIA has previously checked, at our request, Barr's activities in Sweden in 1948-49. (U)

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TO *1* DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: January 22, 1951

FROM *1* SAC, HOUSTONSUBJECT: JOEL BARR  
ESPIONAGE - R

Re Houston telephone call to the Bureau January 19, 1951.

It was determined that an individual whose name was BARR and who was departing from Houston on January 19, 1951 for Mexico City was not identical with JOEL BARR. It was determined that this individual was CHARLES FRANCIS BARR, who resides at 2101 Country Club, Ames, Iowa; age 41; listed his occupation as Corporation Agent, name of corporation not given.

It was further noted that CHARLES BARR was not identical with the photograph of JOEL BARR, therefore, no further investigation is being conducted regarding this individual.

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TO : MR. C. E. HENNECH

DATE: January 19, 1951

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: JOEL BARR  
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Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
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Tele. room \_\_\_\_\_  
Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
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At 3:00 P.M. on January 19, 1951, SAC Lorton of Houston called to advise that as a result of a stop placed with Customs the Houston Office had just received a call from Customs to state that there is a Barr, first name unknown, scheduled to depart from Houston for Mexico City via Pan-American Airlines at 3:30 P.M., Houston time. This call was, of course, a result of a stop placed on Joel Barr with Customs. (u)

Mr. Lorton wanted to know whether there was any basis for detaining Joel Barr, if this turned out to be the subject, and whether he should be questioned. He advised that Customs stated that Barr was traveling with a companion. Lorton wanted to know whether we had any information regarding the recent movements of Barr and any companion he might be traveling with. (u)

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JOEL BARR, ESP - R. ARTHUR AND BERNARD BARR, BROTHERS OF THE SUBJECT, INTERVIEWED YESTERDAY AT THE BARCO PRESS, TWENTY WEST TWENTYSECOND STREET, NYC, AND BERNARD DENIED WRITING TO JOEL IN JULY OR THEREABOUTS AND ARTHUR ALSO STATED HE DID NOT WRITE ANY LETTERS TO JOEL DURING THAT TIME. BERNARD SUGGESTED THAT IT COULD HAVE BEEN HIS MOTHER, R.

~~BARR~~, WHO COULD HAVE WRITTEN THE LETTER, ALTHOUGH SHE IS AN EXTREMELY POOR WRITER. DURING THE INTERVIEW, ARTHUR ADVISED THAT THE ONLY PERSON HE HAD SEEN CONCERNING JOEL WAS VIVIAN GLASSMAN, WHO WAS CONTACTED BY HIS WIFE AFTER HIS MOTHER REBECCA BARR HAD BEEN INTERVIEWED ON AUG. THREE, FIFTY. HE STATED THAT THEY HAD DINNER WITH GLASSMAN AND THEY DISCUSSED THE MOTHER BEING CONTACTED BY THE FBI AND ALSO THE INTERVIEW THAT GLASSMAN HAD HAD WITH THE FBI. HE WAS VERY VAGUE ABOUT THIS MEETING AND SAID HE HAD NOT SEEN GLASSMAN SINCE THAT TIME. HE SAID THE REASON THEY CALLED GLASSMAN WAS BECAUSE SHE WAS FORMERLY A FIANCEE OF HIS BROTHER, JOEL, AND HE BELIEVED HER NAME HAD

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BEEN MENTIONED TO HIS MOTHER AT HIS MOTHER-S INTERVIEW. HE ADDED THAT HIS MOTHER, WHO IS QUITE OLD, BECAME VERY ILL OVER NOT HEARING FROM JOEL AND BEING CONTACTED REGARDING JOEL. HE, HOWEVER, DID NOT BLAME THE AGENTS FOR HIS MOTHER-S ILLNESS. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT ARTHUR WAS UNDER THE IMPRESSION HE HAD PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED THIS INFORMATION CONCERNING THE MEETING WITH GLASSMAN. THE FOREGOING IS BELIEVED TO BE SIGNIFICANT IN RESPECT TO THE INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT JEROME EUGENE TARTAKOW, WHICH WAS SET FORTH IN NY LET DATED JAN. THREE, FIFTYONE, ENTITLED "JULIUS ROSENBERG, ET AL, ESP - R" AND ADVISED THAT ROSENBERG TOLD THE INFORMANT THAT AGENTS HAD VISITED THE HOME OF THE AGED MOTHER OF ONE OF THE TWO MEN WHO WERE OPERATING A PARALLEL ESPIONAGE UNIT IN NYC. FROM THE FOREGOING IT THEREFORE APPEARS THAT GLASSMAN IS PROBABLY THE ORIGINAL SOURCE OF ROSENBERG-S INFORMATION. THE NY OFFICE IS ATTEMPTING TO LOCATE THE WIFE OF ARTHUR BARR AND INTERVIEW HER SEPARATELY CONCERNING THE MEETING WITH GLASSMAN.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

FILE NO. **65-3392 CRC**

REPORT MADE AT <b>BOSTON, MASS.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>3-16-51</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>1-11; 2-11; 3-7-51</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>JOSEPH E. CONDON</b>
TITLE <b>JOEL BARR</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

Subject's sister, Mrs. HAROLD GILBOARD, aka, IRIS BARR GILBOARD, 33 Ames Street, Lawrence, Massachusetts, received no foreign mail or other mail of any value during the interim January 11, 1951, to March 7, 1951.

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**DETAILS:**

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**DATE OF POSTMARK**

**NAME OF RETURN ADDRESSOR**

January 16, 1951

January 15, 1951,  
Lawrence, Massachusetts

A. B. Sutherland  
Company, Lawrence,  
Massachusetts

January 19, 1951

January 18, 1951,  
Boston, Massachusetts

(Department Store)  
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As is indicated above, the subject's sister receives a very small amount of mail.

Confidential Informant T-1 has stated, however, that the bulk of mail received at 33 Ames Street, Lawrence, Massachusetts, is addressed to Mr. HAROLD GILBOARD, brother-in-law of the subject.

The informant in conclusion stated that he would make an effort to obtain information concerning correspondence received by Mr. HAROLD GILBOARD at 33 Ames Street, Lawrence, Massachusetts, beginning March 7, 1951

The files of the Boston Office contain no information not previously reported concerning the subject's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. HAROLD GILBOARD.

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THE BOSTON DIVISION

Will follow and report pertinent information concerning the subject's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. HAROLD GILBOARD, who reside at 33 Ames Street, Lawrence, Massachusetts.

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Confidential Informant T-1 is a mail cover arranged through [REDACTED] } b7c  
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REFERENCE: Bureau letter dated January 3, 1951.

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: March 27, 1951

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: JOEL BARR  
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On March 19, 1951, ARTHUR BARR, BERNARD BARR, and ROSE BARR, wife of ARTHUR, were interviewed at 601 East 20th Street, New York City, in the apartment of ARTHUR BARR, at 7:30 p.m. by SA RICHARD T. HRADSKY and SA FREDERICK C. BAUCKHAM.

Mr. & Mrs. ARTHUR and ROSE BARR advised in regard to the leaving of JOEL BARR in January, 1948, for Paris, that they saw him leave by ship, but the people he shared his quarters with were all strangers to them and they did not believe JOEL knew them either. They said there was a considerable crowd in the room, but they could not recall knowing anyone or having known anyone previously. They were questioned as to how JOEL raised the money for this trip and they stated that they recalled JOEL sold practically everything he owned, including a collection of musical records, which were considered fairly valuable.

They were also asked if JOEL had received help from anyone else and specifically from JULIUS ROSENBERG. They advised that they were sure he had not received any other help, and they based this opinion on the fact that he had sold the above-mentioned collection of records, which he valued highly. The above question was specifically asked inasmuch as DAVID GREENGLASS, in a very recent interview conducted by Agents RICHARD T. HRADSKY and ROBERT F. ROYAL, stated that JULIUS ROSENBERG told him that he had given money to JOEL BARR to help him on his trip to Europe.

ARTHUR and ROSE BARR were also asked if they had any knowledge that JOEL BARR had lived at any other residence in New York City, besides his home, 241 West 97th Street, and 65 Morton Street. They stated that they did not know any other residences than the above, at which JOEL had lived.

They advised that they had been at the address, 65 Morton Street, a few times but had never observed anything unusual or any photographic equipment. They did not know the

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type of camera JOEL owned, and did not know whether he had any equipment which would enable him to take pictures of documents. They further stated that there was always a large group of people in the apartment and it was usually considered a musical get-to-gether.

All three were asked if they knew NATHAN SUSSMAN, and GLADYS MEYER, and were at the same time shown photographs of the above named persons, but they advised that they have never met or heard of either NATHAN SUSSMAN or GLADYS MEYER and they had no knowledge of these individuals.

They also had no knowledge of any parties, which were held at JOEL's home, 241 West 96th Street, and in fact were in doubt that any parties had been held there due to the fact that JOEL and his father did not get along very well, and his father objected to having guests in the home.

They were also asked if they had any knowledge that JOEL was connected with the Communist Party, and they replied that they had never had any indication or knowledge that JOEL was in any way connected with the Communist Party.

In regard to ARTHUR and ROSE BARR's contact with VIVIAN GLASSMAN, they advised that the day after MRS. REBECCA BARR, the mother of JOEL, was contacted by the FBI, ARTHUR's wife, ROSE, contacted some social agencies and finally located GLASSMAN at the United Service For New Americans. They advised they had not seen GLASSMAN up to this time for a long time, but did recall that she worked for some social agency, and that was the reason for ROSE BARR finally locating GLASSMAN through the United Service For New Americans. ROSE BARR advised that she talked to GLASSMAN on the telephone and said they would like to meet with her and discuss why the FBI was interested in JOEL, and possibly find out what it was all about.

Both ARTHUR and ROSE BARR said that they contacted VIVIAN GLASSMAN because she was the only one they could think of who might know something about JOEL, inasmuch as GLASSMAN was a former girlfriend of JOEL, and the only one that they knew of. On the telephone GLASSMAN told ROSE BARR that she also had been visited by the FBI and they made arrangements to meet that night, which was August 4, 1950. Subsequently both ARTHUR and ROSE BARR met GLASSMAN at 23d Street and Third Avenue, in ARTHUR's car,

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and they drove to a restaurant somewhere on 29th Street, the name of which they could not recall. GLASSMAN told them right in the beginning that she did not have more than an hour to give them, and in view of the time spent in getting to the restaurant, it turned out to be a very hurried discussion and the only person mentioned by them was JOEL BARR.

ROSE BARR advised that GLASSMAN appeared considerably upset and excited at the time and ROSE admitted that she was in this state also. ROSE stated that she asked GLASSMAN pointblank what the FBI wanted to see MRS. BARR about and why they were interested in JOEL, but GLASSMAN did not give them any answers. They believed that GLASSMAN did mention, however, that it was a serious matter and that she intended to see a lawyer. They did not recall and did not believe that GLASSMAN told them to get a lawyer too. They were sure that GLASSMAN did not tell them not to talk to the FBI until they had seen a lawyer. ROSE further advised that GLASSMAN left within the hour and that the meeting with GLASSMAN was very unsatisfactory from their standpoint. When GLASSMAN left, they said she indicated she did not want to talk with them or meet with them again.

At the conclusion of the interview it should be noted that ARTHUR advised that he and ROSE had been married in 1943, and as a result they had not had much contact with JOEL BARR, inasmuch as JOEL did not fit into their group of friends or activities. BERNARD BARR also stated that he had had very little contact with JOEL as he was also married and was involved in running his father's business, the Barco Press.

They also advised that if possible JOEL's mother, MRS. REBECCA BARR, should not be contacted again, inasmuch as she is in very poor health and the mere mention of JOEL upsets her, because she has no idea where he is and believes he is hurt or dead. BERNARD BARR stated that they would cooperate all they could and if they received any information whatsoever that would indicate where JOEL is at the present time, they would immediately let the FBI know, and they would be very anxious to have JOEL BARR questioned so that he might be able to clear up any facts or charges against him.

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