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Rewriet July 14, 1951, recommending the installation of a technical surveillance on the residence of Sylvic Steingart, 237 Green Street, Hen Francisco, California.

denied in view of the ellegation of David Greenglass, confessed Soviet agent, to the affect that he was informed by Encemberg that the Steingarts were engaged in Soviet captonage. It is therefore considered that the operation contaminate any evidence in this matter might serve to the the event of their future presecution on the Charge of captonage.

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The Director

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DATE: January 8, 1953

FROM

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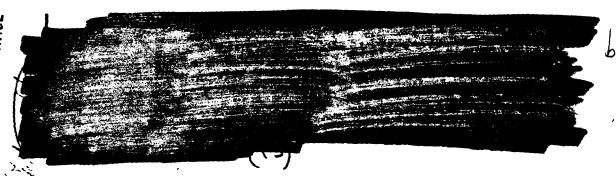
On January 2, 1988, Judge Kaufman denied hosenbergs' plea for executive clemency. Junuary 6, 1953, Judge Kaufman signed order granting stay of execution on condition Rosenbergs file plea for executive clemency on or before January 10, next. Recommend attached memorandum be furnished Attorney General setting forth summary of kosenbergs' espionage activities, exclusive of information Also recommend that Director brief Attorney General on information concerning the Rosenbergs

thas much as it is believed the President will consult the Attorney General in weighing plea for clemency. Blind memorandum for use of Director in briefing Attorney General also attached.

PURPOSE:

To report developments in this case. U1-

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By investigation we were able to secure independent proof that Rosenberg, with the active assistance of his wife, recruited Greenglass and obtained atomic information from him. Based on this proof the Rosenbergs were convicted and sentenced to death by Federal Judge Kaufman on April 9, 1951.

These convictions were appealed to the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, Second Circuit, and affirmed on November 15, 1951. Two applications were affirmed on November 15, 1951. Two applications were made to the United States Supreme Court for a writ of made to the United States Supreme Court for a writ of certiorari and both were denied. On November 21, 1952, certiorari and both were denied. On November 21, 1952, Judge Kaufman ordered that the execution of the Rosenbergs take place during the week of January 12, 1953. Emanuel alooh, attorney for the Rosenbergs, thereafter filed a Bloch, attorney for the Rosenbergs, thereafter filed a petition under Section 2255, Title 28, U. S. Code, to petition under Section 2255, Title 28, U. S. Code, to vacate the convictions and stay the execution of the vacate the v

DETAILS:

On January 2, 1953, Judge Kaufman denied a plea for judicial clemency. However, on January 6, 1953, he signed an order granting a stay of execution on the condition that on or before January 10, next, an affidavit of defense counsel be filed with the clerk of the U. S. District Court that a petition for executive clemency has been duly filed for submission to the President; further, such stay to expire five days after the determination by the President. Bloch also made a motion for a stay of execution before the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals which was denied without prejudice to a renewal at any time was denied without prejudice to a renewal at any time within the five-day period after the President had ruled on the application for executive clemency.



OBSERVATIONS:

It is expected that the President, in weighing a plea for clemency, will consult with the Attorney General for his observations. In view thereof, it is believed advisable to furnish a memorandum to the Attorney General concisely setting forth the data available in Bureau files concerning the espionage activities of the Rosenbergs and to show that while the Rosenbergs are in a position to furnish us with valuable information and supply the necessary evidence to identify and prosecute other espionage agents, they have not seen fit to do so. It should be noted that the attached memorandum to the Attorney General does not contain information available from

In addition, it is believed advisable that the Attorney General should be made cognizant of the

In view of the foregoing, it is suggested that the Director brief the Attorney General on this information. Attached is a blind memorandum summarizing the

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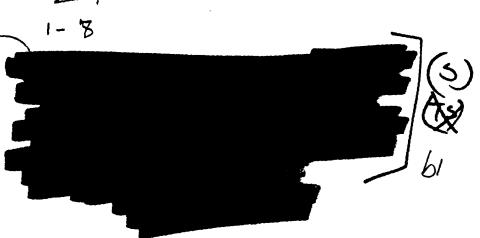
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It is recommended that the attached memorandum to the Attorney General be approved and transmitted. Also attached for your approval is a blind memorandum, together with copies of the

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Office Memorandum . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO

D. M. LADD

DATE: February 11, 1953

FROM

A. H. BELLONT

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N Subject:

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At 5:45 P.N. on February 11, 1953, I advised ASAC Whelan in New York that the President had denied the appeal of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg. I instructed that New York alert its informants and technical coverage to be sure that the Bureau is advised of any reaction on the part of the Communist Party or the Rosenbergs. I advised Mr. Whelan that the Bureau desires to be kept informed of any information secured by the New York Office in this respect.

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MR. W. V

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JULIUS AND ETHEL ROSENBERG ESPIONAGE - R

At 1:20 P.N., February 16, 1953, Supervisor Scott Miller of the New York Office telephonically advised that information had been received from three different technical surveillances to the effect that a picket line will be set up at 4:00 P.M. today in front of the National Republican Club, National Headquarters of the Republican Party, in New York City. The picket line will be sponsored by the Civil Rights Congress and the picketing is scheduled to run from 4:00 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. each night this week through Saturday. The United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America will be sending a group to picket in this line tonight. The New York Office has advised the NYC Police Department with regard to this matter.

ACTION:

William Foley of the Criminal Division of the Department has been telephonically furnished the above information.

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