

MORTON SOBELL
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE

ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY DATE: 7-26-50

SUBJECT: MORTON SOBELL, wa.
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There are being transmitted herewith via special delivery, registered mail, 143 registration cards which were obtained from the hotel manager of the New Howard Hotel, 8 N. Howard St., Baltimore, Md. These cards cover all registrations at the hotel during the period July 17 through July 21, 1950.

There is likewise being transmitted one photostatic copy of an application for a Social Security card which was furnished by [REDACTED] on July 25, 1950. This application contains the written signature of MORTON SOBELL.

Also being transmitted are three photostatic copies of handwriting specimens of subject which were obtained by the New York Office.

For information of the FBI Laboratory, subject is reported to be a member of the JULIUS ROSENBERG espionage apparatus and was last seen at his residence, 164-17 - 73rd Avenue, Flushing, New York, on June 23, 1950. Investigation is being conducted to locate subject for the purpose of interviewing him.

A mail cover on the residence of JULIUS ROSENBERG, 10 Monroe Street, New York City, disclosed that he received a letter bearing the return address of the New Howard Hotel, Baltimore, Maryland, which was postmarked July 19, 1950. This letter was written on hotel stationery; however, no return address was contained thereon. Investigation conducted by the Baltimore Office revealed that no person using the name of MORTON SOBELL was registered at this hotel during the period in question, and further, hotel employees after an examination of the photograph of the subject, advised that subject was not known to them.

The Laboratory is requested to conduct an appropriate comparison examination of subject's known handwriting specimens with the writings appearing on the registration cards in an effort to determine if any of the known writings appearing on the enclosed cards were written by the subject in this case.

ENCLOSURE BEHIND FILE
It is requested that these registration cards be returned to the Baltimore Office in order that they may be returned to the files of the New Howard Hotel. The handwriting specimens may be retained by the Laboratory for future reference, unless advised to the contrary by the New York Office who is origin in this case. In view of the above, the results of this comparison examination should be reported to the New York Office.

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HAS SEVERAL PASSPORT FILES ON INDIVIDUALS NAMED JOHN POWELL. HOWEVER, THERE ARE TWO
INDICATING THAT INDIVIDUALS DO NOT HAVE VALID PASSPORTS. THEY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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MORTON SOBELL, WA. MORTON SOBELL, ESPIONAGE R. RENYTEL JULY TWENTYTWO
LAST. DIO, FOURTH NAVAL DISTRICT, FURNISHED ON MAY SIX, FORTYSIX,
TWO REPORTS DATED APRIL TWENTYEIGHT, FORTYTWO, AND MAY THIRTY, FORTY-
TWO, ENTITLED LOUIS SOBELL, FIVE SIX ONE EIGHT CATHERINE ST., PHILA.
INVESTIGATION OF LOUIS SOBELL PREDICATED ON INFO THAT MORTON SOBELL,
SON OF LOUIS SOBELL, HAD BEEN ACTIVE IN AMERICAN PEACE MOBILIZATION
AND AMERICAN YOUTH CONGRESS, AND REFERENCED ONI REPORT DATED JAN. THREE,
FORTYONE. ONI RREVIEW OF CIVIL SERVICE RECORDS, WASH., DC, REFLECTED
FOLLOWING EMPLOYMENT FOR LOUIS SOBELL - SEPTEMBER, NINETEEN FIFTEEN,
TO OCTOBER, NINETEEN SIXTEEN, BROOKLYN NAVY YARD DRAWING ROOM -
NOV., SIXTEEN, TO MAY, SEVENTEEN, SURVEYOR, NEW YORK STATE BARGE,
CANAL ENGINEERING DEPT., FORT PLAIN, N. Y. - JUNE, SEVENTEEN, TO
DEC., NINETEEN, DRAFTSMAN, PHILA NAVY YARD - JAN. TO OCT., TWENTY,
GENERAL MGR., TAILOR AND HAT STORE, ONE THREE EIGHT SECOND AVE.,
NEW YORK - NOV., TWENTY, TO SEPT., TWENTYTWO, JUNIOR PHARMACIST,
A. ROSENBERG, NINETYEIGHT CLINTON ST., NYC - OCT., TWENTYONE, TO
NOV., TWENTYTHREE, JUNIOR PHARMACIST, J. GOODMAN, INC., ONE FIVE
SEVEN EIGHT FIRST AVE., NYC - DEC., TWENTYTHREE, TO

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TWENTYSIX, REGISTERED DRUG CLERK, ELDER DRUG CO. /NOW OUT OF BUSINESS/, EMPLOYED BY L. KANTROWITZ, ONE FIVE ONE NINE WEST CHESTER AVE., NYC - MAY, TWENTYSIX, TO AUG., FORTY, IN BUSINESS FOR SELF, FIVE FIVE FIVE WEST CHESTER AVE., NYC - AND SEPT., FORTY TO DEC., FORTYFIVE, ELECTRICAL DRAFTSMAN, PHILA NAVY YARD. RESIDENCE SHOWN AS SIX FOUR SIX ST. ANN AVE., NYC - JUNE, THIRTYONE, TO AUG., FORTY, PHILA, SINCE NINETEEN FORTY. LOUIS SOBELL RESIGNED AT NAVAL SHIPYARD DEC., FORTYFIVE. ONI INVESTIGATION IN NY BY THIRD ND PRODUCED FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WHO FURNISHED INFO AS TO COMMUNIST TENDENCIES OF SOBELL FAMILY - [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BRONX, NY - [REDACTED]

BRONX, NY - [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], NYC, STATED IN PART QUOTE SOBELL-S WIFE, SON, DAUGHTER, AND WIFE-S BROTHERS ARE RABID, ALL-OUT, DANGEROUS COMMUNISTS UNQUOTE - [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NO ADDITIONAL ADDRESSES OF ABOVE GIVEN IN ONI REPORT. ONI INVESTIGATION, PHILA., NEGATIVE. RECORDS, BOARD OF ELECTIONS, BRONX CO., NY, REFLECT ROSE

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

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NY FILE NO. 100-37158 GM

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 8/5/50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7/20, 21, 22, 24-31; 8/1, 2, 3, 4/50.	REPORT MADE BY REX I. SHRODER
TITLE CHANGED: MORTON SOBELL, was., Morton Sobill, Morton Zobell - FUGITIVE			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

SOBELL born NYC, 4/11/17. He graduated from CCNY in 1938 with a BEE degree, and received his MEE in the University of Michigan. Employed as electrical engineer Bureau of Ordnance, Navy Dept., Washington, D. C., 1939 to 1940. 1942 to 1947 subject employed by General Electric Company, Schenectady, NY, as a test engineer in marine and aeronautics division. 1947 to present subject employed as engineer with Reeves Instrument Company, NYC, where he has been employed on secret and top secret contracts. Subject married to HELEN LEVITOV GUREWITZ at Washington, D. C., 3/10/45. MAX ELITCHER, an engineer with Reeves Instrument Co., furnished a signed statement indicating SOBELL is an associate of JULIUS ROSENBERG, and possibly was furnishing ROSENBERG with confidential information. ELITCHER also advised subject a CP member. Employment records, Reeves Instrument Co., reflect subject last reported for work on June 16, 1950. On 6/21/50 subject withdrew \$700.00 from his bank account. Subject's neighbors have not seen or heard of him since June 21, 1950. American Air Lines Reservations, NYC, reflect subject, wife, and family departed for Mexico City 6/22/50. Subject's arrival in Mexico City on 6/23/50 verified by American Airline hostesses. Facts of case presented to USA, SDNY, who authorized issuance of a sealed complaint charging subject with violation of Title 50, Section 34, USC (1946 Edition). Complaint filed before USC, SDNY on 8/3/50, and a Commissioner's warrant issued.

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SOBELL's Employment With the
Wingdale Corporation,
Wingdale, New York

As reflected elsewhere in this report, MORTON SOBELL indicated that during the summers of 1934 through 1938 he was employed as a maintenance man for the above corporation.

According to Confidential Informant T-4, of known reliability, which is also a Governmental organization conducting security investigations, the Wingdale Corporation is a summer resort which is commonly called Camp Unity.

Confidential Informant T-4 advised that they had interviewed Confidential Informant T-5, of known reliability, relative to information concerning the above organization. Confidential Informant T-5 said that he was well acquainted with Camp Unity, having engaged on certain business enterprises with the Camp. Confidential Informant T-5 was quoted as saying, "To my mind, no man connected with Camp Unity in any way, shape, or manner is fit to be employed in the service of the Government, particularly where matters of confidence might be involved, Camp Unity being a crazy Communist hangout".

Confidential Informant T-6, of unknown reliability, was also interviewed by a representative of Confidential Informant T-4, and the informant advised that he was acquainted with the manager of the Camp, who he believed to be a Communist as well as all of the other people that were employed at the Camp. Confidential Informant T-6 stated that, in his opinion, many of the guests were recognized Communists but that there were many who were not, these merely coming to the Camp for a vacation. The informant further related that there were continuous Communist activities going on at the Camp; demonstrations, meetings, parading with banners, and the like, and that the Camp was generally known throughout the community as being a Communist camp.

Information Received From DAVID GREENGLASS

DAVID GREENGLASS, who was arrested by Bureau Agents on June 16, 1950, subsequently admitted furnishing information concerning the atomic bomb to Soviet Espionage Agents HARRY GOLD and JULIUS ROSENBERG.

On June 16, 1950, GREENGLASS furnished a signed statement in which he advised that JULIUS ROSENBERG, a few days prior to the arrest of HARRY GOLD in Philadelphia, instructed him to immediately leave the country with his family and proceed to Mexico City. ROSENBERG gave GREENGLASS approximately

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

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The Confidential Informants mentioned in the report of
SA REX I. SHRODER dated August 5, 1950 at New York, New York,
are as follows:

T-1

Review of United States Civil
Service Commission files as
reflected in the report of
SA T. SCOTT MILLER dated October 18,
1948 entitled, [REDACTED] (TS)
SUBJECT, was., [REDACTED] b1

T-2

Review of the files of the Third
Naval District, ONI, with regard
to MORTON SOBELL.

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Confidential Informant [REDACTED] b2
as reflected in Washington Field b7D
Office File re "HELEN LEVITOV GUREWITZ,
was., SECURITY MATTER - C".

T-4

ONI, Third Naval District report
dated December 1, 1941 re.
MORTON SOBELL and MAX ELITCHER.

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[REDACTED] b7D
as reflected NAVY
in ONI, Third Naval District report
concerning MORTON SOBELL dated
December 1, 1941.

T-6

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Information reflected in ONI, NAVY
Third Naval District report,
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MORTON SOBELL, WAS. ESP - R. INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED NYC TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW CLASSMATES OF SUBJECT WHO GRADUATED FROM CITY COLLEGE OF NEW YORK IN JUNE THIRTY EIGHT. SINCE JULIUS ROSENBERG ESPIONAGE PARALLEL CONSTITUTES FOR MOST PART FORMER CCNY STUDENTS IT IS FELT SOBELL-S CLASSMATES MAY HAVE BEEN CONTACTED BY EITHER ROSENBERG OR SOBELL FOR PURPOSE OF FURNISHING INFO TO SOVIETS. PURPOSE OF ABOVE INVESTIGATION IS TO CORROBORATE EVIDENCE AGAINST ROSENBERG AND SOBELL AND ALSO TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER ANY OTHER MEMBERS OF THIS CLASS HAVE BEEN ENGAGED IN ESPIONAGE. RECORDS OF CCNY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION REFLECT CAPT. MARVIN HERMAN ~~KLAYTON~~, AKA MARVIN HERMAN ~~KLASKY~~, ~~KLATSKY~~, GRADUATE ENGINEERING CLASS CCNY JUNE THIRTY EIGHT, PRESENTLY EMPLOYED BY WATSON LABS A.M.A.C., REDBANK, NJ. NEWARK FILES REFLECT ARMY REPORT CARRIES INFO INDICATING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT WAS HESITANT TO RECOMMEND KLAYTON "FOR POSITION THAT WOULD ENABLE HIM TO COMPROMISE THE NATIONAL SECURITY." INFORMANT IDENTIFIED AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PRESENTLY RESIDING LEAMINGTON HOTEL, OAKLAND, CALIF., OFFICE GARDNER ELECTRIC MANUFACTURING CO., EMERYVILLE, CALIF. [REDACTED] CONSIDERED RELIABLE BY ARMY.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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MORTON SOBELL, ESP DASH B, BUREAU HAS RECEIVED INFO THROUGH [REDACTED] THAT THE
[REDACTED] AUTHORITIES DESIRE TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER SUBJECT HAD DISCLOSED TO RUSSIANS
ANY INFO RE [REDACTED] RADAR NETWORK. A FURTHER INQUIRY IS BEING MADE THROUGH THE
SOURCE OF THIS INFO IN AN EFFORT TO LEARN BASIS FOR THEIR INQUIRY AND SUSPICION
CONCERNING SOBELL'S CONNECTION WITH SUCH ACTIVITY. IN AN EFFORT TO DETERMINE THE
AVAILABILITY OF SUCH INFO AS TO THE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] b1
[REDACTED] 5) ALBANY DIV. IS REQUESTED TO MAKE SIMILAR INQUIRY THROUGH
ANY DISCREET SOURCES WHICH THEY MAY HAVE AVAILABLE AT GENERAL ELECTRIC CO. IN
CHENECTADY, NY. IN VIEW OF KNOWN ASSOCIATION BETWEEN SOBELL AND ARON HYMAN
[REDACTED] NEWARK DIV. IS BEING REQUESTED TO MAKE AN EFFORT THROUGH ANY DISCREET
SOURCES AT EVANS SIGNAL LAB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] 5) IS MATTER SHOULD BE GIVEN YOUR EXPEDITIOUS ATTENTION. 130 TEL.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. V. P. KEAY
 FROM : C.D. DeLOACH
 SUBJECT: MORTON SOBELL
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DATE: October 3, 1950

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(C) Captain F. F. Ferris, ONI, has advised Liaison of an inquiry received from the [redacted] Naval Attache, [redacted] Embassy, Washington, reflecting the desire of [redacted] authorities to ascertain if Sobell had disclosed to the Russians any information regarding the [redacted] radar net. Captain Ferris stated that, if the Bureau found this to be true, he would or would not pass this information to the [redacted] Naval Attache according to the wishes of the FBI in this matter. (S) u

Captain Ferris stated he would also like to ascertain, if possible: u

1. Why do the [redacted] think Sobell might have passed such information to the Russians;
2. Does the Bureau have any information indicating that the [redacted] have full knowledge of Sobell's espionage activities.

[Captain Ferris] was advised that his request would be considered and that he would be given an answer accordingly.

ACTION:

It is suggested that this memorandum be forwarded to the Espionage Section for consideration. The Liaison Section should be given any answer in this matter available to [Captain Ferris].

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REPORT MADE AT NORFOLK, VIRGINIA	DATE WHEN MADE 10-6-50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9-15, 20, 26, 29; 10-2, 3-50	REPORT MADE BY WINFIELD S. HARRY
TITLE MORTON SOHELL, was.			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

MORTON STOLLER, Langley Air Force Base, Hampton, Virginia, and JOHN HERMAYER, Electrical Engineer, NAOTS, Chincoteague, Virginia, interviewed. No derogatory information developed on subject and former class mates. U. S. Naval Electronic authorities at Norfolk, advise that subject is not identical with one CHARLES SOHEL, a representative of the Reeves Instrument Corporation, New York City, but stated that they have recently been advised by HAROLD G. SHIEER, a representative of Reeves, that subject was recently employed at the same corporation and was known to all representatives and employees at Reeves. Reeves Corporation handled highest confidential top secret experiments aboard the USS MISSISSIPPI at Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, Va., during first six months of 1949, and are presently under contract to the U. S. Navy to continue similar work. Electronic records at the Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, Va., disclosed that MAX ELITCHER was contacted at the Reeves Corporation by company representatives on the USS MISSISSIPPI in connection with secret installations. Records also disclosed that CHARLES SOHEL was employed on same installation for approximately three months in 1949. Photo of ELITCHER identified as a Reeves employee and former engineer of the Navy Department. List of Reeves representatives and employees working and living aboard the USS MISSISSIPPI obtained.

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Commander EDWARD J. FAHEY, Officer in charge of the Electronic Division, Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, Virginia, advised that the nature of the work which is being performed upon the USS MISSISSIPPI by the representatives of the Reeves Corporation of New York City is considered to be extremely confidential and top secret and is classified under the title of GUNAR which concerns the latest developments in the electronic operation of Naval gunnery.

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Copies of this report are being furnished to those offices which now have or logically will have leads in this and related cases as stated in New York letter to the Director dated August 9, 1950.

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MORTON SOBELL, ESPIONAGE R. REURTEL NOVEMBER ONE IN CASE ENTITLED
AARON HYMAN COLEMAN, ESPIONAGE R. PURSUANT BUTEL OCTOBER THIRTY THIS
CASE, YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO IMMEDIATELY INTERVIEW COLEMAN UPON HIS
RETURN YOUR DISTRICT WITH REFERENCE TO HIS ACQUAINTANCE WITH AND
KNOWLEDGE OF ACTIVITIES OF SOBELL. SIMILAR AUTHORIZATION GIVEN TO
CONDUCT RECOMMENDED INTERVIEWS WITH SOBELL'S CCNY CLASSMATES WILLIAM P.

✓ LONNIE, BENJAMIN ✓ BOOKBINDER, HENRY P. ✓ BUCKHARD, JEROME ✓ CORWIN, AKA
JEROME ✓ ZORWITZ, LOUIS J. ✓ VOLP, HAROLD ✓ DUCORE AND CARL ✓ GREENBLUM
(NOT GREENBAUM AS MENTIONED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE). THESE INTERVIEWS

SHOULD BE LIMITED TO OBTAINING INFORMATION RELATIVE TO SOBELL AND HIS
ACTIVITIES. WITH RESPECT TO YOUR REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO INTERVIEW
BENJAMIN ✓ ZUCKERMAN BUREAU FILE REFLECTS THIS INTERVIEW WAS ~~REMOVED~~
HANDLED BY NYC ON SEPTEMBER TWO EIGHT, FIFTY, THE RESULTS OF WHICH
WERE SET FORTH IN NEW YORK TELETYPE OF THAT DATE. AUTHORIZATION TO
CONDUCT ADDITIONAL INTERVIEWS RECOMMENDED YOUR TEL WILL BE GIVEN UPON
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the Bureau has no record concerning William P. Lonnie, Benjamin

Bookbinder and Henry P. Buckhard. The Bureau file on Carl Greenblum

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reflects that he was born at Brooklyn, New York on November 23, 1916. He graduated from CCNY in 1939 and was employed on April 1, 1945, as a Procurement Inspector of USAF Materiel Command, NYC. The latest available information indicates he is presently employed as radio engineer at Evans Signal Laboratory, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. [According to SID, Fort Monmouth, his sister, Hilda Greenblum, is alleged to have signed the CP nominating petition on September 30, 1940.] No derogatory subversive information developed. (121-20440) *released per Army*

The only information appearing in Bureau files concerning Harold Ducore, Louis J. Volp and Jerome Corwin is that which was set forth in connection with instant file and the Coleman case. Louis Volp was indicated as having attended CCNY from 1929 to 1935. His father-in-law and mother were born in Germany. No other information available. (100-355506)

Jerome Corwin, aka., Jerome Zorwitz, attended CCNY from 1932 to 1937, receiving a Bachelor and Mechanical Engineering Degree. His father and mother were born in Russia. No derogatory subversive information available. (100-355506)

Harold Ducore, whose name was legally changed in March, 1940, from the name Harold Ducorsky, was born in New York City on January 15, 1919. Ducore attended CCNY from 1935 to 1941, graduating with a B.S.E.E. Degree. He studied at Fort Monmouth in 1946 in a course sponsored by Princeton University. Both his father and mother were born in Russia but were naturalized American citizens. He was employed from July, 1937, to June, 1941, as a radio engineer at the New Jersey Broadcasting Corporation in New York City. [According to the SID files, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, Ducore was listed as a member of the Institute of Radio Engineering and the United Public Workers of America, CIO. The report also contains the notation to the effect that he frequently discussed the Communist Party and inferred that he believed in the Communist system of government.] No other derogatory subversive information in files. (100-355506-41) *Army released per Army*

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cc: Mr. Langhorne

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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MORTON SOBELL, ESPIONAGE DASH R. RE NEWARK TEL NOVEMBER ONE LAST. NEWARK AUTHORIZED TO INTERVIEW OSCAR GOLDBERG, JOSEPH WEINSTEIN AND SAMUEL LEVINE, CLASSMATES OF SOBELL, RELATIVE TO THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF HIS ACTIVITIES. LEVINE SHOULD BE SPECIFICALLY INTERROGATED CONCERNING HIS ALLEGED STATEMENT TO COLEMAN THAT OFFICIALS REEVES COMPANY WERE AWARE OF SOBELL'S COMMUNIST LEANINGS. NEWARK DIVISION ALSO AUTHORIZED TO INTERVIEW MILLARD BRENNER AND JEROME FOX AS REQUESTED NEWARK TEL NOVEMBER THREE LAST. NEW YORK AUTHORIZED TO INTERVIEW WINIFRED SMITH DURAND FOR INFORMATION RE HER KNOWLEDGE SOBELL.

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A review of Bureau files and see references on Oscar Goldberg fails to indicate any identifiable information concerning him other than previously appeared in the Sobell and Coleman cases wherein he was mentioned as a fellow CCNY classmate of Sobell and a present employee at Army Signal Corps Laboratory, Fort Monmouth, N.J.

A review of the Bureau files and see references on Joseph Weinstein indicates that he was born on July 31, 1915, at New York City. His father, mother and father-in-law were born in Russian Poland. He attended CCNY from 1932 to 1937 receiving a Bachelor of Science and a Master in Education Degree. He took additional post graduate work at New York, Princeton and Rutgers Universities. He was married at New York City on June 29, 1941, to Selma Joyce Weinstein.

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Weinstein was employed from July, 1939, to November, 1939, by the New York State Employment Service in New York City. He was employed from March, 1940, to June 1940, by the New York State Employment Service from June, 1940, to October 1940, by the Department of Purchases for the City of New York, New York City. He has been employed in the Signal Corps Engineering Laboratory, Fort Monmouth, N.J., as a research analyst statistician since April, 1942.

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Andrew J. Reid, SID, Fort Monmouth, N.J., advised that a United States Army official, whose name he does not recall, informed him that Weinstein had made a statement that he was unable to secure a Civil Service position in the State of New York because he was "connected with Communism."

According to the records of BID, he is also a member of Local 236 of the United Federal Workers of America, CIO, Fort Monmouth County Chapter, which chapter is considered Communist infiltrated. Weinstein was retained in his position at Fort Monmouth after the LGE investigation as he was considered illegible from a loyalty standpoint. (121-19850) *illegible*

Weinstein made application for a position with the FBI as student fingerprint classifier on May 17, 1938 and again for a Special Agent position on November 19, 1940. He was turned down on both occasions due to his extremely poor eyesight. (67-117739-5)

Lieutenant Carl H. Hempel, Security and Intelligence Officer, Signal Corps Laboratory, Fort Monmouth, furnished a list of known and suspected members of the CP in that installation. On this list appeared the name of Joseph Weinstein as an individual on the suspected CP membership list.

(61-8657-384)

Joseph Weinstein when interviewed in connection with the LGE investigation ~~investigation~~ on one Raymond W. Xler, advised that he had often discussed the action on the part of the military authorities in discharging Albert Socol as it was his opinion that Socol should have been given an opportunity to face his accusers. It might be noted that Socol was discharged from the Government service on September 29, 1947, by reason of his association with known Communists and CP members, his participation in activities sponsored by the CP and his sympathetical association with the Communist movement in the United States. (121-1459-31)

A check has been made of the Bureau files on Samuel Levine and the only identifiable record other than what appears in the Sobell and Coleman cases was that a loyalty investigation on this individual was requested on September 14, 1950. The basis for this investigation was a statement by one Ingbar Jensen of Long Island, New York, wherein he stated that Levine was considered a left-winger during student days and tried to interest Jensen in reading the "Daily Worker." (121-24999)

Inasmuch as there are approximately 600 see references under the name S. Muel and Sam Levine and insufficient identifying information concerning him is presently available, a check of these see references was not made in view of the urgency of the desired interview and the impossibility of making an intelligent review of these see references on the basis of the meager information available.

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TO: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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MORTON SOBELL, ESPIONAGE - R. REURTEL NOVEMBER ONE, NINETEEN FIFTY.

NEWARK AUTHORIZED TO CONDUCT IMMEDIATE INTERVIEW OF HERBERT HECKER, RUDOLPH RIEHS, AND JACK OKUN, ALL FELLOW CLASSMATES OF SOBELL AT CCHY CONCERNING THEIR ACQUAINTANCE WITH AND KNOWLEDGE OF THE ACTIVITIES OF SOBELL. NEWARK FURTHER REQUESTED TO FURNISH ADDITIONAL IDENTIFYING INFORMATION CONCERNING SAMUEL LEVINE TO ENABLE CHECK OF FILES AND REFERENCES IN BUREAU FILES CONCERNING THIS INDIVIDUAL.

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A review has been made of all identifiable files and see references in the Bureau relative to Herbert Hecker, Rudolph Riehs, and Jack Okun. As a result of this check, the following is being set forth concerning these individuals:

Herbert Hecker was born in Eatontown, New Jersey, January 25, 1917. His father, Max Hecker, was born in Austria, and his mother, Bessie Hecker, was born in Rumania. Both are naturalized United States citizens. He attended CCHY and graduated in 1934. He has been employed as a radio engineer at the Signal Corps Engineering Laboratories, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, since February 13, 1939. (101-2483-316) No espionage or subversive information located in Bureau files.

The only information appearing in Bureau files concerning a Rudolph Riehs was that one Rudolph Court Riehs, a civilian employee of the Signal Corps, attached to the Radio Laboratory at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, arrived in New York City by American Export Air Lines on January 29, 1943, from Foynes, Eire. At the time of arrival, he possessed a Signal Corps identification card dated September 12, 1941, and badge number 296. He was traveling under United States passport 20109 and his age was given as 28. (108-1403-75)

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Jack Okun, aka. Jacob Okun, who was the subject of a Loyalty Investigation, was born in Brooklyn, NY, on August 23, 1916. His parents, Israel and Rebecca Okun, were born in Russia, his father presently being a naturalized United States citizen. He attended CCNY from 1934 to 1939. He graduated with a B.S.S. Degree. On April 8, he was employed as a junior operator in the Processing Section of the Secretary's Office, Bureau of Ships Publication, Navy Department, Washington, D. C. He was transferred on April 9, 1942, to the War Department and assigned to Camp Evans Signal Laboratory, Radar Section, Belmar, New Jersey. On February 1, 1945, his position was changed and he was assigned to the Engineering Division of the Watson Radar Laboratories in Red Bank, New Jersey, where he is presently employed as a coordinator of engineering projects in that Division.

As a result of the Loyalty investigation, Okun was suspended from his duties at Watson Laboratories in June, 1949 but he was reinstated on November 21, 1949. As of April 17, 1950, his case was resubmitted to the Air Force at Washington, D. C. for further review and consideration.

Jack Okun, previously resided with Aaron Hyman Coleman at various addresses in New Jersey, it being noted that Coleman is presently under investigation as a contact of Morton Sobell. Andrew J. Reid, SID, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, advised that the records of his office reflected that Okun was known to have been a member of the Shore Branch of the CPA. Mr. Albert Bush of the Provost Marshal's Office, Red Bank, New Jersey, advised that his records reflected Okun was a member of Local 236 of the Monmouth County Chapter of the United Federal Workers of America - CIO, which Chapter was dominated and infiltrated by the Communist Party. Further, that Okun was the editor of this union's monthly newsletter publication. An anonymous informant indicated that Okun was a member of the Executive Committee of that union. (121-13626 and 100-355506-41) No other espionage or subversive information appears in the Bureau files concerning Okun.

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INSTANT CASE. NEWARK AUTHORIZED TO INTERVIEW WILLIAM P. GOLDBERG,
CHARLES GROSSMAN, AND SAM POMERANTZ, CLASSMATES OF SOBELL, RELATIVE
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Note: Check has been made of all main case files and see references
as to William P. Goldberg with no identifiable information concerning
this individual located except that previously set forth in Coleman case.
Check was made of all main case files and see references pertaining to
William Goldberg in New York and similarly, no identifiable information
concerning him located therein. All see references pertaining to William
Goldberg not searched in view of lack of identifying information concerning
Goldberg's background and urgency of the request to interview.

A check of the Bureau files and see references as to Charles
Grossman reflected that he was born June 23, 1918 at New York City. His
father, Joseph Saul Grossman, was born in Austria; his mother, Dora
Grossman and wife, Sonya Muriel Silver Grossman, was born in the United
States. He attended CCNY from 1934 to 1939, graduating with a Bachelor
in Chemical Engineering Degree. He served in Army Air Forces from 1943
to 1946. He is employed at the Air Corps Laboratory, Ft. Monmouth in the
Meteorological Branch.
(100-355506-41; 101-2483
Newark tel November 6)

Grossman when interviewed in connection with the loyalty investi-
gation of David Spear, admitted his close friendship with Spear who in
turn he indicated was a close associate of Aaron Goldberg George Weinstein.
and Jack Okun.
(116-171799)

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No subversive or espionage information located in the files
concerning Grossman.
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A check of Bureau files and see references as to Sam and Samuel
Pomerantz indicated no background information on this individual other
than that he is a former classmate of Sobell and is employed at the Evans
Signal Laboratory. It was noted from a review of the various monthly
intelligence summaries submitted by G-2, Ft. Monmouth, New Jersey, in

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1941, that Pomerantz while employed as Junior Radio Engineer at Ft. Hancock, was suspected of CP affiliations. Further, that he was considered as a suspect on the basis of a report that he was tampering with secret devices involving the insertion of wads of steel wool so as to short the instruments.

(100-7660-12, 66, 203)

One Sam Pomerantz, 416 East 15th Street, New York City, was listed as a registered CP voter in the Fall of 1937.

(61-7559-10595, p.181)

Pomerantz was also listed as an officer of the United Nations Office and Professional Workers of America, CIO, on March 21, 1946. It was indicated that he was connected with the Technical and Scientific Division, 5 Beaman Street, New York City, which issued the publication "Technical America."

(61-10590-510 p.5)

According to the records of MID under date of May 5, 1941, Pomerantz was reported as a suspect and as a signer of a CP petition from three different addresses in New York City.

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REPORT MADE AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	DATE WHEN MADE 11-8-50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11-6-50	REPORT MADE BY ROBERT B. HAAG mlh
TITLE MORTON SOBELL, was,			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Army Service Records, RACAG, of **ARTHUR DUNNICLIFFE COLLINS**, and **ALLEN DARRELL COLLINS**, reflect whether individual on active service during period April 18 and 19, 1946. Neither individual ever stationed Pentagon.

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DETAILS:

AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

A review of the Army Service Record on file at the Demobilized Personnel Records Branch, Adjutant General's Office, Department of the Army, for **ASN O-491688**, Captain, Army Medical Corps, reflects that this individual was released from active duty on November 22, 1945, for physical disability caused by anxiety state, severe, and was honorably discharged on March 11, 1946, for physical disqualification. There is no information contained in his service record which would indicate that this individual had ever been attached to the Pentagon Building, Washington.

The Army Service record of **ALLEN DARRELL COLLINS**, **ASN O-863480**, Captain, Air Corps, reflects that this individual was honorably released from active duty, for convenience of the government on January 25, 1946, at McClellan Field, California. There is no information contained in his service record which would indicate that this individual had ever been attached to the Pentagon Building, Washington, D. C.

For the information of all offices, referenced Teletype reflects that subject **SOBELL** during the period of his employment at the General Electric Company, Schenectady, New York, visited Pentagon Building, Washington, on April 18 and 19, 1946.

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REPORT MADE AT BALTIMORE	DATE WHEN MADE 11/15/50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/2, 7, 8, 10/50	REPORT MADE BY JOHN D. MONTGOMERY mhp
TITLE MORTON SOBELL, was.			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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T-1 and T-2 identified photographs of HELEN SOBELL, MORTON SOBELL, HELENE ELITCHER, MAX ELITCHER, and WILLIAM DANZIGER as persons known to them. The records of the Naval Research Laboratory Annex, North Beach, Md., reflect that SOBELL visited this installation as a representative of the GE Co. during period 6/11-16 and 7/12-15/44 for the purpose of witnessing a demonstration of target destination equipment.

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Informants T-1 and T-2 identified photographs of the following persons. These persons are known to informants but informants have no knowledge of any Communist Party or espionage activity on the part of MAX and HELENE ELITCHER, or WILLIAM DANZIGER:

MORTON SOBELL
HELEN SOBELL
HELENE ELITCHER
MAX ELITCHER
WILLIAM DANZIGER

Those same informants were unable to identify photographs of the following individuals as persons they have ever known:

Mrs. ETHEL ROSENBERG
MIKE SIDOROVITCH
LOUISE SARANT
HETTY SAVIDGE
STANLEY ROBERT RICH
MARK PAGE
STEVE JAVNA
RUTH GREENGLASS
WILLIAM BRUCE DAYTON

NATHAN SUSSMAN
ANN SIDOROVITCH
ALFRED SARANT
JULIUS ROSENBERG
WILLIAM BUTTERPERL
RUSSELL MCNUTT
CARLA SMALL JAVNA
VIVIAN GLASSMAN
JOEL LARR

By letter dated October 20, 1950, the New York Office requested that the records of the Naval Research Laboratory at North Beach, Maryland, be reviewed for information concerning the reported visits made by MORTON SOBELL as a representative of the General Electric Company to this installation during June and July, 1944.

On November 8, 1950, Commander W. E. DAY, Post Commander, made available to the reporting agent the records located at the Naval Research Laboratory Annex, North Beach, Maryland. The records reflect that MORTON SOBELL,

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accompanied by R. R. ~~PRECHTER~~, both described as employees of the General Electric Company, visited the station on June 11, 1944. This record further reflects that the purpose of the trip was to observe a trial test concerning the project referred to as TD-11, also designated as the Target Destination Transmitter Project. Other employees who visited the Naval Research Laboratory at this same time from the General Electric Company were listed as follows:

O. J. ~~BRATLIE~~
J. D. ~~LAWHON~~
G. C. ~~LAWRY~~, Jr.
R. R. ~~PRECHTER~~
G. G. ~~REQUE~~, Jr.

The record further reflects that PRECHTER and MORTON SOBELL departed from the Naval Research Laboratory on the night of June 16, 1944.

Another record maintained by the Security Officer at the Naval Research Laboratory Annex, referred to as "Scientific Personnel on Station", reflects that MORTON SOBELL from the General Electric Company arrived at the installation on July 12, 1944, and remained through July 15, 1944. This record does not reflect that SOBELL remained overnight on July 15, 1944.

Another record maintained by the Security Officer at this installation referred to as "CBAS, Schedule Log", formerly maintained by Lieutenant ALLEN CHRISTIE, Security Officer, reflects that on page 164 a Lt. E. F. SAUBLE, of the Bureau of Ordnance, U.S. Navy Department, and MORTON SOBELL, of G.E., were to visit this station on July 12, 1944, to witness a test of the TD-11 project. This record further reflects that a Mr. LEO YOUNG was in charge of this project at that time.

Both Commander DAY and Lt. ALLEN CHRISTIE, who has recently been reassigned to this station, were interviewed concerning their knowledge of contacts or associations of MORTON SOBELL. However, both advised that outside of the information appearing in the newspapers, they had no knowledge concerning this individual.

Mr. MAX RICHMAN, an electronic scientist who has been assigned to the Naval Research Annex since approximately 1942, was interviewed concerning his knowledge of subject SOBELL. Mr. RICHMAN recalled SOBELL as a visitor during 1944 from the General Electric Company. He further advised that he

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personally was assigned to the project referred to as TD-11 and that he remembered that SOBELL visited the installation as a representative from the General Electric Company in order to witness or observe tests which were being conducted under this project at this facility. He advised that it was his opinion SOBELL was not personally acquainted with any of the personnel at the Naval Research Laboratory and, insofar as he recalls, all of SOBELL's contacts were of an official nature.

Concerning the possible friends or associates of SOBELL who may have worked at the Naval Research Laboratory, Mr. RICHMAN stated that this project was a small one and he personally worked on all phases of its development, that he knew all the members who were assigned to this work and he is quite confident that none of them ever attended school with SOBELL in New York City or was in any way acquainted with him prior to coming to the Naval Research Laboratory.

Mr. RICHMAN further advised that none of the persons now assigned to this facility were employed on the project in question.

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TITLE MORTON SOBELL, was: Morton Sobill, Zobell			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

On 10/10/50, the Grand Jury, SDNY, returned an indictment charging MORTON SOBELL with violation of Section 34, Title 50, USC. SOBELL'S bail continued at \$100,000. B. A. PARKHURST and EDWARD GARRETT, subject's supervisors at Reeves Instrument Corp., NYC, advised they telephoned subject at his home a week prior to his departure for Mexico City. SOBELL made no mention to them of a contemplated trip but stated that he was sick and that he would return to work on the following Monday, 6/26/50. MAX ELITCHER recalls SOBELL telling him after a visit to the home of JULIUS ROSENBERG that ROSENBERG had previously spoken on the phone to ELIZABETH BENTLEY but, according to ROSENBERG, BENTLEY did not know who he was and knew him only as "JULIUS". Signed statement obtained from ELITCHER incorporating all information concerning SOBELL and his known associations with ROSENBERG. WILLIAM DANZIGER admits receiving two letters from SOBELL while in Mexico City. In first letter DANZIGER believes SOBELL used alias of M. SOWELL. Letter also contained instructions for DANZIGER to forward letters to SOBELL'S parents and EDITH LEVITOV. SOBELL also requested DANZIGER to advise one PASTERNAK of 41-42 42nd Street, Long Island City, NY, of his alias and Mexico City address.

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Confidential Informant T-9, a reliable informant, a representative of another government agency which conducts intelligence investigations, advised that COLEMAN originally came to the attention of his agency during 1942, when it was reported that COLEMAN had attended several meetings of the Young Communist League while a student at the City College of New York. T-9 also advised that he had received reports alleging that COLEMAN expressed opinions which were closely allied to the Communist trend of thought.

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The Young Communist League is an organization cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

T-9 further advised that COLEMAN had violated security regulations upon two occasions by non-compliance with instructions concerning the handling of classified documents. Informant said that these violations occurred while COLEMAN was a civilian employee of the Signal Corps at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. Informant advised that during the fall of 1946 COLEMAN was observed dropping a large manila envelope from beneath his coat shortly after leaving the premises of the Evans Signal Laboratory, Balmar, New Jersey. T-9 further advised that this instance was noted by a member of the Laboratory Guard Force who had checked COLEMAN out of the Laboratory, and who recalled that COLEMAN had not declared the envelope. Informant stated this guard approached COLEMAN and requested to examine the envelope and found that it contained papers of a personal nature. Informant continued that COLEMAN informed the guard that his pass for removing property from the Laboratory had expired and that he did not declare the above property upon leaving the Laboratory because he was in a hurry to mail the aforementioned envelope.

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T-9 added that a similar incident occurred on September 25, 1946, when COLEMAN attempted to enter the Evans Signal Laboratory with a briefcase containing classified documents and COLEMAN was unable to produce written authority for bringing this material into the Laboratory. T-9 further stated that COLEMAN was questioned concerning this incident and during the questioning it was brought

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out that COLEMAN had classified documents in his home. COLEMAN granted members of the aforementioned government agency written permission to search his residence at 108 Second Avenue, Bradley Beach, New Jersey. T-9 stated a search of COLEMAN'S residence disclosed COLEMAN had 48 classified documents in his home. Informant stated further that these documents bore the classification "secret", "confidential" and "restricted". T-9 advised that subsequent to the above search COLEMAN stated the documents were used as reference material for his work as a radar engineer; that some of the material was removed from the Evans Signal Laboratory under proper authority and a number of the documents were received during his military service. COLEMAN also declared that part of the above material was no longer classified and had been used solely for his own reference and had never been out of his possession. He said he had never been approached by anyone seeking classified documents.

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T-9 further advised that as a result of the search and finding of classified material in COLEMAN'S home he was suspended from duty at the Evans Signal Laboratory for a period of ten days. However, an examining board reviewed his suspension and concluded that no evidence was found that any use of a subversive nature was made by COLEMAN of the classified documents.

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On August 23, 1950 T-9 advised that an examination of the visitors' passes at the Evans Signal Laboratory reflected that on June 26, 1947 one W. SOBEL had registered as a representative of the Reeves Instrument Corporation, New York City, to visit AARON COLEMAN. T-9 explained that AARON COLEMAN was during 1947 and still is a civilian employee in the Radar Branch at the Evans Signal Laboratory.

Mr. A. J. DALTON, Chief Signal Corps Procurement Agency, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, advised that the Reeves Instrument Corporation, originally known as the Reeves Sound Laboratories, Inc., New York City, was first awarded contracts with the Signal Corps Engineering Laboratory at Fort Monmouth on May 24, 1944. He added that since that time they have been engaged in the performance of work on Signal Corps contracts.

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS (CONT'D)

T-8 MAX YERGAN, former Chairman
of the National Negro
Congress and the Council
On African Affairs, contacted
by SA ARTHUR R. WARE on 9/7/50,

T-9 ANDREW J. REID, Security and
Intelligence Division, Fort
Monmouth, New Jersey, mentioned
in the report of SA REGINAID
C. VINCENT, 10/3/50, Newark,
entitled, "AARON HYMAN COLEMAN;
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T-10 Office of Naval Intelligence.

T-11 JOHN CHAMPLIN, Branch Manager,
Corn Exchange Bank and Trust
Company, York Avenue Branch,
453 East 86th Street, New York
City.

T-12 [REDACTED]

T-13 [REDACTED]

T-14 [REDACTED]

T-15 [REDACTED]

T-16 [REDACTED]

T-17 [REDACTED] contacted by SA JOSEPH
C. WALSH, on 10/9/50.

T-18 [REDACTED] contacted by SA
JOSEPH C. WALSH.

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TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: October 5, 1950

FROM : C. E. Hennrich

SUBJECT: MORTON SOBELL
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To indicate the suggested action to be taken on the basis of the inquiry received through ONI by the [redacted] Naval Attache as to the desire of the [redacted] authorities to ascertain if Sobell had disclosed to the Russians any information regarding the [redacted] Radar Net. (S) (u) b1 per NAVY [redacted] Reynolds

DETAILS:

As mentioned in the attached memorandum of Special Agent C. D. DeLoach dated October 3, 1950, Captain F. F. Ferris of ONI advised that he had received an inquiry from the [redacted] Naval Attache, [redacted] Embassy, Washington, D. C., wherein information was desired by the [redacted] authorities as to whether Sobell had disclosed to the Russians any information regarding the [redacted] Radar Net. As a result of this inquiry, Captain Ferris requested advice from the Bureau as to whether information was available as to the reason for the [redacted] authorities believing that Sobell might have passed such information to the Russians. He further desired any information which the Bureau might have indicating that the [redacted] Government had full knowledge concerning Sobell's espionage activities. As you are aware, Morton Sobell had been employed in the Electrical Control Unit of the Meteorological Radar Section of General Electric, Schenectady, New York, prior to 1947 and thereafter was continuously employed by the Reeves Instrument Company in New York City. Inasmuch as both of these companies are engaged in activities related to radar and radar equipment, it is possible that the [redacted] authorities made their inquiry based on the fact that Sobell was in the employ of those companies, which they knew were engaged in this type of production. However, other than the information appearing in the various releases made at the time of the arrest of Sobell concerning his employment with these companies, no definite statements or information has been released indicating Sobell's connection with or knowledge of the radar field of engineering. (S) (u)

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It is believed of considerable importance to make an effort to inquire further into the reason for the [redacted] Naval Attache's interest in this matter in view of the extensive investigation which is now being conducted as to Aaron Hyman Coleman, a contact and former classmate of Sobell's who is presently employed as Chief of the Radar Coordination Section of the Radar Branch, Evans Signal Laboratory, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. It might be noted that Coleman in his capacity as Chief of the Radar Coordination Section has supervision over the project known as the Link and Chain Radar (S) (u) b1 NAVY

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Network and is known to have visited numerous installations throughout the country to obtain information as to the radar warning networks. Thus, while it is not believed that Sobell by reason of his employment with General Electric or Reeves Instrument Company would have available any information as to the radar network system either in this country or in any foreign countries, it is entirely possible that such information may have been made available to Coleman in connection with his position on a project which is considered as Top Secrecy and Priority by the Signal Corps. (S) u

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that in order to explore this situation further [Captain F. F. Ferris be recontacted through liaison and advised that we have no information which would indicate Sobell's connection with the passing on of information concerning the [redacted] Radar Network to the Russians and that no information is available to the Bureau as to the extent of knowledge that the [redacted] authorities may have concerning Sobell's espionage activities. At the time this information is passed on to Captain Ferris, it is suggested that an effort be made to determine whether he feels he can approach the [redacted] Naval Attache for the purpose of determining from him any information available to the [redacted] authorities indicating that there was actually a leak to the Russians concerning their radar network. Likewise, it should be ascertained whether he could directly determine through the [redacted] Naval Attache the basis for their belief that Sobell may have been instrumental in turning any such information over to the Russians. (S) (u) -

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A further recommendation is being made that Liaison recontact Major General A. R. Bolling, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, to whom previous information relative to our interest in the activities of Aaron Hyman Coleman was furnished by letter on September 15, 1950. At the time of this contact it should be determined whether the detailed information concerning the [redacted] Radar Network has been made available to the military authorities in this country. It should be particularly ascertained whether same may have been referred or brought to the attention of the Signal Corps officials who are responsible for the Link and Chain Radar Network, on which project Coleman has been working. (S) u

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In addition to the foregoing, there is attached hereto for your approval a teletype to the New York, Newark and Albany Divisions requesting that they make certain discreet inquiries in an effort to learn whether the

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[Reeves Instrument Company, Evans Signal Laboratory or General Electric were engaged in any project or in the production of any equipment for use in connection with the [REDACTED] Radar Network; likewise, whether in connection with any such activities by subject companies there was at any time made available for the inspection of the top officials of that company any information as to the radar networks in operation in any foreign countries. (S)(u)]

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TO : MR. V. P. KEARNEY

DATE: November 15, 1950

FROM : C. D. DeLoach

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You will recall that Captain F. F. Ferris, Protocol Officer of the Navy, has been contacted by the [redacted] Naval Attache, [redacted] Embassy, relative to ascertaining if the captioned subject had disclosed to the Russians any information regarding the [redacted] Radar Net. Pursuant to instructions, Captain Ferris has been advised by Liaison that we have no information which would indicate Sobell's connection with the passing on of information concerning the [redacted] Radar Network to the Russians; furthermore, that no information is available to the Bureau as to the extent of knowledge that the [redacted] authorities may have concerning Sobell's espionage activities. (S)(u)

Captain Ferris has now advised that the [redacted] Naval Attache's only interest in this matter reflected from the fact that Sobell was previously employed by a company that had contracts with the [redacted] Government. He stated that the [redacted] Naval Attache had no information whatsoever indicating that Sobell had passed such information to the Russians. (S)(u)

ACTION:

It is suggested this memorandum be forwarded to the Espionage Section for the attention of Supervisor Enrich.

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From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Majority of former CCNY classmates of SOBELL in N.J. do not recall subject or know of his activities. Those acquainted with subject describe him generally as "eccentric," "loudmouthed," and "coarse" but know of no disloyal activities on his part. ARON COLEMAN, Chief of Radar Co-ordination Section, Evans Signal Laboratory, Fort Monmouth, N. J., knew SOBELL as classmate and had subsequent dealings with subject but denies close association with him. From discussions with subject at CCNY, COLEMAN received impression SOBELL had "leftist views" and believes subject may have participated in demonstrations on CCNY campus. COLEMAN dismissed doubts concerning SOBELL'S loyalty when he learned subject had been cleared for classified information at General Electric Co.. COLEMAN stated subject never had access to classified information through him although numerous classified Signal Corps reports were sent to Reeves Co. under guard. Classmate JEROME FREEDMAN had impression SOBELL was "radical" at school but could not furnish specific information. SAM LEVINE, another classmate, also considered SOBELL "radical" defining this as one who would sympathize with and support Communist movement. Representatives of various NJ firms state SOBELL had legitimate business dealings with these companies. Dates of SOBELL'S stay at Molly Pitcher Hotel, Red Bank, N.J. set out.

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which he recognized was that of JULIUS ROSENBERG, but he was unable to state where he had seen ROSENBERG previously. KLAYTON suggested that JERRY FOX, HERB BENNETT, and JERRY FREEDMAN might possibly recall SOBELL or ROSENBERG. KLAYTON advised that he has never been approached by anyone concerning espionage activity.

Newark files contain a report from Headquarters, First Army, Governor's Island, New York, File No. 1A-419962 entitled "MARVIN HERMAN KLAYTON aka Klatsky" to determine his suitability for a position of trust and confidence, dated November 19, 1947. This report reflected information received from a confidential informant [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] New York, a given reference to the effect that he was hesitant to recommend him "for a position that would enable him to compromise the National security." The informant could recall nothing specifically, but vaguely remembered something which would indicate that KLAYTON was in sympathy with Communist ideology. He was able only to recall very vaguely that his impression was due in some respect to an uprising during KLAYTON's college days by young radicals. No further derogatory information was developed during this investigation.

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LOUIS VOLP, in addition to information previously set forth, advised that subsequent to the arrest of MORTON SOBELL, he discussed the arrest with AARON COLEMAN and HARRY CARROLL, both of whom were employed at the Evans Signal Laboratory. In connection with his dealings with the Reeves Instrument Company, VOLP explained that at that company he dealt usually with PERRY SEAY, J. KLEINMAN, HARRY BELOCK and B. A. PARKHURST, all of whom VOLP considers unquestionably loyal.

HAROLD DUCORE, who stated that he only vaguely recalled SOBELL, advised that AARON COLEMAN, JEROME FREEDMAN, SAM LEVINE and LOUIS VOLP might remember SOBELL inasmuch as they all attended CCNY.

On viewing a picture of ROSENBERG, DUCORE advised that he vaguely remembered the face and believed that he may have seen ROSENBERG around the Evans Laboratory, but he could recall no details concerning such visits.

WILLIAM PATRICK LONNIE, who advised that SOBELL was a member of a group of engineers representing the Reeves Instrument Company who visited the Evans Signal Laboratory on the development of project 414A in 1947, added that he believed that HY HAMINS, AARON COLEMAN, EUGENE SHEFTLEMAN and possibly RALPH FLETCHER were present at this conference.

With regard to JULIUS ROSENBERG, LONNIE advised that he recalled him as another member of his class at CCNY and remembers him as being less than average, not dependable, and as a man who held himself slightly aloof from

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BUSH made available a Personal History Statement completed by SATINOFF relative to his employment at Watson. The form is undated and reflects SATINOFF was born 10/21/07 at New York, New York, the son of ELIAS SATINOFF, born in Russia, now deceased, and MOLLY SATINOFF, born in Russia and now deceased. A copy of this Personal History Statement has been obtained and will be maintained in the files of the Newark Office.

It is noted that elsewhere in the file appears a letter dated 9/15/50 reflecting that a National Agency check made by the Air Force produced "favorable references."

In view of SOBELL's employment by the Reeves Instrument Corporation and his business contacts with the U. S. Army and Air Force installations, Mr. ~~NED~~ GALLO, Assistant Chief, Procurement Office Watson Laboratories, AMC, Red Bank, New Jersey, was interviewed concerning the contracts let by the Army Air Force for development work at the Reeves Instrument Corporation. Mr. GALLO was interviewed by SAs JAMES J. TRACEY and THOMAS F. JONES on 10/13/50 and furnished a list of contracts which had been let to the Reeves Instrument Corporation by the Army Air Force but had not been completed as of the date of interview. These contracts were as follows:

(1) Contract #W28-099-AC-404, let March 23, 1948. The contract was for the development of a target position simulator and called for the completion of an experimental model by November 1, 1950; also, the completion of operation instructions, reports, sketches, spare parts, manufacturing drawings and instruction models; also, the completion of two production models. All work was to be completed by August 31, 1951. The approximate cost of this contract was \$131,000.00. The engineer assigned by Watson Laboratories is LESLIE CORNELL and the Procurement Administrator is WILLIAM S. ROSEMLER. A notation appears in the file: "Experimental model did not pass tests. Extension of delivery requested and contractor to submit estimates of costs for additional requirements." This contract bears the classification, confidential.

(2) Contract #AF-28(099)-93, let June 15, 1949, for the completion of six x-band modification kits to be completed by January 10, 1951, and drawings, reports, manufacturing specifications, etc., to be completed by April 30, 1951. This contract was \$109,000.00 in value and was let on a cost plus basis. The engineer assigned by Watson is SEWARD NORRIS and the Procurement Administrator is SIDNEY ROSENBERG. A notation appears in the files to the effect: "Work on this contract is progressing very slowly due to the necessity for completing work on the S-Band." This contract bears the classification confidential.

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(3) Contract #AF-28(099)-174, let January 30, 1950, for the production of a modification kit, MC-672-B, with value of \$30,000.00, approximate. The engineer for Watson Laboratories is NORRIS and the Procurement Administrator is DONALD ~~CALLENDER~~. The classification of this contract is confidential.

(4) Contract #AF-28(099)-293, let June 29, 1950, for the modification of radar set AN/MPW(), valued at approximately \$62,000.00. All work on this contract is to be completed by April 30, 1951. The engineer assigned by Watson is NORRIS and the Procurement Administrator is BERNARD ~~HAGGQUIST~~. A notation appears in the file that this work is progressing satisfactorily. Classification of this contract is secret.

(5) Contract #AF-28(099)-289, let June 30, 1950; estimated cost, \$570,000.00; for the completion of a bomb scoring simulator, experimented model, drawings, reports, instructions and twelve production models. All work to be completed six months after the approval of the experimental model which is to be completed by June 30, 1951. The engineer assigned by Watson is DAKIN and the Administrator is FRANK ~~MARTIN~~. The classification is confidential.

Mr. GALLO further advised that Watson Laboratories also has four purchase orders with the Reeves Instrument Corp. He advised these are for the purchase of equipment already manufactured and not for the development of any new equipment. They are as follows:

(1) Order #50-1055. Purchase of a servomechanism unit and operation manuals; amount of purchase, \$14,850.00; delivery date, October 16, 1950.

(2) Order #50-1401. The purchase of amplifier generator, control connecting and synchronizing cables and instructions manuals; amount, \$5,158.00; delivery date, December 1, 1950.

(3) Order #49-6352. Modification decreasing the amount of material ordered under Contract #AF-19(122)108 and ordering production parts in the amount of \$7,239.45

(4) Order #48-1899. Purchase of couplings and forty clamps in the amount of \$234.00.

The files reflect that the men to whom the purchase orders were addressed at Reeves were H. M. ~~ALDRICH~~, B. A. PARKHURST and C. B. DEWEY.

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On October 6, 1950 SA MICHAEL J. CONNOLLY interviewed Brigadier General HARRY REICHELDERFER, Commanding General, Signal Corps Engineering Laboratories, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, relative to the information desired by the Bureau as to whether the Signal Corps Laboratories had any part in setting up the radar network of any foreign power.

General REICHELDERFER advised that there is nothing in writing to his knowledge regarding any such aid on the part of the Signal Corps. He added however that they are working with Canada, Australia and Great Britain in this regard. He said that he believed that the Russians now have some U. S. radar equipment obtained under lend lease consisting of the 268 and the 270 sets which are obsolete here now.

The General then consulted Colonel JAMES O'CONNELL of the Signal Corps Board who advised that in 1940 the Army had a large number of young officers in England and through their training there are undoubtedly acquainted to some extent with the British systems.

In naming specific countries, REICHELDERFER and O'CONNELL stated that we definitely were not working with France, work with Italy was unknown, Norway has one officer here in the U. S., and they had no knowledge of any work with Sweden.

They suggested that ROGER B. COLTON, retired General, U. S. Army, now employed by Federal Telephone and Radio Corporation, Nutley, New Jersey would be able to furnish additional information concerning this subject. They advised numerous Signal Corps officers upon leaving the service have become private consultants and that some have been hired by the State Department to aid friendly allies in setting up networks.

Inasmuch as the Bureau inquiry concerning the above made reference to the Swedish radar network, it is noted that Bureau letter to New York dated April 28, 1949 captioned "JOEL BARR, ESPIONAGE-R" reflected that

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General ROGER B. COLTON, Federal Telephone and Radio Corporation, Nutley, New Jersey, advised SA PHILIP J. CARROLL and the writer on October 13, 1950 that he had been in complete charge of the Laboratories at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey until the end of 1944. General COLTON advised that up to that time he knew of no written agreement between the U. S. and any foreign country concerning the setting up of a radar network. General COLTON stated that in 1946 he had heard that negotiations were being made between Swedish representatives

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Attention: Colonel Robert Schow

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
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Reference is made to your letter of January 23, 1951, in which you advise that [REDACTED]

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It will be appreciated [REDACTED]

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It might be mentioned that a check made by G-2, Department of the Army, at the Leitz Company in Germany developed that those loans, which were located in the possession of Sobell, had been sent to the Leitz Company representative in Berlin, Germany, whose records were destroyed in 1945.

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It is further requested that [REDACTED]

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cc - Legal Attache, Mexico City
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You are requested to follow this matter locally with the CIA representative in Mexico City in order to assure that this matter is expedited.
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investigation as a possible associate of various members of the Rosenberg espionage network. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] G-2, Department of the Army, has previously advised that the latter-mentioned Leica Camera, as in the case of the aforementioned lens, was sent by the Leitz Company, Wetzlar, Germany, to their representative in Berlin, Germany. *620 released per army*

Your expeditious attention to this matter will be greatly appreciated.

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However, in a teletype received from CIA [REDACTED]

This teletype verified the previous information obtained by the Legal Attache in Mexico City to the effect that the firm, Union Quimica, was the exclusive importer of Leica Cameras in Mexico City in 1937. It was indicated that the latter firm was making a further check to ascertain information concerning the possible sale of instant camera.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. LADD

FROM : MR. BELMONT *sk*

SUBJECT: MORTON SOBELL, was.
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DATE: January 26, 1951

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PURPOSE

To solicit the views of Legat John N. Speakes, Mexico City, relative to the advisability of directly interviewing

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and their connections with Morton Sobell. The latter allegations were received by the Bureau from Abner Chick Lapin, who advised that same were furnished to him as well as to [REDACTED] b1

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As you will recall, Abner Chick Lapin has, on several occasions, furnished information to the Bureau to the effect that

[REDACTED] It might be noted that Sobell was arrested in Mexico City on August 16, 1950, by members of the [REDACTED] and thereafter turned over to the FBI at Laredo, Texas. b1

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Pursuant to the attached memorandum of Assistant Director Nichols, dated January 20, 1951, a check was made of the Bufiles and references with respect to [Svarverud and Sullivan]. It was noted that in a letter from Legat Speakes dated February 4, 1949, it was pointed out that Svarverud and Sullivan appeared in the office of the Legat in Mexico City for the purpose of furnishing information as to certain

[REDACTED] (S) At the time of this visit both mentioned that they were American businessmen and that Svarverud was in Mexico for the purpose of studying the sheep industry, whereas Sullivan was merely visiting with him on his vacation. According to the information furnished by them, Svarverud, whose residence was given as 1506 Orchid Street, Eugene, Oregon, arrived in Mexico City via American Airlines on November 16, 1948; further, Sullivan, who gave his address as 129 East Rusholme Street, Davenport, Iowa, indicated he was a retired real estate man and had arrived in Mexico City on December 18, 1948. b1

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At the time of their appearance at the Legat's office they pointed out that they were staying at the Hotel Del Prado in Mexico City and mentioned that they suspected their telephones had been tapped, their mail opened, and their rooms searched. They indicated that they previously had taken up this matter with the Vice Consul of the American Embassy in Mexico.

The Legat, through a confidential informant, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] b1

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According to this letter from the Legat, Svarverud, subsequent to the interview, remained in Mexico City, whereas Sullivan returned to the United States on January 9, 1949. (64-26028-3)

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This communication from CIA thereafter reported similar information as appeared in the letter from the Legat relative to the information furnished to the American Embassy concerning their treatment by the Mexican authorities. (64-26028-5)

In a letter received from Legat Speakes, dated January 18, 1951, he indicated that on a recent occasion while in conversation with [REDACTED]

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According to the information furnished by [REDACTED] b1

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FORM NO. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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NY FILE NO. **mjt** 100-37158

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 4/25/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/15,17,19,22-26; 2/1,2,5-10,13-16; 19-21,24,27,28; 3/1,2,3,5-10; 12-17,19-24,26-30; 4/10,11/51.	REPORT MADE BY REX I. SHRODER
TITLE MORTON SOBELL, was.		CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Superceding indictment handed down by Grand Jury on 1/31/51. Indictment alleged that JULIUS ROSENBERG, ETHEL ROSENBERG, ANATOLI A. YAKOVLEV, DAVID GREENGLASS and MORTON SOBELL had violated Section 34, Title 50, U.S. Code. On 2/2/51 SOBELL arraigned and pleaded not guilty to indictment. Trial commenced on 3/6/51 before Judge IRVING R. KAUFMAN, USC, SDNY. Jury returned guilty verdict for subject on 3/29/51. SOBELL sentenced to 30 years imprisonment. Subject's attorney filed Notice of Appeal with Clerk of Court, SDNY on 4/9/51. An informant has advised that subject and JULIUS ROSENBERG, in SOBELL'S car, met a Russian contact and delivered 6 months work. ROSENBERG, according to informant, described SOBELL as a "solid, trusted Communist" and stated he had no fear SOBELL would talk. SOBELL fled to Mexico without consulting ROSENBERG, according to informant. Had he done so, ROSENBERG could have arranged SOBELL'S escape through his contacts. ROSENBERG told informant that Mrs. SOBELL'S watch was a gift from the Russians. Parole report and disposition sheet enclosed.

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Confidential Informant T-5, of known reliability, advised that a further [REDACTED]

However, Confidential Informant T-5 on

Confidential Informant T-4 advised that the

SOBELL at the time of his arrest also possessed an Elmar lens No. 156569. T-5 has advised that this

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On December 1, 1950 WESLEY THEODORE HERMANSON, 222 Van, Houten Avenue, Wycoff, New Jersey, was interviewed at his place of employment, the Western Electric Company, 30 Church Street, New York City, by SA JOSEPH J. PALGUTA. HERMANSON stated that he graduated from the City College of New York in 1939 with a degree in electrical engineering. HERMANSON was shown photographs of MORTON SOBELL and stated that he had never seen the subject nor could he recall him as being a classmate of his at City College of New York. (u)

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

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The Confidential Informants referred to in the report of SA REX I. SHRODER dated April 25, 1951 at New York are identified as follows: ~~SECRET~~ (u)

- T-1 JEROME ~~X~~ARTAKOW, Federal House of Detention, 427 West Street, New York City. (u)
- T-2 Bureau of Special Services and Investigation, New York City Police Department. (u) 4
- T-3 [REDACTED] (u) mentioned in Bureau teletype to 897 New York dated March 19, 1951, instant case. Letu
- T-4 Legal Attache, Mexico City. (u)
- T-5 [REDACTED] (u) b1 b3 CIA
- T-6 [REDACTED] mentioned in Albany teletype to New York dated February 27, 1951, instant case. (u)

REFERENCE: Report of SA REX I. SHRODER, New York, 1/24/51. (u)

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April 27, 1951

Director, FBI

MICHAEL SIDOROVICH, was, et al

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PERJURY

(Cleveland 65-15380)

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For your information:

The Bureau is requesting that this check be expedited and you
will be advised as to the results thereof immediately upon the receipt
of the desired information.

cc: New York (65-15380)

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Date: April 17, 1951
To: Director
Central Intelligence Agency
2430 E Street, N. W.
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Attention: Major General W. G. Hyman
Office of Special Operations

John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
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DATE 11/17/87

Subject: MORTON SOBELL
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Reference is made to your letter of January 23, 1951, in which you advised that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

It is noted that you [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

In view of the letter, it would appear (ibid. 708) that the information [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

It is also desired that you advise this Bureau at the earliest possible date as to the [REDACTED]

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cc: Legal Attache, Mexico City, Mexico

You are requested to follow this matter locally with the [REDACTED]

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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE
EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
MEXICO CITY

Date: April 11, 1951

To: Director, FBI

From: Legat, Mexico

Subject: U.S. Consul WARREN C. STEWART

U.S. Consulate

Arista and Malecon

Veracruz, Veracruz

Mexico

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U.S. Consul ELVIN SEIBERT

U.S. Consulate

Avenida Diaz Miron 308

Tampico, Tamaulipas

Mexico

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It is desired to point out to the Bureau that during the handling in Mexico of the case "MORTON SOBELL, with aliases. ESPIONAGE - R," the two above-captioned American Consular Officers furnished considerable cooperation to the Office of the Legal Attache.

Consul WARREN STEWART was in the U.S. on leave during the time that SOBELL was in Veracruz; however, when STEWART returned to Veracruz he was very helpful in connection with any phase of the subsequent investigation where his services were solicited. STEWART is energetic and aggressive and is a type of Consular Officer who can be depended upon for action when it is asked of him. He was particularly effective in connection with the handling of the necessary details in Veracruz pertaining to the handling of witnesses to the U.S.

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Letter to Director, 4-11-51 ~~SECRET~~
Re: U.S. Consul WARREN C. STEWART
Veracruz, Veracruz
Mexico

U.S. Consul ELVIN SEIBERT
Tampico, Tamaulipas
Mexico

Consul SEIBERT in Tampico was very helpful in somewhat a similar fashion. He furnished services during the investigation in Tampico and he frequently telephoned the Legal Attache in Mexico City when information would come to his attention which he thought would be of interest to the Bureau.

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I am sure that letters from Director HOOVER to both of these Consular Officers would be greatly appreciated by them. It would make them feel that their past efforts were given a high valuation and it would undoubtedly insure their future good efforts on our behalf. Since we do not have FBI representatives stationed in Tampico and Veracruz and since both of those port cities are of considerable importance in Mexico, we do have to maintain an effective liaison with the heads of the Consulates in both cities. Accordingly, it is recommended that letters of appreciation be sent to both of these Consuls. It is noted that their local addresses are shown in the caption hereinabove. It is suggested, however, that any such letters might perhaps best be sent through the Department of State so that the Consuls' administrative superiors might take official cognizance of the same.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. D. M. LADD

DATE: April 26, 1951

FROM : A. H. BELMONT

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WARREN C. STEWART AND ELVIN SEIBERT
IN THE MORTON SOBELL ESPIONAGE - R CASEBACKGROUND

As you are aware, the Sobell Case required extensive investigation in various parts of the Republic of Mexico, including the ports of Veracruz and Tampico.

[REDACTED] advised that American Consul Warren C. Stewart in Veracruz and American Consul Elvin Seibert in Tampico were very helpful in this case, and he has suggested that letters of appreciation be sent to both of these Consuls.

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The Legal Attache has advised that Consul Warren Stewart was very helpful to the investigations in Veracruz wherever his services were solicited. Stewart is energetic and aggressive, and the type of Consular officer who can be depended upon for action when it is requested of him. Stewart was of particularly effective assistance in handling the details in Veracruz regarding the sending of witnesses to the United States.

Mr. Speakes has advised that [REDACTED]

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The Legal Attache has also advised that Consul Seibert in Tampico was likewise very helpful. MAY 8 1951 Seibert was of service during the investigation in Tampico and he frequently telephoned

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the Legal Attache in Mexico whenever he received information which he thought would be of interest to the Bureau in this case.

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Mr. Speakes has advised that both of these Consular officers would greatly appreciate a letter from the Director, and he feels that such a letter would undoubtedly insure the continued good efforts of these Consuls on the Bureau's behalf. X
Inasmuch as we do not have Bureau representatives stationed in Tampico or Veracruz, and since these ports are of considerable importance it is necessary for the Bureau representatives to have effective liaison with the Consulates in both cities.

It is believed that the fact that Consul Seibert and Consul Stewart were of definite assistance in the Sobell investigation should be brought to the attention of the State Department. U

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RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the attached letter to Mr. Boykin of the State Department be sent, advising him of the fact that Consul Stewart and Consul Seibert were of assistance in this matter, and requesting him to forward to them the enclosed appreciation letters. U

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SAC, New York

May 22, 1951

Director, FBI

MORTON SOBELL, wa.
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In connection with the Comrap investigation, it was noted in the report of Harvey E. Rath dated at New York, April 5, 1946, that Andrei Ivanovich Schevchenko turned over to Loren G. Haas on August 27, 1945, a Leica Camera, serial 295614, lens 443321. (100-203581-5236)

In the event same has not already been done, it is requested that an effort be made to determine the source through which Schevchenko obtained possession of instant Leica Camera on the possibility that such information might assist in determining the source through which the Sobell and Sidorovich Leica Cameras were obtained. It is, therefore, suggested that you make an appropriate inquiry of the Leitz Company representative in New York City to determine whether or not the aforementioned Leica Camera may have been purchased in the United States.

As you are aware, [redacted] (S) is presently making further check pursuant to a request from the Bureau with respect to the Sobell and Sidorovich Leica Cameras through the Leitz factory in [redacted] (S) and the Leitz Company representative in Mexico City.

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Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Alden	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Laughlin	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
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Mr. Nease	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

May 9, 1951

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I was pleased to learn from your letter of April 27, 1951 that our consuls at Veracruz and Tampico had been of assistance to the Bureau and note of this fact has been placed in the record of each officer. I know that you and your staff realize the desire of this Department to extend any assistance within its power and will feel free to call upon us in the future.

Sincerely yours,

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George H. Stewart, Jr.
Acting Director

Office of Security and Consular Affairs

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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Date: June 20, 1951

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To: Director, FBI

From: Legat, Mexico City

Subject: MORTON SOBELL
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Reference Bureau letter to the Director, Central
Intelligence Agency, dated April 27, 1951, entitled MORTON
SOBELL, ESPIONAGE - R., copy of which was forwarded to the
Mexico City Office.

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Letter to the Director, 6-20-51

Re: MORTON SOBELL
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

June 20, 1951

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

There has been forwarded to me a copy of your recent letter addressed to Mr. William A. Whalen, our District Director at San Antonio, Texas commending him and his staff for their assistance in the espionage case involving Morton Sobell and others.

It is very gratifying, indeed, to know that our officers had an opportunity to be of assistance to your Bureau in so important a case and that they acquitted themselves so well.

It was very gracious of you to write us as you did and I wish to assure you that it is very much appreciated.

With kindest regards and best wishes,

Sincerely,

Argyle R. Mackey
Commissioner
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	Mr. Rosen	✓
	Mr. Tracy	✓
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	Mr. Belmont	✓
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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHÉ
EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
MEXICO CITY

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Date: April 4, 1951

To: Director, FBI

From: Legat, Mexico

Subject: MEXICO CITY OFFICE - ADMINISTRATIVE
PARTICIPATION OF BUREAU AGENTS IN CASE OF
MORTON SOBELL, with aliases. ESPIONAGE, R

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Reference is made to Bureau cable of April 2, 1951
requesting this office to alert immediately on the details
concerning [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] It was further requested that (S)
recommendation be made concerning any special commendation
for either or both agents assigned as Assistant Legal Attaches.

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Letter to Director, 4-4-51

Re: MEXICO CITY OFFICE - ADMINISTRATIVE
PARTICIPATION OF BUREAU AGENTS IN CASE OF
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5. The Legal Attache obtained from the Office of the Naval Attache a record of recent Russian ship arrivals at Merida, Yucatan.

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SUMMARY BRIEF

on

MORTON SOBELL

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