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United States Department of Justice

New York, New York

December 14, 1945

MEMO FOR ASSISTANT SAC T. J. DONEGAN

Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, ET AL
ESPIONAGE (R)

Mr. Lish Whitson called from the Bureau at 9:50 A.M. today and said the Director had approved the memorandum which had been submitted to him concerning the plan for the future investigation of this case. The Director stated that this plan could be put into effect on December 14 rather than December 19.

Mr. Whitson then read from the memorandum for the Director that portion concerning the future handling of physical and technical surveillances with which you are already familiar. Mr. Whitson said that we could begin releasing men from the special assignment immediately but if there was any reason why we here in New York felt that they should be retained until December 19 in order to bring the case into shape, that would be satisfactory.

Mr. Whitson then stated that according to your conversation with Mr. Ladd, the following are considered by the Bureau to be the key figures in New York:

RAY ELSON
ABRAHAM BROTHMAN
ALEXANDER KORAL
LAUCHLIN CURRIE
DR. ABRAHAM WEINSTEIN
CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT GREGORY.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Interview with Informant GREGORY and information re her activities reported. Identity of HELEN JOHNS set out. Results of visit with EARL BROWDER reported and information re reorganization of WORLD TOURISTS INC. [REDACTED]

From Confidential Informant reported. Other information

[REDACTED] ABE BROTHMAN is engaging in regular business activities, as reflected by surveillance and confidential informant- [REDACTED]

Information re contacts of ALBERT E. KAHN, supplied by Confidential Informant, set out.

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Re: GREGORY

On Page 87 of the typewritten statement given by Informant Gregory she referred to a meeting at the home of FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, 16 West Twelfth Street, New York City. She stated that this meeting was held in the spring of 1945. At the time FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD was not at home but EARL BROWDER, COL. JOHN H. REYNOLDS, and RAY ELSON were present there.

Special Agent Joseph P. Garvey, together with Special Agents Richard H. Senter and Robert G. Boes, were assigned to a surveillance of the premises at 16 West Twelfth Street on April 18, 1945 for the purpose of locating FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, who at that time was contemplating leaving for the San Francisco Conference. At 2:00 P.M. on that day EARL BROWDER was observed entering the premises at 16 West Twelfth Street. At 2:15 P.M. two unidentified women and an Army Major entered the premises. The Major was wearing the insignia of the Second Service Command, Finance Division, according to Special Agent Boes. He is described as follows:

Age	Approximately 45-50
Height	5' 11"
Weight	175 pounds
Hair	Brown
Characteristics	Aquiline nose

At 4:10 P.M. EARL BROWDER was observed leaving 16 West Twelfth Street. A few minutes later the Army Major and the two unidentified women left.

The surveillance revealed that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD was not at his home during that period of time, which is in agreement with the statement made by the informant. It is undoubtedly a confirmation of the statement made by the informant, and also the persons conferring with EARL BROWDER were undoubtedly the people that the informant mentioned.

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The following information is being reported by Special Agents Thomas G. Spencer and Joseph M. Kelly concerning conversations had with Confidential Informant GREGORY from December 13 to December 20, 1945:

On December 13, 1945, GREGORY advised that she had received a telephone call from TED BAYER who made a tentative arrangement to meet her the late afternoon of December 14, 1945 for cocktails and a discussion of the affairs of the U. S. Service and Shipping Corporation and World Tourist, Inc. The possibility of having GREGORY go to Washington for a meeting with some of her former contacts was discussed. She stated that she is quite sure she could meet the SILVERMASTERS without arousing any undue suspicion as to the purpose of her visit and remarked that on the occasion of her last visit in December, 1944 to the home of the SILVERMASTERS, they extended a standing invitation for her to visit the SILVERMASTERS' residence whenever she came to Washington. She stated that in the event that Agents desired her to proceed to Washington to see the SILVERMASTERS, she would be willing to do so. She was informed that it might be desirable sometime in the future to have her go to Washington for the purpose of determining, if possible, the present activities of the SILVERMASTERS and she stated that she would be willing to go any time she was instructed to do so.

The possibility of a meeting in the near future between GREGORY and EARL BROWDER was also discussed. She stated that the recent attempt on the part of the Communist Party to infiltrate into the business affairs of the U. S. Service and Shipping Corporation and World Tourist, Inc., would give her an excellent excuse to see BROWDER and felt that she could do so on this basis without arousing any suspicion whatsoever of any real purpose of a visit to see this individual. She was informed that it would be extremely desirable to have a meeting between BROWDER and herself in the very near future and that if such a meeting actually took place, it would be beneficial to determine BROWDER's attitude toward the Communist Party organization, whether he was still in contact with any of GREGORY's former associates in the Russian Espionage System, BROWDER's present occupation and future plans and whatever else she could learn through general conversation about BROWDER's activities. In this connection, she stated that she would be willing to see BROWDER whenever she was instructed to do so.

However, later this same date, GREGORY advised that under orders from her physician, it was necessary for her to leave work and to proceed to her hotel where she was to remain for several days to recuperate from a recent attack of influenza. Accordingly, she indicated she would be unable to keep her tentative date with TED BAYER but would communicate with him and attempt to make this meeting for sometime in the earlier part of the following week. She also stated that she had received a phone call from

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RAY ELSON and she is to meet RAY ELSON at Luchow's for dinner on the night of December 17, 1945. She indicated that in the event she is feeling better by this time, she would keep this appointment and if not, she would communicate with ELSON and make this dinner engagement for a subsequent date.

On December 14, 1945, GREGORY advised Agents that she was still confined to her hotel room and was feeling somewhat better. She contacted TED BAYER and now has an appointment to meet him at 5:00 PM, December 17, 1945 at the Vanderbilt Hotel. GREGORY was interviewed on December 17, 1945, at which time the photographs of A. DELROY, H. W. KOCH, M. S. NIGHTINGALE, F. W. POLAND, and W. G. YEEPLE were exhibited to her and she failed to identify any of the above mentioned individuals as being identical with the R.C.A.F. pilot who introduced HAZEN SISE to GOLOS and herself. The above R.C.A.F. photographs were enclosed in a letter of Special Agent J. F. Buckley, dated December 13, 1945 at Ottawa, Canada.

It will be recalled that in GREGORY's statement of November 30, 1945, she makes reference to one JOSEPH W. ECKHART. Under date of November 30, 1945, the Philadelphia Field Office was requested to obtain all information available at the Immigration and Naturalization Service concerning this individual. Under date of December 8, 1945, a letter was received from the Philadelphia Field Office setting forth information appearing in the files of the Immigration and Naturalization Service relative to JOSEPH W. ECKHART. Also attached to this letter were two photographs of JOSEPH W. ECKHART. These photographs were exhibited to GREGORY and she immediately identified the individual appearing on these photographs as being identical with the JOSEPH W. ECKHART mentioned in her statement of November 30, 1945.

The Columbia Yearbook photograph of Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN, who is thought to be possibly identical with the "CHARLIE" mentioned in informant's statement of November 30, 1945, was exhibited to her but she failed to identify this individual and stated that the individual she knew as CHARLIE was a much older person than the one appearing in the photograph. Efforts are being made to locate a more recent photograph of Dr. WEINSTEIN so that it can be exhibited to GREGORY. In connection with her ability to identify this individual, she stated that as she now recalls, she saw this individual on just one occasion in a restaurant at which time he was sitting down and that her observation of him lasted for just a few seconds. She stated that she does not know whether she will be able to identify this individual but will make every effort to do so.

Under date of December 13, 1945, Mr. WHITSON of the Bureau communicated with Assistant Special Agent in Charge T. J. Donegan in connection with this investigation. Among other things, Mr. WHITSON advised that during the question-

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ing of LOUIS BUDENZ at Notre Dame, BUDENZ advised a Bureau representative that GOLOS had working with him a woman named HELEN JOHNS. He further stated that HELEN JOHNS is a member of the Control Commission of the Communist Party.

On the occasion of this interview she was asked whether she used any name other than that of "HELEN" with any of her earlier contacts with GOLOS. After some recollection on her part, she recalled that she used the name of HELEN JOHNS in contacting LOUIS BUDENZ and ROBERT MILLER. In connection with her using this name with BUDENZ, she remarked that she recalled BUDENZ as having a somewhat poor memory and that when she called him on the telephone and informed him that "HELEN" was calling, it was difficult for him to identify her. In view of the fact that BUDENZ apparently knew GOLOS as JOHN, she identified herself to BUDENZ as "HELEN JOHNS" and indicated that by identifying herself in this manner, BUDENZ had no difficulty in determining who she was when she telephoned him.

In connection with her being a member of the Control Commission of the Communist Party, although this question was not asked directly of her, it is to be noted that in October, 1938, when she met GOLOS, she immediately discontinued any connections she had with the Communist Party. It will be recalled in informant's statement of November 30, 1945 that she admitted that she held several positions such as secretary organizer in her early days with the Communist Party but has never indicated that she was a member of the Control Commission of the Party.

At the conclusion of this interview, she advised that she was going to see TED BAYER at the Vanderbilt Hotel at 5:00 PM and subsequently was going to have dinner with RAY and JOSEPH ELSON. GREGORY was informed at this time that it would probably be advisable for her to attempt to get in touch with EARL BROWDER as soon as possible so that an interview could be had between BROWDER and herself. Late in the evening of December 17, 1945, GREGORY advised that she had telephoned BROWDER at his home in Yonkers and had an appointment to meet him at 10:30 AM, December 18, 1945 in Room 312, at 55 West 42nd Street, which incidentally is the business address of his brother, RALPH W. BROWDER. It will be recalled that this is the office in which GREGORY last saw BROWDER in October, 1945.

On December 18, 1945, GREGORY advised that she spent about an hour and a half with TED BAYER on the previous evening, during which time they talked over affairs of the World Tourist, Inc., and the U. S. Service and Shipping Corporation. At this time he reiterated his previous ideas of having World Tourist, Inc. and U. S. Service and Shipping Corporation work very closely together and attempt to increase the business of both of these companies in order that the Communist Party may extract from the companies as much money as possible within a short period of time.

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He instructed GREGORY to meet BERDANSKY of World Tourist, Inc. and advise him of the new arrangements for attempting to increase the business of these companies. GREGORY pointed out, however, that in her recent telephone conversations with BERDANSKY, it was quite apparent that someone, probably HARRIS or BAYER, had already talked to BERDANSKY and advised him of the present plans of the Communist Party for attempting to extract funds from these companies. GREGORY brought up the precarious legal situation involving World Tourist, Inc. at the present time. In this connection, the affairs of World Tourist, Inc. had never been litigated after the death of GOLOS and since all of the stock certificates indicating ownership of this corporation are in the name of JACOB GOLOS, there is always the possibility that some of GOLOS' heirs may attempt to seek an accounting, sell or take over the affairs of World Tourist, Inc. BAYER remarked that "they" had recently received some legal papers from GOLOS' wife, CELIA GOLOS, in Moscow and because of this, they have no fear of any complications arising in the corporate structure of World Tourist, Inc. GREGORY informed BAYER at this time that any off-color procedures on the part of the Communist Party in attempting to increase the business of both of these companies would probably be scrutinized closely in view of the fact that all companies presently sending packages to Europe are being investigated by the Municipal Government. She told BAYER that recently the Department of Markets had been to the U. S. Service and Shipping Corporation, examined their books and asked numerous questions regarding the type of business and the procedure followed in handling these overseas packages.

Confidential Informant [REDACTED] has indicated on several occasions that GREGORY has been in communication with Colonel REYNOLDS in regard to men from the Department of Markets examining books of the U. S. Service and Shipping Corporation and asking numerous questions regarding the manner in which these packages are handled. b2

BAYER remarked to GREGORY that she should have no fears in this regard as "they" would be able to take care of everything. During this conversation, GREGORY attempted to determine if BAYER had any Russian contacts at this time. It is GREGORY's definite opinion that BAYER does not have any Russian contacts, at least at this time. He, as a matter of fact, indicated that the contract between the U. S. Service and Shipping Corporation and Intourist was still in effect and would not expire for sometime and that therefore there would be no necessity for having a Russian contact in connection with the business of both companies.

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As previously indicated, GREGORY had an appointment to meet RAY ELSON at Luchow's Restaurant at 6:00 PM. However, she was somewhat late in concluding her interview with BAYER and experienced some transportation difficulty in getting from the Vanderbilt Hotel to 14th Street where Luchow's Restaurant is located. When she arrived at Luchow's, she remarked that the restaurant was closed and she was of the opinion that this restaurant is not open on Monday night. She waited for some time, hoping that RAY ELSON would show up, but after sometime returned to her hotel.

The surveillance that was conducted on RAY ELSON indicated that ELSON came to Luchow's Restaurant at six o'clock and remained there until about 6:30 PM and appeared to be looking for someone. However, ELSON left before GREGORY arrived at this appointed meeting place. GREGORY stated, however, that sometime later in the evening, she communicated with ELSON and they made arrangements to get together again in the near future.

She reported that she saw EARL BROWDER for about forty-five minutes in Room 312 C, at 55 West 42nd Street, and BROWDER was extremely glad to see her, indicating that he had a great deal of trust in her and as a matter of fact, GREGORY intimated that he talked more freely with her on this occasion than he had on any previous times.

It appears that BROWDER is presently engaged in research work, preparing articles on economics, world markets and political information which are to appear in a mimeographed pamphlet entitled "Distributors Guide" which will be published weekly and the first edition is scheduled for sometime in January, 1946. According to BROWDER, the subscription for this service will be \$100 a year. BROWDER also told GREGORY that four individuals, whom he did not name but indicated had money, were backing this proposition. He promised to mail GREGORY a copy of all issues of this pamphlet.

He remarked that he presently has office space in Room 702 at 55 West 42nd Street, New York City, but that the National Committee for Relief in Spain is located directly across from his office and he is of the opinion that this committee is under the scrutiny of the FBI and for that reason he did not deem it advisable to have her come to his office at Room 702.

During this conversation, BROWDER volunteered the information that his son, FELIX, was graduated from M.I.T. in two years with high honors. It appears that FELIX was given a physical examination for

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induction into the Armed Service but because of flat feet was classified 4-F. GREGORY stated that she attempted to determine whether BROWDER had any connections in Washington at the present time, either with the old members of GREGORY's organization or individuals not previously connected with this organization. From BROWDER's conversation, GREGORY detected that he does not have any contacts in Washington at the present time.

In connection with BROWDER's present activities with the Communist Party, he indicated that he has absolutely no connection with any Communists at this time and indicated a bitter feeling toward the present functionaries of the Party and indicated that they did not know what they were doing. He remarked that they were spending money too freely and were apparently dissipating the backlog of funds that he had built up during his ten years as an active functionary of the Party. He also volunteered that although FOSTER is the nominal head of the organization, he is not in fact the leader of the Party because of his ill health and that as a matter of fact GENE DENNIS is actually the functioning head of the Communist Party. It appears that a registration of Communist Party members has just been completed and according to BROWDER, the membership has dropped off fifty per cent. He remarked that this would be an additional source of trouble for the present functionaries as it would definitely decrease the income and activities of the organization.

GREGORY advised that when BROWDER was commenting on the inefficiency of the present heads of the Communist Party, he volunteered that these individuals had attempted to convey the idea that BROWDER's expulsion from the Party was at the insistence of "Uncle Joe" but as a matter of fact this was not true. In defense of this, he advised that he was never able to locate in any Communist Party publication any denouncement of himself or any articles that were critical of the manner in which he handled the affairs of the Communist Party while he was the acting functionary.

GREGORY informed BROWDER of the present unstable affairs of the U. S. Service and Shipping Corporation and World Tourist, Inc. and also told him of the Communist Party attempts to realize some profits from these two corporations. BROWDER was of the opinion that both U. S. Service and Shipping Corporation and World Tourist, Inc. were being watched by the FBI and their activities would be disclosed if the Communist Party functionaries made any attempts to run these companies. He also stated that it would probably be well for GREGORY to inform her Russian contact of the attempts on the part of the Communist Party members to gain control of these corporations and indicated that probably they would take some measures to prevent this being done. He stated that in the

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event, they did not deem it desirable to take any measures in this regard, the Russians would definitely have nothing to do with anyone connected with either corporation and it would probably result in the loss of their contract with Intourist.

GREGORY advised that she plans to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives in Kent, Connecticut, and would probably leave New York City sometime on December 22, 1945 and will return probably on December 26, 1945.

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At 6:07 P.M. an incoming call was reported from Confidential Informant GREGORY to RAY ELSON. GREGORY stated that she had just recovered from the grippe and they had a general discussion concerning the influenza epidemic. It was agreed that GREGORY would meet RAY on December 17th at Luchow's Restaurant for dinner. RAY told GREGORY that JOE was not at home at the present time.

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In reference to the above conversation it appears that the person known as JACK, who is mentioned, may possibly be RAY ELSON's unidentified Russian contact. It will be recalled that an unidentified person known as JACK has been mentioned by Confidential Informant GREGORY, who also advised that this person is known to RAY ELSON.

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It will be recalled that Confidential Informant GREGORY has advised that RAY usually had meetings with her Russian contact on Sundays and that these meetings were instigated by her contact.

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ABRAHAM BROTHMAN

The following investigation is reported by Special Agent JOSEPH WDEH from December 12th through December 19th, 1945: U

In an attempt to ascertain the identity and background of individual subscribers to telephones called from the home phone of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN at Ironsides 6-7769, the following information was received: U

A teletype from the Washington Field Division on December 12, 1945, advised that telephone, Executive 9546, Washington, D. C., is listed for a phone booth in the lobby of the Statler Hotel. U

A teletype from the Detroit Field Division dated December 13, 1945, advised that subject, BROTHMAN, and his wife resided at the Wardell-Sheraton Hotel, Detroit, Michigan, from June 18th to 19th, 1945, at phone number, Madison 9500. This teletype also reflected that phone, Clifford 2814, is a public pay phone in the business section of Detroit. U

A teletype received December 13, 1945, from the Chicago Field Division reflected that Wabash 7450 is listed for the Stevens Hotel, Chicago, and that Mr. and Mrs. A. BROTHMAN occupied room 2318A on June 20th and 21st, 1945. BROTHMAN made a long distance call from this hotel to President 4-2518, which number was ascertained to be listed to B. PIDTO of 783 Troy Avenue, Brooklyn. The New York indices were negative as to B. PIDTO. It is to be noted that this address, 783 Troy Avenue, Brooklyn, is likewise the address of NAT GOLDBLUM, whose motor vehicle bearing license 3Y3441, has been seen periodically at the A.B.A. LABORATORY in Elmhurst, Queens. U

The Chicago teletype also advised that BROTHMAN made a call from the Stevens Hotel to East Chicago 204, and the Indianapolis Office was requested to get the listing and furnish it to the New York Field Division. U

A teletype from Indianapolis on December 14, 1945, reflected that the phone number East Chicago 204, is listed to the GRAVER TANK AND MANUFACTURING CORPORATION, 4809 Todd Avenue, East Chicago, Indiana. It is to be noted that A. BROTHMAN and associates have been doing work for this company. U

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A teletype from Philadelphia dated December 14, 1945, indicated that Kingsley 8864 and Baring 9714 are public telephones in Philadelphia. Rittenhouse 9805 was listed for the CUTLER CHEMICAL COMPANY, 1701 Walnut Street, Philadelphia and was owned by LOUIS CUTLER who was a partner of one NATHAN R. STEIN.

PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE

On December 12, 1945, at 1:40 pm the subject and a man emerged from 114 East 32nd Street, at which address subject maintains offices, and walked to the Vanderbilt Hotel. The subject's companion, who might be one FRISHER (ph.), was described as:

Height	5'8"
Weight	150 lbs.
Hair	Gray
Age	60 years
Dress	Black hat, black overcoat, well dressed.

The subject emerged from the Vanderbilt Hotel, however, the other individual did not come out. Subject returned to his offices at 114 East 32nd Street and remained there until 8:35 pm at which time he emerged with his secretary and had dinner at a restaurant on the corner of East 32nd Street and Park Avenue, after which they returned to the office and emerged at 12:30 am on the next day with JULES KORCHIEN, after which they drove in subject's car to 10 Downing Street, where they all entered.

At 1:15 am subject and his secretary emerged and the subject drove his secretary to her house at 151 Eighth Avenue, where she was observed to enter after subject and his secretary indulged in affectionate activity. Subject entered his own apartment in Sunnyside at 1:45 am.

On December 13, 1945, subject followed his usual routine at the Laboratory where the cars previously reported were observed again. Subject left the Laboratory at 2:17 pm and went to his offices at 114 East 32nd Street where he remained until 6:30 pm, at which time the subject, his secretary, and JULES KORCHIEN left in subject's automobile and drove to 10 Downing Street,

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where KORCHIEN emerged and entered the building. The subject and his secretary were lost in traffic on the way uptown and at 8:50 pm the subject's car was located on 34th Street near Park Avenue, and subject and his secretary were observed leaving the Vanderbilt Hotel five minutes later and entering the subject's car. They drove back to the office at 114 East 32nd Street. U

At 12:15 am on the next morning the subject and his secretary drove to 151 Eighth Avenue and there entered the EMBRO RESTAURANT where they were observed in a booth. U

At 12:45 am it was observed that a squad of police raided the EMBRO RESTAURANT but the subject and his secretary were not effected. U

At 1:05 am the subject and his secretary entered 151 Eighth Avenue, where it was observed that MIRIAM MARKOWITZ is listed together with "KOGON-SCHEINMAN". Subject left his secretary at this time and drove in his own car back to his residence. U

On December 14, 1945, subject was again at the A.B.A. LABORATORY, leaving there at 1:05 pm with a tall, blond man with whom he has been observed frequently eating lunch and who apparently is employed at the A.B.A. LABORATORY. The subject dropped this individual at the Rex Diner and proceeded to 114 East 32nd Street. U

At 1:45 pm subject in the company of his secretary and a man described as:

Age	26 to 31 years
Height	5'11"
Weight	162 lbs.
Hair	Black, bushy
Eyes	Gray
Face	Thin, red cheeks, hooked nose.
Features	Sharp, dark bearded
Peculiarities	Nervous mannerism, hand gesticulations.

They left 114 East 32nd Street and walked to 1 Park Avenue, where they had lunch together until 2:50 pm at which time they returned to the offices at 114 East 32nd Street. U

At 7:45 pm the subject and his secretary had walked to the Vanderbilt Hotel where they had dinner until 8:55 pm, at which time they returned to 114 East 32nd Street. They remained there until 12:45 am at which time subject drove his secretary to 151 Eighth Avenue. MIRIAM MARKOWITZ emerged there and subject left in his car driving home and arriving there at 1:10 am. U

On December 15, 1945, subject's activities were practically identical with the activities reported on previous dates except that he and his secretary had lunch at Janssen's Restaurant. U

On December 16, 1945, at 7:55 pm subject and his secretary left 114 East 32nd Street in subject's car and drove to 33rd Street and Seventh Avenue, where his secretary emerged and caught a blue bus with a red stripe which was proceeding south on Seventh Avenue and which was apparently an out-of-town bus. The subject then drove in his car back to his residence at Sunnyside arriving there at about 8:20 pm. U

At 10:05 pm the subject and his wife emerged and drove in subject's car to the Terminal Garage where the car was put for the night, and the subject and his wife walked back to subject's residence at 10:20 pm. U

On December 19, 1945, a spot check was made and the subject was observed with his wife at 11:00 am departing from his automobile and proceeding to the shopping center in the vicinity of subject's residence. They were observed shopping for a period of about an hour at which time the spot check was discontinued. U

In connection with subject's previous contact with R. MICHEL, [redacted] advised that the subject was making up drafts and samples for MICHEL, b2 and that the subject is sending a DDT proposal to Mr. MICHEL in Belgium by mail. Subject was also sending samples of a glue solution and a dry powder. It was ascertained that MICHEL was leaving for Belgium on December 17, 1945, and that his address would be as follows: U

R. V. MICHEL,
Sales Promotion Director of Union Chimique Belge,
61 Avenue Louise,
Brussels, Belgium. U

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It was further ascertained through [REDACTED] in connection with subject's joint bank account held with LYNN CHU and C. S. WAN, that subject, BROTHMAN, received \$5000. part payment on some chemical process involving plexiglas and other processes and the balance of an unknown amount is to be given to subject, BROTHMAN, upon the receipt of a report gotten up by BROTHMAN in connection with various chemical processes. No further information was available at this time in connection with the company represented by C. S. WAN or LYNN CHU. U

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NY 65-14600

RE: MICHAEL GREENBERG, with aliases;
Michael Menahan Greenberg, Michael Gibson,
Menahan Greenberg

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Marion E. Torrens.

Confidential Informant Gregory advised that MICHAEL GREENBERG furnished information from the Summer of 1943 to August or September, 1944. She stated her first information concerning this individual came from either GOLOS or MILDRED PRICE, who indicated GREENBERG was associated in some capacity with LAUCHLIN CURRIE in Washington. She stated his position was not particularly strategic, inasmuch as CURRIE himself was actively assisting in passing the information coming to him in the course of his duties. Informant stated that she never met GREENBERG, nor so far as she knew did GOLOS, but his information was passed to her by MARY PRICE, who received it from GREENBERG. It was informant's recollection that GREENBERG's services were enlisted when MILDRED PRICE suggested to GOLOS that he might be of use, and thereafter appropriate arrangements were made by MILDRED so that GREENBERG would relay information to MARY. Informant stated that she suggested that GREENBERG be dropped sometime in August or September, 1944. She said that at that time MARY PRICE mentioned to her that GREENBERG had been a Communist in England. Informant had no specific knowledge of his Communist Party activities in the United States, except she recalled that MARY PRICE attempted to collect Communist Party dues from him.

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Re: JOHN LOUIS SPIVAK

Confidential Informant GREGORY in her statement of November 30, 1945 furnished information concerning one JOHN SPIVAK who, according to the informant, was associated with JACOB GOLOS from the summer months of 1942 to November, 1943. Although the informant never met SPIVAK, it was known that he was a writer by profession and had done considerable investigating in connection with his writings and also on specific request for GOLOS.

According to the informant, SPIVAK was paid his traveling expenses plus some compensation. Pursuant to instructions from GOLOS, he traveled considerably and on one occasion went to Mexico and California to conduct some investigations concerning the Japanese.

The informant further recalled that during the period mentioned above, articles under SPIVAK's name were appearing in the New Masses magazine. Informant GREGORY further stated that after GOLOS' death, BILL, his successor, requested that the informant contact SPIVAK for the purpose of returning some of his material which BILL was holding. Informant GREGORY declined to make the contact as requested.

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ALBERT E. KAHN
alias Al Kahn

The following information was obtained through Confidential Informant [REDACTED] and is being reported by Special Agent William J. Rowe. b2

It should be noted that KAHN'S connection with this investigation emanates from the fact that Confidential Informant GREGORY has advised that she was introduced to KAHN by GOLOS at KAHN'S home in January, 1942. The informant states that KAHN is a Communist Party member and that he supplied GOLOS directly and through her with copies of "The Hour," as well as information concerning the ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE and the Ukrainian Nationalist Movement. GREGORY states that she saw KAHN last in the spring of 1943.

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE NEW YORK FIELD DIVISION

At New York, New York:

This matter is receiving continuous and exhaustive investigative attention and leads are being set out by teletype and letter for immediate coverage by auxiliary Field Offices.



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FILE NO. 65-14603

JK:CFM

234 U. S. Court House
Foley Square, N. Y.

January 3, 1946

Postmaster,
Klahurst, L. I. NY.

RE: N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS; etal
ESPIONAGE R.

Dear Sir:

In connection with an investigation being conducted by this Bureau, it is requested that a cover be placed on all mail, including special delivery and registered mail, of the following for a period of thirty days:

BROTHMAN, A. & ASSOCIATES
ABA LABORATORIES
85-03 57th Avenue
Klahurst, L. I. NY.

☐ return cards

☐ tracings

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

am
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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ATT. D. M. LADD, BUREAU. C. E. HENNRICH, WFO. N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS
ET AL. ESPIONAGE R. [REDACTED]

The above information is confidential in connection with the Rosenberg case. It is to be handled as such and no further dissemination is to be made.

[REDACTED] THROUGH CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE IT HAS BEEN DEVELOPED
THAT ABRAHAM BROTHMAN IS GOING ON A VACATION OF UNKNOWN DURATION AT WALKILL,
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FRED BRIEHL, NY STATE CP COMMITTEE MEMBER WHO RESIDES AT WALKILL RELATIVE TO
RESERVATIONS. [REDACTED]

CONROY

Approved: T.C.C. am
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PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

January 11, 1946

Director, FBI

Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al;
ESPIONAGE-R

Dear Sirs:

On December 13, 1945 a technical surveillance was instituted on the residence of ABE BROTHMAN, a subject of instant case, covering the telephone listed to him at 41-08 42nd Street, Sunnyside, Queens, New York. This listing is Ironsides 6-7769 and the symbol NYT 347 has been assigned.

This informant has been able to furnish considerable information of value relating to BROTHMAN's movements and associates. For instance, on December 28, 1945 this informant reported that BROTHMAN had advised his wife he had an evening appointment in the Russian Tea Room. Appropriate investigation is presently being conducted to determine the identity of the person observed meeting him there.

On January 6, 1946 this confidential source advised that BROTHMAN was leaving New York City the following day for a week's vacation at Walkill, New York. On January 8, 1946 it was learned through this informant that BROTHMAN had arrived at Walkill and was apparently planning to stay the full week there.

In view of the type of information being furnished, it is recommended that the services of this informant be continued.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY
SAC

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FILE NO. **65-14603**
JX:GDM

January 3, 1946

**RE: N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER
ESPIONAGE R.**

Postmaster,
Hon. Moses Synington
Sunnyside, 4, Long Island City.

Dear Sir:

In connection with an investigation being conducted by this Bureau, it is requested that a cover be placed on all mail, including special delivery and registered mail, of the following for a period of thirty days:

ABRAHAM BROTHMAN
41-08 42nd Street
Sunnyside 4, L. I.

☒ return cards

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Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

JX
Special Agent in Charge

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with the Brothman case as the Brothman
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