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February 5, 1972

Dear Friend:

The 20th National Convention of the Communist Party will be held at the Towers Hotel, in Brooklyn, New York, from February 18 through February 21.

During these crisis-dominated times an ever larger number of people are speking more radical alternatives and solutions. Thus a massive movement is dearound such demands as an end to Nixon government policies of war, racksm, repression, wage freeze and poverty. Many others are seeking the read to peace, national liberation, democracy and socialism.

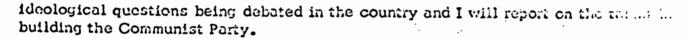
Our Convention will give attention to the totality of political discussion and realignment of people, developments among working class forces, Black, Chicano, Puerto Rican, native Indian people, youth, women, scientists and the academic community—all sections of the upsurge. It will necessarily make an assessment and analysis of the world and domestic scene and set a perspective in keeping with the principles of Marxism-Leninism. It will be a busy and serious Convention.

On Saturday, February 19, at 1:00 P.M. we will have a special session in Town Hell, at 123 West 43rd Street, New York City, devoted to international working class solidarity with the participation of fraternal delegates from a number of countries. The public and mass media are invited to this session.

Special attention will also be given to the 1972 elections and to the campaign of Gus Hall and Jarvis Tyner, our candidates for President and Vice President, and the Party Platform for the elections will be adopted.

The pre-Convention discussion has been conducted around Draft Theses for the past four months in our clubs. Three major reports will provide the main themes for Convention action. Our General Secretary, Gus Hall, will report in the Friday morning opening session on the present situation and the tasks of the Communist Party. Henry Winston, our National Chairman, will give a special report on some

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We know that you are concerned, as are many others about such issues. This lefter is an invitation for you to attend this Convention as a guest or observer. Recause of space limitations, this letter is being sent to a limited number of non-Communict movement activists and friends and to some Communists where we thought it would be of mutual benefit to have them present as guests or observers at our Convention. For movement activists we view this invitation to attend our Convention as part of the process of cross fertilization of ideas and experiences which make it more peasible for us all to work together for those projects on which there is mutual agreement.

The Towers Hotel can be reached by the Seventh Avenue IRT subway to the first Brooklyn stop, Clark Street Station and then by walking one block West on Clark Street to 25 Clark Street.

Registration will take place Thursday, February 17, from noon until 8:00 P.M. at our National Office, 23 West 26th Street, Manhattan, or 9:00 to 10:00 A.M. Friday, February 18 in the basement of the Towers Hotel. The Convention will open promptly at 10:00 A.M. It will be necessary for guests and observers to obtain the "guest" credential and Convention materials kit from registration. A complementary ticket to the Town Hall meeting will also be supplied. The \$5.00 registration fee will be waived when necessary.

Let us hear from you as to whether you can attend, and if you are unable to attend all sessions, please let us know the days when you can be present.

We trust your reply will be favorable.

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Sincerely and fraternally yours,

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Daniel Rubin,

National Organization Secretary



Memorandum

TO

SAC. NEW YORK (100-37158)

DATE: 2/17/72

FROM

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SUBJECT:

MOI:TON SOBELL

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On 2/16/72. advised the writer that captioned subject, on 2/14/72, had by letter requested authority of the Parole Board, to travel to Harrisburg, Pa. on 2/22/72, for the purpose of participating in and speaking at a forum of the Harrisburg Defense Committee.

Subject did not furnish the name of any individuals whom he would be visiting, no did he furnish any address f or the above meeting. He indicated he would travel from NYC to Harrisburg on 2/22/72, by private auto, accompanied by his wife. HELEN. He indicated that he intended to return to NYC on the evening of 2/22 following the above activity. however, in the event it was too late, it might be necessary for him to stay overnight in a motel.

advised that subject's request was being considered by the US Board of Parole, WDC, but that he expected it would be approved in view of the previous USDC ruling in favor of the subject.

On 2/17/72, advised the writer that subject's travel request had been approved by the USBP, WDC.

advised, by way of information, that since the decision rendered in USDC, SDNY, on 5/20/71, in subject's suit against the US Board of Parole, the Board was unable to prevent subject from appearing at such affairs. In the montioned case, USDJ MAKVIN E. FRANKEL ruled in favor of the subject, stating that he PB retained authority to supervise subject's activity. but could not prevent him from speaking, assembling, or otherwise expressing his views, unless the Board could show in writing in a specific case that travel restriction was necessary to safeguard against specific, concretely described, highly likely dangers of misconduct on the part of subject. 100-37158. 2850

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-37158)

DATE: 3/20/72

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SUBJECT:

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advised the writer that subject had recently advised that the book which he is writing is now in the process of being edited by his literary agent. Stated he is under the impression that the book will not be ready to to the publisher any time in the near future.

will attempt to obtain more specific information from the subject

indicated that he intends to apply for a passport sometime in the near future, inasmuch as he is comtemplating a trip to Europe sometime during the coming summer. Subject advised that he has no specific itinery planned at this time, but he will furnish one in the event he is able to obtain a passport.

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The next report or LHM may be expected at the Bureau 7/6/72.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-37158)

DATE: 5/30/72

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SUBJECT:

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the publisher was

not happy with the advance draft of the book, and thought that it was too long. Subject advised that the book is now being reviewed by his literary agent, but that many portions of it will have to be rewriten.

According to the subject, the book will not be ready for publication at any time in the near future. Subject indicated that the book would probably not be ready until next spring.

The above is submitted for information in subject's file.

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published weekly in San Francisco.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-37158)

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SUBJECT:

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On discoursed the writer that

the exact status of the book which subject is writing, and which has been under preparation for two years.

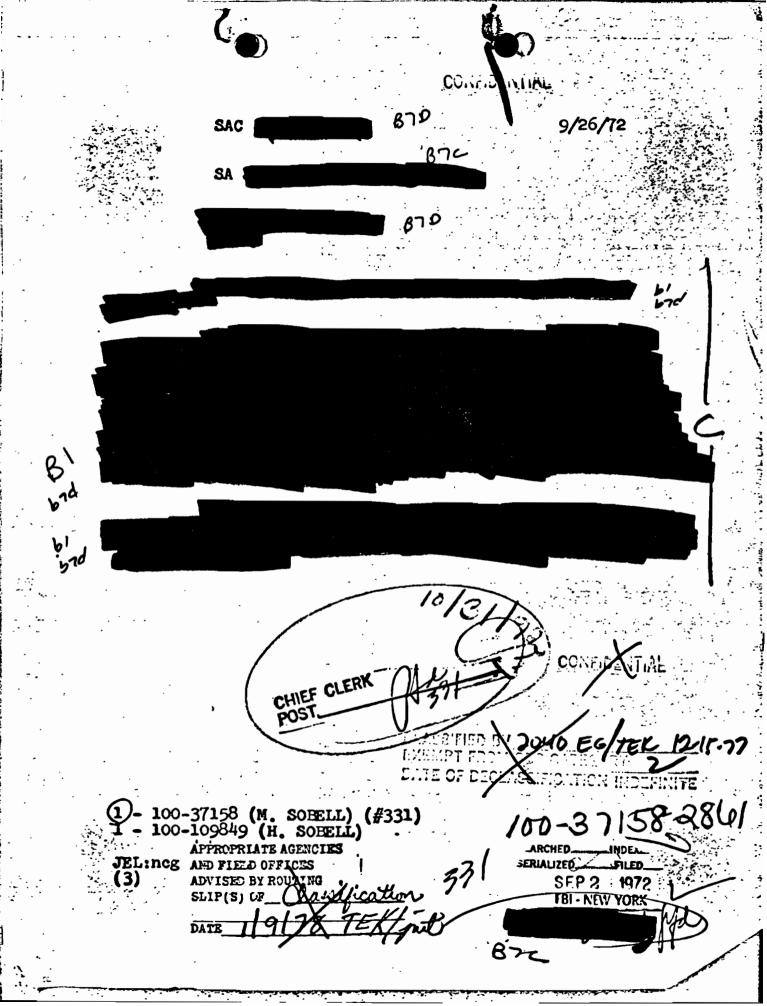
advised, that according to the subject, he had finished the first draft of the book, but the publisher was not happy with it, believing that it was too lenghty. Subject advised that his literary agent is now reviewing his draft in an effort to shorten it. Subject also indicated that some parts may have to be rewritten. Subject stated he did not see how the book could be published any time before next year.

The above is being recorded in subject's file for information.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT MemorandumSAC, NY (100-37158) DATE: 11-29-72 FROM 87C MORTON SOBELL SUBJECT: advised that he had a pleasant, but uneveniful Trip Though Europe. Subject stated that he is still working on his back ransion which will not be sompleted until Some time next year. above is for injurnation .37/58=2863 Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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TO SAC, NEW YORK (100-37158)

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DATE: 2/28/73

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SUBJECT:

MORTON SOBELL

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0n advised that subject continues to reside at 626 Riverside Drive, NYC, apartment brd 12-F. He advised that there is no change in the employment of subject.



advised that in the event he receives any additional information regarding the above, he will advise the writer. 67d

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SUBJECT:

MORTON SOBELL

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It is noted that no leads are presently outstanding regarding captioned matter.

It is noted that subject is a Priority III ADEX subject. The next verification and annual letter to the Bureau is due in this case on 6/30/73.

In view of the above, it is recommended that this matter be placed in a pending inactive status.

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TO :

SAC, NEW YORK (100-37159)

DATE: 7/17/73

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SA #44

SUBJECT:

MURTON SOBELL

During the month of June 193, the above-captioned subject wrote an article, or was mentioned in an article or notice, in the below-indicated issue of the "Daily World", an east coast communist newspaper.

An asterisk will follow the page number if the subject wrote the article and a check mark will follow the page number if the subject was mentioned in the article or notice.

Date of Issue 6/27/73

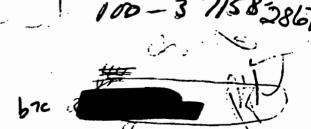
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compiracy to commit espionage in behalf of the USSR, and was sentenced to 30 years. He was released from prison in 1969, after having served 18 years, and since his release has given indications of retaining strong support for the communist movement. It appears that his present absence from more evert activity is due only to the limitations imposed by the terms of his conditional release. It is believed that in time of national emergency he would represent a threat to the internal security of the U.S. It is therefore recommended that he be retained on ADEX.



TO : SAC, New York (100-37158)

DATE: 9/11/73

FROM Director, FBI (101-2483)

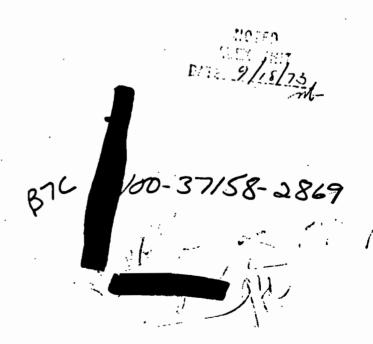
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Reur FD-122 dated 8/15/73.

The Bureau does not agree with your reason for including the name of the subject in the ADEX. You are referred to Section 87E, Manual of Instructions, paragraphs one and two which set forth the criteria for including a name in ADEX, namely, that the individual represents a current threat to the national security.

In view of the above and in the absence of any additional information provided by your office, the name of the subject will not be included in ADEX.





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SUBJECT:

FROM

MORTON SOBELL

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furnished the following information to the writer:

Subject has been granted permission by the US Board of Parole to travel on 10/6/73 from NYC to Silver Spring, Md. to visit his mother-in-law, ROSE LEVITOV, 1072 Rustan Street, Silver Spring. He will travel by auto with his wife, HELEN SOBELL, and will return to NYC on the evening of 10/7/73.

Subject continues to reside with his wife at 626 Riverside Drive, NYC, apartment 12-F. He continues to be employed by the firm Medical Electronics, Inc., 30 Virginia Road, White Plains, NY.

the book he is writing is now in its final form, and it might reach the publisher in February or March. he had recently written two articles regarding his impression of the book by LOUIS NIZER concerning the ROSENBERG case. One was published in the Law Journal, and one was published in the NYU Review.

his wife, HELEN SOBELL had returned from a trip to China mainland during the summer, however, he gave no other details. Subject did not accompany her on this trip.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (101-2483)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-37158)

SUBJECT: MORTON SOBELL

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advised that captioned subject has been granted authority to travel from NYC on 12/1/73 to Yellow Springs, Ohio. The purpose of his trip is to speak to the student body of Antioch College regarding the ROSENBERG - SOBELL trial. He plans to return to NYC on 12/2/73.

For the information of Cincinnati, subject was convicted with JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG on 3/29/51 in USDC, SDRY, of conspiracy to commit espionage in behalf of the USSR. He was sentenced to 30 years and was released on 1/14/69 after serving 18 years. He remains on probation until 4/14/81.

This communication is intended to alert Cincinnati to subject's presence in your area. No specific investigation is requested regarding subject, however, if any pertinent information is received from established informants or sources, it should be forwarded to MY for information.

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Captioned subject was convicted with the ROSENB RGS of conspiracy to commit espionage, and served 18 years in prison. For the past two years the subject has been writing a book concerning his experiences in prison.

The Bureau has expressed great interest in subject's book, and has instructed the NYO, through contacts in the publishing field, to attempt to obtain an advance copy prior to publication.

has been kept advised as to the status of the book. Briefly, the subject completed the book in 1973, and turned in to the publisher the advance draft. The publisher did not like the style of the book, and requested it be rewriten.

On advised that subject has recently turned in to the publisher, Charles Scribner's Sons, NYC, the final draft of the book. Subject advised the title is "On Doing Time", and it is scheduled for publication in October, 1974. Subject has recieved an advance payment of \$21,000 from the publisher.

According to the limited information the book is not related to the Rosenberg case, but concerns his experiences and opinion of the US prison system.

LEAD SECTION 12 PUBLISHING FIELD

Through contacts in the publishing field, will attempt to determine if it is possible for the NYO to obtain an advance copy of the manuscript without the Bureau's interest becoming publicate known.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-2483)

4/10/74

SAC, NEW YORK (100-37158) (P)

MORTON SOBELL ESP-R

On furnished the following information:

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On 4/2/74, subject applied to the US Board of Parole for permission to travel abroad. He indicated he plans to depart from the US, accompanied by his wife, on 7/18/74, and will return 3/17/74. Subject indicated he would travel to the following cities and countries during his trip abroad:

West Germany
East Germany
Prague, Czechoslovakia
Vienna, Austria
Budapest, Hungary
Moscow, USSR
Leningrad, USSR
Helsinki, Finland
Stockholm, Sweden
Copenhagen, Denmark

advised that the above travel request was being submitted to the US Board of Parole, WDC, for approval, but that in his opinion the authorization would be automatic in view of court rulings in subject's favor preventing the USBP from restricting the travel of subject. Subject already is in possession of a passport.

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Subject advised that the above trip was to serve a dual purpose. It is to be a vacation trip, as well as a business trip. In addition to travelling as a tourist, subject intends to arrange for the foreign publication of his forthcoming book.

paration and after several re-writings, the final draft of his book has been submitted to the publisher, Charles Scribner & Sons, NYC. The tentative title selected for the book is "On Doing Time", and the tentative publication date is October, 1974. Subject advised that he had received the final 1/3 advance payment from the publisher of \$7,000. He therefore has received a total of \$21,000 advance payment from the publisher.

In regard to the above, the NYO will attempt, through any established sources in the publishing field, to obtain an early copy of subject's book.

The above is submitted to the Bureau for information purposes.

Memorandum

ro : SAC, NEW YORK (100-37158) :.

DATE: 4/19/74

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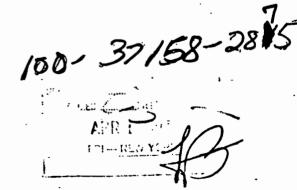
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On 4/19/74, the writer received the attached flyer indicating that a demonstration was to be held in front of the NYO on 4/24/74, sponsored by the JEWISH SOCIALIST COMMUNITY, protesting the "frameup and murder" of JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG.

On 4/19/74, Supv. Section 12, advised the writer that the NYO was aware of the above mentioned demonstration, and that Section 3A6 was preparing an airtel to advise the Bureau of the above.

It is recommended that attached flyer be filed in the file of captioned subject for information and future reference.

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AGAINST THE F.B.I. FRAMEUP AND MURCES OF JULIUS & ETHEL ROSENBERG

On June 20, 1953 Ethel and Julius Rosenberg were electrocuted at Sing Sing prison for allegedly transmitting the secret of the atomic bomb to the Soviet Union. Their co-defendent, Morton Sobell, served 19 years in federal prisons.

Investigations since the deaths of the Rosenbergs, especially those of Miriam and Walter Schneir, authors of Invitation to an Inquest, point to the innocence of the Rosenbergs and the likelihood of an F.B.I. conspiracy and frameup against them.

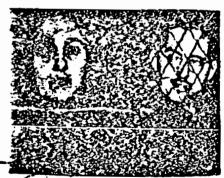
despite these investigations, the F.B.I. still refuses to open its files on the case; like many other parts of the Nixon Government, it prefers cover-ups, and cover-ups of cover-ups.

As Jews we feel a special tie to the Rosenberg case. All of the principals in the case—the defendants, witnesses, lawyers, the Judge, and the D.A.—were Jewish. Anti-Semitism was used by McCarthyite America to attack the Left and silence the Jewish community. And Jewish Cold Warriors like Roy Cohn, Irving Kaufman, and Irving Saypol did the dirty work against their own people.

As socialists and radicals, we also feel a special tie to the Rosenberg case. It is a model of the conspiracy prosecution, the use of vague legislation, a corrupt F.B.I., a hanging judge, and coerced government witnesses in political trials that masquerade as criminal prosecutions. The government used the trial to mask its cold war—arms race policies, creating fears and threats to fool the public and silence the opposition. The same tactics are employed today. We have seen this throughout the 1960s and 1970s, in the trials of the Black Panther Party, the Chicago Eight, and many other radicals, and we see it now in the trials of the Attica brothers, the American Indian Movement, and the Black Liberation Army.

We cannot stand silent while this Watergate-like charade continues. Thus we are assembling outside the F.B.I. building to demand that the files in the Rosenberg-Sobell case be opened to public scrutiny.





Ethel and Julius Rosenberg

F.B.I. Offices
Third Avenue &
East 69th St.
Wednesday,
April 24, 1974
5: 00 P.M.
Public Invited



The Prosecutors: U.S. Attorney Irving Saypol and beassistants Myles Lane and Roy Cohe.

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For More Information About the Demonstration or the JSC, Write: **Jewish Socialist Community, Box 384, N.Y., N.Y. 1001**,1

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Rosenberg Trial Data Missing, U.S. Says

New York Times News Service

NEW YORK — The United States Attorney's Office, asked to produce 10 government exhibits in the case of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, who were executed in 1953 for conspiring in atomic espionage, contends the exhibits have disappeared.

A suit was filed in federal court yesterday on behalf of Morton Sobell, who asserts that he is innocent of a conspiracy to transmit defense information to the Soviet Union, despite his conviction during the Rosenberg trial in 1951.

The suit was filed by Burt Neuborne of the American Civil Liberties Union Foundation.

SOBELL, who served 17 years and nine months of a 30-year sentence, is required to report to the United States Parole Board until 1981.

The new case at issue involves how long exhibits must be retained. Several legal experts said informally that they believed there was no specified time limit.

U.S. Atty. Paul J. Curran would say only that a response to the new suit would be made in due course.

In the application, Neu-

borne said Sobell had on numerous occasions within the last year sought to inspect the government exhibits. The application said that finally chief assistant Silvio J. Mollo told Neuborne on March 25 in a telephone conversation that "the exhibits in the Rosenberg case could not be found."

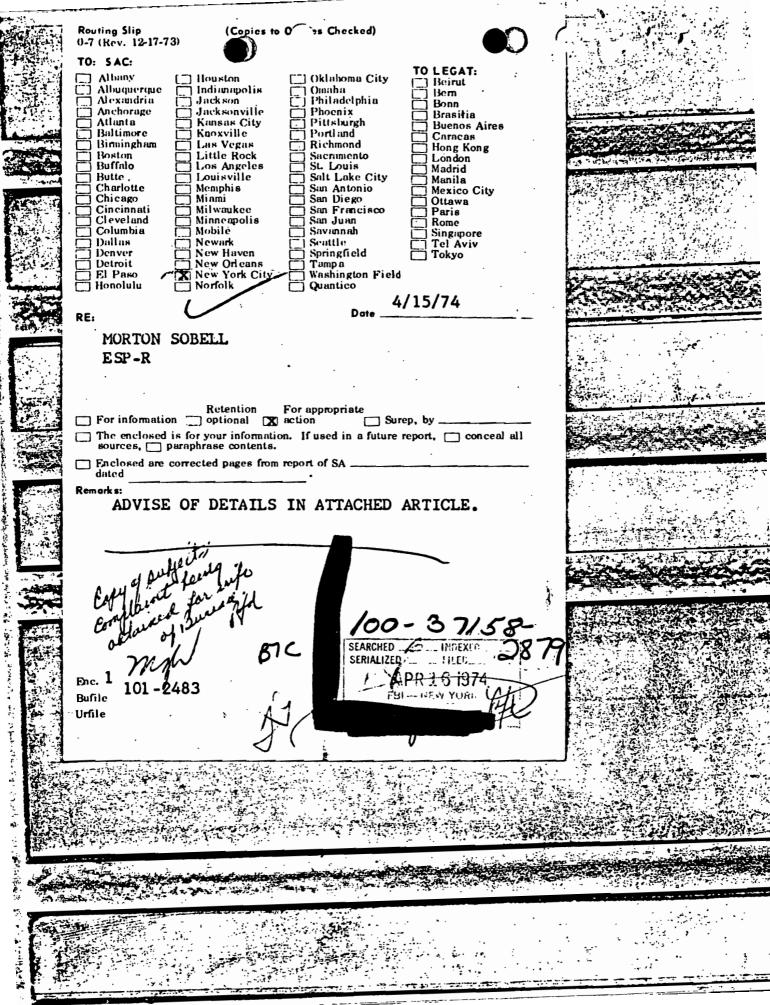
"WHEN COUNSEL expressed incredulity that; the records of perhaps the most notorious criminal prosecution in recent years could become lost," the petition went on, "Mr. Mollo reiterated that the records were not available.

"Counsel thereupon requested Mr. Mollo to inform him of the nature of the search which had been made and to inform him of the steps which would be taken to find the 'lost' Rosenberg exhibits. Mr. Mollo declined to do so."

The petition charged "failure to perform a duty" owed to Sobell under the fair trial guarantees of the Constitution. Outside of court, Sobell, now a medical electronics engineer, said he hoped to be able to prove one of the exhibits he seeks was fraudulent.

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HOLD THIS DATE--MONDAY, JUNE 17th--CARNEGIE HALL MEMORIAL CONCERT--21st ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEATHS OF ETHEL AND JULIUS ROSENBERG

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We are happy to announce the formation of the National Committee to Re-Open the Rosenberg Case! We have leased an office at Room 505, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10010. Our phone number is (212)691-6073 and 691-6074.

Meanwhile, there has been widespread interest in the case that has resulted in many news stories, speaking engagements and interviews for Robby and Michael Meeropol, the Rosenberg sons. Next month, approximately 31 million people will be able to hear them on the Mike Douglas Show. The interview is 20 minutes long; Robby and Michael are pleased with it; and they have been invited back.

We are enclosing a list of major cities where it will be shown. If we do not list your city (because it is being shown in over-100 cities), please call your channel to find out the time and date.

To insure maximum coverage, we urge you to beginimmediately the following things:

- 1. Notify your friends and organizations of Robby and Michael's television appearance, and
- 2. Contact your local newspapers, radio stations, and television channels for advanced publicity on the event.

Moreover, Robby and Michael will be discussing Miriam and Walter Schneir's book, <u>Invitation to An Inquest</u>, and holding up a copy. Please contact your bookstores to make sure they have a good supply of the Penguin paperback edition.

We are deeply appreciative to all of you who have already written or responded to our work. We will be keeping in close touch with you in the future.

Sincerely,

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At 9:30 a.m. on 6/12/74, Mr. KILSHEIMER, of Kaplan, Kilsheimer and Foley, (MU 7-1980) called.

Mr. KILSHEIMER is a close friend of Judge IRVING KAUFMAN, Chief Judge of the Second Circuit Court.

Mr. KILSHEIMER stated that he had an inquiry from one RENATI PACHETTI, who is connected with RAI CORPORATION (Italian Radio TV System), 1350 Avenue of the Americas. He stated that RAI plans to do a documentary on the ROSENBERG Case to be shown exclusively in Italy. 276

PACHETTI stated that the producer (ENZIO BIAGGL) from Rome will be in the United States as of June 23rd and plans to conduct extensive interviews of the principals of the ROSENBERG Case.

Mr. KILSHEIMER wanted to know whether or not we had any information concerning this proposed documentary and whether or not it would be Communist slanted.

I advised Mr. KILSHEIMER that I knew nothing about the company nor the principal's name nor plans to make the film; however, appropriate inquiries would be made.

Mr. KILSHEIMER appeared on the recent show produced by GOLDSTEIN. He did so at the instruction of some of the principals involved in the case with the hope that he could give a clear unbiased accounting of the facts. He felt that he may be called upon to do the same in this show, but before he agreed to do so, he would like to know the nature of the company involved.

This matter should be checked through the Indices of the NYO, and the Bureau should be requested to immediately contact the Legat, in Rome, for any information concerning ENZIO BIAGGI or RAI (Italian Radio TV System).

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On 5/24/74, Bureau Supervisor ROBERT OLMERT, extension 2676, advised that subject was suing the Attorney General to obtain the documents and exhibits that were utilized against him during his trial.

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Exhibit #2 Copy of Sketch of Lens Hold (pp. 615-620).

Exhibit \$3 Picture of Mike and Ann Sidorovich (p. 683).

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4(b) Side of Jello Box J. Rosenberg kept (pp. 523-529).

Exhibit \$5 Picture of Harry Gold (p. 639).

Exhibit #6 > Sketch by Greenglass - Replica of face view of Lens Hold (pg. 644-547).

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9(a) Sixth Set of Passport Photos (4 photos)
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Exhibit #10 Brown Paper in which \$4,000 was wrapped (p. 755).

Director
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Attention: Office of Legal Counsel

Henry E. Petersen.
Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

Morton Sobell v. William B. Saxbe, et al. (S.D. N.Y.) Civil Action No. 74-Civ-1591

The Summons and Complaint in the referenced civil action were filed in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York on April 8, 1974 and served on the United States Attorney for that District on April 15, 1974. Copies of the Summons and Complaint are attached for your convenience.

The Complaint seeks an order in the nature of mandamus directing the Federal defendants to make the originals of Exhibits 1 through 10 introduced into evidence by the Government in United States v. Rosenberg, et al., Criminal No. 134-245 (S.D. N.Y.), available to the plaintiff for inspection.

The United States Attorney's office in New York has located Exhibit #8 (which was separately maintained from the other exhibits), but not the remainder. A description of the exhibits, prepared by Assistant United States Attorney Gerald A. Rosenberg, (S.D. N.Y.) on the basis of the trial transcript of the witnesses' descriptions of these exhibits at the time they were introduced in evidence, is also attached. Mr. Rosenberg was not able to reconstruct the subject matter of Exhibit #9(b) from this source.

If the Bureau has any or all of these exhibits, we would appreciate being so advised. If the Bureau does not have the exhibits, it is requested that the Bureau review its files for any information which might possibly indicate their whereabouts and advise this Division of the results of that search.

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We understand that there were approximately seventeen exhibits in the <u>Rosenberg</u> case. We do not know why plaintiff has limited his request to the first ten exhibits. Therefore, if the Bureau has any information with respect thereto, it is requested that such information also be furnished to this Division.

The Government must respond to the Complaint by June 14, 1974. Accordingly, we would appreciate receiving your reply to this memorandum by June 3, 1974.

Attachments

February 25, 1974

Mr. Silvio Mollo
Chief Assistant United States Attorney
for the Southern District of New York
United States Courthouse,
Foley Square
Rev York, New York 10003

Re: United States v.

Julius Interness, et al.,
C 134-245

Dear Mr. Mollo:

On January 12, 1974, I wrote to you in connection with Morton Sobell's attempts to review several of the exhibits introduced by the Covernment at his trial. Unfortunately, you did not respond to my letter.

Please let me know whether Mr. Sobell will be permitted to examine portions of People's Emhibits 1-10.

I am prepared to seek judicial review of any further delay in granting ir. Social's perfectly reasonable request. However, I earnestly hope that it will not be necessary to burden the judiciary with this matter.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Burt Reuborne

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January 17; 1974

Mr. Silvio Mollo
Chief Assistant U.S. Attorney
Southern District of New York
U.S. Courthouse, Foley Square
New York, New York

Re: United States v. Julius Rosenberg, et al. C 134-245

Dear Mr. Mollo,

Morton Sobell has contacted me in connection with his attempts to review several of the webbits introduced by the government at his trial. Will there be any problem in arranging for Mr. Sobell to examine and reproduce portions of People's Exhibits 1-10?

Very truly yours,

Burt Neuborne

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MORTON SOBELL.

· Plaintiff-Petitioner,

WILLIAM B. SAXBE, Attorney General of the United States; PAUL J. CURRAN, United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York; SILVIO J. MOLLO, Chief Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York; and RAYMOND BURGHARDT, Clerk of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York,

Defendants-Respondents.

COMPLAINT FOR AN ORDER IN THE NATURE OF MANDAMUS

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Jurisdiction

1. This is a civil action in the nature of an application for a writ of mandamus, brought pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1361;

28 U.S.C. §1331(a); and 5 U.S.C. §701 et seq. to compel defendants respondents to permit Morton Sobell to inspect Exhibits 1-10 introduced in evidence against him by the United States Government in United States v. Rosenberg, et al., C. 134-245. Jurisdiction is conferred upon this Court by 28 U.S.C. §1361; 28 U.S.C. §1331(a), there being rights in controversy valued at more than \$10,000, exclusive of interest and costs; and 5 U.S.C. §701 et seq. (The Administrative Procedure Act).

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Parties

2. Plaintiff-Petitioner, MORTON SOBELL, a co-defendant in <u>United States</u> v. <u>Rosenberg</u>, <u>supra</u>, was sentenced, on April 5, 1951, to 30 years in prison for conspiring to transmit national defense information to the Soviet Union between 1944-1950. He was mandatorily released from prison on January 14, 1969, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §4161, and, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 4161, he will remain subject to the jurisidction of the United States Parole Board until September 26, 1980.

3a. Defendant-respondent, WILLIAM B. SAXBE, is the Attorney General of the United States and, upon information and belief, is generally responsible for the custody and control of the exhibits introduced into evidence by the United States Government against the defendants in United States v. Rosenberg, et al.

3b. Defendant-respondents, PAUL J. CURRAN and SILVIO

J. MOLLO, are the United States Attorney and Chief Assistant

United States Attorney, respectively, for the Southern District

of New York and, upon information and belief, are generally

responsible for the custody and control of the exhibits introduced

into evidence by the United States Government against the defendants in United States v. Rosenberg, et al.

3c. Defendant-respondent, RAYMOND BURGHARDT, is the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York and, upon information and belief, is generally responsible for the custody and control of the exhibits introduced into evidence by the United States Government against the defendants in United States v. Rosenberg, et al.

THE INCIDENTS AT ISSUE

- 4. .Plaintiff-petitioner has, within the past year, on numerous occasions, requested defendants-respondents to make available to him for inspection Exhibits 1-10 introduced into evidence against him by the United States Government in United States v. Rosenberg, et al.
- 5. When plaintiff-petitioner's initial attempts to gain access to the Exhibits in question failed, counsel agreed to correspond with defendants-respondents in the hope of resolving the problem without resort to litigation.
- 6. Accordingly, on or about January 17, 1974, counsel wrote to defendant-respondent MOLLO, requesting permission for plaintiff-petitioner to examine and reproduce portions of the exhibits in question. A copy of said letter is annexed hereto as Exhibit I. Unfortunately, defendant-respondent MOLLO did not respond to counsel's letter.
- 7. On or about March 1, 1974, counsel, once again, wrote to defendant-respondent MOLLO, requesting permission for plaintiff-petitioner to examine and reproduce portions of the exhibits in question. A copy of said letter is annexed hereto as Exhibit II. Unfortunately, defendant-respondent MOLLO, once again, failed to respond to counsel's letter.
- 8. On Friday, March 22, 1974, counsel telephoned defendent-respondent MOLLO's office and demanded that Mr. Mollo respond to counsel's inquiries. On Monday, March 25, 1974, counsel was informed, in a telephone conversation with Mr. Mollo, that the exhibits in the Rosenberg case could not be found. When counsel

expressed incredulity that the records of perhaps the most notorious criminal prosecution in recent years could become lost, Mr.

Mollo reiterated that the records were not available.

9. Counsel, thereupon, requested Mr. Mollo to inform him of the nature of the search which had been made and to inform him of the steps which would be taken to find the "lost" Rosenberg exhibits. Mr. Mollo declined to do so.

10. Accordingly, plaintiff-petitioner is compelled to seek judicial assistance in seeking the right to examine the Government exhibits which caused him to be sentenced to 30 years in prison.

CAUSES OF ACTION

11. Defendants-respondents' refusal to permit petitione plaintiff an opportunity to inspect the exhibits introduced against him at trial constitutes a failure to perform a duty owed to plaintiff-petitioner under the Fifth and Sixth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff-petitioner respectfully prays that this Court issue an order in the nature of a mandamus directing defendants-respondents to make Exhibits 1-10 introduced into evidence by the Government in <u>United States</u> v. <u>Rosenberg</u>, et al... available for plaintiff-petitioners' inspection forthwith.

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American Civil Liberties Union

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22 East 40th Street

New York, New York 10016

Dated: April 7 , 1974

Attorney for Plaintiff-Potitions

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United States District FOR THE Herton Cololl CIVIL ACTION FILE NO: Plaintiff SUMMONS William B Soxbe Paul J. Corian Silvio Mollo, Raymond Borghardt Defendant To the above named Defendant :: You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon plaintiff's attorney , whose address Civil Liligation Ceclien 110 45 1130 an answer to the complaint which is herewith served upon you, within summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. CERTIFIED /6227-/ MAY 25 1974 100-37158-2890

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SOBELL requested and received authority to travel from NYC to Syracuse, NY on 6/14/74 and return the same date. Travel will be via plane. Purpose of travel is to speak at a meeting of Syracuse Peace Council to be held at Dewitt Community Church, Erie Boulevard East, Syracuse.

For the information of Albany, subject was convicted with JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG on 3/29/51 in USDC, SDWY, for conspiracy to commit espionage in behalf of the USSR. He was sentenced to 30 years and was released 1/14/69 after serving 18 years. He remains on probation until 4/14/81. Subject is also the focal point of the recently formed National Committee to Re-open the Rosenberg Case.

This communication is intended to alert Albany to subject's presence in your area. No specific investigation is requested, however, if any information regarding subject is received from established sources, it should be forwarded to NY for information.

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furnished the following information:

On April 2, 1974, Morton Sobell, who presently resides at 626 Hiverside Drive, Apartment 2F, New York City, applied to the United States Board of Parole for permission to travel abroad, which authority has been granted.

Sobell indicated that he plans to depart from the United States accompanied by his wife, Helen Sobell on July 18, 1974 and will return on August 17, 1974.

Sobell advised that his trip has a dual purpose, being both a vacation and a business trip. He indicated that in addition to traveling as a tourist, he intends to arrange for foreign publication of a book which he has written which is nearing completion. He gave no additional details concerning plans for foreign publication but stated the final draft of the book had been submitted to his United States publisher, Charles Scribner and Sons, New York City, from whom he had received an advance payment of \$21,000.

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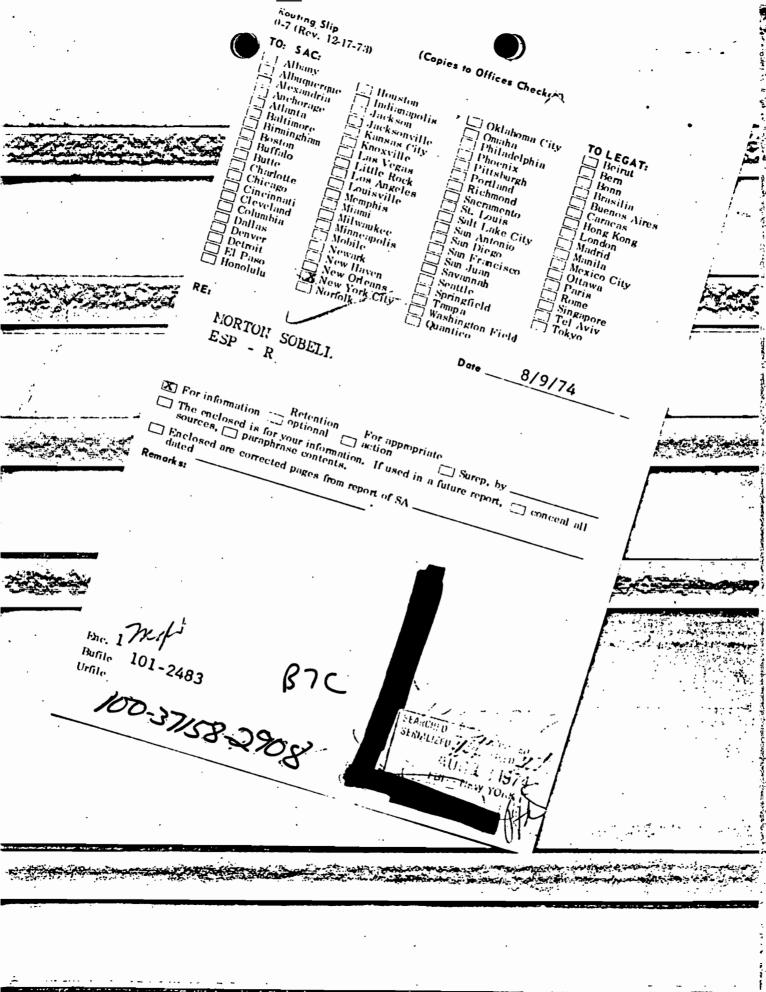
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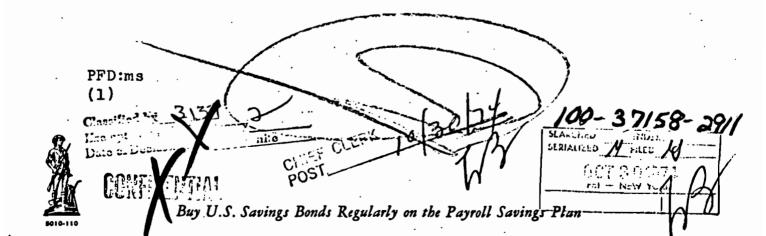
subject had recently requested and recieved permission to travel as follows:

travel to Winsted, Conn. for the purpose of speaking at Northeastern Community College.

10/12 travel to Silver Spring, Md. for the purpose of visiting his mother-in-law. Return to NYC on 10/13.

10/14 travel to Rochester, NY, for the purpose of speaking at the University of Rochester.

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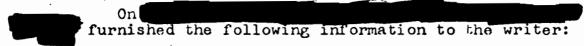
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SUBJECT:

MORTON SOBELL

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Subject requested, and received authority to travel from NYC to Colledale, Tenn., on 12/9/74 via Southern Airlines. He will return to NYC on 12/10/74. Purpose of the trip is to fulfill a speaking engagement at Southern Missionary College, Colledale, Tenn.

advised that during the month of November, subject had been authorized to take an extensive tour for the purpose of promoting the sale of his recently published book, "On Doing Time". According to subject, he travelled to the following cities in connection with this promotion:

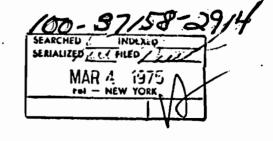
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It was not deemed necessary to send out any communications in connection with the above, however, the above is being recorded in subject's file for information.

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(212) 661 - 1886

February 20, 1975

Paul J. Curran, Esq.
United States Attorney
Southern District of
New York
U. S. Courthouse
New York, New York 10007

re:

Michael and Robert Meeropol a/k/a Rosenberg request for files and records in the matter of Ethel Rosenberg and Julius Rosenberg et al.

Gentlemen:

The undersigned are attorneys for Messrs. Meeropol, and enclose herewith their letter request for copies of files and records pertaining to the above matter, as more particularly set forth in that letter.

Their request is being made pursuant to the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, as amended. Please respond thereto as expeditiously as possible and in accordance with the time provisions set by statute. Our clients are aware of charges for search and reproduction and are prepared to pay any reasonable costs in respect thereto.

We would appreciate your response be sent to the undersigned at the above address and a copy to Mr. Bender, c/o Constitutional Litigation Clinic, Rutgers University - Law School, 175 University Avenue, Newark, New Jersey 07102.

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enclosure

cc - Samuel Gruber, Esq.
Max R. Millman, Esq.

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PRINCIPAL STREET

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MICHAEL MEEROPOL AND ROBERT MEEROPOL

216 Fort Pleasant Avenue Springfield, Massachusetts 01108

February 20, 1975

Paul J. Curran, Esq.
United States Attorney
Southern District of New York
U. S. Courthouse
Foley Square.
New York, N. Y. 10007

Gentlemen:

The undersigned are the sons of ETHEL ROSENBERG and JULIUS ROSENBERG. We wish to obtain all of the records relating directly or indirectly to investigation and prosecution of our parents. We wish full and complete disclosure to us of any and all records, data, memoranda, writings of every kind, in any form relating to this matter in your possession, care, or custody. This includes, but is not limited to:

All memoranda, all correspondence including but not limited to letterhead memoranda, minutes of meetings, conference letters, case reports, progress reports as well as work papers relating thereto, statements, interviews, and reports of interviews as well as notes and memoranda relating thereto, airtels, telex, burairtels, summaries, tapes, records, and transcripts of any data derived by any electronic or other surveillance devices, or any other writings of, to, from, and between, and among agents, employees, representatives, or individuals acting with or at the behest of

.. the Justice Department, the PBI, the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York, the United States Attorney's Office for the District of New Mexico, Pardon Attorney's Office, the Bureau of Prisons, the United States Postal Department or Authority, the Immigration and Naturalization Service, the State Department, the Atomic Energy Commission, the CIA, Intelligence Agencies of the Department of Defense, as well as of the Armed Forces, any state or local enforcement intelligence or investigating agencies, and writings received from or delivered to members of the United States Congress or any agency or employee or representative of the United States concerning or relating to any of the following for the period 1944 to the present:

- (a) Ethel Rosenberg, Julius Rosenberg,
 Morton Sobell, Anatolai Yakovlev,
 Klaus Fuchs, Harry Gold, Ruth Greenglass,
 David Greenglass, Max Elitcher, Oscar
 Vago, Abraham Brothman;
- (b) The investigation and prosecution of the case of the United States of America against Julius and Ethel Rosenberg and Morton Sobell, both prior to and after the execution of the Rosenbergs;
- (c) Post trial investigations of the case by any of the above persons or agencies;
- (d) All records pertaining to any of the witnesses called for the case of the United States against Julius and Ethel

Rosenberg and Morton Sobell and those included in the list of witnesses by the Government at the trial of said case;

(e) The same is to include but is not limited to 50 volumes of material and 25 file folders recently acknowledged to be part of the files and records of the Department of Justice, or copies of the same in your custody relating to the case of the United States of America against Ethel Rosenberg, Julius Rosenberg and Morton Sobell.

Very truly yours,

Michael Mecropal
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a/k/a Michael Rosenberg

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Robert Meeropol
a/k/a Robert Rosenberg

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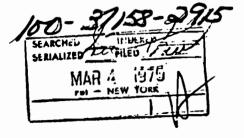
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nad applied for and recieved permission to travel from NYC to Southwestern University, Lafayette, La. on 3/11/75. He will return to NYC on 3/12/75.

The purpose of his travel is for the purpose of speaking before a group of students at the move mentioned university.

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SOUTHERN CONFERENCE EDUCATION FUND (SCEF)

Local SCEF HQ operates from 507 W 111 Street, NYC. A so-called reception for the Southern Patriot, a SCEF publication is being set up by Morton and Helen Sobell. The reception will be held at the Ethical Culture Society Social Hall, 2 W. 64th Street on April 13.

Appearing with the Sobells:

Bernice Johnson-singer
Rev. William Melish
Ella Baker-SNCC
Eileen Whalen-member of the paper's
collective
Walter Collins-Director of SCEF.





New York, New York MAY 29 1975 Morton Sobell

On May 28, 1975, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, adviced that Morton Sobell had received authority from the United States Board of Parole, to travel from New York, New York, to Paris, France.

According to source, Sobell indicated that he will depart from New York City, on May 30, 1975, accompanied by his wife, Helen Sobell, and will travel via Trans World Airlines Flight Number 800. His departure will be from John F. Kennedy International Airport, New York City, to Paris, France. He is scheduled to return from Paris to New York City, via Trans World Airlines Flight Number not yet ascertained. Sobell indicated his date of return was not certain, but would probably be on June 8, 1975.

Source advised that the purpose of subject's trip is to appear on a French national television program to discuss the Rosenberg case, and to promote the sale of a book recently written by Sobell entitled "On Doing Time".

Morton Sobell was convicted on March 29, 1951, in United States District Court, Southern District of New York, for conspiracy to commit espionage on behalf of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, and was sentenced on April 5, 1951, to thirty years imprisonment. He was conditionally released from Lewisburg Federal Prison, on January 14, 1969, and remains under the supervision of the United States Probation Office. Southern District of New York, until May 14, 1981.

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (101-2483)

ATTN: FOREIGN LIAISON UHIT

FROM:

SAC, NEW YORK (100-37158) (P)

SUBJECT: MORTON SOBELL

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are six (5) copies of an LHM, reflecting contemplated foreign travel on the part of the subject.

Above LIDM is being furnished to Legat, Paris for information only. Specific leads are not being set forth, however, if any pertinent information is received from established sources as a result of subject's visit, a copy should be furnished to the Bureau and New York.

The source mentioned in enclosed LHM is

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advised that subject's travel was approved by the United States Board of Parole on 5/28/75, and is valid from May 30, 1975 through June 8, 1975.

The enclosed LHM is classified "Convidential" to protect a source of continuing value.

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TO.

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SUBJECT:

MORTON SOBELL

DATE: 5/22/75

During the month of March/7), the abordantioned organization was mentioned in an article or notice in the below-indicated issue of the "Daily World", an East Coast Communist newspaper.

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SUBJECT:

MORTON SOBELL

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On advised that captioned subject had requested and received permission to travel from NYC to Silver Spring, Maryland.

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Subject will depart from NYC, with his wife on 7/12/75, via auto, and will return 7/13/75. The purpose of travel is to visit his wife's mother, ROSE LEVITOV, 1072 Ruatan, Silver Spring, Md.

Above is being recorded in subject's file for information.









9/12/75

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (101-2483)

FROM:

SAC, NEW YORK (100-37158) (P)

SUBJECT:

MORTON SOBELL

ESP-R

(00: NY)

and received permission to travel on a bus trip, on 9/13/75, to Buffalo, NY, to attend an Attica Memorial Meeting. Subject to return same day. This meeting is to be held at a public park (not identified) in Buffalo, NY. There was no indication who he is going with to Buffalo.

Buffalo advised telephonically, 9/12/75.

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (101-2483)

FROM:

SAC, NEW YORK (100-37158) (P)

SUBJECT:

MORTEN SOBELL ESP-R (00:NY)

advised that captioned subject had requested and received permission to travel by automobile, on 11/15/75, to Boston, Massachusetts, to attend a service at the Community Church of Boston, Morse Auditorium, 602 Commonwealth Ave.,

Boston, Hassachusetts, on Sunday, 11/16/75. Subject to return Sunday, 11/16/75.

Boston advised telephonically, 11/14/75.

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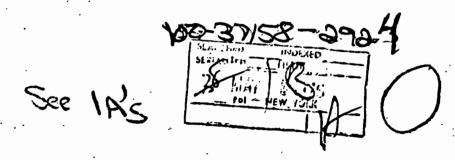
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ReNH R/S to NY, 4/21/76, captioned "DESTRUCTION OF FIELD FILES AND RECORDS".

New Haven forwarded to NY 19 exhibits from the LA section of its file, in accordance with instructions set forth in Bulet to AL, dated 3/3/76, captioned "DESTRUCTION OF FIELD FILES AND RECORDS".

One of the exhibits forwarded by NH is a greeting card which was sent to MORTON SOBELL at the Atlanta Penitentiary from RUTH ERICKSON and ELEANOR STEVENSON of New Milford, Conn. Postmarked 12/16/61. This item will be retained in the NYO file as an exhibit.

The other 18 exhibits forwarded by NH are copies of photographs of individuals who were involved in captioned case, which had been sent to NH by the NYO during the investigation conducted in captioned case. The NYO presently maintains as exhibits in its file copies of all of these photographs. Since these items are not evidence, and are merely copies of presently maintained exhibits, it is recommended that these items be destroyed.



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DIRECTOR, FBI (101-2483)

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ADIC, NEW YORK (100-37158)

MORTON SOBELL ESP-R (00:New York)

on advised that subject was discharged from parole by the US Board of Parole, Washington, D.C. on 6/22/76.

advised that the above was in accordance with new guidelines established by the US Board of Parole which gives subject extra credit for time already served on probation with no problems.

In accordance with the above, US Board of Parole will have no further contact with subject.

The above is for the information of the Bureau.

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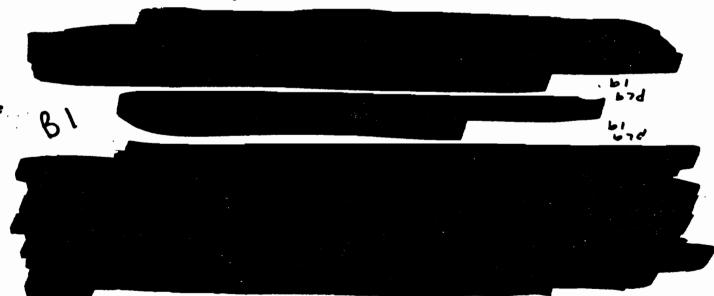
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Re: Michael Allen Meeropol Robert Harry Meeropol

Michael and Robert Meeropol are the sons of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg.

Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were convicted in the United States District Court, Southern District of New York, of conspiracy to commit espionage on March 29, 1951, and were executed on June 9, 1953.

Michael and Robert Meeropol were adopted by Abel and Anne Meeropol after the execution of their parents.



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MARSHALL PERLIN was the attorney for MORTON SOBELL (the ROSENBERGS' co-defendant), who was convicted on March 29, 1951, in New York City, for conspiracy to commit espionage on behalf of the Soviet Union.

As of January 21, 1977, no additional information has been reported or developed at New York indicating whether or not the MEEROPOL brothers and the SOBELLS have traveled or intend to travel to Cuba.

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Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI (105-7-210)

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ADIC, NEW YORK (108-3136)

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This communication and enclosed LHM classified DENTIAL" to protect the source.

Enclosed for FBIHQ are ten copies of an LHM reporting . possible travel to Cuba by MICHAEL and ROBERT MEEROPOL and MORTON and HELEN SOBELL.

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As noted in LHM, no additional information has been reported or developed indicating whether or not the MEEROPOL brothers or the SOBELLs have traveled or intend to travel to Cuba.

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O ROBERT AND Michael Meeropol, the sons of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, held a press tonference at the headquarters of the Journalists Union of Cuba (UPEC) in Havana. They are visiting Cuba at the invitation of the Cuban Institute for Friendship with the Peoples.

The meeting with representatives of the mass media and correspondents from other countries was also attended by Marshall Perlin, an attorney who took part in the last stage of the trial of the Rosenbergs and is now working with their sons to reopen the case and win a post-mortem acquittal.

Also present were Morton Sobell, who was sentenced to 30 years imprisonment (he served 19) in that same historic and outrageous trial; his wife Helen, a poetess and inember of the National Committee to Reopen the Rosenberg Case; Elli, wife of Robert

Mecropol, and their two small daughters; and Irma Armas, of the UPEC executive.

The same people who ordered the murder of the Rosenbergs also ordered the 1961 invasion of Cuba and financed the saliotage of the Cuban plane which resulted in the death of the 73 people, said attorney Perlin.

In response to a question, Michael said that a committee had been set up in the United States to reopen the case and prove to the world that his parents were innocent.

He added that he had always felt great admiration for the Cuban Revolution and its leaders and went on to say that the committee which they head seeks to contribute to the ideological development of young people of the United States by making them aware of the truth about the trial of their parents and the important political implications of the case.

Granma Weekly Review

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Michael said that the Government of the United States was doing all it could to limit the Committee's access to information about the case. However, he said, they had obtained certain valuable documents by legal means, documents which, among other things, described the criminal conduct of Judge Kaufman and others reflecting the FBI fears about investigations of the case.

In his remarks Robert said that the Committee had spontored meetings and demonstrations in different cities of the United States and that, in the last few months, thousands of people from all over the world had signed petitions requesting that the case be reopened.

Article and photo: Roberto Gill C.

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