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REFER TO: 34-60

9 November 1950

SUBJECT: MORTON SOBELL  
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Reeves Instrument Corp.,  
New York, N. Y.  
VIOLATION OF AFR 205-1

TO : Special Agent-in-Charge  
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IN REPLY  
REFER TO: 33-0-1128

15 August 1950

SUBJECT: MARK PAGE,  
Civilian  
COMMUNIST MATTERS

TO : Special Agent-in-Charge,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
1180 Raymond Boulevard,  
Newark, New Jersey

1. A confidential informant of known reliability has advised a Special Agent of this office that MARK PAGE, a tool designer, is a known Communist Party card holder who worked on radar tubes at Westinghouse Electric Company, Bloomfield, New Jersey, at a salary of one hundred twenty dollars (\$120.00) per week. Subject individual was laid off on a pretext that work was no longer available in the department. He offered to take a sixty-five dollars (\$65.00) per week salary cut if he could continue his employment on classified work. PAGE has attempted to obtain employment at Reaction Motors, Lake Denmark, Dover, New Jersey, which is engaged in classified contracts. PAGE resided at 73 South Walnut Street, East Orange, New Jersey, and is reputed to be an excellent blueprint man and mathematician. The confidential informant believes that SUBJECT is seeking employment at other installations in this area which have classified contracts.

2. The foregoing is forwarded for your information and any action deemed necessary.

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20 June 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR: District Commander, 2d District OSI (IG) USAF  
67 Broad Street, New York 4, New York

On 17 June 1947, this office was telephonically advised by Captain Nathan H. Mazer, Ordnance Officer, 52d Fighter All Weather Wing, McGuire Air Force Base, Fort Dix, New Jersey, that he may have some information that is pertinent to the Gold case, which is presently being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Captain Mazer advised that the information was received through his sister-in-law, Mrs. Langman, [redacted] Pennsylvania, from a Dr. Benjamin L. Mandel, 4724 North 9th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, whose patient she has been for many years. Dr. Mandel told Mrs. Langman of the hasty departure of a [redacted] family from the community where they and the Gold family reside. It was common knowledge, according to Mazer, that the [redacted] family were sympathizers of the Communist cause, and that the former husband of Mrs. [redacted] a Mr. [redacted] was also a Communist sympathizer. According to Mrs. Langman, Dr. Mandel said that the [redacted] family were ordered to move by the Party. This presumably was meant to be the Communist Party. Mazer further advised that he recalls that Mrs. [redacted] former husband, Mr. [redacted] took many trips to Tennessee during the latter part of 1945 and the early part of 1946. These trips were very hurried and it will be remembered that during this particular time, a very important project was taking place in Tennessee. Mr. Andrew Babyak, Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Newark, New Jersey, was telephonically advised of this information at his request on the same day. Captain Mazer began one week temporary duty away from McGuire Air Force Base on 19 June 1950.

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JOHN J. STAHL, Jr.  
Detachment Commander

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Phoned L. Thorne in Newark. Mazer sent teletype with leads to Phila arriving above. Will forward copy here. JJS

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**TITLE**  
MORTON SOBELL  
Employee of  
KEEVES INSTRUMENT CORP  
New York, N.Y.

**CHARACTER**  
VIOLATION OF AFR 205-1

**REFERENCE**  
Report of S/A ROBERT E. SMITH, DO-23, dated 20 October 1950, File # 11

On 21 November 1950, Supt. Earl G. Scoville, Dearborn AFB, Texas, was contacted and advised that SOBELL received no information during the course of conference held at Dearborn AFB, Texas, which he considered unnecessary to furnish SOBELL in order that SOBELL might fulfill his duty which was to obtain information regarding DEAF requirements for a simulator or calculator and subsequently design and program said simulator and/or calculator.

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DETAILS:

AT CARSWELL AFB, TEXAS

1. Major ROBERT D. THOMPSON, 3505/L, Commanding Officer, 3309th Radar Bomb Scoring Squadron, Carswell Air Force Base, Texas, was interviewed on 3 November 1950, and advised that SUBJECT had attended a meeting on 26 February 1950 at Carswell Air Force Base, Texas, for the purpose of obtaining information from AEC representatives regarding the requirements for a means of July radar simulator or calculator to be used in connection with radar bomb scoring. During the course of the meeting, THOMPSON advised a discussion of present and future scoring methods as well as future needs for improvement over present methods was conducted, and ROBERT as well as Lt. JAMES and Mr. THOMPSON of Materiel Laboratories had participated in the conference regarding AN/RSQ-3 equipment, in order that such information might be of value to SUBJECT in designing and producing a calculator and/or simulator to eliminate human error in the actual radar bomb scoring. THOMPSON advised that SUBJECT had witnessed a demonstration of present scoring methods and in a subsequent meeting conducted 25 February 1950 SUBJECT had participated in a discussion of needs and requirements of AEC to better present and THOMPSON further advised that at no time had SUBJECT been informed of any visual or aural bombing capabilities. Other than through official business associations, THOMPSON had no contact with SUBJECT whatsoever during SUBJECT's sojourn at Carswell Air Force Base.

2. Minutes of the AN/RSQ-3 Conference, conducted at Carswell AFB, Texas, 26 February 1950 are attached to this report as inclosure.

ENCLOSURES:

FOR DISTRICT OFFICE NO 28 - NEW YORK

One copy of minutes of AN/RSQ-3 Conference (26 Feb 50), dated 26 Feb 1950

FOR HEADQUARTERS OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS, WASHINGTON, D.C.

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**REPORT OF INVESTIGATION**

FILE NO.

34-45

DATE

29 September 1950

REPORT MADE BY

HARRY E. STURMS, S/A

REPORT MADE AT

DO #8, Maxwell AFB, Alabama

PERIOD

14, 15, 21 September 1950

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DO #2, New York, N. Y.

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New York, N. Y.

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REFERENCE

Rpt of S/A MICHAEL J. HERRI, DO #2, dtd 30 Aug 50, File No. 34-60

SYNOPSIS

Mr. LESLIE A. CORNELL and Mr. DONALD L. DAKIN of Watson Laboratories, Red Bank, New Jersey, feel that the AN/MSQ-1 and AN/MSQ-2 radar equipment has been compromised through MORTON SOBELL. CORNELL reported the additional possibility of a compromise of this radar equipment which is classified CONFIDENTIAL.

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DETAILS:AT EGLIN AUXILIARY AFB #3, FLORIDA

1. On 14 September 1950 Mr. LEELE A. CORNELL, Branch Chief, and Mr. DONALD L. DAKAN, Project Engineer, both of Watson Laboratories, Red Bank, New Jersey, were interviewed. CORNELL and DAKAN, both stated they were acquainted with MORTON SOBELL, Project Engineer, for Reeves Instrument Corporation, 215 E. 91st Street, New York, N. Y. CORNELL stated that he first made the acquaintance of SOBELL during 1946. DAKAN stated that he first made the acquaintance of SOBELL, about one year later, during 1947. They explained that the Reeves Instrument Corporation had a contract with the Air Force to manufacture the AN/MSQ-1 and the AN/MSQ-2 radar equipment, and SOBELL was assigned as Project Engineer by the corporation. CORNELL and DAKAN explained they understood that Reeves Instrument Corporation operated on the premise that SOBELL had been cleared to handle classified information, through SECRET, as a result of a loyalty clearance supposedly conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The radar equipment was and presently is classified as CONFIDENTIAL. CORNELL stated that he reported the possible compromise of this radar equipment to the Intelligence Section at Watson Laboratories, four days after the disappearance of SOBELL from the Reeves Instrument Corporation, and after it was learned that the Federal Bureau of Investigation was endeavoring to locate SOBELL. SOBELL has since been arrested for allegedly committing espionage acts. The Watson Laboratories in turn reported the possible compromise to the Intelligence Section at Wright-Patterson AFB, Dayton, Ohio. CORNELL and DAKAN both stated that the AN/MSQ-1 and the AN/MSQ-2 have definitely been compromised through SOBELL for the following reasons:

a. That SOBELL had in his personal possession a Preliminary Handbook pertaining to this radar equipment, classified CONFIDENTIAL, which has been reported as missing. CORNELL stated that the handbook had not been located as of 8 September 1950, at which time CORNELL had returned to the company and was thus informed.

b. That SOBELL carried much information, or the story of the equipment in his head. CORNELL and DAKAN stated that SOBELL had been admonished by them for this a number of times, as the information retained by SOBELL was not recorded, and thus was not available to other personnel directly concerned.

c. That much trouble was experienced with SOBELL during the development of this equipment in that SOBELL was continuously altering the plans or otherwise making changes to that the equipment would not operate properly, or otherwise would not come up to the government specifications. They claimed to have carried this problem to Mr. B. A. PARKHURST, Contract Department, at Reeves in order to prevent further delay in getting the equipment to the field for suitability and operational testing.

d. That SOBELL undoubtedly had access to all drawings and blueprints pertaining to this equipment, and had all the possibilities in the world of having extra copies made which may have been directed into the hands of unknown individuals, but they did not know of this to be a fact.

e. CORNELL and DAKAN volunteered that SOBELL had the full run of the Reeves plant in that SOBELL had access to information classified as high as SECRET pertaining to other detailed engineering projects and related projects. SOBELL has made numerous trips to various places such as Carswell AFB, Texas and Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland in connection with his duties and was known to have been given access to classified information. As an example they named Dr. LOWELL and RAY HASKEL, Headquarters Strategic Air Command, Omaha, Nebraska, as individuals they have known SOBELL to have contacted. SOBELL has written personal letters which he classified SECRET to individuals in responsible positions, thereby short cutting the normal correspondence channels, and received replies. The replies contained information classified as high as SECRET. They knew of SOBELL receiving a copy of the "New Bombing Tables" and also knew of his receiving much information pertaining to tactical and strategic future plans and requirements which involve the national security.

NOTE: This interview was conducted at a remote section of the Air Proving Ground reservation and it was not possible to have the above persons interviewed accomplish a signed statement containing the above reported information in detail.

2. On 15 September 1950 LESLIE A. CORNELL came to the Eglin OSI Detachment office at which time CORNELL was asked if he would be willing to accomplish a signed sworn statement covering the above information reported. CORNELL agreed to make a written statement but stated that he did not have time to do so this date. CORNELL volunteered to return to this office on 18 or 19 September 1950 to accomplish a written statement. CORNELL stated that he was supposed to depart this station on or about 20 September 1950.

3. On 21 September 1950 Major LEO E. AUDETTE, AO-857173, Electronics Officer, Air Task Group 3.4.2, advised this agent that CORNELL and DAKAN had departed this base for Watson Laboratories.

4. The following additional information concerning this radar equipment was reported to this agent by LESLIE A. CORNELL on 14 September 1950, at the time of the above reported interview. This information is being incorporated in this report for the information of the office of origin, so that a determination may be made into the possibility of further compromise of this radar equipment. CORNELL stated that the Semi-trailer, V33, Reg. No. USAF 01143544, AN/MSQ-1 System No. 4 (Serial #4) was received at Eglin AFB, Florida. The following discrepancies were noted concerning this console trailer upon receipt.

- a. The single outside right door to the trailer was unsealed.
- b. The lock to the above door was damaged.
- c. A bolt had been placed through the bottom of the door and through the chassis of the trailer.

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CORNELL stated that he is of the belief that this trailer may possibly have been entered by an unauthorized individual during the time the trailer was in transit from the Reeves Instrument Corporation, New York, N. Y. until its arrival at Eglin AFB, Florida. CORNELL claimed to have been present at Reeves Instrument Corporation, on or about 18 August 1950, when the trailer was checked, and the exterior doors were locked and sealed. The bolt found through the door and the chassis of the trailer upon arrival at Eglin AFB, Florida was not placed there prior to the shipment of the trailer. CORNELL stated that he understood the trailer would be delivered to Eglin AFB, Florida within three days. CORNELL accompanied this agent to make an inspection of the exterior of the trailer. No evidence was found which would indicate the door had been forced open; however, the lock to the door may have been damaged by some means as the keys would not open the lock. The damage appeared to be within the lock.

5. On 14 September 1950 Captain WILLIAM L. FREEMAN, JR., AO-659537, Guided Missiles Electronics Flight Officer, Air Task Group 3.4.2, stated that the radar equipment within the trailer had been checked and all equipment was present according to the packing list.

6. On 14 September 1950 WOJG RAYMOND R. BRODEUR, AW-950414, Squadron Signal Supply Officer, Air Task Group 3.4.2, stated that he had checked the Semi-Trailer Reg. No. USAF 01143544, with W/Sgt CLEO A. SMITH upon its arrival at Eglin AFB, Florida and found the door unsealed, the lock to the outside door on the right side inoperative, and the door bolted.

AT EGLIN AIR FORCE BASE, FLORIDA

7. On 14 September 1950 W/Sgt CLEO A. SMITH, AF-34036256 and T/Sgt LEROY D. HALBIN, AF-36736258, Inspectors, 3203rd Supply Squadron, were interviewed. The above airmen stated that the trailer was received at this base as stated by CORNELL. They experienced much difficulty in removing the nut from the bolt, as the bolt had rusted. SMITH stated that the bolt was placed in the trash after being removed. HALBIN stated that he has known of like incidents in respect to bolts being placed through the doors of trailers when in shipment. HALBIN stated that this procedure was often done by the railroad companies during transit. SMITH claimed that he tried to open the lock with a regular pass key of the 700 series and was unable to do so.

8. On 15 September 1950, when LESLIE A. CORNELL contacted this agent, the matter of the lock was again discussed. CORNELL is of the belief that the lock to the right door on the trailer is of a different type and that the pass key of the 700 series would not open the lock. CORNELL stated that the damage to the lock may have been done by SMITH when SMITH attempted to open the lock with a pass key of the 700 series; however, CORNELL is still of the belief that the door to the trailer had been tampered with prior to its arrival at this base.

9. On 15 September 1950 Mr. J. H. KNIGHT, Traffic Manager, Transportation Office, was contacted. KNIGHT made available to this agent one copy of Standard Form No. 1105, U. S. Government Bill of Lading, pertaining to the shipment of the

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trailer. A review of the Bill of Lading reveals that the trailer was signed for on 18 August 1950 by a representative of the U. S. Airplane Carriers Corporation. The trailer was picked up at Reever Instrument Company, Mineola, Long Island, N. Y. on 18 August 1950. The trailer was marked for delivery to AF 27 SO, for further consignment to C.C. 550th Guided Missiles Wing in connection with Operation Greenhouse. The trailer was received on 2 September 1950 at Eglin AFB, Florida. The copy of the Bill of Lading is attached to this report as an inclosure.

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FOR DISTRICT OFFICE #2, 67 Broad Street, New York 4, N. Y.

1. One copy of U. S. Government Bill of Lading, AF-76822

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FILE NO. **34-60** DATE **3 October 1950**  
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TITLE  
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 Employee of  
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 New York, N. Y.

CHARACTER  
**VIOLATION OF FP 205-1**

REFERENCE Rpt of S/A MICHAEL J. VERT, 10 #2, file no. 34-60, dated 30 Aug 50.  
 Rpt of S/A HENRY E. STURMIS, 10 #8, file no. 34-45, dated 29 Sep 50.

SYNOPSIS

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MICHAEL J. SOBELL, during re-interview, advised that SOBELL employed delaying and/or obstructing tactics during development of Close Support Control Set; that SOBELL can make accurate estimates of capabilities, probable striking power, degree of readiness and preparedness for action of Strategic Air Command. SOBELL'S baggage searched by unknown person or persons during recent trip to Berlin, FP with no apparent loss. Delay in shipment of semi-trailer considered by SOBELL to be suspicious and unexplained.

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1. This is a joint investigation of Special Agent ERICH B. VOGLER and the writer.

2. On 3 October 1950, Mr. LESLIE J. CORNELL, Chief of the Ground Radar Guidance Branch at the 3151st Electronics Group, Watson Laboratories, Red Bank, New Jersey, furnished the following information during an interview: The AN/MSQ-1 and AN/MSQ-2 are component parts of a project being developed under his direction for the United States Air Force, which is being produced by the Reeves Instrument Corporation and which is entitled "Close Support Control Set". The purposes of this set, according to informant, are as follows:

- a. For use in effecting close support of ground troops.
- b. Guided missile control.
- c. The strategic training of Strategic Air Command.
- d. Guided missile instrumentation.

The preliminary handbook pertaining to this radar equipment, classified Confidential, which was previously reported by CORNELL as missing as of 8 September 1950, pertained to the "Control Console CA-132". This handbook had been used by SOBELL prior to his departure from the employment of Reeves Instrument Corporation and was believed to be lost because of conversation which was overheard by CORNELL during a recent visit at that plant.

3. CORNELL described the first one and one half (1½) years of his business association with SOBELL as one during which SOBELL continuously and persistently attempted to block or delay any corrective developments which were conceived concerning the equipment being worked on. For example, a contract would be completed with the Reeves Instrument Corporation in which the specific requirements of the United States Air Force would be proposed and for which a suggested model would be furnished for the use of that company in its manufacture of the end item. This contract would ordinarily not pin the manufacturer down to any great degree in that further development or improvement was desired. SOBELL'S perennial tactic would be to voice an opinion that the model or specification furnished would not work properly, which invariably required a representative of Watson Laboratories to go to that company and explain and demonstrate the particular piece of equipment or project on hand, i. e., which caused a delay in the production of the item. These tactics resulted in an increased cost to the Government due to the nature of the fixed price contracts which contained upward revision clauses. By the end of this one and one half (1½) year period, CORNELL came to the conclusion that the officers of the Reeves Instrument Corp. should be apprised of the impossibility of working with SOBELL. One of the Vice Presidents of that firm, as a result, personally worked with SOBELL for a while and later also came to the conclusion that SOBELL was difficult to work with. Although the exact reason is unknown, CORNELL stated that SOBELL thereafter revised his tactics completely in

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that he outwardly attempted to cooperate to the best of his ability. CORNELL did not recall any suggestions made by SOBELL which drastically changed any of the development program and opined that any improvements initiated by SOBELL were improvements which would undoubtedly have come to the attention of other individuals in due course.

4. During the difficult period with SOBELL, an officer of the Reeves Instrument Corporation by the name of BELLOCK (phonetic) invariably backed SOBELL. A coordinator at that plant by the name of DICK YAGER (phonetic), who frequently opposed SOBELL'S thinking and/or action, was said to have been dismissed from his employment as a result thereof. Mr. CORNELL stated that, due to the fact that the individuals who were engaged in research and development at the Reeves Instrument Corporation frequently exchanged information, opinions, experiences and problems concerning their various assigned projects, he was of the opinion that SOBELL had access to any and all information of a classified nature available at that plant and/or had an opportunity to obtain copies of any data desired.

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8. CORNELL stated that he was quite sure that SOBELL had knowledge of the tactical phases of the projects being worked on by the Reeves Instrument Corporation, some of which are classified up to SECRET.

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a. Had SOBELL been successful with his delaying action or tactics, the equipment being produced by the Reeves Instrument Corp. would be far from the stage of its current development.

b. Even though compromised, the equipment discussed above, by nature of its design and employment, can undoubtedly still be used effectively; the tactical application thereof is undoubtedly safe and cannot be prevented. On the other hand, CORNELL stated that this country has just as little defense against the use of such equipment.

11. The circumstances surrounding the delay in the shipment of the Semi Trailer, V38, Reg. # USAF 01143544, AN/ASQ-1, system #4 (serial #4), which arrived with its seal broken and lock damaged, are, in informant's opinion, suspicious because of the fact that this shipment was supposed to have arrived at Eglin AFB three (3) days after it was picked up and instead arrived approximately fifteen (15) days later. Previous shipments of this type, which were scheduled to arrive at Eglin AFB approximately three (3) days later, experienced no delay.

12. CORNELL concluded by relating an incident which occurred during his recent trip to Eglin AFB, Florida. During a five (5) hour stop over at the Atlanta, Georgia, terminal of the Eastern Air Lines, on 12 September 1950, immediately prior to which he distinctly recalled fastening the locks on his two (2) leather bags, his bags were picked up by an individual in an Eastern Air Lines uniform, who appeared to work behind the reservations desk, and placed in the baggage rack. This individual was described as 28 to 35 years old, short, thin, dark complected, with black hair, who appeared to be of possible Mexican extraction. CORNELL did not again see his bags until he arrived at the Eastern Air Lines terminal in the vicinity of Eglin AFB, Florida, when he noticed that the locks on both bags had been forced open and damaged. An examination of his effects in those bags did not reveal the loss of any of their contents, including a thirty-five dollar (\$35.00) radio, which led him to the conclusion that the forced entry had probably been made in a search for classified information and not for the purpose of stealing any property.

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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
THE INSPECTOR GENERAL  
OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS  
**REPORT OF INVESTIGATION**

FILE NO. 34-60 DATE 9 Nov 50  
3 November 1950  
REPORT MADE BY S/A MICHAEL J. NERI rrb  
REPORT MADE AT DO#2, 67 Broad Street, New York 4, N.Y.  
PERIOD 25 October; 2 November 1950  
OFFICE OF ORIGIN DO#2, 67 Broad Street, New York 4, N.Y.  
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TITLE  
**MORTON SOBELL**  
Employee of  
**REEVES INSTRUMENT CORP.**  
**NEW YORK, N. Y.**

CHARACTER  
**VIOLATION OF AFR 205-1**

REFERENCE  
Rpt of S/A M. J. NERI, DO#2, Subject & file as above, dtd 5 October 1950.  
Rpt of S/A R. F. PETT, DO#13, Subject as above, dtd 20 October 1950(34-41)

SYNOPSIS

Projects assigned to SOBELL, and those under contract to REEVES INSTRUMENT CORP. during SOBELL'S employment, set forth. Two informants believed SOBELL had unlimited access to all classified projects under contract to REEVES INSTRUMENT CORP. Only official, authorized correspondence permitted to governmental agencies, consequently, no direct correspondence between SOBELL and governmental agencies in files of REEVES INSTRUMENT CORP. Semi-trailer's shipment delayed one week for installation of running lights and repair of brakes. Semi-trailer's lock not believed to have been tampered with.

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**CHARLES SOMMERS**  
Colonel USAF

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## DETAILS:

AT ROOSEVELT FIELD, LONG ISLAND, N. Y.

1. During an interview, on 25 October 1950, with HENRY J. HOWARD, Production Control Manager of the Roosevelt Field Plant of the REEVES INSTRUMENT CORPORATION, the following information was obtained:

a. MORTON SOBELL was the company Project Engineer on the Close Support Control Set (AN/MSQ-1) which included:

- (1) The Control Console (OA-132) - a plotting board.
- (2) The MPS-9 Radar Set - a modified SCR 584 Radar Set which can track speeds up to 1500 miles per hour and has a 200 mile range.
- (3) The Bomb Scoring Simulator.
- (4) The Virtual Target Position Simulator.
- (5) Contract job #5137-1E- a black box containing equipment which "smooths out" the data being fed into the plotting board.

b. SOBELL also was Project Engineer on the AN/MSQ-2 which only differs from the AN/MSQ-1 in that it uses an unmodified SCR-584; which has a range of only 50 miles and is much slower in tracking.

c. SOBELL'S opportunities to have reproduced and to take away documents, plans, etc., were unlimited.

d. Mr. HOWARD, himself, inspected the Semi-Trailer, V38, Reg. No. USAF 01143544, prior to its shipment by the U. S. AIRPLANE CARRIERS CORP. and stated with certainty that the cylinder bolt-type lock on the single outside right door was locked; that the bolt through the bottom of the door had been in place, as a double precaution, at the time of shipment. The key for aforementioned door, according to the informant, will open all such doors on that type of semi-trailer. Mr. HOWARD, opined that no unauthorized entry into the semi-trailer had been attempted; that any damage to the cylinder bolt-type lock either had been caused accidentally during transit or could be explained by the inefficiency of the lock itself.

e. After a discreet telephone call to Mr. WILLIAM CAVANAGH, of the U. S. AIRPLANE CARRIERS CORP., Dover, Delaware, informant stated that the delay in shipment of the semi-trailer was due to its lay over in Dover for approximately one week, during which time a set of running lights had been installed thereon for night travel and its brakes had been fixed. Since that time, running lights have been installed when lacking on all semi-trailers, prior to their shipment.

f. To date, construction of thirty-seven Close Support Control Sets has been initiated, only ten of which have been completed

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and shipped to the USAF.

AT NEW YORK CITY, N. Y.

2. On 2 November 1950, Mr. H. M. ALDRICH, Contract Administration Representative and Security Superintendent of the REEVES INSTRUMENT CORP., furnished the following information during an interview in the main office of that company, at 215 E. 91st Street, N. Y. C.

a. During SOBELL'S employment by the REEVES INSTRUMENT CORP., the following Air Force contracts had been awarded thereto and were in process (SOBELL was either in charge of or closely associated with those projects which are prefixed by an asterisk):

- \* (1) W-33-038-ac-17765 (Control Console) - Confidential.
- \* (2) AF-33-038-6268 ("Marriage Contract" of above; modified SCR-584) - Confidential.
- \* (3) W-28-099-ac-404 (Target Position Simulator) - Restricted.
- \* (4) AF-28-099-174 (Radar Modification Kit MC 672-B) - Confidential.
- (5) W-33-038-ac-21077 (MX-843 Modification Kits) - Restricted.
- (6) AF-33-038-6687 (Dynamic Flight Data Recorder) - Unclassified.
- (7) AF-33-038-6191 (MX-843 Modification Kits) - Restricted.
- (8) AF-038-6533 (Gyros and Computer Units) - Unclassified.
- (9) AF-33-038-11512 (Modification Kits for Video Mapping - AN/GPA-5) - Restricted.

b. All letters written to governmental agencies are sent out over the signature of one of the firm's officers. Consequently, the only letters in file would be copies of requests for additional information concerning requirements and/or discussions of projects on hand which were sent in the name of the company. Informant was certain that the company files do not contain copies of any letters authored and signed by SOBELL, himself, even though his inquiries may have caused the initiation of same, since such procedure would constitute a violation of company policy.

c. The free discussion of problems by Project Engineers has undoubtedly resulted in SOBELL'S complete knowledge of all classified projects under contract to the REEVES INSTRUMENT CORP.

d. The preliminary handbook pertaining to the "Control Console OA-132", previously reported as lost, was found in the plant on 29 September 1950.

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e. SOBELL never borrowed any data from the corporation's Technical Library, which contained information classified up to and including Secret.

f. SOBELL had never been cleared by the DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY for access to any of its own classified projects which have been awarded to the REEVES INSTRUMENT CORP.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
WASHINGTON

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL USAF  
2D DISTRICT OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS  
72 E. 10TH STREET  
NEW YORK 3, NEW YORK

IN REPLY  
REFER TO: 33-0

Mr. Leland V. Boardman  
Special Agent in Charge  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
290 Broadway  
New York 7, New York

RE: [REDACTED] (DOB 13 July 1909)  
Civilian  
COMMUNIST MATTERS b7c

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Sincerely yours,

*D. D. Carlson*  
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Lt Colonel, USAF  
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HQ. 2d DISTRICT OSI(IG) USAF  
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Title: RICHARD SOBELL Employee of REEVES INSTRUMENT CORP New York, N.Y.	Report made by: S/A ROBERT E. PENN Report made at: 100 Ft. Drift, AFB, Omaha, Neb. Period: 16-19 October 1950 Office of Origin: 10-2 Status: RUC

Character:  
VIOLATION OF AIR 2051

Reference:  
Report of S/A [Name] on 20 October 1950

Synopsis:  
[Name] and [Name], in sworn statements, both allege that they have never received correspondence from or written to SOBELL. SOBELL had telephonically contacted [Name] on March 29, 1950. In regard to a letter written [Name] by REEVES INSTRUMENT CORPORATION, this letter subsequently received and answered by [Name]. Check of correspondence files of [Name] and [Name] failed to disclose correspondence between SUBJECT and [Name] of [Name].

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DETAILS:

1. ATCHUT AIR FORCE BASE, OMAHA, NEBRASKA

1. On 16 October 1950, GLYN C. HANSELL, electronics engineer, Air Electronics Division, Air Facilities Branch, Headquarters Strategic Air Command, Offutt Air Force Base, Omaha, Nebraska, after being warned of his rights under the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution, made the following sworn statement:

"To the best of my knowledge and memory, I first met Mr. VORON SOBZAL during or after a meeting of the AN/SQS Steering Group which was held at Reeves Instrument Corporation hangar, Roosevelt Field, New York, on 6 February 1950. This meeting carried a Confidential classification, as the result of a short discussion with him and other Reeves Instrument engineers and Major STANLEY J. LAWILL, 3904 RBS Squadron, Fort Worth (who also represented Strategic Air Command) concerning the work which Mr. SOBZAL was doing for Reeves, it seemed desirable for a following meeting to be held which was planned for the 28th of February at Offutt Air Force Base, in order that the discussion regarding the technical aspects of the computer, which SOBZAL was designing, could be held, and further contact of a personal nature was made with SOBZAL during this meeting or at any time prior to this. On or about the 28th of February, I, HANSELL, and Isler to Fort Worth for a meeting there. This meeting was attended by representatives of the 3904 RBS Squadron, Mr. DAKAR and Mr. TORNSON of Watson Laboratories, Mr. SOBZAL of Reeves Instrument Corporation, and myself. After this meeting, to the best of my recollection, DAKAR, TORNSON, SOBZAL and I were taken down to the city of Fort Worth by one of the officers. We had dinner together, and after the usual sightseeing excursion, attended a sneak preview of a show which I personally had seen. I left the show early, and to the best of my memory, have not seen or contacted SOBZAL since that date. My memory and records do not indicate that I have had any correspondence with him of either a personal or technical nature."

2. On 16 October 1950, a check of the correspondence files of GLYN C. HANSELL by Mr. HANSELL and the writer failed to reveal any correspondence between HANSELL and SUBJECT. Two letters came from REEVES INSTRUMENT CORPORATION and STANLEY J. LAWILL concerning a Bomb Sighting Simulator being constructed by SUBJECT (Incl 1), and one from LAWILL to REEVES INSTRUMENT CORPORATION, referring to a telephone conversation between LAWILL and SUBJECT (Incl 2), were removed from the file and photostated.

3. On 18 October 1950, Dr. STANLEY J. LAWILL, Deputy Chief, Operations Analysis Office, Headquarters Strategic Air Command, Offutt Air Force Base, Omaha, Nebraska, after being warned of his rights under the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution, made the following sworn statement:

"I first met SOBZAL at Watson Laboratories, probably early in 1948, at which time I laid out for Watson Laboratories (Mr. TORNSON, SA-2 Project Officer, SA-2) I think that is his name - (SA-2 current Project Officer) and representatives of Reeves Instrument Corporation, Strategic Air Command,



requirements for a radar bomb scoring equipment. This equipment had been developed, and was under reconstruction, by Reeves Instrument Corporation. As it stood, it did not satisfy our requirements. At several similar conferences during 1948 and 1949, I met SOBELL again for the same purpose. My last contact with him was at a conference at Carswell Air Force Base Headquarters, 3903d HBS Squadron, February 1950. Shortly thereafter, in response to a phone call from SOBELL from New York and a letter from Reeves Instrument Corporation requesting clarification of the information furnished at the Carswell conference, I prepared a letter to Reeves Instrument Corporation.

On 26 October 1950, I AM-III advised that a check of all correspondence files failed to reveal any correspondence between the SUBJECT and himself.

INCLOSURES:

FOR DISTRICT OFFICE #2, NEW YORK:

- 1. Photostatic copy of letter from REEVES INSTRUMENT CORPORATION to STANLEY S. BAWMIL, dated 21 March 1950, subject: "Bomb Scoring Simulator - Contract W-3758-Sub-176".
- 2. Photostatic copy of letter from STANLEY S. BAWMIL to W. S. REESE (REEVES INSTRUMENT CORPORATION), dated 29 March 1950.
- 3. Photostatic copy of statement presented by W. W. BRADLEY, SR., dated 16 October 1950.
- 4. Photostatic copy of statement presented by STANLEY S. BAWMIL, dated 16 October 1950.

FOR COMMANDING GENERAL, STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND, OFFUTT AFB, OMAHA, NEB:

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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
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**TITLE**  
WITCHITA, KANSAS  
EMPLOYEES OF  
WICHITA DISTRICT OFFICE  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

**SYNOPSIS**  
100-37158-972

**REFERENCE**  
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**DETAILS**  
Major R. B. ... (390) ... (Carroll) ...  
Air Force Base, ... was contacted and advised that SUBJECT re-  
ceived no information during the course of conference held at ...  
Air Force Base, which he, ... considered unnecessary to fur-  
nish SUBJECT in order that SUBJECT might fulfill his duty which was  
to obtain information regarding USAF requirements for a simulator or  
calculator and subsequently design and produce said simulator and/or  
calculator.

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*James C. ...*  
1st Lt. James C. ...  
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DETAILS:

AT CARSWELL AFB, TEXAS

1. Major ROBERT L. THURLEMAN, 5087A, Commanding Officer, 3903rd Radar Bomb Scoring Squadron, Carswell Air Force Base, Texas, was interviewed on 1 November 1950 and advised that SUBJECT had attended a meeting on 28 February 1950 at Carswell Air Force Base, Texas, for the purpose of obtaining information from USAF representatives regarding the requirements and needs of USAF for a simulator or calculator to be used in connection with radar bomb scoring. During the course of the meeting, THURLEMAN advised, discussion of present radar bomb scoring methods as well as future needs for improvement over present methods was conducted, and SUBJECT as well as a Mr. DUKAN and a Mr. CORNELL of Watson Laboratories had participated in the conference regarding AN/RSQ-1 equipment in order that such information might be of value to SUBJECT in designing and producing a calculator and/or simulator to eliminate human error in the actual radar bomb scoring. THURLEMAN advised that SUBJECT had witnessed a demonstration of present scoring methods, and in a subsequent meeting conducted 28 February 1950 SUBJECT had participated in a discussion of needs and requirements of USAF to better present systems. THURLEMAN further advised that at no time had SUBJECT been informed of individual crew bombing capabilities other than through official business association. THURLEMAN had no contact with SUBJECT whatsoever during SUBJECT's sojourn at Carswell Air Force Base.

2. Minutes of the AN/RSQ-1 Conference conducted at headquarters 3903rd Radar Bomb Scoring Squadron, Carswell Air Force Base, Texas on 28 February 1950 are attached to this report as inclosure.

INCLOSURES:

FOR DISTRICT OFFICE NO. 2, NEW YORK

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FILE NO. 24-60	DATE 3 November 1950
REPORT MADE BY S/A MICHAEL S. NERI	
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TITLE  
MORTON SOBELL  
Employee of  
REEVES INSTRUMENT CORP.  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

CHARACTER  
VIOLATION OF AFR 205-1

REFERENCE  
Rpt. of S/A M. S. NERI, 10/2, Subject as above, dtd 5 October 1950  
Rpt. of S/A R. S. PATT, 10/2, Subject as above, dtd 20 October 1950 (61-1)

Projects assigned to SOBELL, and those under contract to REEVES INSTRUMENT CORP. during SOBELL'S employment, set forth. Two informants believed SOBELL had unlimited access to all classified projects under contract to REEVES INSTRUMENT CORP. Only official, authorized correspondence permitted to governmental agencies, consequently, no direct correspondence between SOBELL and governmental agencies in files of REEVES INSTRUMENT CORP. Semi-trailer's shipment delayed one week for installation of running lights and repair of brakes. Semi-trailer's clock not believed to have been tampered with.

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**DETAILS:**

**AT ROOSEVELT FIELD, LONG ISLAND, N.Y.**

During an interview, on 25 October 1950, with HENRI J. HOWARD, Production Control Manager of the Roosevelt Field Plant of the REEVES INSTRUMENT CORPORATION, the following information was obtained:

a. HORTON SOBELL was the company Project Engineer on the Close Support Control Set (AN/SQ-1) which included:

- (1) The Control Console (CI-12) plotting board.
- (2) The WPS-9 Radar Set - a modified SCR 58h Radar Set which can track speeds up to 1500 miles per hour and has a 200 mile range.
- (3) The Bomb Scoring Simulator.
- (4) The Virtual Target Position Simulator.
- (5) Contract Job #5175E - a black box containing equipment which smooths out the data being fed into the plotting board.

b. SOBELL also was Project Engineer on the AN/SQ-2 which only differs from the AN/SQ-1 in that it uses an unmodified SCR 58h which has a range for only 50 miles and is much slower in tracking.

c. SOBELL'S responsibilities to have reproduced and to take away documents, plans, etc. were unaltered.

d. Mr. HOWARD, himself, inspected the Semi-trailer, VJ8, Reg. No. WSAF 01135h, prior to its shipment by the U. S. AIRPLANE CARRIERS CORP. and stated with certainty that the cylinder bolt-type lock on the single outside right door was locked; that the bolt through the bottom of the door had been in place, as a double precaution, at the time of shipment; that the key for the mentioned door, according to the informant, will open all such doors on that type of semi-trailer. Mr. HOWARD opined that no unauthorized entry into the semi-trailer had been attempted; that any damage to the cylinder bolt-type lock either had been caused accidentally during transit or could be explained by the inefficiency of the lock itself.

e. After a discreet telephone call to Mr. WILLIAM CAVANACH, of the U. S. AIRPLANE CARRIERS CORP., Dover, Delaware, informant stated that the delay in shipment of the semi-trailer was due to its lay over in Dover for approximately one week, during which time a set of running lights had been installed thereon for night travel and its brakes had been fixed. Since that time, running lights have been installed on all semi-trailers prior to their shipment.

f. To date, construction of thirty-seven Close Support Control Sets has been initiated, only ten of which have been completed.

and shipped to the USAF.

AT NEW YORK CITY, N.Y.

2. On 2 November 1950, Mr. H. M. ALDRICH, Contract Administration Representative and Security Superintendent of the HEXVES INSTRUMENT CORP., furnished the following information during an interview in the main office of that company, at 215 E. 91st Street, N. Y. C.

As during SOBELL'S employment by the HEXVES INSTRUMENT CORP., the following Air Force contracts had been awarded thereto and were in process (SOBELL was either in charge of or closely associated with those projects which are prefixed by an asterisk):

(1) AF-33-038-ac-1765 (Control Console) - Confidential

(2) AF-33-038-5268 (Marriage Contract of above modified SCR-58h) - Confidential

(3) AF-28-099-ac-1014 (Target Position Simulator) - Restricted

(4) AF-28-099-1714 (Radio Modification Kit AC 672-B) - Confidential

(5) AF-33-038-ac-21077 (AC-403 Modification Kits) - Restricted

(6) AF-33-038-6687 (Dynamic Flight Data Recorder) - Unclassified

(7) AF-33-038-6191 (AC-403 Modification Kits) - Restricted

(8) AF-038-6533 (Gyros and Computer Units) - Unclassified

(9) AF-33-038-11512 (Modification Kits for Video Mapping AV/OP-5) - Restricted

b. All letters written to governmental agencies are sent out over the signature of one of the firm's officers. Consequently, the only letters in file would be requests for additional information concerning requirements and/or discussions of projects on hand which were sent in the name of the company. Informant was certain that the company files do not contain copies of any letters authored and signed by SOBELL, himself, even though his inquiries may have caused the initiation of same, since such procedure would constitute a violation of company policy.

c. The free discussion of problems by Project Engineers has undoubtedly resulted in SOBELL'S complete knowledge of all classified projects under contract to the HEXVES INSTRUMENT CORP.

d. The preliminary handbook pertaining to the Control Console OA-328, previously reported as lost, was found in the plant on 29 September 1950.

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10. SOBZAL never borrowed any data from the corporation's technical library, which contained information classified up to and including Secret.

11. SOBZAL had never been cleared by the DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY for access to any of its own classified projects which have been awarded to the REEVES INSTRUMENT CORP.

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REFERENCE  
Case of R/ S. HILL, DO #11, subject as above, dated 2 Nov 50 (2-25)

SYNOPSIS

All logical investigative leads have been developed and reported.

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New York, N.Y.

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1. This investigation was predicated upon the receipt of an airtel letter from the 5th District Office of Special Investigation, New York, upon which to base a determination as to whether or not the AI/50-1 and/or the AI/50-2, which are being produced under a classified contract, have been provided. Cited herewith for background information is letter, dated 22 August 1970, which was sent to the Cincinnati Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

22 August 1970

Mr. J. P. [redacted]  
Special Agent in Charge  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
P.O. Box 1777  
Cincinnati 2, Ohio

MORTON SCHILL, Employee of  
REYES INSTRUMENT CORPORATION  
New York, New York  
Air Force Contractor

Re: [redacted]

On 22 August 1970, Mr. MORRIS GINA, Maintenance Technician (Electronics), Radio Unit, Electronics Branch, Maintenance Section, Maintenance Division, located in Room C-17, Building 15, Area 15, Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, Attention 2-1237, and residing at [redacted] Dayton, Ohio, advised Special Agent [redacted] of his conversation with the above subject.

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Mr. GINA stated that he had recently read in the newspapers that SCHILL, an employee of the REYES INSTRUMENT CORPORATION, had been arrested by the Federal Bureau of Investigation for allegedly committing espionage.

GINA stated that in late April or May 1969, in the company of Mr. RALPH SHONK, Mr. VICTOR ROWE and Mrs. MARGARET PATRICK, two employees of the Supply Division, he had visited the REYES INSTRUMENT CORPORATION, New York, New York, to discuss the manufacturing of parts for the AI/50-1 set which was being developed and produced by that corporation pursuant to a classified contract numbered [redacted] (CS) 17745. GINA stated that during conference at the company Mr. SCHILL was present to answer technical questions with regard to the set and indicated his complete familiarity with the technical aspects of the equipment.

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CINA advised that contract no 17765 was a Kelown Laboratories project. He stated that a Mr. (720) DICKIN and a Mr. LESLIE CORRELL of Kelown Laboratories, who probably have had direct contact with CORRELL in the development of this equipment, are the project engineers on the AN/MSQ-3 and AN/MSQ-4 being developed by the REAVIS INSTRUMENT CORPORATION. Mr. CINA explained that these sets are known as pulse compression sets and are used to track and plot the course of aircraft.

CINA stated that in November 1959, around Thanksgiving time, he again visited the REAVIS INSTRUMENT CORPORATION in the company of a Mr. J. CALDWELL and Mr. MARGARET FRYER, employees of Supply Division, WFO, and sat in a conference which was attended by CORRELL. The main purpose of this conference was to discuss the equipment, and the questions involving the mechanics of the equipment.

CINA stated that his last meeting with CORRELL was in January 1960 when he casually met him at the REAVIS INSTRUMENT CORPORATION. He stated at this meeting he merely shook hands with CORRELL and exchanged greetings. When questioned, CINA advised that most of the business he transacted with this company was with its representative, a Mr. EDWARD FROST.

CINA advised that his interest in furnishing this information was that higher authorities would determine if the AN/MSQ-3 and AN/MSQ-4 which are being produced under a classified contract have been incorporated in their corrective action work in installation.

CINA concluded, stating that he has advised Major E. C. HOFFER, Chief, and W. C. S. WILLIAMS, recently retired, of the Security of the Home Information.

The foregoing information is furnished to you for whatever use or value it may be.

/s/ JAMES V. X. DUNN  
14 Colonel, USAF  
District Commander

ATTN: NAME - NEW FILE

On 29 August 1960, Mr. BOB WILSON, Engineer and Supervisor of Kelown Laboratories, advised that DICKIN and CORRELL are currently still working equipment at the Air Proving Ground, Eglin AFB, Florida, and are expected to be on contract thereon for another two weeks.

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FILE NO. **246** DATE **29 September 1950**

REPORT MADE BY  
**HARRY E. STUBBS, S/A**

TITLE  
**REYDON SOBELL  
Employee of  
ALLIED BUSINESS CORP.  
New York, N. Y.**

REPORT MADE AT  
**DO #4, Maxwell AFB, Alabama**

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**A VIOLATION OF AFE 2052**

REFERENCE  
**Req of SA REYNOLD J. REIL, DO #2, AM SO Ins SO, File No. 34-60**

SYNOPSIS  
  

Mr. REYDON A. SOBELL and Mr. DONALD L. SMITH of Water Laboratories, Red Bank, New Jersey, feel that the AR/SC-1 and AR/SC-2 radar equipment has been compromised through REYDON SOBELL. SOBELL reported the additional possibility of a compromise of this radar equipment which is classified top secret.

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INSIDE

W. FRANK ANDREWS, JR. OF FLORIDA

1. On 14 September 1950 Mr. JAMES A. CORNELL, Branch Chief, and Mr. DONALD L. DAKIN, Project Engineer, both of Western Laboratories, Red Bank, New Jersey, were interviewed. CORNELL and DAKIN both stated they were acquainted with MORRIS SOBELL, Project Engineer, for Reeves Instrument Corporation, 215 E. 51st Street, New York, N. Y. CORNELL stated that he first made the acquaintance of SOBELL during 1946. DAKIN stated that he first made the acquaintance of SOBELL about one year later, during 1947. They explained that the Reeves Instrument Corporation had a contract with the War Relocation Authority to manufacture the AN/ESQ-1 and the AN/ESQ-2 radar equipment, and SOBELL was assigned as Project Engineer by the corporation. CORNELL and DAKIN explained they understood that Reeves Instrument Corporation operated on the premise that SOBELL had been cleared to handle classified information, through FICOR, as a result of a loyalty clearance supposedly conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The radar equipment was and presently is classified as CONFIDENTIAL. CORNELL stated that he reported the possible compromise of this radar equipment to the Intelligence Section at Western Laboratories, four days after the disappearance of SOBELL from the Reeves Instrument Corporation, and after it was learned that the Federal Bureau of Investigation was searching for the man SOBELL. SOBELL has since been arrested for allegedly committing espionage acts. The Western Laboratories in turn reported the possible compromise to the Intelligence Section at Wright-Patterson AFB, Dayton, Ohio. CORNELL and DAKIN both stated that the AN/ESQ-1 and the AN/ESQ-2 have definitely been compromised through SOBELL for the following reasons:

a. That SOBELL had in his personal possession a preliminary hand book pertaining to this radar equipment, classified CONFIDENTIAL, which has been reported as missing. CORNELL stated that the handbook had not been located as of 8 September 1950, at which time CORNELL had returned to the country and was thus informed.

b. That SOBELL carried with information, or the story of the equipment in his head. CORNELL and DAKIN stated that SOBELL had been dismissed by them for this a number of times, as the information retained by SOBELL was not recorded and thus was not available to other personnel directly concerned.

c. That such trouble was experienced with SOBELL during the development of this equipment in that SOBELL was continuously altering the plans or otherwise making changes so that the equipment would not operate properly, or otherwise would not come up to the government specifications. They claimed to have carried this problem to Mr. J. A. FAUCHER, Contract Department, at Reeves in order to prevent further delay in getting the equipment to the field for suitability and operational testing.

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4. That SAHAI undoubtedly had access to all drawings and blueprints pertaining to this equipment, and had all the possibilities in the world of having extra copies made which may have been directed into the hands of known individuals, but they did not know at this to be a fact.

5. COZZI and SAHAI volunteered that COZZI had the full run of the heavier than in that COZZI had access to information classified as high as SECRET pertaining to other detailed engineering projects and related projects. COZZI has made numerous trips to various places such as Cavallari AFB, Texas and Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland in connection with his duties and was known to have been given access to classified information. As an example they named Dr. LOZZI and DR. BAKKID, Headquarters Strategic Air Command, Omaha, Nebraska, as individuals they have known COZZI to have contacted. COZZI has written personal letters which he classified SECRET to individuals in responsible positions, thereby short cutting the normal correspondence channels, and received replies. The replies contained information classified as high as SECRET. They know of COZZI receiving a copy of the 3 New Bombing Tables and also know of his receiving such information pertaining to tactical and strategic future plans and requirements which involve the national security.

6. This interview was conducted at a remote section of the Air Proving Ground reservation and it was not possible to have the above persons interviewed accomplish a signed statement containing the above reported information.

7. On 15 September 1950 MAJOR A. COZZI came to the T-11 0-1 Detachment office at which time COZZI was asked if he would be willing to accomplish a signed sworn statement covering the above information reported. COZZI agreed to make a written statement but stated that he did not have time to do so this date. COZZI volunteered to return to this office on 18 or 19 September 1950 to accomplish a written statement. COZZI stated that he was supposed to depart this station on or about 20 September 1950.

8. On 21 September 1950 Major LEO P. ALBERT, 10-85778, Electronics Section, Air Task Group 3-2, advised this agent that COZZI and SAHAI had departed this base for Kibben Laboratories.

9. The following additional information concerning this radar equipment was reported to this Agent by MAJOR A. COZZI on 14 September 1950, at the time of the above reported interview. This information is being incorporated in this report for the information of the office of origin, so that a determination may be made into the possibility of further compromise of this radar equipment. COZZI stated that the semi-trailer, #18, Reg. No. USAF 0113544, AN/AS-1 System No. 2 (Serial 71) was received at Eglin AFB, Florida. The following discrepancies were noted concerning this console trailer upon receipt:

a. The single outside right door to the trailer was unsealed.

b. The lock to the above door was damaged.

c. A bolt had been placed through the bottom of the door and through the chassis of the trailer.

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CORRELL stated that he is of the belief that this trailer may possibly have been entered by an unauthorized individual during the time the trailer was in transit from the Reeves Instrument Corporation, New York, N. Y., until its arrival at Eglin AFB, Florida. CORRELL claimed to have been present at Reeves Instrument Corporation, on or about 18 August 1950, when the trailer was checked, and the exterior doors were locked and sealed. The bolts found through the door and the chassis of the trailer upon arrival at Eglin AFB, Florida was not placed there prior to the shipment of the trailer. CORRELL stated that he understood the trailer would be delivered to Eglin AFB, Florida within three days. CORRELL accompanied this agent to make an inspection of the exterior of the trailer. No evidence was found which would indicate the door had been forced open; however, the lock to the door may have been damaged by some means as the boys could not open the lock. The damage appeared to be within the lock.

On 11 September 1950 Captain BRIAN A. FREEMAN, JR., AD-67957, United States Electronics Flight Officer, Air Task Group 3442, stated that the radar equipment within the trailer had been checked and all equipment was present according to the packing list.

On 11 September 1950 Warrant Officer J. J. GUNN, AD-67911, Defense Signal Supply Officer, Air Task Group 3442, stated that he had checked the trailer upon its arrival at Eglin AFB, Florida and found the door unsealed, the lock to the chassis of the trailer was inoperative, and the door bolts.

ADDITIONAL REPORTS RECEIVED

On 11 September 1950 Warrant Officer J. J. GUNN, AD-67911 and Warrant Officer J. J. GUNN, AD-67911, Defense Signal Supply Officer, Air Task Group 3442, reported that the trailer was received at this base and that they experienced much difficulty in removing the door bolts. As the bolts had rusted, GUNN stated that the bolts was placed in the door when they were removed. GUNN stated that he had been at the incident in respect to bolts being placed through the door of trailers upon shipment. GUNN stated that this procedure was also done by the railroad company during shipment. GUNN claimed that he tried to open the lock with regular military type of the 700 series and was unable to do so.

On 11 September 1950, Warrant Officer J. J. GUNN contacted this agent, the nature of the lock was again discussed. CORRELL is of the belief that the lock to the right door on the trailer is of a different type and that the key of the 700 series would not open the lock. CORRELL stated that the damage to the lock may have been done by some means which attempted to open the lock with a key of the 700 series; however, CORRELL is still of the belief that the door to the trailer had been tampered with prior to its arrival at this base.

On 11 September 1950 Mr. J. L. KILPATRICK, Staff Sergeant, Transportation Office, was contacted. KILPATRICK advised in this report was copy of Standard Form No. 110, U. S. Government Bill of Lading, pertaining to the shipment of the

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Trailer. A review of the bill of lading reveals that the trailer was signed for on 18 August 1950 by a representative of the U. S. Airplane Carriers Corporation. The trailer was placed at Fort Rucker, Brewster County, Alaska, near Bethel, A. S. on 18 August 1950. The trailer was marked for delivery to A-17 AB, Fort Rucker, Alaska to C. C. 50th Guided Bombers Wing in connection with Operation Weather. The trailer was received on 2 September 1950 at Eglin AB, Florida. The copy of the bill of lading is attached to this report as an exhibit.

Reference:

1. The bill of lading, dated 18 August 1950, is attached to this report as an exhibit.

2. The copy of U. S. Government Bill of Lading, 11-7622

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Sergeant J. P. Kuczek, Headquarters, Continental Air Command produced the file on [redacted]

A.F. # [redacted] It reflected he was born 8/14/14 at Clay Texas, that he attended 2 years high school in Dallas and was last employed in 1941 by Bierners & Son, Dallas, a hat manufacturer. He first entered the service in 1941, reenlisting in 1945 and 1949.

He is described as 5'9", 165 lbs; negro; brown eyes, black hair; dark complexion; Catholic religion. His home address is listed as [redacted] N. Y. C., and a former address as [redacted] Brooklyn, N. Y. His wife is [redacted]. He has three children and a sister [redacted] of [redacted] Dallas, Texas.

The following is a record of his service since his last enlistment: b7C

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- 9/28/49 - Floyd Bennett Field - " " " " " " " " " " " "
- 3/7/50-4/8/50 - Santa Ana Air Base, New Mexico - " " " " " " " " " " " "
- 4/9/50 - Clarksville, Tennessee - " " " " " " " " " " " "
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It is noted that [redacted] was shown received a "Secret" clearance on 3/26/51. As of 3/1/51, his duties were described as Chief armorer, Headquarters Squadron, Continental Air Command. He supervises maintenance of all ~~firearms~~ weapons - inspects weapons, examines for cracks, excessive wear, burrs, corrosion, and lubricates same. Willing and capable.

~~On 12/12/51~~ The file carries a report dated 12/12/51, indicating that police of the 11 precinct, New York City searched his home and confiscated 100 rounds of U. S. Cal. 45 pistol ammunition, on complaint of his wife who said that her husband had tried to kill her. No weapon was found in the house, and [redacted] was not present.

A report dated 8/20/51 stated that [redacted] refused to obey the order of a traffic officer of the 3rd Precinct, Nassau County P. D. outside the main gate at Mitchell Field. [redacted] was termed ~~obscene~~ discourteous at the time, and received a summons.

A. Abravatt  
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TO: SAC, NEWARK

Date: 1/29/60

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- 1-NY 100-95240 (LYL) #41
- 1-NY 100-79725 (Camp Unity) #414
- 1-NY 100-8522 (ALP) #414
- 1- [REDACTED] #422
- 1- [REDACTED] #424
- 1- [REDACTED] NU, believed to be [REDACTED] #424
- 1- [REDACTED] INIL believed to be [REDACTED] #424
- 1- [REDACTED] #422
- 1- [REDACTED] #424
- 1- [REDACTED] #424
- 1-NY 100-130497 (COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS) #413
- 1- [REDACTED] #424
- 1- [REDACTED] #415
- 1-NY 100-107223 (WORKERS COLONY) #426
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A review of an investigation conducted in 1956, by the Office of Special Investigations (OSI), US Air Force, concerning ██████████ reflects the following information:

On 8/23/56, ██████████ voluntarily presented himself at the 3rd District OSI Office, Goose AB, and after being read and explained his rights under Article 31, Uniform Code of Military Justice, and informed of the nature of the offense, made the following admissions to Special Agent (SA) NELDON J. DOMMISSE (OSI). All SAS mentioned hereinafter were attached to OSI:

██████████ indicated he had attended the Jefferson School of Social Science (JSSS), NYC, over a period of approximately one and one-half years, and through that period had been a member of the Labor Youth League (LYL). ██████████ admitted canvassing for signatures on a petition advocating leniency for the ROSENBERGS at the direction of the LYL, and also admitted attending an LYL sponsored summer camp called Camp Unity, in Wingdale, NY, where he worked as a waiter and attended lectures given by "Left Wing" advocates. He also admitted canvassing for the American Labor Party (ALP) candidate for the Presidency in the Fall of 1952, on behalf of the LYL.

██████████ admitted that he had denied membership in the aforementioned organizations, which are listed on the DD Form 98 and 98A (Loyalty Forms), when he executed those forms upon entry into the USAF.

On August 23, 24, 25 and 27, 1956, SA HAROLD P. REAUME, after reading and explaining to ██████████ his rights under Article 31, Uniform Code of Military Justice, and informing him of the charges under investigation

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before each interview, questioned [REDACTED] concerning his activities and associations. On August 24 and 27, 1956, [REDACTED] in the presence of Mrs. MARY E. RICHARDSON, 3rd District, OSI, stenographer and typist, answered questions posed by SA REAUME which were reduced to the form of a signed sworn statement which [REDACTED] signed on August 28, 1956. SA ALBERT L. SPAULDING assisted SA REAUME in this interview.

During these interviews, [REDACTED] furnished background information which included the following:

He stated that he is single and was born on 6/6/35, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He listed his relatives as follows:

Father

[REDACTED]  
born in Georgia,  
employed Benjamin Franklin  
Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa.

Mother

[REDACTED]  
nee [REDACTED]  
born January, 1917, in  
Washington, D. C.  
address [REDACTED]  
Brooklyn, New York

Sister

[REDACTED] aka  
Mrs. [REDACTED]  
born in Philadelphia, Pa,  
in 1936: address [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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Brother-in-law

[REDACTED]  
address [REDACTED]  
Brooklyn, New York

Step-father

[REDACTED]  
address [REDACTED]  
Brooklyn, New York

He stated that after living in various homes in Philadelphia, Pa., he moved to NYC to live with his mother when he was about 13½ years old; that he lived with his mother until he was about 17½ years old and secured his own residence in the Bronx on Barker Ave. in an apartment which is commonly referred to as the Coops.

[REDACTED] statements in answer to the listed questions included the following:

"Q. Who was your roommate at the Coops?

"A. [REDACTED] was my roommate at the Coops.

"Q. How long did you know [REDACTED]

"A. Ever since I moved to New York.

"Q. Did you work together?

"A. We worked together at Abraham and Strauss.

"Q. What was your first contact with the so-called left wingers?

"A. My first contact was with an individual, [REDACTED] Caucasian.

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"Q. Will you tell us the circumstances of your first meeting with [REDACTED] your relationship, and association?

"A. I met [REDACTED] at a social gathering in the Village in a private home. I started going steady with her. Because of my association with [REDACTED] I became familiar with the general motives of the Progressive movement in New York. Approximately two months after I had known her, I started attending the Jefferson School of Social Science.

"Q. Was it chiefly through [REDACTED] influence that you learned this and started to go to school?

"A. Yes, and individuals associated with her.

"Q. Did she have to recommend you or vouch for you to attend the school?

"A. No.

"Q. You said that your indoctrination into the movement was through [REDACTED] and her associates?

"A. Yes.

"Q. Do you recall the names of the individuals associated with her?

"A. They were people who belonged to the Yorkville Labor Youth League, the Young Adult Division. The names that I can remember are [REDACTED] (ph), German; a married couple, Spanish, I cannot recall their last name but the first name of the woman was [REDACTED] (ph) and the man was [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] is an instructor at the Jefferson School and I believe the course she was teaching concerned the Woman Question. [REDACTED] German, who

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"now lives in the Brooklyn Heights Section of New York, is extremely active in the League—also attended the school when I was there. [redacted] Negro, whom I gathered has had some very unfavorable experiences with the Left Wingers in New York by the attitude shown by the people in the League. [redacted] lived somewhere in the vicinity of 110th and Broadway at the residence owned by a Left Wing author, [redacted] who wrote a book by the name [redacted]. [redacted] I have heard that at one time [redacted] was very high in the party.

"Q. I would like as much information as you can give me concerning [redacted]

"A. I went steady with [redacted] for approximately 1½ years. Her age possibly is 31 years old. I understood she was born in New York City. During the period I knew [redacted] she was employed at Loral Manufacturing Company in New York City, a corporation connected with Willor Manufacturing Company. She was a wirer and solderer. She was one of the representatives of the union, United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers of America, for her shop. She lived at 89th and 3rd Ave., New York City, in an apartment house on the corner. She attended Hunters College for 4 years, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts degree, majoring in English literature. Before I met her, she had been married previously. I do not know to whom as she never discussed it.

"Q. When you first met her, she was going to Jefferson School and was chairman of the Yorkville Labor Youth League?

"A. Yes.

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"Q. You indicated that the Yorkville Labor Youth League had a membership of how many?

"A. Approximately twenty-five people.

"Q. Were you acquainted with most of them?

"A. No, I did not attend the meetings regularly as it was a Young Adult Division and I was only 17 years old. Because of my age, I would have come under the Teenage Division, however, I never attended any meetings with the Yorkville Chapter.

"Q. The chapter was divided into how many groups?

"A. Two. Adult and Teenage.

"Q. You indicated that your first contact with the Labor Youth League was when?

"A. In early 1953 when I entered the Jefferson School of Social Science.

"Q. Will you tell us about that first meeting?

"A. I went with [REDACTED] As far as what was discussed at the meeting, I cannot remember the details but various problems discussed were the housing problems in that particular area, problems relating to pay scales in various shops in New York City, and any other problems affecting people in that particular community.

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"Q. After this meeting, did you attend regularly?

"A. No, I did not attend regularly. After getting my apartment in the Bronx, I became associated with the League in that area. It is called the East Bronx Division of the Labor Youth League.

"Q. Who were the officials of that chapter?

"A. Since my contact was not too intimate with the group, as my contact was through the School, I do not recall the names, but I would recognize the individuals.

"Q. Will you repeat what you told me about the breakdown of the chapters of the League?

"A. As far as Brooklyn is concerned, there is a chapter in each geographical section of the area. Bedford Stuyvesant, East New York or Brownville, Brooklyn Heights, Redhook, and Williamsburg. In Manhattan: East Harlem - the main chapter, Yorkville, Manhattan Town - includes part of West Harlem, West Harlem, and Lower East Side. In Bronx: East Bronx. I do not know too much about the other places in the Bronx.

"Q. Would you care to estimate how many meetings you attended?

"A. I cannot estimate. Several.

"Q. Would you say 20 or 30?

"A. Yes, I would say as many as 30.



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"Q. Would you like to tell us some of the issues you remember other than local issues. I refer to National issues.

"A. During the time that I was living in the Bronx, one of the most important National issues at that time was the ROSENBERG case and this was being discussed widely in every area of New York. In addition to this, the trials of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were of very great importance. My activities as far as the above-mentioned people were concerned, taken in order, is the picketing of the White House in 1953, in which I participated for a period of about 3 days; also, on returning to New York, volunteering to assist the Committee to Establish Justice in the Rosenberg Case in helping them set up their correspondence with a mailing list to approximately two to three thousand people to whom they sent leaflets concerning the trial. During this period, I also canvassed the West Harlem area of New York for the American Labor Party Candidate for the Presidency, HALLAMAN.

"Q. These endeavors you undertook, were they under the sponsorship of the Labor Youth League?

"A The canvassing for HALLAMAN was under the control of the American Labor Party, which at the time shared the offices with the Labor Youth League at 125th Street in New York City. The other activities were sponsored by the Labor Youth League.

"Q. In these various activities which you have mentioned, who was with you whom you can remember? I refer to the picketing in Washington.

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"A. When I picketed in Washington, I was not any type of an official for any organization. As I remember it, the political aspects of these people were very vague to me. I did not get to know any officials or was not in a key position to do more than picket. I went to Washington with a group from the East Harlem Labor Youth League. I believe the woman [REDACTED] was in the car and the rest of the people there were people that I was meeting for the first time. I did not get to know them well. I do not know their names. b7c

"Q. You are inferring you did not know there was political aspect in the picketing?

"A. I was aware that the picketing of the White House was being sponsored by the Labor Youth League and there were people there from the American Labor Party and that there were people there from New York City. My vagueness comes in from the fact that I was not completely indoctrinated.

"Q. Did the people in the Chapter consider the members of the American Labor Party as Communist?

"A. No, the League does not consider the American Labor Party as Communist, but it considers the American Labor Party in the same light as the Socialist Party, inasmuch as both parties have planks which are similar in their platforms to the Communist Party.

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"Q. I am curious to know, since the local chapter of the Labor Youth League and Headquarters of the American Labor Party are in the same building, whether there is any common leadership?

"A. I only know of [REDACTED] Negro, who is a son of the 'Daily Worker' columnist [REDACTED]

"Q. Do you know his position in both organizations?

"A. I do not know his position, but I know he is very active in Left Wing politics in New York and he has an important voice in their functions.

"Q. Exactly what does the term 'Left Wing' mean to you?

"A. When I use the expression, I include such organizations as the Jefferson School of Social Science, Labor Youth League, and the American Labor Party.

"Q. Is this the extent of your activities in the Labor Youth League?

"A. Yes.

"Q. At this time, let's return to your activities and enrollment at the Jefferson School of Social Science. Tell us about your entry and subjects studied.

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"A. Upon entering the school, I took 2 courses to begin with. There was a fee charged for these courses. I was given a card in order to identify my account number and the registrar did not take my last name. The 2 courses that I enrolled in at that time were called the 'Negro Question in the United States', under the instruction of [REDACTED] a former college professor and the 'Political Economy', instructor was [REDACTED]. The duration of these courses was six months. Having successfully completed these courses, I was eligible for the Institute.

"Q. At this time, I would like you to tell us about the Institute of the Jefferson School of Social Science.

"A. The two courses that I had taken were the necessary requirements for the Institute class. The Institute was a three-year class, divided into three divisions, first year, second year, and third year. The material handled in the Institute related to every aspect of political thought beginning at the very basic level to the more advanced. I completed one-half of the first year Institute and this was the last class I attended at the Jefferson School. During the last class, the period of attendance was August up to approximately 1 December 1953.

"Q. Your instructors during this period were?

A. [REDACTED] was my instructor at the Institute.



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"Q. You indicated that some of the students attended just for 'kicks' and others attended because they were interested in indoctrination.

"A. Yes.

"Q. You mentioned before [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] You mentioned yesterday [REDACTED] Who was he?

"A. He taught at that time a few classes in the school and he was also a director on the staff of the school.

"Q. You said at the time you were there, there were how many enrolled?

"A. About 1500.

"Q. Classes were held only at night and on Saturdays?

"A. Yes.

"Q. You did not enroll in the Art or Music courses they had?

"A. No.

"Q. Among the people who spoke or taught there, in addition to those you have mentioned, there was a Doctor [REDACTED]

"A. Yes, he taught a course on Africa.

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"Q. [REDACTED]

"A. He taught creative writing.

"Q. [REDACTED]

"A. [REDACTED] is a columnist for the 'Daily Worker'. He held quite a few lectures at the school and at Camp Unity.

"Q. MORTON SOBEL's wife?

"A. She was a lecturer at the school and at Camp Unity.

"Q. Tell us the names of those you can remember who were attending Jefferson School at the time you attended.

"A. [REDACTED] Negro. He is an entertainer, plays guitar, not professional. He lived in the Cops.

[REDACTED] Caucasian. She lives in the same neighborhood as ROBINSON, somewhere around 96th and Broadway. Believe she taught at the school, not regularly but occasionally, something related to folk dancing but not art. I'm not clear on this.

[REDACTED] Caucasian. She attended the school and was active in the Bedford-Stuyvesant Labor Youth League and she attended Queens College.

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[REDACTED] Negro, is the tympanist for the New York City Symphony and she was in my class at the Jefferson School. She entered during the summer of 1953 at Camp Unity.

[REDACTED] Negro [REDACTED] New York City. He told me he had severed connections with the Communists. He is now seeking office for a political faction in Manhattan.

"Q. None of these people held positions in Communist organizations?

"A. No.

"Q. Tell me what you told me yesterday about the Coops.

"A. The Coops were built during the early thirties, and the occupants owned a certain share amounting to the cost of the property. The majority of the people living up there at that time were affiliated with the Left Wing. When I lived there, the Manufacturers Trust had taken charge of the property and there was not as deep a concentration of these people living there as there was formerly.

"Q. You indicated, however, they used the basement.

"A. Yes, they did use the basement for meetings of the Labor Youth League and for speakers who gave lectures, such as [REDACTED]

"Q. What chapter would have been using the basement?

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"A. That would have been the East Bronx Chapter of the Labor Youth League. They met there regularly.

"Q. Through this period you were attending meetings not only with the East Bronx Chapter but you also attended meetings of the Bedford-Stuyvesant Group?

"A. Yes, but not regularly.

"Q. Will you tell me what you said yesterday about your roommate, [REDACTED] attending these meetings? Tell me first a little bit about [REDACTED] and then how he got into Communist activity.

"A. [REDACTED] was born in New York and I met him when I first moved to New York. When I moved away from home, [REDACTED] came with me and we shared the apartment. It was I that convinced him or influenced him to attend the Jefferson School and take part in the extremely few other activities that he participated in. It was not long after that he had completed the first course at the School, that he completely severed his connections with this form of politics. This happened mainly because of the conflicting views on religion that he found within the movement.

"Q. Was [REDACTED] rather religious? What was his religion?

"A. At that time he was Protestant. Since he has been in the Service, he has become a Catholic. He has been studying Catholicism since he has been down at Keesler.



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"Q. Do you know his address?

"A. No, I have not corresponded with him since I was first in the service. He has been transferred to a different organization.

"Q. Do you feel that he has completely renounced his former affiliation with the Communist movement?

"A. Yes, I am positive that he has.

"Q. Do you remember his home address and his father's name?

"A. [REDACTED] Brooklyn. His stepfather's name was [REDACTED]

"Q. I would like to ask you at this time about your trip to Camp Unity, the events leading up to that, and your activities while there.

"A. I spent the summer of 1953 working as a waiter at Camp Unity, a summer resort at Wingdale, New York. This was from 1 June to Labor Day. Camp Unity was a resort patronized for the most part by people associated with the League, Jefferson School, and other organizations related to these branches. It carried advertisements in the 'Amsterdam News' and the 'Daily Worker'. It was operated by LOUIS PASTURNACK. He is related to MORTON SOREL, but I do not know if he holds a high position in the party. It was my understanding the camp was closed the summer of 1953, when it ceased to operate under the name of Camp Unity. It was either 1954 or 1955 that it reopened under the name of Wingdale Country Club and [REDACTED] Caucasian, is

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"now managing it. I have seen [redacted] in the presence of people such as [redacted] and have heard that he has deep affiliations with the movement in New York. That is all I know about him.

"Q. Do you remember any of the speakers of lecturers who appeared at Camp Unity at this time?

"A. During the season I was there, [redacted] Mrs. SOBEL and [redacted] who was giving a lecture on his recent book. Title of the book was [redacted]

"Q. Do you remember the names of any of the staff or anyone who attended the camp?

"A. As far as people on the staff are concerned, I was familiar more with the cultural staff and the people I know from that area were [redacted] Negro, Choral Director; [redacted] Dramatics Director; [redacted] Negro, soprano - she is in Paris right now; [redacted] Negro, bass baritone; [redacted] Negro, who played saxophone in the orchestra; [redacted] Negro, who played drums; [redacted] Negro, Athletic Director - I believe he managed a Night Club in New York called the Celebrity Club. I do not remember anyone connected with the grounds crew. There were people in the office. They had life guards, but I cannot remember their names. There was only one other waiter, he was Chinese. I do not recall his name. During the week, our dining room staff was limited to about 10 people, most of whom were girls. During the weekend, many more came up there.

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"Q. Did you say it was the practice to use only first names?

"A. It was standard practice to use only first names in the Labor Youth League and Jefferson School. Due to the pressure on these organizations, it has become the practice in more places to use only first names.

"Q. Do you remember the names of any of the guests?

"A. [REDACTED] Negro, who is a known racketeer in New York City. I believe he is in prison right now. There was also a man named [REDACTED] last name, Negro, who is a real estate agent and owns the [REDACTED] Hotel on [REDACTED] Manhattan.

"Q. I would like you to tell us what led you into coming into Service. What is the background story on that.

"A. I lost my job at the beginning of 1954 and it was difficult for me to get other employment. As a result of this, I had to give up my apartment and [REDACTED] moved back with his parents. I took a small room in Brooklyn on Hancock and Ralph Ave. I couldn't find any type of employment although there would have been quite a number of people who would have supplied me with housing and money. [REDACTED] would have helped and some of the people I have indicated as school classmates might have loaned me money. I preferred to function independently. Knowing that I would be drafted eventually, I enlisted.

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"Q. What was [redacted] reaction to your enlisting in the Service?

"A. Her reaction was a negative one. She disliked the idea of my enlisting. First of all, it interfered with our personal life since we had planned to get married and second, it was against her political beliefs.

"Q. You indicated yesterday that she brought to your attention that you would be faced with a loyalty oath. What did you tell her at that time?

"A. I indicated to her that I would take my chances since I did not know how the loyalty oath was handled by the Service.

"Q. Did you indicate to [redacted] that you would deny your affiliation with the Communist organizations?

"A. Yes, I did.

"Q. Did you ask [redacted] at this time to divorce herself from the Communist activities and to wait for you?

"A. Yes, I did.

"Q. What was her reaction?

"A. Her reaction was that she would not divorce herself from these activities because to her they were very important.



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"Q. I gathered from what you said that you severed your relationship?

"A. Yes, completely.

"Q. You indicated yesterday that [REDACTED] was a card carrying member of the Communist Party. She told you that?

"A. Yes.

"Q. You also indicated in talking over your future, she expressed the idea that you could qualify for a job on the staff. What do you mean by the staff?

"A. By the staff, I mean the Communist Party.

"Q. Had you had a discussion with [REDACTED] during the period of his renouncing the Communist affiliations?

"A. Yes, we discussed it quite extensively.

"Q. Did you try to influence [REDACTED] to change his mind?

"A. No, it would have been insulting to his intelligence to talk him into something he was familiar with. Since we knew each other extremely well, we were able to discuss the situation objectively.

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"Q. Do you think activity with the Communist Front organizations and your attendance at the School could be attributed in any way to the influence [REDACTED] might have held over you?

"A. Although [REDACTED] had a very strong influence in my life, due to our personal relationship, I would not have continued my activities if I had not felt they were of some good.

"Q. When is the last time you saw [REDACTED]

"A. Approximately three weeks before I entered the Service.

"Q. Have you made any effort to see her since you entered the service?

"A. My first 3-day pass I received almost at the end of basic training and I made an attempt to see her. She was not living at her old residence and I could not find out where she had moved to.

"Q. You indicated that [REDACTED] was not paid for any of her services and that you knew she donated to the ROSENBERG fund. You stated to the best of your knowledge that she was questioned by Federal officials?

"A. She was stopped on the street and questioned by Federal officers. She told me this while I was going with her.

"Q. You believe that her phone was tapped?

"A. Yes, she told me that she thought her phone was tapped.

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"Q. Do you consider the persons or classes of people or groups who were active in the Communist Front movement to be disloyal to the United States Government?

"A. Yes, I do.

"Q. Why?

"A. Because I am familiar with the type of government they are trying to bring about and how completely opposed it is to the form of government practiced by the United States.

"Q. Did they advocate the overthrow of the government by force?

"A. I have never been in a position to be present at any meeting of the Communist Party, so that I have never heard anyone express the sentiment.

"Q. There are five basic questions I have to ask you. Membership: Have you ever been a member of or associated with any organization listed in AFR 124-5?

"A. Yes, I have.

"Q. What are they?

"A. They are the Jefferson School of Social Science, Labor Youth League, Camp Unity and the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Shop Workers of America.

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"Q. Participation: Are there any other organizations you might have knowledge of, or participated actively in, or have you ever associated with or known any person, other than those previously mentioned, whom you have reason to believe was a member of or sympathetic to any organization listed in AFR 124-5?

"A. I casually met a [REDACTED] during 1953. [REDACTED] who was the divorced wife of a [REDACTED]. These people are Hungarian. [REDACTED] has written a book, which I have never read so consequently do not know the name of it. I do know that they have some type of group established in the Bronx. I feel they are Communist affiliates.

"Q. Would you be willing, if necessary, to testify before a Board concerning your activities, or against any person you have named in this statement?

"A. Yes, if it was a closed hearing.

"Q. Why a closed hearing?

"A. I have to go on living and I wouldn't want retaliatory measures taken against my family and friends.

"Q. What have your contacts been with people who were engaged in these activities since you entered the Service?

"A. There are a few individuals that I have seen while being home on leave, but my relationship with these people is nothing like it was before I entered

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"the service and it was only for a brief period that I saw these individuals. -- I have seen [REDACTED] in Greenwich Village and in my former neighborhood I saw [REDACTED] I also saw [REDACTED]

"Q. At this time, I am going to ask you to go back over the names we have mentioned in this statement and if we add anything to that list, all information concerning them. [REDACTED]

"A. It is believed that he was at one time in a rather important position in the Communist movement in New York and for some reason he was kicked out. From my observations, he was a very unfavorable person around the movement in New York. I was told not to say anything in front of him. This was due to reaction of the people when he was around. He was thought to be an informer.

"Q. Did [REDACTED] parents have any Communist affiliations as far as you know?

"A. No.

"Q. [REDACTED] Caucasian?

"A. I worked with her in canvassing for [REDACTED] I believe she is a member of the Labor Youth League.

"Q. [REDACTED]

"A. He was an entertainer, singer. Three years ago [REDACTED] lived in the Cooperative apartments in the Bronx, located on the Grand Concourse. I am led to believe,



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"however, that he is now residing in the Greenwich Village area of New York. He lives quite well and drives a 1956 Red El Dorado Cadillac. I met [redacted] while living in the Cooperative apartments in 1953. I have seen him at several left wing affairs. He is quite well known throughout the movement. [redacted] is a mulatto complexioned Negro.

"Q. [redacted]

"A. [redacted] was in my institute class at the Jefferson School. He does construction work and also has a license to handle real estate. He owns property in the Englewood, New Jersey area. He resides at [redacted] NYC. The apartment is not in his name.

"Q. [redacted]

"A. [redacted] is the son of the 'Daily Worker' columnist, [redacted] was active in all phases of Labor Youth League work, attended classes regularly at the Jefferson School. [redacted] criticized me sharply for having enlisted in the Air Force. He lives in the East Harlem area in the vicinity of 115th and 5th Avenue. [redacted] is a bitter enemy of [redacted] and cautioned me at one time not to say anything to [redacted] concerning League activities.

"Q. [redacted]

"A. [redacted] was a member of the East Harlem Labor Youth League. She resides at 116th Street between 2nd and 3rd Avenue. Her husband's name is [redacted]. She is caucasian.

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"Q. [REDACTED]

"A. [REDACTED] lives at [REDACTED] New York City, on the lower East Side. I have seen him in Jefferson School and with people associated with the Labor Youth League. He is Negro.

"HEDY, last name unknown to me, was in my class at the Jefferson School. HEDY is a very proficient draftswoman and is employed with an electronics firm located in the vicinity of 4th Ave. and 16th Street. The last time I was in her apartment was in 1953 when the class held one of their meetings there. In her apartment, she has a complete workshop; consisting of manuals pertaining to engineering drawing, draftsman's table, etc. She resides in a rather well to do section of Queens called Rego Park. The last time I saw her she mentioned that she was trying to secure a position as engineer. She is a close friend of [REDACTED]

"In 1953, I canvassed for a political prisoner by the name of [REDACTED]. I covered the lower West Harlem area getting people to sign a petition that declared [REDACTED] innocent of charges brought against him by the government. The object of the petition was to get [REDACTED] released from prison.

"This statement is being retained in the files of 3rd District OSI, NEAC, and will be made available to competent authority upon request."

In this series of interviews, the following information, not expressed in the sworn statement, was advanced by [REDACTED]

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██████████ denied close ties with any member of his family and was emphatic in stating that they had no "left wing" affiliations.

██████████ denied positive knowledge of CP members, other than as indicated in his statement, and denied further knowledge of individual names of persons active in Communist front activities. During the interviews, he stated that he knew that ██████████ was being investigated and was sure that his name would appear somewhere in the investigation because he had been ██████████ roommate. ██████████ denied that this was the reason for his voluntary confession in this case. Subject stated that ██████████ despite what he described as their "intimate relationship" had never confided the full information concerning her activities with CP, to him. He stated he could add nothing to the information contained in his statement, concerning ██████████. Subject further denied being able to furnish names of "Left Wing" adherents in the U.E. Union at Willor Manufacturing Company. Subject indicated that he had signed DD Forms 98 and 98A with full knowledge that he was making a false statement.

On 8/29/56, SA HAROLD P. REAUME, accompanied by SA SPAULDING, after securing the written permission of the Commander, 6606th Field Maintenance Squadron, searched the quarters and personal effects of ██████████. Included in the items picked up at that time was one loose leaf address book containing a list of names. ██████████ was interviewed concerning these names which are as follows:

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BENNY ARNEZ - subject stated he met ARNEZ in Greenwich Village at a bar and ARNEZ indicated he had a Night Club in Stuttgart, Germany, called Benny's Basement, Koenigsfrasse #9, and asked subject to visit him, if he ever came to Germany. No known Communistic associations, according to subject.

[REDACTED] - subject's sister, previously mentioned.

STANLIEGH BADER, [REDACTED] Brooklyn, NY - subject stated BADER is a psychology student at Brooklyn College and is apparently a close friend of subject. Not associated with the movement, according to subject.

[REDACTED] Brooklyn - subject claims he does not know [REDACTED] well and is unsure if he is active with the movement, but admitted that [REDACTED] is the brother of [REDACTED] mentioned in his statement and that they live at the same address.

MARTIN BARD, telephone number [REDACTED] A fellow student at Brooklyn College. According to subject, not well known to him, political leanings unknown.

[REDACTED] address listed as [REDACTED] Provincetown, Massachusetts, c/o [REDACTED] This is not her present address according to subject. Subject stated that [REDACTED] attends college at Syracuse University in Fine Arts. Letters in subject's possession indicate he had an illicit love affair with [REDACTED] during the summer of this year. [REDACTED] is Caucasian and when she informed her parents that she

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was interested in subject, her father threatened to kill [REDACTED] unless the association ceased. Subject is presently writing to [REDACTED] through [REDACTED] Brooklyn, a friend of [REDACTED]. Subject states that he and [REDACTED] intend to marry. Subject stated that [REDACTED] knows nothing of his background in Communist front movement and has no such affiliations herself.

BINNY MINKOFF, address not listed, telephone No. [REDACTED] a casual friend, according to subject.

RUPERT CROSSE, address not listed, telephone number [REDACTED] a casual acquaintance, according to subject.

[REDACTED]  
NYC, Previously mentioned in subject's statement.

[REDACTED] Brooklyn,  
Subject's father-in-law. No affiliations according to subject.

HAROLD DAYSON, no further information listed. Subject claimed he could not identify.

[REDACTED] NYC,  
a friend, no affiliations, according to subject.

[REDACTED] NYC,  
a friend, classmate and teacher at Jefferson.



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[REDACTED]  
-NY-26, NY, Apt. 1. Subject stated that he made [REDACTED] acquaintance when both lived at the above address. They are good friends, no affiliations according to subject.

BARBARA KLEIN, [REDACTED]  
NY 25, NY. A friend, no affiliations according to subject.

MARLAYNE KEOSIAN, no address, phone [REDACTED]  
A friend, no affiliations, according to subject.

STEWART LAFAYETTE, [REDACTED]  
Brooklyn 16, NY. A friend, no affiliations, according to subject.

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] NYC. [REDACTED] is active in [REDACTED] activities, to subject's knowledge, but he does not know about [REDACTED] affiliations. [REDACTED] previously mentioned in subject's statement.

PEARL OLIVER, [REDACTED]  
Brooklyn 19, NY. STANLEY BADER's girlfriend, according to subject. No known affiliations.

[REDACTED]  
previously mentioned in subject's statement.

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JACKIE PADWA, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] NYC. An artist, with whom subject has been very friendly. They correspond. She studied in a University in Paris. Subject claims to know nothing of her political ideas.

BARBARA PRUDEN, [REDACTED]  
Brooklyn, NY. A close friend of subject and apparently a romantic interest. Not affiliated with movement, according to subject. BARBARA goes to Chicago University and has a second address listed as [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois.

ANNE POTTER, [REDACTED]  
Brooklyn, NY. A psychiatric social worker at Eastern District High School, according to subject. No affiliations to his knowledge.

[REDACTED]  
Long Island City 4, NY. Her father is a relative of LOUIS PASTORNAK and of the SOBELS, according to subject. Subject stated that her entire family has been branded by this relationship and have suffered much discrimination because of it.

SHERWIN RUDNIK, [REDACTED] Brooklyn,  
NY. A classmate at Brooklyn College, according to subject. No affiliations.

ROBBIE ROBINSON, [REDACTED] NYC.  
A friend, jazz enthusiast, according to subject. No affiliations.

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NY. Also, [REDACTED] Brooklyn, [REDACTED] is listed. [REDACTED] previously mentioned in subject's statement, is active in the LYL in Brooklyn Heights.

PEGGY SAXTON, [REDACTED] Brooklyn, NY. A high school classmate, no affiliations, according to subject.

SHIRLEY (LNU), no address, telephone number [REDACTED]. A casual acquaintance, according to subject.

LEON SMITH [REDACTED] NY 39, NY. In charge of the Bronx Chapter of the NAACP, according to subject. Definitely anti-Communist, according to subject.

SUE (LNU), no address, phone number [REDACTED]. A casual acquaintance, according to subject.

LIONEL SENHOUSE, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] A friend from high school days, according to subject. Political leanings unknown.

MARGOT SCHWARTZ, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] a LN employee, according to subject. Beneath this name, [REDACTED] had pasted two (2) small gummed stickers containing his own address in NYC. Close examination revealed they covered additional wording. Once removed, the following was revealed:

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[REDACTED] Apt 5B

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"ELAINE WATKINS, [REDACTED]  
Brooklyn 16, New York, a friend, according to subject.  
No affiliations.

[REDACTED] NYC. Previously mentioned in subject's statement.

[REDACTED]  
Brooklyn, NY. Previously mentioned in subject's  
statement.

[REDACTED]  
NYC. Previously mentioned in subject's statement.

BETTY M. BIGBY, [REDACTED], Brooklyn  
35, N.Y. A student at Brooklyn College, according to  
subject, not a close friend. Politics unknown

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It should be noted that [REDACTED] was either incorrect in his spelling of some of the names of persons mentioned by him or was incomplete in his identification of them. Positive or tentative identification of such persons was established through extensive review of NYO files on persons named by [REDACTED] whose identification was more easily established.

On 9/13/56, [REDACTED] executed a sworn statement at Goose Air Base, Labrador, in the presence of (OSI) Special Agents NELDON J. DOMMISSE and ALBERT L. SPAULDING. This statement reads in part as follows:

"The reasons I falsely certified to DD Form 98 (Loyalty Form) upon entry into the USAF are as follows: I would not have been accepted for military service and I didn't want the stigma of not having been able to enter military service; I did not want to subject my life to any investigation at that time; I did not want [REDACTED] subjected to any unpleasantness at that time even though I had severed relationship with her.

"The policy on 'Front' members entering military service is as follows: They preferred that members wait until drafted. The falsification of loyalty oaths upon entry into military service was not encouraged. It was up to the individual and because of youthfulness and the desire to avoid an investigation,

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"most members falsified the loyalty oath. A person who voluntarily entered military service was looked on less favorably because of the longer term of service which would cause the member to be out of touch with the organization for a longer period of time.

"I know of no other persons known to me as 'left wing' who are in military service, other than KENNETH WILKINSON. I recall having seen persons in uniform, mostly of the lower grades, US Army and Navy personnel, attend social gatherings at the Manhattan Center and Webster Hall in New York City. These were sponsored independently by the American Labor Party and the Labor Youth League. Not all in attendance would be members as the social aspect of the gathering may have appealed to some who perhaps attended for the first time. These activities consisted of community singing, concerts and lectures. In late 1953, a number of people spoke on what should or could be done to get [redacted] out of jail. Other topics of discussion were concerning current national or local political events, with the 'left wing' point of view being expressed. . . .

"The names which I furnished originally to S/A REAUME and also contained in my address book were repeated to me by S/A DOMMISSE and he questioned me on my contact since entering the USAF with those persons known to me as having been members of 'front' organizations or Party members. I met [redacted] in late December 1954 and had a casual conversation of short duration with him. I met [redacted] in the autumn of 1955. He explained that he had switched to one of the major parties. I did not express my views of my former activities. I met [redacted] in the spring of 1956 and on one earlier occasion and had casual conversations with no mention made of 'front' activities....

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SAC, NEW YORK URGENT 5-12-53 10:10 PM '53

JOSEPH WEINSTEIN, HILDA WEINSTEIN, AKA BARBARA, BOBBIE, S. M. C.

INFO CONCERNING MAJOR SHUFORD MC DONALD, USAF, BOWLING AFB,  
KANS., U. S., ADVISED TODAY BOWLING AF LT. [REDACTED] NY  
REQUESTED LEAVE FOR MAY THIRTEEN THRU TWENTY NEXT TO GO TO NYC AND  
SEE SUBJECTS, HIS IN LAWS, WHO LEAVE MAY THIRTEEN OR FOURTEEN FOR  
TRIP ABROAD. DESTINATION AND METHOD OF TRAVEL UNKNOWN. SUBJECTS  
RESIDE [REDACTED] HUSBAND EMPLOYED FOUR SEVEN  
NAUGHT SEVENTH AVE. [REDACTED] S ADDRESS [REDACTED] b7c  
WITH WIFE [REDACTED] ALL NYC. AF ATTEMPTING SEPARATE [REDACTED] FROM  
SERVICE FOR CONTINUED CLOSE ASSOCIATION WITH IN LAWS. [REDACTED]  
ACCORDING TO MAJOR MC DONALD, HELD CONTEMPT CONGRESS, FORTYSEVEN,  
REFUSAL PRODUCE RECORDS JOINT ANTI FASCIST COMMITTEE. BOTH APPARENTLY  
ACTIVE IN FRONT ORGANIZATIONS. MAJOR MC DONALD FURNISHED ABOVE  
FOR INFORMATION AND ANY ACTION THE BUREAU DESIRED TO INITIATE. NO  
IDENTIFYING INFO ON CAPTIONED SUBJECTS IN BA. FILES. NY HANDLE.

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TITLE <b>VIVIAN GLASSMAN, was</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ESPIONAGE-R</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

San Francisco T-1, unable to locate a reference on either GLADYS GLASSMAN or IRENE WEISMAN.

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**DETAILS:**

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San Francisco T-1, another government agency which conducts intelligence and personnel investigations advised that the files of his office contained no reference to either a GLADYS GLASSMAN or IRENE WEISMAN.

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INFORMANT

San Francisco T-1

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RICHARD SOREL, Operations  
Office, G-2, Sixth Army,  
Presidio of San Francisco. ✓

REFERENCE

Reference:

Report of SA THOMAS E. BRYANT  
dated 5/29/51 at Los Angeles.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : A. H. BELMONT

FROM : W. A. BRANIGAN *WAB*

SUBJECT: EDWARD JAMES WEINSTEIN  
ESPIONAGE - R (Bufile 65-50359)

DATE: September 19, 1952

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

LOIS SONTAG nee Weinstein  
SECURITY MATTER - C (Bufile 100-380495)

PURPOSE:

To obtain approval of the transmission of the attached letter to New Orleans, authorizing the interview of Lois Weinstein Sontag, sister of Edward James Weinstein, and her husband, Lt. Richard Sontag.

DETAILS:

Edward James Weinstein, born July 17, 1926, came to the attention of the Bureau as a result of information furnished by Jerome Eugene Tartakow, informant in the Federal House of Detention, New York City, who was incarcerated therein with Julius Rosenberg. According to the informant, Rosenberg advised that an individual who has been identified as Max Finestone, was the last member recruited into his espionage network and on one occasion Finestone drove Rosenberg to Ithaca, New York, to pick up some espionage material from Alfred Sarant, a member of the Rosenberg network. Further, this person used a 1949 or 1950 Buick convertible on this trip, which automobile belonged to an individual identified as Edward Weinstein. The informant also indicated that Finestone was the person who sent Vivian Glassman to Cleveland, Ohio, to give William Perl, another member of the network, \$2000 to flee this country.

The investigation conducted to date has failed to develop any information indicating that Weinstein was engaged in espionage; however, it has been determined that Weinstein has been connected with such organizations as the New York State Youth Progressives of America, the Cornell University Organization of American Youth for Democracy, and the Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee. Through O. John Rogge, attorney and personal friend of the Weinstein family, it was determined that the subject's father, Joseph Weinstein, a very wealthy man, has been worried about his son's associates, whom he considers to be radicals.

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In 1950, Weinstein was contacted by agents, but refused to be interviewed. In 1951, he was called before a Federal Grand Jury in New York City, and reportedly refused to answer questions relating to his association with Finestone and others. Mr. Rogge has also made an unsuccessful attempt to persuade Weinstein to cooperate with the Bureau.

Weinstein owned a 1949 Buick convertible from May, 1949, until July 19, 1950, which is two days after the arrest of Julius Rosenberg. On this date Weinstein sold his car.

In 1952, OSI advised that an investigation of Lt. ██████████ conducted by them, reflected that his wife was ██████████ whose parents had contributed to organizations controlled or infiltrated by the Communist Party and that her father, ██████████ was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Jefferson School of Social Science. Her mother, Mrs. ██████████ was convicted of contempt of Congress and sentenced to three months in jail and a \$500 fine in 1947, for refusing to furnish records of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee to the HCUA. b7c

Investigation of Richard and Lois Sontag has been conducted in New York City, Albuquerque, and New Orleans, and has failed to reflect any derogatory information concerning them.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the attached letter authorizing the interview of Richard and Lois Sontag be approved and transmitted to the New Orleans Office.

*Keller*

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : A. H. Belmont

DATE: December 5, 1952

FROM : W. A. Branigan

SUBJECT: EDWARD JAMES WEINSTEIN, wa.  
ESPIONAGE - R  
(Bufile 65-60359)

To	_____
Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Ladd	_____
Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Clegg	_____
Mr. Glavin	_____
Mr. Harbo	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tracy	_____
Mr. Egan	_____
Mr. Gurnea	_____
Mr. Hendon	_____
Mr. Pennington	_____
Mr. Quinn	_____
Mr. Nease	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

LOIS SONTAG,  
nee Weinstein  
SECURITY MATTER - C  
(Bufile 100-388493)

SYNOPSIS:

Weinstein believed involved with Rosenberg espionage group. Investigation to date negative. Weinstein has refused to be interviewed by Bureau agents or answer pertinent questions before Federal Grand Jury. Mrs. Lois Sontag and her husband, Lieutenant Richard Sontag, sister and brother-in-law of Weinstein, recently interviewed by Bureau agents and offered their assistance in persuading Weinstein to talk if Bureau requested same. Recommend offer be accepted.

PURPOSE:

To authorize transmittal of attached letter to Albuquerque requesting that Lois Sontag and her husband be recontacted and advised that the Bureau would appreciate any assistance they might wish to render in connection with this matter.

BACKGROUND:

Weinstein came to our attention on the basis of information furnished by informant of unknown reliability who was a cellmate of Julius Rosenberg in the Federal House of Detention, New York City. According to this informant, Rosenberg advised that an individual, who has been identified as Max Finestone, was the last member recruited into his espionage network and, on one occasion, Finestone drove Rosenberg to Ithaca, New York, to pick up some espionage material from Alfred Sarant. Further, this person used a 49 or 50 Buick on this trip, which automobile belonged to an individual identified as Weinstein. The informant also indicated that Finestone was the person who sent Vivian Glassman to Cleveland, Ohio, to give William Perl, a member of the network, \$2,000 to flee the country.

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Investigation of Weinstein to date has failed to develop any information indicating he was engaged in espionage. However, it has been determined that Weinstein has been connected with several pro-Communist organizations. Through O. John Rogge, attorney and personal friend of the Weinstein family, it was determined that Weinstein's father, Joseph Weinstein, a very wealthy man, had been worried about his son's associates who he considered to be radicals.

In 1950, Weinstein was contacted by agents and refused to be interviewed. In 1951, he was called before a Federal Grand Jury and reportedly refused to answer any pertinent questions. Mr. Rogge also made an unsuccessful attempt to persuade Weinstein to cooperate with the Bureau.

DETAILS:

In 1952, OSI advised that an investigation of Lieutenant ██████████ reflected that his wife was ██████████ whose parents had contributed to organizations controlled or infiltrated by the Communist Party and that her father, ██████████, was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Jefferson School of Social Science. Her mother, Mrs. ██████████ was convicted of contempt of Congress and sentenced to three months in jail and a \$500 fine for refusing to furnish records of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee to the HCUA in 1947. b7c

A Security Matter - C investigation of Lois Weinstein, Weinstein's sister, was conducted and failed to develop any derogatory information concerning her or her husband.

On November 14, 1952, Lois Sontag and her husband were interviewed with Bureau approval by agents of the Albuquerque Office for any information they might have concerning the activities and associations of Weinstein. They appeared cooperative but were unable to furnish any information of substance. They stated that they would do everything within their power to persuade Weinstein to cooperate with the FBI. They advised, however, that they would make no such effort unless requested to do so by the FBI.

OBSERVATIONS:

In view of Weinstein's close association with Finestone, it is believed that he would be in a position



to furnish considerable information concerning the activities of Finestone and Finestone's relations with Rosenberg and others. Further, it is also believed that the Bureau has nothing to lose by accepting the offer of the Sontags whereas much could be gained in the event they are successful in persuading Weinstein to cooperate.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Albuquerque Office be authorized to recontact the Sontags and advise them that, if in the near future they plan to visit New York City on their own, the Bureau would appreciate any effort they might make toward persuading the subject to cooperate in this matter. However, Albuquerque is being instructed to advise the Sontags that the Bureau does not desire that they make a special trip to New York City for this purpose. Attached for your approval is a letter to the Albuquerque Office.

WLB  
J. Edgar Hoover

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

10/30/64

SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41648)

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR  
MORTON SOBELL  
IS-C

Reference Bureau letter to Los Angeles, dated 10/14/64; Los Angeles letter to Director, dated 8/20/56, captioned, [REDACTED] IA, SM-C." b7c

A review of the Los Angeles file concerning [REDACTED] reflects no information as to whether either of his sons are presently residing in Amsterdam. The file reflected [REDACTED] sons were attending New York City College in May, 1955. In February, 1956, by appropriate [REDACTED] by SA [REDACTED] it was determined [REDACTED] who was planning to go to Europe, had postponed his trip because one of his sons, name unknown, whom he had expected to visit in Europe had been called into the Army (presumably the U. S. Army). b7E b7c

It is noted Los Angeles letter to Director, dated 8/20/56 (see reference above), was also directed to New York and included background information concerning [REDACTED] and his sons. Further information in [REDACTED] file [REDACTED] the OSI in Europe reflects on one occasion in 1956 [REDACTED] had asked for mail at the American Express office in his name and the names of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] indicated [REDACTED] was his brother, which is not otherwise borne out in his file, and did not indicate his relationship to [REDACTED] b7c

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New York will if considered practicable cause a check of the scholastic records of [redacted] who were allegedly attending New York City College in May of 1955 to determine if requests for their scholastic records might indicate the present whereabouts or employments of either son. It is noted one of the sons might use the name or nickname [redacted]. It is also suggested New York cause a check of the central records of the Selective Service System to determine if either or both sons were drafted into the Armed Forces of the United States.

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2D DISTRICT OSI (IG) USAF  
111 EAST 16TH STREET  
NEW YORK, 3 NEW YORK

In Reply  
Refer To: 33-5912 (8/A JAMES)

Date: 12 MAY 1961

To: BCI, NYCPD, N. Y.  
BOSSI, NYCPD, N. Y.  
FBI, N.Y.  
ONI, N.Y.  
G-2, N. Y.

65-15773 + m  
Edward

Request a file check be made relative to the individual identified below pertaining to an official investigation being conducted by this District Office:

NAME : WEINSTEIN, EDWARD JAMES  
DATE OF BIRTH : 17 Jul 26  
PLACE OF BIRTH : Manhattan  
N.Y.C. ADDRESS :  
SERVICE ADDRESS :  
MILITARY SERV. NO. :  
RACE & SEX :  
HEIGHT AND WEIGHT :  
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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover  
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Washington 25, D. C.

Received from OSI  
Date 11/6/52  
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RE: CARLA SMALL JAVNA, nee Carla Small,  
aka Mrs. Stephen Louis Javna  
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*Prattigan*

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of 18 July 1951 in which you furnished certain information in regard to the captioned subject.

It would be appreciated if you would advise this Department of any information which may have been brought to your attention subsequent to that which was provided in the reports accompanying the above referenced letter.

Sincerely,

*Gilbert R. Levy*  
GILBERT R. LEVY  
Chief, Counter Intelligence Div  
Dir. of Special Investigations  
The Inspector General

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### SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subscriber to Belmont 5-6833 is DR. LEONARD J. EYGES, Physicist, presently employed Lincoln Laboratory, Lexington, Mass., a key facility. Background of EYGES set forth. In 1954 a reliable source reported that LEONARD EYGES was in contact in 1953 with one LYDIA CASSIN in Paris, France. CASSIN considered by source as possible Soviet Agent, FREDERIC W. SCHULER employed National Research Corporation, Cambridge, Mass., from 1949 to 1952, at which time SCHULER resigned to take a trip to Far East. Former associate of SCHULER, Cambridge, Mass., stated that SCHULER upon his return from Far East also travelled to Europe and married Swiss girl. SCHULER presently employed Corning Glass Corporation, Corning, New York.

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ICC-RAB, State, CIA, G-2  
per [signature]

At Boston, Mass.

T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past and who can produce information in court only on the issuance of a proper subpoena, advised on September 23, 1955, that on August 20, 1955, BRUCE DAYTON called from Boston, Mass., telephone number Belmont 5-6833 to the Victor K. D. Ross cottage on Taughannock Boulevard, Ithaca, New York, where LOUISE SARANT, Subject's wife, was residing.

**MYS ALFRED EPAMINONDAS SARANT**

The records of the Listing Service of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, Boston, Mass., as furnished to SA EDWARD J. DUNN, Jr., on October 7, 1955, reflected that telephone number Belmont 5-6833 was listed to LEONARD

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J. EYGES, 44 Spinney Terrace, Belmont (Boston), Massachusetts.

~~Mr. JAMES~~ LEONARD JAMES EYGES

LEONARD EYGES

In the course of an applicant type investigation in 1949 the following background information was set forth by LEONARD JAMES EYGES: He was born October 30, 1920, at Chelsea, Mass., and was educated at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1938-1942, B.S. Degree awarded; Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, 1942-1943, M.S. Degree awarded and Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, 1946-1948, Ph.D. Degree awarded. In 1946 EYGES resided at 218 Utica St., Ithaca, New York. In 1948 and 1949 he resided at 111 Gough Rd., Birmingham, England. He was employed in Radar Research, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass., 1943-1946 and in Physics Research, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, 1946-1948. His wife was listed as GRTRUDE HELEN EYGES, age 28 in 1949. He listed the following individuals as references:

MRS. FEMALE KRISLER, 218 Utica St., Ithaca, New York, known two years;

Professor PHILIP MORRISON, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, known two years;

Professor HANS BETHE, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, known two years.

It is noted that Professor PHILIP MORRISON at the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee Hearings at the U.S. Court House, Boston, Mass., held May 7 and 8, 1953, stated he had become a Communist Party member at Buffalo, New York, at the age of 21 and further pointed out under questioning that he had had a long record of participation in the American Peace Crusade.

The American Peace Crusade has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

By letter dated October 31, 1955, First District, Office of Special Investigations, Westover Air Force Base, Massachusetts, provided the following additional information pertaining to [REDACTED]

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Employed as a Fellow, U.S. Atomic Energy Commission, University of Birmingham, under the supervision of Professor R. E. PEIERES, Birmingham, England, July 1948 to September 1949; employed as Physicist, University of California Radiation Laboratory, Berkeley, California, under the supervision of Professor R. SERBER, September 1949 to February 1952; employed as Science Attache, U.S. Embassy, Paris, France, under the American Ambassador, February 1952 to September 1953; Instructor, M.I.T.

Cambridge, Mass., September 1953 to April 1955; Staff Member, Lincoln Laboratory, Lexington, Mass., M.I.T., April 1955 to the present. U

It is noted that the Lincoln Laboratory is a key facility. U



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T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in 1954 that LEONARD EYGES arrived at the U.S. Embassy, Paris, France, as Science Attache on February 18, 1952. While in Paris EYGES resided at 7 Square, Port Royal. U

T-2, supra, also provided information in 1954 to the effect that LEONARD EYGES had departed Paris, France, for the United States in approximately September 1953. He was expected to teach Physics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass. T-3 stated that LEONARD EYGES was well acquainted with LYDIA CASSIN and that CASSIN and MRS. EYGES were very close friends in Paris. T-3 stated that CASSIN made it a point to meet all prominent scientists in France and those visiting France and to entertain them. U

BORN 12-12-1894

FREDERIC WILLIAM SCHULER

Frederic W. Schuler

T-1 provided information in August 1955 that a call had been placed from the residence of the Subject's wife, LOUISE SARANT, Ithaca, New York, to FREDERICK SCHILLER, 2634 Park Place, Madison, Wisconsin, telephone Cedar 3-5746 on June 9, 1955. The Madison, Wisconsin City Directory did not contain any information pertaining to FREDERICK SCHILLER. The current Madison Directory did not list any FREDERICK SCHILLER but did list FREDERICK SCHULER as a resident at 2634 Park Place with telephone number Cedar 3-571U

Files of the Registrar's Office at the University of Wisconsin, made available by Mrs. HELEN KIBBELSON on August 30, 1955, and September 16, 1955, to SA ALEXANDER D. WANSON, indicated that FREDERICK WILLIAM SCHULER, born December 12, 1894, at Monticello, Wisconsin, was the father of one FREDERICK WILLIAM SCHULER, born April 2, 1923, at Monroc, Wisconsin. U

Records of this University list the younger FREDERICK WILLIAM SCHULER as also residing at 2634 Park Place, Madison, Wisconsin, and as having received a Ph.D. in Chemistry and Mathematics at the University of Wisconsin, on January 28, 1950. U

During an Applicant type investigation in 1950, FREDERIC WILLIAM SCHULER furnished the following background information: He was born April 2, 1923, at Monroe, Wisconsin, and in 1950 was employed by the National Research Corporation, 70 Memorial Drive, Cambridge, Mass. His residence was listed as 54 Garfield St., Cambridge, Mass. U

On October 17, 1955, MRS. EMILY MC CONNELL, Personnel, National Research Corporation, 70 Memorial Drive, Cambridge, Mass., advised that FREDERIC SCHULER was employed as a Project Manager by this Corporation from November 21, 1949, to May 5, 1952, at which time he voluntarily resigned in order to take a trip abroad. MRS. MC CONNELL also stated that SCHULER during his employment resided at 100 Memorial Drive, Cambridge, Mass., from 1950 to 1952. She explained that SCHULER had been cleared through the Atomic Energy Commission and had access to information through the secret classification. MRS. MC CONNELL also stated that it was her recollection that SCHULER was a bachelor at the time of his employment with the National Research Corporation and voluntarily terminated his employment with this Corporation in order that he might take a trip to the Far East. It was her conjecture that SCHULER's specific destination at this time was Japan. She recalled that she had heard upon his return SCHULER had married a girl whose identity was unknown to her but whom she believed to be of foreign extraction. U

Mr. STANLEY HECK, Assistant Secretary, National Research Corporation, advised on October 17, 1955, that FREDERIC SCHULER was employed as a Project Manager by this Corporation and was engaged in unclassified work relating to methods of processing titanium. HECK stated that although SCHULER had received a secret clearance, he was not at that time engaged in secret or classified research. He recalled SCHULER as a bachelor who resided in the apartment house located at 100 Memorial Drive which is adjacent to the National Research Corporation offices at 70 Memorial Drive. He said that SCHULER was a bachelor and terminated his employment in 1952 with the Corporation in order that he might take a trip to Japan. HECK stated that it was his opinion that this was a whim of SCHULER's, who had evidently decided to travel before he married and settled down. HECK learned also that upon his return from Japan SCHULER then took a trip to Europe where, according to HECK's recollection, he either married a Swiss girl in Europe or returned with her to the United States and was married. HECK stated that he has not had any contact with SCHULER since SCHULER terminated his employment with the National Research Corporation. HECK stated that at this time SCHULER is employed by the Corning Glass Corporation in Corning, New York. He stated that he had no further information pertaining to SCHULER. U

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On October 18, 1955, Mr. CHARLES MARSH, Manager of the apartment house at 100 Memorial Drive, advised that he had no record for FREDERIC WILLIAM SCHULER's tenancy in this apartment house. Mr. MARSH stated that it was possible for SCHULER to room with a tenant of this apartment during the stated period 1950-1952 and if such an arrangement was used by SCHULER, no record of his residence would be maintained by the Office of the Management.

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ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Background information set forth in instant report pertaining to LEONARD EYGES was obtained from Bureau letter to Boston dated 6/28/49, captioned, "LEONARD JAMES EYGES, AEA-A." Background information pertaining to FREDERIC WILLIAM SCHULER was obtained from Bureau letter to Milwaukee dated January 9, 1950, captioned, "FREDERIC WILLIAM SCHULER, AEA-A." It is noted that Professor HANS BETHE listed by EYGES as a reference was the Subject of the case captioned, "HANS ALBRECHT BETHE, ESPIONAGE - R," Albany Office of Origin. U

LEONARD JAMES EYGES is presently the Subject of a pending Internal Security - R case in the Boston Office, the basis of which is his association with LYDIA CASSIN in Paris, France. It is noted that EYGES in connection with duties as Science Attache at the U.S. Embassy, Paris, France, could have associated with CASSIN as part of his official duties. U

For the information of the Buffalo Office, the Bureau has directed that the Boston Office immediately determine the present whereabouts of FREDERIC SCHULER and obtain complete details of his background and activities, with particular emphasis from the year 1950 to date. The Bureau instructed that this should include SCHULER's present marital status, any trips he had taken or contacts he may have had with persons in Ithaca, New York. This investigation should be given prompt and expeditious investigation in view of SCHULER's background and the possibility of his having been contacted by the wife of a known espionage agent, i.e., LOUISE SARANT. U

The Lincoln Laboratory, Lexington, Mass., is a Key Facility, with geographic reference 20626 under responsibility of USAF with USAF and U.S. Army as contributors. U

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T-1 is DONALD KEEFE, Manager, Office, New York Telephone (nature of source)	Toll records, telephones 3-1665, 2650 and 8488, all issued to VICTOR K. D. ROSS and accessible to LOUISE SARANT	9/23/55	PETER F. MAXSON	Ins



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T-2 is DR. HOWARD ROBINSON, Special Assistant to the Embassy, U.S. Ambassador, Paris, France in the report of SA WILLIAM T. BROOKING, Jr., dated 10/6/54, at Paris, France, captioned Dr. JEFFRIES LYMAN; YVONNE LA TOUR, ESPIONAGE - R." U

LEADSTHE BUFFALO DIVISIONAt Corning, New York

*C per 777.* Will determine the present employment, residence and marital status of FREDERIC SCHULER, it being noted that SCHULER reportedly is employed by the Corning Glass Corporation. U

*C per 777.* Will through established sources ascertain whether SCHULER has any contact with persons in Ithaca, New York, with particular emphasis on Subject's wife, LOUISE SARANT residing at the VICTOR K. D. ROSS residence, Taughanock Boulevard, Ithaca, New York. U

THE WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

*C per 776* Will at Passport Division of U.S. State Department obtain all background information pertaining to FREDERIC WILLIAM SCHULER, born 4/2/23, at Monroe, Wisconsin, including his marital status and the dates he reportedly visited Japan and Europe. U *per 765*

## REFERENCES:

Report of SA PETER F. MAXSON dated 9/23/55, at Albany, New York; report of SA ALEXANDER D. HANSON dated 9/20/55, at Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and Bulet to Boston dated 10/11/55. *per 765* U

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT *ABA*

FROM : V. P. KEAY *VPK*

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL, aka  
William Mutterperl  
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DATE: June 8, 1951

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Re memorandum addressed to you by Mr. Hennrich on May 19, 1951, which recommended that the Bureau's liaison representative inquire at the Department of the Air Force in order to locate a communication which may have been directed in July or August, 1944; to various aircraft companies in the United States, setting forth specifications for a new jet fighter plane and soliciting competitive bids for the production of this plane, as a result of which solicitation of bids the P-80 jet fighter plane was produced.

This matter was discussed with Lieutenant Colonel David Roberts of OSI Headquarters, who advised that, after making appropriate inquiries, bids for the P-80 jet fighter planes were not solicited in the manner described in referenced memorandum. Colonel Roberts advised that officials at the Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, have advised that they have the records of various plans and methods of solicitation of bids during the pertinent period concerning the various planes developed. Colonel Roberts further stated that the Air Materiel Command have advised that they will be glad to take information the Bureau has and endeavor to determine just which plane was involved. Colonel Roberts stated, however, that, due to the volume of the material to be reviewed, it would be more feasible for the Bureau's representatives in Ohio to contact the Air Materiel Command Headquarters at Dayton directly in this matter.

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the foregoing suggestions of Colonel Roberts, it is recommended that this matter be taken up through the Cincinnati Office with the Air Materiel Command.

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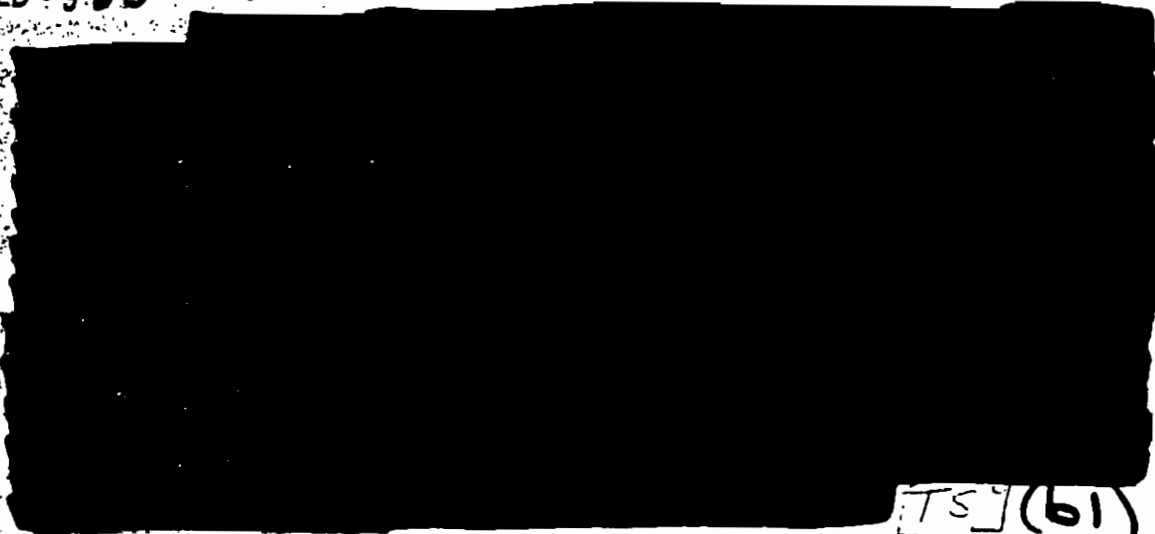
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Through an appropriate inquiry made at NACA it was learned that the specifications or details relative to this jet fighter undoubtedly referred to the P-80 jet fighter planes. It was suggested that the afore-mentioned circularization to various aircraft firms in the United States concerning the production of this jet fighter may have referred to the invitations or solicitations for competitive bids which were distributed as a result of which invitations the P-80 was subsequently produced. An inquiry of Lieutenant David Roberts of OSI developed that the bids for the P-80 jet fighter planes were not solicited in the manner previously described. He pointed out that the officials at the Air Materiel Command, Wright - Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, maintained all of the records concerning the various plans and methods of solicitation of bids during the pertinent period concerning the various planes developed. Colonel Roberts therefore suggested that a direct inquiry be made at the Air Materiel Command Headquarters in Dayton, Ohio, for full information concerning this matter.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR  
HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
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8 FEB 1951

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover  
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
- Washington 25, D. C.

attn: Mr. E. S. Sanders, Liaison Agent

Re: BENJAMIN (NMI) ZUCKERMAN  
COMMUNIST MATTERS

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated 26 January 1951, addressed to Major General A. R. Bolling, Ass't Chief of Staff, G-2, Department of the Army, Subject: [REDACTED] a carbon copy of referenced letter was forwarded to Major General Joseph F. Carroll, Director of Special Investigations, this Headquarters.

On page 11 of aforementioned communication reference is made to BENJAMIN ZUCKERMAN, an Air Force civilian employee stationed at Watson Laboratory, Red Bank, New Jersey. ZUCKERMAN is reported to have given the name of Martin Sobell as a reference and to have been contacted by Sobell.

On 12 January 1951 a letter from the 2nd District Office of Special Investigations was forwarded to your New York Field Office transmitting reports of investigation concerning SUBJECT. This letter referred subject case to the New York Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation for further development under the provisions of E.O. 9835.

As no notation has been received by this Headquarters that the Bureau has opened a full field investigation, you are hereby requested to initiate a full field Loyalty of Federal Employees investigation of the above captioned subject.

Further reference is made to the last paragraph of your 26 January 1951 letter identified in paragraph one above. This Headquarters has no additional information regarding individuals mentioned in your letter other than reports furnished your office and FBI reports concerning [REDACTED] aka [REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

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WILLIAM M. TURNER

Colonel, U. S. Air Force  
Executive, Dir. of Special Inves  
The Inspector General

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI.

DATE: March 12, 1951

FROM : SAC, ALBANY

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN ZUCKERMAN  
 aka "Ben", "Zuck"  
 Radio Engineer  
 Watson Laboratories  
 Red Bank, New Jersey  
 LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

Rebulet February 3, 1951.

Persomel File, Griffiss Air Force Base, Rome, New York, reflects employee transferred there February 11, 1951, as Supervising Electronic Scientist, though still physically located at Red Bank Installation.

ZUCKERMAN, born September 28, 1917, New York City, New York; attended City College, New York City, September, 1934 to June, 1938, B.E.E. degree. Employed November 3, 1938 to September, 1940, Machine Design of Anti Aircraft Equipment under Mr. YOUNG, Bureau of Ordnance, Navy Department, Washington, D. C., and resided 705 Nineteenth Street South, Arlington, Virginia. Previously resided 1923 to November, 1938, and September, 1940 to March, 1942 at 1509 East 172nd Street, Bronx, New York. Employed September 21, 1940 to August 16, 1943, War Department, Newark Signal Corps Inspection, 309 Washington Street, Newark, New Jersey. Supervisor as of May 24, 1943, JOSEPH N. BENJAMIN, First Lieutenant, Signal Corps.

It is to be noted that from March, 1942 to August, 1943, ZUCKERMAN was on assignment and resided 437 Prince Albert Street, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, and during part of this period from January, 1942 to October 5, 1942, ZUCKERMAN was assigned out of Philadelphia Signal Depot Procurement District, Signal Service at Large, as junior electrical engineer and assistant engineer inspection, radio equipment, Philadelphia Signal Corps Depot, 5000 Wissahickon Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and as of June 17, 1942, ZUCKERMAN worked under A. M. EPSTEIN, Head of the Radio Section.

It is further to be noted that while ZUCKERMAN was employed out of the Newark Signal Corps Inspection Zone, 309 Washington Street, Newark, New Jersey, from September 21, 1940 to August 16, 1943, he was actually physically employed from September 23, 1940 to January 1, 1942 as junior engineer (Inspection Section) New York

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cc: Newark  
 New York  
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DIRECTOR, FBI  
March 12, 1951

RE: BENJAMIN ZUCKERMAN  
aka "Ben", "Zuck"  
Radio Engineer  
Watson Laboratories  
Red Bank, New Jersey  
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Signal Corps Procurement District, First Avenue, 58th Street, Brooklyn, New York. As of August 5, 1941, Lieutenant Colonel G. L. THOMPSON, New York Signal Corps (Inspection Section) was ZUCKERMAN's superior officer.

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TITLE <b>BENJAMIN ZUCKERMAN aka, "Ben", "Zuck" Radio Engineer Watson Laboratories Red Bank, New Jersey</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Employee, while working for Signal Corps at General Electric plant, Syracuse, New York, roomed with Mr. and Mrs. R. N. GILLMOR, who regard him favorably. Well regarded by GE employees. No record at Syracuse Credit Bureau or Syracuse Police Department. ZUCKERMAN resided 437 Prince Albert Street, Montreal, Canada, March, 1941 to August, 1943, while employed as Army Inspector at RCA Victor, Montreal. Neighbors state quiet and of good character. No derogatory information regarding loyalty. No arrest record or credit record, Montreal, Canada. Records, Griffiss Air Force Base, Rome, New York, reflects ZUCKERMAN was transferred there on February 11, 1951, as Supervising Electronic Scientist. Inquiry at GAEB disclosed that ZUCKERMAN is still working at Red Bank, New Jersey. Additional background information from ZUCKERMAN's Personnel File set out.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS**

Basis that C.I. Washington T-1 requested investigation by reason of ZUCKERMAN being refused Signal Corps job and his stating he had been investigated by FBI. Acquaintance and association with MORTON SOBEL, convicted on 3/29/51, of conspiracy to commit espionage, set out. Resided at Washington, D. C. with SOBELL, and with WILLIAM DANZIGER and MAX ELITCHER, described by informants as Communist Party members. Reference AARON NOVIKOFF, was member of CPA, 1944, 1945. Investigation at residence in Bronx, NY, at City College, from which he graduated in 1938, and of employment by Signal Corps at Brooklyn, New York, reflected nothing unfavorable. No credit or criminal record, NYC. No record BSSI. Unknown to general Communist informants. Born 9/28/17, Bronx, NY. Nothing unfavorable in records of Board of Elections.

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T-3 advised that he had been appointed to a position at the Navy Department's Bureau of Ordnance, at Washington, D. C., at the same time as the employee, and that he had resided with the employee and several other men who worked at the Bureau of Ordnance, in a house at 1316 Delafield Place, Washington, D. C., from about the end of 1938 until about February, 1939, and these men were STANLEY RICH, MAX ELITCHER, EDWARD HILLMAN, WILLIAM DANZIGER, and another individual whose name T-3 did not recall, who did not work at the Bureau of Ordnance.

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T-3 related that SOBELL took him out to NOVIKOFF's store in the early summer of 1949, and that he had thereafter made occasional purchases there. T-3 said he recalled that on some of his visits to make a purchase, NOVIKOFF mentioned to him that the employee, ZUCKERMAN, had been in his store, and had tried to call SOBELL on the telephone, but was unable to reach him. T-3 said that he remembers that once when he visited NOVIKOFF's store with his wife, at about the end of the summer of 1949, he met ZUCKERMAN at the store.

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T-3 advised that ZUCKERMAN appeared to him to be a man of independent thought, and that he had not noted anything during his residence with ZUCKERMAN which might be considered unfavorable to his loyalty, nor did ZUCKERMAN, to his knowledge, have any special association or connection with MORTON SOBELL in Washington.

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T-4 said that she has been acquainted with MORTON SOBELL for some years, and recalled SOBELL speaking of ZUCKERMAN, and telling her things about ZUCKERMAN's home, his wife, and children, although she did not recall the details thereof. She also recalled that SOBELL told her he had stayed overnight at ZUCKERMAN's home on at least one occasion, and possibly more, although she had no specific recollection of his mentioning more than one such instance.

T-4 said that she recalled SOBELL mentioning to her that he wanted to take the ZUCKERMANs some kind of a household gift, such as an iron, because he felt indebted to them for their hospitality.

T-4 said that on one occasion the employee had telephoned her home, and spoke to her, telling her he was anxious to secure SOBELL's telephone number, which she gave to him. ZUCKERMAN, she said, explained to her that he had called a person named MORTON S. SOBELL in Flushing and had spoken to this person's wife for sometime before he realized that he had the wrong SOBELL.

T-4 stated that other than the above, she had no personal acquaintance with ZUCKERMAN, and was unable to make any comment in regard to his loyalty to the United States.

#### EDUCATION

College of the City of New York  
139th Street and Convent Avenue,  
New York, New York

Miss MARY AGELIN, Registrar's Clerk, made available her records on the employee, which reflected that he had entered the college in September, 1934, and graduated with a degree of Bachelor of Electrical Engineering in June, 1938. These records reflected nothing of an unfavorable nature.

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relating to the employee's loyalty. Miss ASELM said that she was not personally acquainted with him.

Miss DOROTHY E. WELLS, Assistant Dean, Office of Student Activities, said that she had no record or recollection of the employee.

Miss SADIE SILVERSTEIN, Secretary, Department of Electrical Engineering, said that she had no recollection of the employee.

Professor HAROLD WOLF, Head, Department of Electrical Engineering, and Professors ABRAHAM ABRAMOVITZ and HENRY B. HANSTEEN, of the same Department, all said that they could not recollect ZUCKERMAN.

Mr. INGVAR JENSEN, 137-24 173rd Street, Queens, New York, an employee of the H. K. Ferguson Company, Engineers, 17 Rector Street, New York City, said that he had attended high school and the College of the City of New York as a classmate of the employee, and had been fairly well acquainted with him. Mr. JENSEN said that nothing of an unfavorable nature regarding the employee's loyalty had come to his attention during their school years, nor at any later date.

Mr. ELLIOT GRUENBERG, 20 Bethune Street, New York City, Electrical Engineer, said that he had known the employee at the College of the City of New York, and had also worked with him for a few months at the Brooklyn Army Base Signal Corps Installation at Brooklyn, New York, in late 1940 or early 1941. Mr. GRUENBERG said that he had never observed anything unfavorable to the employee's loyalty.

Mr. JACK KRITZ, 196-05 A 65th Crescent, Flushing, Long Island, New York, said that he had been at the College of the City of New York in the class of 1939, one year behind ZUCKERMAN, and knew ZUCKERMAN quite well at the college. Mr. KRITZ also stated that he had worked with the employee at the Signal Corps Inspection installation at the Brooklyn Army Base, in 1940 or 1941, and had worked with him later in the Signal Corps establishments at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and Newark, New Jersey. Mr. KRITZ asserted that the employee is a fine, loyal person. He added "If there is anything wrong with BEN, it would really shake my faith."

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EMPLOYMENT

Signal Corps Inspection Agency,  
War Department  
Brooklyn Army Base  
58th Street and First Avenue,  
Brooklyn, New York

Employee's Loyalty Form, dated December 15, 1950, reflects that he worked for the Inspection Agency at Brooklyn, New York; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Newark, New Jersey, from November, 1940 to September, 1945.

Mr. ELLIOT GRUENBERG, a classmate of employee, advised that he had worked at the above installation with the employee; that it was in existence in Brooklyn only until about the end of 1940 or the first months of 1941, when the installation was transferred in toto, to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and all personnel went with it to Philadelphia.

The above information was confirmed by Mr. JACK KRITZ, also a schoolmate of employee, who had worked at this installation in Brooklyn.

Further interview with Mr. GRUENBERG and Mr. KRITZ is set out above in this report under the heading "Education."

Mrs. MARGARET DALY, Chief of Office Services, Civilian Personnel Branch, Brooklyn Army Base, advised that she had no record or recollection of the employee.

Major HOWARD J. CARPENTER, Executive Officer, Port Signal Division, Brooklyn Army Base, said that he has been in his present position since 1942; that no Signal Corps Inspection Agency has been stationed at the Base during that time, and that he does not know the employee.

Colonel MARSHALL D. BARR, Commanding Officer, Port Signal Division, said that the Signal Corps Inspection agency which was formerly at this station was moved to Philadelphia in the early 1940's. He said he did not know the employee.

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Mr. ALEX GALLO, Supervisor, Communication Center, Port Signal Division, said he had been employed on this base since 1940, but did not know the employee.

Mr. CHARLES FINK, foreman, Repair Shop, Port Signal Division, stated that he has worked on the base since prior to the fall of 1941, but did not remember the employee.

#### RESIDENCE

1509 East 172nd Street,  
Bronx, New York

Mr. FRANK JACKOBELLIS, 1509 East 172nd Street, owner of the premises at this address, said that he has known the employee for twenty years, and that he is a good American. Mr. JACKOBELLIS said that "I can personally guarantee he is loyal."

Mrs. ANNA MAFFEI, 1509 East 172nd Street, said that she has known the employee, ZUCKERMAN, for many years, and that he is a "very good boy" and a loyal citizen.

Mr. NATHAN SKULNIK, 1507 East 172nd Street, said that he has known the employee for a long time, and described him as "a fine boy." Mr. SKULNIK said he was certain the employee is loyal to the United States.

Mrs. JENNIE S. SKULNIK, 1507 East 172nd Street, said that she knew the employee, although they were not close friends, and that nothing of an unfavorable nature relating to his loyalty had come to her attention.

#### REFERENCE

Mr. HENRY I. HELLMAN, 120-56 233rd Street, Queens, New York, an electrical checker at the Lummas Company, 385 Madison Avenue, New York, New York, said that he had been a neighbor of the employee during their school days, and had attended the College of the City of New York with him. Mr. HELLMAN stated that he and the employee were very good friends while in college, and had studied together every day. Due to this close acquaintance, he said, he was sure that the employee, when in college, had no connection with any disloyal group of any kind, and was a loyal citizen.

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Mr. HELLMAN said that he has only seen the employee about once a year since they left college, and has lost track of his activities since, so that he has no current information in regard to his loyalty.

MISCELLANEOUS

The records of the Department of Health, City of New York, for the County of Bronx, under Certificate Number 13096, reflect that BENJAMIN ZUCKERMAN was born September 28, 1917, at Bronx, New York, the son of JACOB ZUCKERMAN and ROSE PALLEY ZUCKERMAN, both born in Russia.

The files of the following agencies were checked during the course of this investigation and were found to contain no record of the employee:

Bureau of Special Services and Investigations,  
New York City Police Department;  
Bureau of Criminal Identification,  
New York City Police Department;  
Credit Bureau of Greater New York.

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BENJAMIN ZUCKERMAN	1509 East 172nd Street	1940	One of two major parties

The following confidential informants, of known reliability, who are familiar with general Communist Party activities in the New York City area, advised that they do not know the employee: Confidential Informants New York City T-5, T-6, T-7, T-8, T-9, T-10 and T-11.

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Department of Health - SE GEORGE W. MADISON  
Board of Elections - SE GEORGE W. MADISON

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A copy of this report is being furnished Newark as employee presently resides in that division.

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

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New York City T-12

G-2, Governors Island, New York  
contacted by SA JOHN DIXSON

New York City T-13

New York Port of Embarkation Field Office,  
108th C.I.C., Brooklyn Army Base  
contacted by reporting agent

New York City T-14

17th C.I.D., Detachment,  
Brooklyn Army Base,  
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RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

The files of Confidential Informant New York City T-1, were checked and found to contain no information of an unfavorable nature pertaining to the employee's loyalty in addition to that furnished by Washington T-1, as set forth above under "Basis for Investigation," except that in a personal history statement dated January 3, 1949, the employee set forth that he was at that time a member of the Consumers Union.

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ZUCKERMAN said that following this visit by SOBELL, he received an electric grill from him in appreciation of the above hospitality. He stated that this was the only present or gift he ever received from SOBELL.

ZUCKERMAN said that he next met SOBELL in about the summer of 1949, also a chance meeting in the Watson Laboratories cafeteria. He said they lunched together, and he asked SOBELL if he wanted to stay at his home again. SOBELL declined the invitation, ZUCKERMAN said.

ZUCKERMAN related that he told MORTON SOBELL about a hardware store in Flushing, New York, operated by AARON NOVIKOFF and asked him to patronize it, as NOVIKOFF was an old friend of ZUCKERMAN from the City College. ZUCKERMAN said he later saw SOBELL at Novikoff's store. (NOVIKOFF has been mentioned previously.)

ZUCKERMAN stated he also recalled meeting SOBELL in Schenectady, New York, in 1943 or 1944, when ZUCKERMAN went to the General Electric plant where SOBELL worked, on business for the Signal Corps, and he had visited SOBELL at his residence in Schenectady for about two hours.

In regard to WILLIAM DANZIGER, mentioned previously by ZUCKERMAN, ZUCKERMAN stated that he had not known him at the College of the City of New York and had met him for the first time in Washington. He said he did not like DANZIGER, but did not know what his political leanings were.

Confidential Informant New York City T-3, of known reliability, stated that WILLIAM DANZIGER had been a member of the Communist Party from approximately 1939 until the summer of 1948, and had been a member of the Communist cell in the Navy Department, Washington, D. C., during the time of his employment at the Bureau of Ordnance. The informant

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added that DANZIGER had always been a fairly close friend of MORTON SOBELL.

The same informant stated that MAX ELITCHER, also mentioned previously by ZUCKERMAN, had joined the Communist Party sometime in 1939, in Washington, D. C., and was active in Party activities until sometime in 1948.

It is noted that DANZIGER was investigated under the provisions of Executive Order #9835 while an employee of the Naval Ordnance Laboratory. His personnel file at the Naval Ordnance Laboratory reflects that he was discharged on September 16, 1949, under Public Law 808, 77th Congress.

Confidential Informant New York City T-3 related that he had known the employee while both were students at the College of the City of New York, but did not associate with him at the college, and knew of nothing bearing on his loyalty in any way in connection with his college activities.

T-3 advised that he had been appointed to a position at the Navy Department's Bureau of Ordnance, at Washington, D. C., at the same time as the employee, and that he had resided with the employee and several other men who worked at the Bureau of Ordnance, in a house at 1316 Delafield Place, Washington, D. C., from about the end of 1938 until about February, 1939, and these men were STANLEY RICH, MAX ELITCHER, EDWARD HILLMAN, WILLIAM DANZIGER, and another individual whose name T-3 did not recall, who did not work at the Bureau of Ordnance.

T-3 said that he did not see or hear of ZUCKERMAN from sometime in 1939, in Washington, until shortly after October, 1949, when MORTON SOBELL, mentioned previously, said to him that he had recently met ZUCKERMAN, and told T-3 where ZUCKERMAN was working and what he was doing, although T-3 said that he is unable to recall the specific details SOBELL mentioned.

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T-3 also recalled that SOBELL had mentioned on more than one occasion that he had seen ZUCKERMAN at his home, and had stayed overnight at his home.

T-3 said that at some later date which he cannot recall specifically, MORTON SOBELL had told him that one AARON NOVIKOFF was operating a hardware store in Flushing, New York, and that he, T-3, had met NOVIKOFF in Washington, but T-3 was unable to recall NOVIKOFF.

T-3 related that SOBELL took him out to NOVIKOFF's store in the early summer of 1949, and that he had thereafter made occasional purchases there. T-3 said he recalled that on some of his visits to make a purchase, NOVIKOFF mentioned to him that the employee, ZUCKERMAN, had been in his store, and had tried to call SOBELL on the telephone, but was unable to reach him. T-3 said that he remembers that once when he visited NOVIKOFF's store with his wife, at about the end of the summer of 1949, he met ZUCKERMAN at the store.

T-3 said that he recalled one occasion, although he did not remember the date, when MORTON SOBELL mentioned to him something about getting a birthday gift for either the employee, ZUCKERMAN, or ZUCKERMAN's wife, since SOBELL had stayed at their home and wanted to repay them for their hospitality.

T-3 advised that ZUCKERMAN appeared to him to be a man of independent thought, and that he had not noted anything during his residence with ZUCKERMAN which might be considered unfavorable to his loyalty, nor did ZUCKERMAN, to his knowledge, have any special association or connection with MORTON SOBELL in Washington.

Confidential Informant New York City T-4, of known reliability, advised that she had first met the employee during 1949 at the hardware store of AARON NOVIKOFF in Flushing, New York.

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T-4 said that she has been acquainted with NORTON SOBELL for some years, and recalled SOBELL speaking of ZUCKERMAN, and telling her things about ZUCKERMAN's home, his wife, and children, although she did not recall the details thereof. She also recalled that SOBELL told her he had stayed overnight at ZUCKERMAN's home on at least one occasion, and possibly more, although she had no specific recollection of his mentioning more than one such instance.

T-4 said that she recalled SOBELL mentioning to her that he wanted to take the ZUCKERMANs some kind of a household gift, such as an iron, because he felt indebted to them for their hospitality.

T-4 said that on one occasion the employee had telephoned her home, and spoke to her, telling her he was anxious to secure SOBELL's telephone number, which she gave to him. ZUCKERMAN, she said, explained to her that he had called a person named MORTON S. SOBELL in Flushing and had spoken to this person's wife for sometime before he realized that he had the wrong SOBELL.

T-4 stated that other than the above, she had no personal acquaintance with ZUCKERMAN, and was unable to make any comment in regard to his loyalty to the United States.

#### EDUCATION

College of the City of New York  
139th Street and Convent Avenue,  
New York, New York

Miss MARY ASELIN, Registrar's Clerk, made available her records on the employee, which reflected that he had entered the college in September, 1934, and graduated with a degree of Bachelor of Electrical Engineering in June, 1938. These records reflected nothing of an unfavorable nature.

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relating to the employee's loyalty. Miss ASELIN said that she was not personally acquainted with him.

Miss DOROTHY E. WELLS, Assistant Dean, Office of Student Activities, said that she had not record or recollection of the employee.

Miss SADIE SILVERSTEIN, Secretary, Department of Electrical Engineering, said that she had no recollection of the employee.

Professor HAROLD WOLF, Head, Department of Electrical Engineering, and Professors ABRAHAM ABRAMOVITZ and HENRY H. HANSTEEN, of the same Department, all said that they could not recollect ZUCKERMAN.

Mr. INGVAR JENSEN, 137-24 173rd Street, Queens, New York, an employee of the H. K. Ferguson Company, Engineers, 17 Rector Street, New York City, said that he had attended high school and the College of the City of New York as a classmate of the employee, and had been fairly well acquainted with him. Mr. JENSEN said that nothing of an unfavorable nature regarding the employee's loyalty had come to his attention during their school years, nor at any later date.

Mr. ELLIOT GRUENBERG, 20 Bethune Street, New York City, Electrical Engineer, said that he had known the employee at the College of the City of New York, and had also worked with him for a few months at the Brooklyn Army Base Signal Corps Installation at Brooklyn, New York, in late 1940 or early 1941. Mr. GRUENBERG said that he had never observed anything unfavorable to the employee's loyalty.

Mr. JACK KRITZ, 196-05 A 65th Crescent, Flushing, Long Island, New York, said that he had been at the College of the City of New York in the class of 1939, one year behind ZUCKERMAN, and knew ZUCKERMAN quite well at the college. Mr. KRITZ also stated that he had worked with the employee at the Signal Corps Inspection installation at the Brooklyn Army Base, in 1940 or 1941, and had worked with him later in the Signal Corps establishments at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and Newark, New Jersey. Mr. KRITZ asserted that the employee is a fine, loyal person. He added "If there is anything wrong with BEN, it would really shake my faith."

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**EMPLOYMENT**

Signal Corps Inspection Agency,  
War Department  
Brooklyn Army Base  
58th Street and First Avenue,  
Brooklyn, New York

Employee's Loyalty Form, dated December 15, 1950, reflects that he worked for the Inspection Agency at Brooklyn, New York; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Newark, New Jersey, from November, 1940 to September, 1945.

Mr. ELLIOT GRUENBERG, a classmate of employee, advised that he had worked at the above installation with the employee; that it was in existence in Brooklyn only until about the end of 1940 or the first months of 1941, when the installation was transferred in toto, to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and all personnel went with it to Philadelphia.

The above information was confirmed by Mr. JACK KRITZ, also a schoolmate of employee, who had worked at this installation in Brooklyn.

Further interview with Mr. GRUENBERG and Mr. KRITZ is set out above in this report under the heading "Education."

Mrs. MARGARET DALY, Chief of Office Services, Civilian Personnel Branch, Brooklyn Army Base, advised that she had no record or recollection of the employee.

Major HOWARD J. CARPENTER, Executive Officer, Port Signal Division, Brooklyn Army Base, said that he has been in his present position since 1942; that no Signal Corps Inspection Agency has been stationed at the Base during that time, and that he does not know the employee.

Colonel MARSHALL D. BARR, Commanding Officer, Port Signal Division, said that the Signal Corps Inspection Agency which was formerly at this station was moved to Philadelphia in the early 1940's. He said he did not know the employee.



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Mr. ALEX GALLO, Supervisor, Communication Center, Fort Signal Division, said he had been employed on this base since 1940, but did not know the employee.

Mr. CHARLES FINK, foreman, Repair Shop, Fort Signal Division, stated that he has worked on the base since prior to the fall of 1941, but did not remember the employee.

**RESIDENCE**

1509 East 172nd Street,  
Bronx, New York

Mr. FRANK JACKOBELLIS, 1509 East 172nd Street, owner of the premises at this address, said that he has known the employee for twenty years, and that he is a good American. Mr. JACKOBELLIS said that "I can personally guarantee he is loyal."

Mrs. ANNA MAFFEI, 1509 East 172nd Street, said that she has known the employee, ZUCKERMAN, for many years, and that he is a "very good boy" and a loyal citizen.

Mr. NATHAN SKULNIK, 1507 East 172nd Street, said that he has known the employee for a long time, and described him as "a fine boy." Mr. SKULNIK said he was certain the employee is loyal to the United States.

Mrs. JENNIE S. SKULNIK, 1507 East 172nd Street, said that she knew the employee, although they were not close friends, and that nothing of an unfavorable nature relating to his loyalty had come to her attention.

**REFERENCE,**

Mr. HENRY I. HELLMAN, 120-56 233rd Street, Queens, New York, an electrical checker at the Luxmas Company, 365 Madison Avenue, New York, New York, said that he had been a neighbor of the employee during their school days, and had attended the College of the City of New York with him. Mr. HELLMAN stated that he and the employee were very good friends while in college, and had studied together every day. Due to this close acquaintance, he said, he was sure that the employee, when in college, had no connection with any disloyal group of any kind, and was a loyal citizen.

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Mr. HELLMAN said that he has only seen the employee about once a year since they left college, and has lost track of his activities since, so that he has no current information in regard to his loyalty.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

The records of the Department of Health, City of New York, for the County of Bronx, under Certificate Number 13096, reflect that BENJAMIN ZUCKERMAN was born September 28, 1917, at Bronx, New York, the son of JACOB ZUCKERMAN and ROSE PALLEY ZUCKERMAN, both born in Russia.

The files of the following agencies were checked during the course of this investigation and were found to contain no record of the employee:

Bureau of Special Services and Investigations,  
New York City Police Department;  
Bureau of Criminal Identification,  
New York City Police Department;  
Credit Bureau of Greater New York.

The records of the Board of Elections, City of New York, County of Bronx, were checked, and the following registration for the employee was found:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Party</u>
BENJAMIN ZUCKERMAN	1502 East 172nd Street	1940	One of two major parties

The following confidential informants, of known reliability, who are familiar with general Communist Party activities in the New York City area, advised that they do not know the employee: Confidential Informants New York City T-5, T-6, T-7, T-8, T-9, T-10 and T-11.

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The files of Confidential Informants New York City T-12, T-13 and T-14, other government agencies which conduct security and intelligence investigations, were checked and found to contain no record of the employee.



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 DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
 HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
 WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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

Received from OSI  
 Date 7/2/52  
 22 JUL 1952

ATTN: Mr. N. W. Philcox, Liaison Agent  
 RE: BENJAMIN ZUCKERMAN

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your file concerning BENJAMIN ZUCKERMAN, Radio Engineer, Watson Laboratories, Department of the Air Force, LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES.

Investigation of this case developed information to the effect that SUBJECT had been closely associated with MORTON SOBELL, WILLIAM DANZIGER and MAX ELITCHER, however, SUBJECT has stated that although he was acquainted with these individuals, he did not know of their Communist affiliations.

A hearing has been conducted in this case and final decision is presently pending with the General Counsel, Office of the Secretary of the Air Force, however, prior to making a finding, it would be appreciated if your office could interview SOBELL and ELITCHER for the purpose of determining to what extent they saw evidence of any Communist sympathy on the part of ZUCKERMAN during the period of their association with him and to what extent their own sympathies for Communism were revealed to him.

For your information, there is inclosed herewith one copy of the Security Hearing transcript in the ZUCKERMAN case. It is suggested that the transcript be returned to this office after it has served its purpose with your agency.

Sincerely,  
 Gilbert R. Levy

GILBERT R. LEVY  
 Chief, Counter Intelligence Division  
 Dir. of Special Investigations  
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ATTN: Mr. E. S. Sanders, Liaison Agent

RE: BENJAMIN ZUCKERMAN

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In light of this information, it is requested that appropriate inquiry be made to determine, if possible, the extent of association between ZUCKERMAN and JASIK from 1938 up to and including the present time.

Sincerely,

*Kenneth W. King*  
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A loyalty investigation was conducted by the Bureau concerning the captioned individual in 1951 and reports covering same were furnished to the Civil Service Commission by Bureau letter dated April 23, 1951. (u)

The Department of the Air Force has now advised in part as follows: (u)

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Your attention is invited to Bureau letter dated December 9, 1952, to New York, a copy of which was sent to the Newark Office, in the case entitled "Henry Jasik, aka, AF, LCE," Bureau file 121-40456, New York file 121-15557, Newark file 121-4542, which pertains to the Henry Jasik mentioned above by the Department of the Air Force. (u)

cc: Newark (121-2903)

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You should conduct the necessary supplemental investigation in the captioned case and submit a report for dissemination. In the event it is necessary for any other office to conduct an investigation concerning the captioned individual, you should immediately advise that office in order that this case may be handled as soon as possible. (u)

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (121-27371)

DATE: 2/3/53

FROM : SAC, New York (121-10594)

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An espionage investigation has recently been instituted on HENRY JASIK (NY-65-16165). MAX ELITCHER has advised that HENRY JASIK for many years was a friend of MORTON SOBELL, and that JASIK had married ESTHER GERSHON, an old girlfriend of SOBELL. ELITCHER advised that because of the close relationship between SOBELL and JASIK, he would have been a logical person to develop for espionage purposes.

One of the purposes of this investigation would be to develop the extent of association between JASIK and employees, including ZUCKERMAN, of various Signal Corps installations and laboratories.

Also, an Internal Security investigation has been started on CHARLES JASIK, brother of HENRY JASIK (105-5136). This investigation was initiated after SOLOMAN GREENBERG (NY 65-15999) had advised that about 1947, CHARLES JASIK arranged for him to meet ZORA PRESSMAN, 315 W. 57 St., NYC, a former employee of the Soviet Purchasing Commission, and niece of SERGE KOURNAKOFF, who has been identified as a Soviet agent.

In 1947, both GREENBERG and JASIK were engineers on a classified project at the Federal Telecommunications Laboratory, Nutley, N.J.

Files of OSI, Air Force, 2nd District NY, contain no information not previously reported, except that personal history form dated 1/3/49 reflected that ZUCKERMAN has a brother, HENRY ZUCKERMAN, who is residing at [REDACTED] and was married in 1946 to EDITH PEARLSON.

Report of investigation of SA JAMES BROOKS, OSI, dated 1/12/51, reflects that R.N. GILLMOR, [REDACTED] listed as a reference, was ZUCKERMAN's landlord from 1943 to 1945. OSI report of WILLIAM J. SWEENEY, dated 1/23/51 at Eooling Air Force Base, reflected that Mrs. ZELMA WILKINS, [REDACTED] advised that ZUCKERMAN rented a room in her home from approximately 1938 through 1940. The only associates she could recall were ROSE CAPLAN, a

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co-worker in the Navy Department, and AARON NOVKOFF, about whom information was set out in LGE report on ZUCKERMAN (SA ARTHUR V. HART, 4/9/51, NY).

Since open inquiry concerning the association between ZUCKERMAN and HENRY JASIK might be prejudicial to the espionage case on JASIK, investigation at NY is being limited to inquiry of MAX and HELEN ELITCHER, both of whom have previously furnished information concerning ZUCKERMAN and JASIK, but not as to the relationship between the two.

The loyalty forms of HENRY JASIK, dated 8/18/52, and ZUCKERMAN, dated 12/15/50, indicate that they have neither worked nor resided in the same locality, since both were in Washington, D.C. in 1940.

RUTH BARI, wife of ARTHUR BARI, was a roommate of ESTHER GERSHON, wife of HENRY JASIK, and should be in a position to furnish information concerning the association between ZUCKERMAN and JASIK.

EDWARD HILLMAN, 3404 Kaney Road, Baltimore, Md., who resided with ELITCHER, SOBELL and ZUCKERMAN for a short time at Washington, D.C. about 1938, might also be able to furnish information on this appointee. Unless some reason to the contrary arises, the Baltimore office should contact these individuals for any knowledge that they may have as to the extent of association between ZUCKERMAN and JASIK up to and including the present time.

The NY report will be delayed due to the temporary illness of SA VINCENT CAHILL, who customarily handles the ELITCHERS. Every effort will be made to surep by 2/5/53. A copy of this letter is being forwarded to the offices indicated for information and appropriate action.

Director, FBI (121-27371)

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Also, an Internal Security investigation has been started on CHARLES JASIK, brother of HENRY JASIK (105-5136). This investigation was initiated after SOLOMAN GREENBERG (NY 65-15999) had advised that about 1947, CHARLES JASIK arranged for him to meet ZORA PRESSMAN, 315 W. 57 St., NYC, a former employee of the Soviet Purchasing Commission, and niece of SERGE KOURNAKOFF, who has been identified as a Soviet agent.

In 1947, both GREENBERG and JASIK were engineers on a classified project at the Federal Telecommunications Laboratory, Nutley, N.J.

Files of OSI, Air Force, 2nd District NY, contain no information not previously reported, except that personal history form dated 1/3/49 reflected that ZUCKERMAN has a brother, HENRY ZUCKERMAN, who is residing at [REDACTED] and was married in 1946 to EDITH PEARLSON.

Report of investigation of SA JAMES BROOKS, OSI, dated 1/12/51, reflects that R.N. GILLMOR, [REDACTED] listed as a reference, was ZUCKERMAN's landlord from 1943 to 1945. OSI report of WILLIAM J. SWEENEY, dated 1/23/51 at Bolling Air Force Base, reflected that Mrs. ZEIMA WILKINS, [REDACTED], advised that ZUCKERMAN rented a room in her home from approximately 1938 through 1945. The only associates she could recall were ROSE CAPLAN, a

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co-worker in the Navy Department, and AARON NOVKOFF, about whom information was set out in LGE report on ZUCKERMAN (SA ARTHUR V. HART, 4/9/51, NY).

Since open inquiry concerning the association between ZUCKERMAN and HENRY JASIK might be prejudicial to the espionage case on JASIK, investigation at NY is being limited to inquiry of MAX and HELEN ELITCHER, both of whom have previously furnished information concerning ZUCKERMAN and JASIK, but not as to the relationship between the two.

The loyalty forms of HENRY JASIK, dated 8/18/52, and ZUCKERMAN, dated 12/15/50, indicate that they have neither worked nor resided in the same locality, since both were in Washington, D.C. in 1940.

RUTH BARI, wife of ARTHUR BARI, was a roommate of ESTHER GERSHON, wife of HENRY JASIK, and should be in a position to furnish information concerning the association between ZUCKERMAN and JASIK.

EDWARD HILLMAN, 3404 Kaney Road, Baltimore, Md., who resided with ELITCHER, SOBELL and ZUCKERMAN for a short time at Washington, D.C. about 1938, might also be able to furnish information on this appointee. Unless some reason to the contrary arises, the Baltimore office should contact these individuals for any knowledge that they may have as to the extent of association between ZUCKERMAN and JASIK up to and including the present time.

The NY report will be delayed due to the temporary illness of SA VINCENT CAHILL, who customarily handles the ELITCHERS. Every effort will be made to surep by 2/5/53. A copy of this letter is being forwarded to the offices indicated for information and appropriate action.



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 FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (65-1826)  
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DATE: 2-19-52

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Rerep SA FREDERICK C. BAUCKHAM dated 1-2-52 at New York.

It has been determined through Mr. I. W. ROHLFS, Technical Assistant, Air Provost Marshal's Office, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, that EDWARD BARLOW, WILLIAM GRAHAM, and JOHN WALLETT are presently stationed at the Electronics Division, Rand Corporation, 1500 Fourth Street, Santa Monica, California.

One copy of rerep is therefore being furnished the Los Angeles Office as an enclosure with this memo, for the information of that office in conducting interviews with the above mentioned individuals.

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CC: New York (65-15392)  
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In reply  
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ATTN: Mr. J. Daunt, Liaison Agent

RE: WILLIAM PERL, with alias  
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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of 15 June 1956 concerning our request that we be advised if Top Secret document dated 8 September 1952, captioned as above, may be downgraded.

We would like to know if it would be permissible to down-grade your letter of 8 September 1952 and the Top Secret inclosure thereto.

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Sincerely,

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Directorate of Special Investigations  
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*W.C. ...*  
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