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RECT BY HIM FROM NACHIN BERNSTEIN, ATTORNEY, OF TVENTY PINE ST; NYC. BERNSTEIN INFORMED SAYPOL THAT ABRAHAM BROTHMAN HAL COMPLAILED TO HIM THAT FBI AGENTS HAD RECENTLY QUESTIONED HIM RE HIS ACTIVITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF THE JEWISH AGENCY. BERNSTEIN, WHO IS ACTIVE IN NYC CHAR-ITABLE AND CIVIC MATTERS AND WHO IS INTERESTED PARTICULARLY IN THE PALESTINE QUESTION, INFORMED SAYPOL THAT BROTHMAN HAD TOLD HIM ALSO THAT HE HAD BEEN QUESTIONED AS TO WHETHER HIS COMPANY HAD CONSTRUCTED A CHEMICAL PLANT IN PALESTINE FOR THE PRODUCTION OF DDT AND WHETHER HIS FIRM HAD ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PLANT TO MANUFACTURE DYNAMITE IN PALESTINE. SAYPOL INDICATED THAT BEEN-STEIN IMPLIED THAT HIS BUREAU WAS INVESTIGATING THE JEWISH AGENCY WITH-OUT CAUSE AND SAYPOL INFORMED THIS OFFICE HE DESIRED TO ELIMINATE ANY COMPLAINT TO WASHINGTON BY BERNSTEIN IF THE MATTER COULD BE SETTLED LOCALLY. ASAC BELMONT INFORMED SAYPOL THAT THIS BUREAU WAS NOT INTER-ESTED IN BROTHMAN IN CONNECTION WITH ANY ACTIVITIES OF HIS IN BEHALF OF THE JEWISH AGENCY OR IN ANY OTHER PHASE OF THE FALESTIN QUESTION AND MADE AN APPOINTMENT WITH QUINN AND DONEGAN TO DISCUSS BROTHMAN MATTER WITH THEM TODAY. SAYPOL INFORMED QUINN AND DONEGAN OF THE ABOVE ALL-EGATIONS BY BERNSTEIN IN BEHALF OF BROTHMAN AND ALSO DECLARED THAT END PAGE TWO

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RE: GREGORY;

ESPIONAGE - R

Re: Carter Roodless;

Jacob Golos

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the Bureau teletype to the Philosolphia and her York Offices, dated July 2, 1947, wherein it was requested that background information regarding JACOB GOLOS, ADRAHAM BROTHMAN and HARRY GOLD be furnished to your office.

JACOB COLOR, also known as JACOB REISIN and JOHN GOLOSH (A.), has formerly an agent for the Emssion Government. GNLCO has at one time lirector and sels stockholder of the WORLD TOURISTS, INC., which organization of ereted under the travel monopoly of the Russian Government. The BORLD TOURIST, INC., at well as JACOB GOLOS, was indicted in 1940 for failure to register with the State Department as an agent of a foreign government.

Prior to this time and subsequent thereto, namely, from October, 1938 to November, 1943, at which time he died, GOLOS directed an espiciance ring in both New York City and Washington, D.C. The principal member of the ring in Eachington, D.C. was one NATHAN CRECOMY SHVEN ASTA, GOLOS had in his employ, an informant known as COCOMY, whose real new is EMIZATED BENTLEY, and who was known to certain individuals in the captonings ring as through that are not the name of "MELTING that APPANAN INSTITUTE mot FETTLEY through the CITS in New York City. GOLOS introduced battley to EROTHAN from the she obtained blucprints of certain types of machinery on which he was working. Sometime in 1941, FENTLEY ceased to contact DROTHMAN institute as GOLOS told DENTLEY that he was turning BROTHMAN over to some other person.

On May 29, 1947 ABRAHAM BROTHAM is interviewed by agents of this office, of which time he submitted a signal statement to the effect that he knew JACON COLOU and claimed that he had been contacted by OCLOO without any

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intermediary, and thought that GOLOS had contacted him through advertising which he had placed in various scientific magazines. In this statement PROTHIAN adviced that he had met one HARRY GOLD/ the is presently in his employ, through GOLOS, and to whom he turned over blueprints of processes that he was working on.

photograph of JACON GOINS as an individual he knew as JOHN GOLOSH (ph.) and where he had not through one CAITHN HOADLESS in Philadelphia sometime in JAMI. Of the claimed that he was introduced to GOINDH by 10001933 are a necting of a chemical society.

Full details of the interviews conducted with BROTHMAN and GOLD are set forth in the report of Special Agent John T. Hilsbos, dated June 7, 1947 at New York City. A copy of this report is being set forth for the benefit of the Philadelphia Office in order to facilitate the interview to be held in the near Juture with the wife of CANTER HOODIEGS.

Photographs of JACOB GOLOS, ABRAHAM BROTHMAN and HARRY GOLD are being enclosed nerewith in order that they might be subiblied to the fermer wife of HOODLEGS.

It is suggested that HOODLESS! former wife, now known as Mrs.
THEODORE AYLIAD, be specifically questioned as to whether or not she known
JACOB GULDS or knew of any contacts which her former husband might have
ned with GOLOS or any other individual connected with a foreign government.

Very truly yours,

Enclosures - (4)

EDWARD SCHEIDT

July 14, 1947

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RE: GREGORI ESPIONAGE-R

INTERVIEW WITH ABRAHAM BROTHMAN

On May 29, 1947, ABRAHAH BROTHWAR was interviewed in his office, room 1212-2948 41st. Avenue, Long Island City, L.I., N.Y., from 12:30 TW to 2:30 PF, by Special Agents D. E. SEARNON and the writer.

BROTHMAN was interviewed in order to ascertain the facts concerning the allegations made by informant GREGORY to the effect that BROTHMAN had participated in the espionage ring of which NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER is the principal subject.

BROTHMAN was specifically questioned concerning the following facts:

- 1. His association with JACOB GOLOS, whom he first denied that he knew, but later when confronted with a photograph of GOLOS, admitted that he knew him and that he, BROTEMAN, had lied in the first instance.
- 2. His association with informant GREGORY when he identified from a photograph exhibited to him and whom he admitted that he knew as HELEN.
- 3. Themsans by which he first became acquainted with GOLOS and HELEN.

4. The nature of the material and blueprints which he admitted he had turned over to GCLOS and HELEN. (5-1462 33.

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- 5. His associations with HARFY GOLD whom he admitted was sent to him by GOLOS and whom he had in his employ at the time of the interview.
- 6. His contracts with foreign governments specifically any that he might have had with the Russian Government inasmuch as he claimed GOLOS had promised to obtain for him contracts with the Russian Government. BROTHNAM denied that he had any contracts with the Eussian Government.

BECTHMAN offered the information that he had obtained the contract from the Chinese Government relating to the manufacture of resins.

- 7. His knowledge as to whether or not he was aware that he was engaged in espionage.
- 8. Whether or not he was a member of the Communist Party or had attended Communist Party affairs.

BROTHMAN was not questioned by the writer concerning his plans for a plant to be constructed in Palestine for the manufacture of CDT or the manufacture of dynamite.

It is to be noted that information was received from a confidential source that BROTHKAN was designing a plant for the manufacture of MDT also for the manufacture of dynamite in Palestine. Rowever, due to the fact that this information concerning BROTHMAN's activities was received from a highly confidential source, the writer purposely refrained from questioning BROTHMAN concerning his activities in designing the plant for the manufacture of DDT or dynamite in Palestine.

FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN SA

July 15, 1947

Director, FM

Attn: Asst Director Ladd

Re: GREGORY

ESPIONAGE - R

(ABRAHAM BROTHMAT)

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to telephone call of July 14, 3947. From Pr. howard 5. Fletcher of the Bureau to ASAC A. H. Belmont, in which the Bureau requested memoranda be submitted by the agents who interviewed ABRAHAM PROTHYAN.

There is transmitted herewith a memorandum dated July 14, 1947, submitted by Special Agent Francis D. O'Brien, who, with Special Agent Ponald E. Shannon, handled the interview of BROTFIAN. It will be noted that Agent O'Brien positively denies that any questions were propounded dealing with the construction in Palestine of a plant for the manufacture of DDT or for the manufacture of dynamite.

As the Bureau was advised by Mr. Eclmont, Agent Shannon is on extended annual leave. Pursuant to the Bureau's instructions, he was telephonically contacted this morning, at which time he also positively denied that any questions were asked of BROTHMAN during the interview concerning the construction of a plant in Palestine for the manufacture of dynamite or DLT. He likewise stated that the questioning of EROTHMAN was confined solely to the purpose for which the interview was conducted, namely, BROTHMAN'S participation in the espionage ring in instant case. Agent Charmon advised also that the questioning was confined solely to the eight points set forth in Agent O'Erien's memorandum.

Very truly yours,

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Re: GREGORY

On the afternoon of July 8th, 1947 Mr. IRVING SAYPOL, Chief Assistant United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, came to this office to discuss with SAC Scheidt and the writer a complaint by Ir NACHIN BERNSTEIN, Attorney, 20 Pine Street, New York City.

Mr. BERNSTEIN had made an appointment with Mr. SAYPOL through Mr. EDWARD SILVER, BERNSTEIN's partner who is employed as attorney in the office of MILES MacDONALD, District Attorney of Kings County. Mr. SAYPOL advised that Mr. BERNSTEIN is active in various charitable and communal causes, particularly in regard to the Palestine question.

Mr. BERNSTEIN stated that Special Agents Shannon and O'Brien of the FBI had questioned BROTHMAN of BROTHMAN ALD COMPANY, chemical engineers, on June 12th, 1947 regarding his activities in the interests of the Jewish Agency. Mr. BERNSTEIN advised that his client and the interests in whose behalf he appeared were considerably disturbed by the activity of the Bureau since, he represented, they were persons of unquestionable loyalty and honesty.

Mr. BERNSTEIN requested that Mr. SAYFOL call the matter to the attention of the Special Agent in Charge, indicating that the persons for whom he spoke and he were loathe to bring the matter to the attention of the Attorney General and the Director of the Bureau.

I asked Mr. SAYFOL exactly what questions were asked of Mr. BROTHMAN that would indicate we were interested in the activities of the Jewish Agency. He advised that Mr. BEPNSTEIN stated that the agents inquired whether the BROTHMAN COMPANY had constructed a chemical plant in Palestine for the production of DDT. Another question was whether BROTHMAN's firm had anything to do with the construction of a plant to manufacture dynamite in Palestine. Mr. SAYFOL advised that the implication by BERUSTEIN was that the FBI is investigating the Jewish Agency without cause, and Mr. SAYFOL advised that his interest in coming to this office was to cut short any complaint to Washington by BERUSTEIN and those he represents relative to the activites of agents of this office if the matter could be ironed out here.

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It would appear that BROTHMAN through his attorney is attempting to ascertain any possible action resulting from his connection with instant investigation and has sought through SAYPOL to find out what the status of the matter is. It is my definite impression that Mr. SAYPOL is entirely unaware of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN's connection with instant case and that he was sincere in his approach to this office.

However, prior to re-contacting Mr. SAYPOL, I spoke to Mr. T. J. Donegan, who, with Mr. T. Vincent Quinn, is handling the Grand Jury in the GREGORY case, advising him of Mr. SAYPOL's call and the reason therefor. Mr. Donegan suggested that I advise Mr. SAYPOL that he should take this matter up with Mr. Quinn and himself on the morning of July 9th.

I thereupon called Mr. SAYPOL on the afternoon of July 8th to suggest to him that he discuss the matter with Mr. Quinnand Mr. Donegan on the morning of July 9th.

It is suggested that a letter be sent to the Bureau, advising of this incident and that Agents Shannon and O'Brien, who interviewed BROTHMAN, comment relative to the questions which were asked BROTHMAN, with particular reference to any questions dealing with the Jewish Agency or implying that the Bureau might be interested in that agency.

A. H. BELMONT, ASAC

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Director, TBI

Re: GREGORY

ESPIONACE - R

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Special Agents O'Brien and Shannon have advised that they had interviewed BEOTHMAN solely on matters relating to the Gregory espionage case and that no questions can be recalled by them which pertained to the Palestine situation.

However, BROTHMAN offered the information during the interview that he was working on a project for the Chinese Government and had received bids for jobs for the Russian Government.

"r. T. VINCENT CUINN advised on July 10, 1947 that he had discussed this matter with Mr. SAYPOL and had told him that the Falestine question had no connection whatsoever with the subject matter being presented to the Grand Jury here; also that the activities of BROTIMAN in which the Bureau is interested occurred before the Palestine question became acute.

Later on the same date, Mr. SAYPOL advised Mr. CUINF that he had talked with BERNSTEIN and to EDMARD SILVER, BERNSTEIN's law partner, and that BERNSTEIN is now of the opinion that he was mislead by BROTHMAN and apparently regards the incident as closed.

Very truly yours,

EDWARD SCHEIDT, SAB

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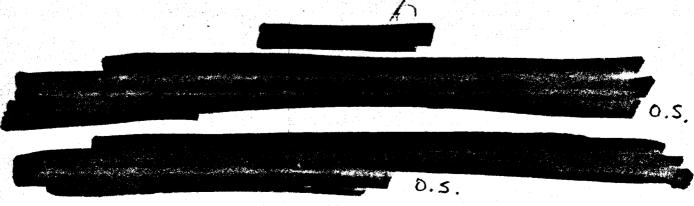
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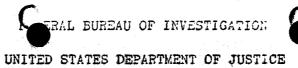
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During the above period Confidential Informant hTT-395, mail covers and investigation reflected that BHOTHMAN appeared to be everting full-time to the business ventures of A. BHOTHMAN and Associates, however, matters of interest and of possible importance to this investigation are being set forth hereinafter.

The above informant advised that the only contact occurring during the above period between RECTEMAN and other subjects or suspects of this investigation happened on May 23, 1947, when JULES KONCHIEN contacted ERROTHMEN to suggest that ERROTHMEN prepare a statement concerning his business relating to the manufacture of plastics, in order that MATRICE HIRDUS, mentioned in previous reports as a contact of MESULA WASSERVAN, and former Moscow correspondent for the "New York Revald Tribune", could take same to Frague, Czechoslovakia. According to the informant MORCHIEN and ERROTHMAN discussed SROTHMAN's desire to make contacts in Central Europe to further his interests in the manufacture of plastics. It should be noted that REPMAND MISSELY, an associate of EROTHMAN visited England recently to make similar agreements with English firms concerning the manufacture of plastics.

The mail cover maintained on A. THUTHAN and Associates, 29-28 list Avenue, long Island City, New York, reflected that ENVIRAN received mail from numerous concerns engaged in the manufacture of chemicals or allied products. It was noted that no further correspondence has been received from M. GFPSON or MILLIGENT CERSON of Cak Ridge, Tempesses.





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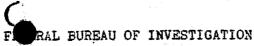
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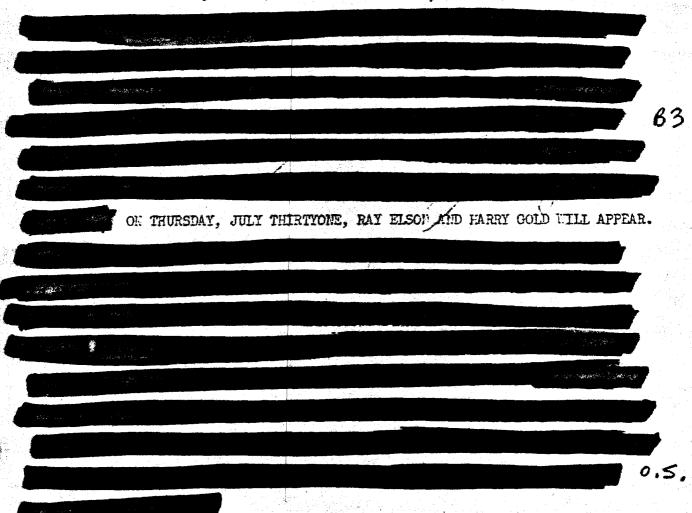
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